

## **LONG ASHTON YOUTH CLUB**

### **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021**

Registered charity number: 1160610

Charity's contact address: 90 Theynes Croft, Long Ashton, BS41 9NN

Chairman's address: 90 Theynes Croft, Long Ashton, BS41 9NN

#### **Trustees**

Philip Jackson (Chairman)  
Noel Toogood  
Ashley Cartman  
Suzannah Barnes  
Catherine Sellars (joined 24 June 2020)

#### **Governance**

The organisation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, foundation model constitution adopted 28 July 2014 and first registered with the Charity Commission on 23 February 2015.

Trustees are appointed by the existing trustees; and two are nominated by Long Ashton Parish Council.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

To help young people in Long Ashton and the surrounding area to fulfil their potential through:

- (a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life;
- (b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

The trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

#### **Achievements and performance**

The year has certainly been eventful with the pandemic and we made the decision to close just before lockdown occurred in late March 2020. During this period the youth club got used to new technology and has adapted to new ways of working.

For most of the year face to face open access youth provision has not been permitted, and during this time the youth club operated online. This was a new challenge, and it was good to see that the youth club came up with new ideas to engage with young people including sports, arts and crafts and cookery as well as continuing the street dance sessions. In addition arts and crafts packs were provided to young people as well as wellbeing packs.

On the financial side, the youth provision grant from LAPC is a core part of the funding needed to meet our budget. The PC continues to be supportive to provide for our young people who are the future for us. In return we will continue to need to meet their needs for providing value. These needs go beyond simply having a youth club into how the youth club plays its part in the wider community. It was a transition year with Noel handing over to Cait as Treasurer from April, however the handover was made more challenging by the lack of face to face meetings, and thanks for both in keeping the focus on the finances during the year. This was a challenging year financially without the means of fundraising as per recent years with no regular market and no annual

fundraising event. Fundraising was only possible at one village market. EPIC Youth were successful in getting the youth club as a local cause in Coop to support street dance together with a grant from Quartet to fund some additional sessions. Significantly the youth club were able successful in bidding for covid grants from North Somerset Council. Without the village market it was more difficult to maintain the dialogue with our 500 club members, and in particular to attract new members. Thanks to Kathy and Kim of EPIC Youth in chasing renewals throughout the year to keep the member subscriptions going.

The youth club continues to deliver on its mission to provide opportunity for our young people together with help and guidance on their often difficult road through adolescence to mature adults that play their role in society. This was especially true in this past difficult year in lockdown with wellbeing and mental health becoming ever more important in young people's lives. We all look forward to returning to the normality of open access youth provision together with the detached sessions.

### Financial review

The Parish Council has continued to make a substantial contribution without which the youth club could not survive and there has been good support for fundraising from the community. The relationship with the Parish Council remains vital as a key supporter. Fundraising remains essential to maintaining youth provision at the current level, and this was achieved through a number of events throughout the year.

We continue to address the reserves policy to build up our reserves. As part of this the Parish Council grant remained at £18,000 this year. As in previous years we continue to look for other sources of funding and have this year made further progress with funding secured with the help of EPIC Youth from sources of funding such as Quartet Community Foundation.

Reserves Policy: (24.10.17) The Trustees believe the balance held in the current account at last year end (31 March 2021) of £12,971 is now robust than it has been in recent years. The reserve would enable the Youth Club to operate for an interim period in the event of a significant drop in funding while alternative sources were investigated. This also provides cover for expenditure needed in exceptional circumstances such as:


- Unforeseen costs eg the breakdown of the laptop
- A temporary fall in attendance at the youth club
- A reduction or loss in grant or donation receipts
- A temporary project additional to the youth provider's SLA

There is a restricted fund which is money raised and set aside for the building of a Youth Centre which has been our aspiration for a number of years and remains our vision for the future. This fund has been invested in a Lloyds Bank account yielding a higher rate of interest than our current account and stood at £17,936.22 at the year end. The initial discussions with the Parish Council and Community Association were held some years ago to agree a site adjacent to the community centre and the terms for exclusive use. This has been put on hold during the uncertainty of switching to community funding but it remains our vision for the future.

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

Signatures P. Jackson  
Full names PHILIP JACKSON  
Position CHAIRMAN  
Date 23 / 06 / 21

  
CATHERINE SELLARS  
TREASURER  
23-06-21

LAYC Summary		01/04/20 - 31/03/2021
OPENING BANK BALANCE		£10,142.15
ACTUAL		
<b>INCOME</b>		<b>£</b>
Parish Council		£13,500.00
Donations		£0.00
Winners (500 Club) Donations		£254.40
Fundraising (Village Market)		£63.00
Subscriptions from Youth Club		£193.50
Subscriptions from 500 Club		£884.80
Street dance funding		£369.10
Quartet Community Grant		£1,000.00
North Somerset DC		£9,285.72
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>£25,550.52</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		<b>£</b>
Room Hire (LACA)		£713.68
EPIC Project Costs		£198.85
EPIC Youth (SLA)		£19,864.00
500 club administration		£320.00
Insurance		£0.00
Resources		£40.00
Network		£0.00
Street Dance		£1,584.98
Tesco Bags for Life		£0.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>£22,721.51</b>
<b>Current Account Figure is</b>		<b>£12,971.16</b>

LAYC Budget (Low)	
	<b>TOTAL FORCAST</b>
<b>ANNUAL INCOME – 2020/21</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Parish Council	18,000
Donations	400.00
	Small increase from 2019 500 club + other donations
Fundraising	1,000.00
	As per 2019
Subscriptions from Youth Club	2,100.00
	Small increase from 2019
Subscriptions from 500 Club	1,050.00
	as per 2018
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>22,550.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES – 20120/21</b>	
Room Hire (LACA)	2,205.23
	Assumes 3% increase from 2019
Activities /Project Costs	275.00
	As per 2019 - £25 per month for 11
SLA - EPIC Youth	19,680.00
	Assumes small increase
500 club administration	360.00
	£32 per month admin
Insurance	428.48
	Assumes 2019 plus 3%
Resources	200.00
	Resource budget as 2019
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>23,148.71</b>

P. Jackson P. JACKSON CHAIRMAN 23/06/21  
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# Long Ashton Youth Club

2019-20

2020-21

## Income and expenditure account

26,379.40	Income for year	25,550.52
<u>24,319.45</u>	Expenses for year	<u>22,721.51</u>
<u>2,059.95</u>	Surplus for year	<u>2,829.01</u>

## Statement of assets

10,142.15	Cash at bank - current account	12,971.16
<u>17,931.55</u>	Cash at bank - deposit account	<u>17,936.22</u>
<u>28,073.70</u>	Total assets	<u>30,907.38</u>


## Statement of funds

		General	Restricted	Total
26,004.80	Balance at beginning of year	10,142.15	17,931.55	28,073.70
2,059.95	Surplus for year	2,829.01		2,829.01
<u>8.95</u>	Interest on deposit account		4.67	<u>4.67</u>
<u>28,073.70</u>		<u>12,971.16</u>	<u>17,936.22</u>	<u>30,907.38</u>

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## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

### **TO THE TRUSTEES OF LONG ASHTON YOUTH CLUB**

I report on the Financial Statements for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act).

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

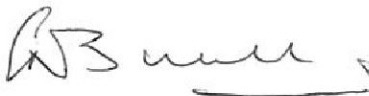
#### **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities acthave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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15 January 2022