



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From 01 01 2023 To 31 12 2023
Period end date

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

The Meads Community Centre Trust

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1160183

Charity's principal address

The Meads Community Centre

Emerald Crescent

Sittingbourne, Kent

Postcode

ME10 5JL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Graeme Lloyd	Chair		
2	Emma Borthwick-Hunter	Secretary		
3	Fiona Evans	Treasurer		
4	Jen Flower	Trustee		
5	Rebecca Falconer	Trustee		
6	Keely Magee	Trustee		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg trust deed constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg trust association company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg appointed by electors by)	Volunteers, official positions elected by Trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

For the first time ever, our income is below our costs. Our deficit for the year was £642.

The major risks continue to be continued high energy costs. As the Government support has reduced, electricity costs have represented an increase of 72% [£2817] from the previous year.

The Trusts' policies were reviewed and updated during the year.

There are no third-party relationships within the charity or its suppliers.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO are;

1. To build and run a thriving community building for the benefit of local residents in Sittingbourne and wider Swale to offer a range of services and experiences for users
2. To promote a greater awareness of issues related to the health and wellbeing of Swale residents
3. To encourage and enhance community cohesion and foster a sense of pride within the local area

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

4. To provide a wide range of learning opportunities for residents of all ages, promoting a culture of lifelong learning
5. To encourage more active citizenship and inspire a shared sense of collective responsibility for local, national and environmental issues
6. To inspire all generations to actively share their skills, resources, experiences and advice to support and educate each other

The Trust opened a new Community Centre in November 2015, and has been operationally and financially successful since opening.

The Trust operates the Community Centre on the Meads housing development of over 2000 dwellings housing a wide range of residents and the wider community of Sittingbourne, Kent.

In the early part of 2023 the Community Centre continues to be used by a wide range of groups including baby massage, toddler groups, coffee mornings, children's dance classes, indoor toddler football and a slimming club.

The Centre is available to hire privately for family celebrations and we offer preferential rates for local residents.

In addition to the hiring the out the Centre, the Trust supports fund raising and community cohesion events at key times in annual the calendar as well as quiz nights.

The Trust has been promoting health and wellbeing through attracting a variety of user groups including exercise groups, a slimming club, dance classes and yoga for all ages.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The Trust does not make grants.

The volunteering time is approximately 15 hours a week.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Trust continues to take pride in operating a successful and respected Community Centre.

Among our normal activities and new initiatives our Centre has been used as a local polling station giving access for the community to vote.

We continue to support and host worthy causes, providing use of the Centre free of charge to other charities and members of our community who are fundraising for other charities.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trust has built up its required level of reserves of £20,000. These will be used as a contingency for regular renewal of equipment. Any funds above this amount will be used to reinvest in improving the Centre.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

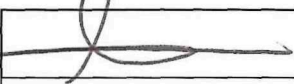

As previously highlighted the largest financial risk to the charity is related to high energy costs. A year on year increase of £2,817 has resulted in a deficit for the year of £642.

We will seek to investigate ways of generating our own electricity to help mitigate against this risk in the future.

Section F**Other optional information****Section G****Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Graeme Lloyd	Fiona Evans
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	28/5/24	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Meads Community Centre Trust

1160183

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/01/2023
1/1/23

To

31/12/2023
31/12/23

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Hire of Hall	12,590	-	-	12,590	12,489
Rent	7,200	-	-	7,200	6,600
Interest	515	-	-	515	61
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	20,305	-	-	20,305	19,150
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	20,305	-	-	20,305	19,150
A3 Payments					
Equipment	238	-	-	238	87
Utilities	6,694	-	-	6,694	3,877
Insurance	447	-	-	447	408
Professional fees	245	-	-	245	649
Repairs & maintenance	7,044	-	-	7,044	5,676
Cleaning	2,266	-	-	2,266	1,707
Gifts	79	-	-	79	116
Administration	3,934	-	-	3,934	3,500
Jubilee event	-	-	-	-	2,402
Charitable donation	-	-	-	-	200
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	54
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	20,947	-	-	20,947	18,676
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Purchase of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	656
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	656
Total payments	20,947	-	-	20,947	19,331
Net of receipts/(payments)	642	-	-	642	181
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	52,006	-	-	52,006	52,187
Cash funds this year end	51,364	-	-	51,364	52,006

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	8,207	-	-
	Deposit account	43,157	-	-
	Petty cash	-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	51,364	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

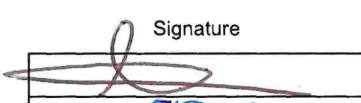

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Alarm system	Unrestricted	-	-
	PA system	Unrestricted	-	-
	Play equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Defibrillator	Unrestricted	-	-
	Chairs	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Graeme Lloyd	28/5/24
	Fiona Evans	24/5/24
	Rebecca Falconer	24-5-24