

LONG ASHTON YOUTH CLUB

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

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 (retired June 2022)

Suzannah Barnes (retired June 2022)

Catherine Sellars

Carl Tarsey (joined June 2022)

Sally-Anne Tarsey (joined Sept 2022)

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

It has been both a challenging and rewarding year for the youth club. The easing of covid restrictions meant that we were able to re-start with face-to-face engagement in June with restrictions being lifted progressively through the year. By early 2022 we were seeing both old members together with new members joining regularly as confidence grew for both parents and young people. It has been rewarding that the management committee and EPIC have worked through this period to see the youth club vibrant and fun for young people.

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. In order to provide a range of activities that young people want to be part of, sports coaches have been introduced for both the juniors and the seniors' sessions. At the same time this will increase the challenge for fundraising to meet the higher costs. We feel confident that we can maintain this increased provision with the help and support of EPIC who provide good support in fundraising.

It was evident from the pandemic that young people experienced anxiety from the social isolation, and the youth club responded to this preparing wellbeing packs and seeking funding for one-to-one youth mentoring. We plan to continue this activity subject to getting further funding.

The summer of 2021 provided a reprieve from covid with the warmer weather and provided for the first time an extended summer programme for the seniors with a broad range of activities and hot food provision aimed at those that are vulnerable, on free school meals and also inclusive for all. Thanks to Kathy and EPIC for working with North Somerset Council and securing funding for this programme.

On the financial side, the youth provision grant from LAPC remains 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 our future. 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. On the EPIC Youth were successful in getting the youth club as a local cause in Coop to healthy eating together with a grant from Quartet to fund youth mentoring. The 500 club remains an important income stream for the youth club and 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 grants, subs and donations.

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 including Coop and the Quartet Community Foundation.

Reserves Policy: (24.10.17) The Trustees believe the balance held in the current account at last year end (31 March 2022) of £21,904 is now more robust than it has been in recent years. This increased level of reserves provides the flexibility to increase activities on offer without undue financial concern. 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 £17,939.98 at the year end.

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures

P. Jackson

C. SELLARS

Full names

PHILIP JACKSON

CATHERINE SELLARS

Position

CHAIRMAN

TREASURER


Date

21/09/22

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LAYC Summary		01/04/21 - 31/03/2022
Opening Bank Balance		£12,971.16
ACTUAL		
INCOME		£
Parish Council		£23,100.00
Donations		£110.00
Fundraising (Village Market)		£275.24
Subscriptions from Youth Club		£955.58
Subscriptions from 500 Club		£1,500.00
Grants		£8,968.09
Other Income		£1,464.00
Total Income		£36,372.91
EXPENSES		£
Room Hire (LACA)		£1,921.17
EPIC Project Costs		£145.95
EPIC Youth (SLA)		£19,901.50
500 club administration		£384.00
Insurance		£1,008.16
Resources		£678.78
Street Dance		£840.00
Sports Coach		£240.00
Mentoring		£2,320.00
Total Expenditure		£27,439.56
Current Account figure is		£21,904.51

LAYC Budget (Low)	
TOTAL FORECAST	
ANNUAL INCOME - 2021-22	
Parish Council	18,000.00 Same as 2020
Donations	400 500 Club and other donations
Fundraising	600 assume 60% previous years
Subscriptions from Youth Club	1260 assume 60% previous years
Subscriptions from 500 Club	1050 Same as 2020
Total Income	21,310.00
EXPENSES - 2021-22	
Room Hire (LACA)	2,205.23
Activities /Project Costs	275.00
SLA - EPIC Youth	19,680.00 Same as 2020 - assume centre access from April
500 Club Administration	360.00 As 2020 - £25 per month for 11 months
Insurance	428.48 Same as 2020
Resources	200.00 £32 per month admin
Total Expenditure	23,148.71

P. Jackson P. JACKSON CHAIRMAN 22/06/22
 C. SECUARS TREASURER 22/06/22

Long Ashton Youth Club

2020-21

2021-22

Income and expenditure account

25,550.52	Income for year	36,372.91
<u>22,721.51</u>	Expenses for year	<u>27,439.56</u>
<u>2,829.01</u>	Surplus for year	<u>8,933.35</u>

Statement of assets

12,971.16	Cash at bank - current account	21,904.51
<u>17,936.22</u>	Cash at bank - deposit account	<u>17,939.98</u>
<u>30,907.38</u>	Total assets	<u>39,844.49</u>

Statement of funds

		General	Restricted	Total
28,073.70	Balance at beginning of year	12,971.16	17,936.22	30,907.38
2,829.01	Surplus for year	8,933.35		8,933.35
<u>4.67</u>	Interest on deposit account		<u>3.76</u>	<u>3.76</u>
<u>30,907.38</u>		<u>21,904.51</u>	<u>17,939.98</u>	<u>39,844.49</u>

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 22/06/22

Catherine Sellars
CATHERINE SELLARS
TREASURER
22/06/22

Signed by Independent examiner

G. Bowers 29/7/23

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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 31st March 2022

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.

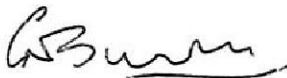
Basis of independent examiner's statement

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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29 January 2023