

# ASHTON VALE COMMUNITY CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1161245

## Details

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**Other names** AVCC

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2015-04-13

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF ASHTON VALE AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD, TOGETHER DEFINED BY ASHTON VALE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, NATIONALITY, AGE, DISABILITY, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS, BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID INHABITANTS AND THE STATUTORY AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE SAID INHABITANTS. ESTABLISH, OR SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT, OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE SAME (WHETHER ALONE OR IN CO-OPERATION WITH ANY LOCAL AUTHORITY OR OTHER PERSON OR BODY) IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE OBJECTS.PROMOTE SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE DETERMINED.THE COMMUNITY CENTRE SHALL BE NON-PARTY IN POLITICS AND NON-SECTARIAN IN RELIGION.

**Activities:** Ashton Vale Community Centre is a dynamic, thriving and welcoming safe space that values diversity and works with the community to meet its needs. We are available to hire for ad hoc events and regular bookings such as exercise groups, police surgeries and play groups.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Bristol City

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-10-31	£33,533	£30,234	-	-
2023-10-31	£22,880	£29,290	-	-
2022-10-31	£23,000	£19,624	-	-
2021-10-31	£30,516	£18,839	-	-
2020-10-31	£18,959	£16,378	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Nikki Davey</b>	Chair	2025-11-23
Eleanor Freeman		2025-11-23
Emmanuel Anderson		2025-11-23
Joanne Katy Taylor		2026-04-01
Kathryn Carpenter		2025-11-23
Sarah Ibbertson		2026-01-28

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# Accounts

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Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024  
for  
Ashton Vale Community Centre

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Ashton Vale Community Centre

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for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

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## Ashton Vale Community Centre

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#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

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### **Significant activities**

Community engagement has been a consistent challenge within Ashton Vale. A variety of ways to engage the community and engender interest in becoming involved has been tried with some positive outcome. We are now seeking to find alternative ways to engage with the community. We want to provide more local community events for local people to attend, but with limited volunteers, this is challenging and there is a need to balance obtaining sufficient funds to maintain the Community Centre with providing free events.

### **Private and Regular Bookings**

Ashton Vale Community Centre is a very popular venue for local people to hold celebrations and events due to its proximity to the residential area and its transport links.

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Community Halloween event was held in October 2024 and was well attended by the local community.

During the year the Community Centre was awarded a total of £1,156 from the John James Foundation in order to host a Christmas Lunch for all local pensioners over aged 65. This event was well attended

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Social Media and Communication**

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### **Maintenance and Repairs**

Improvements continued this year with substantial repairs to the stage and some of the flooring and everything is fully operational.

### **Long term plans:**

The long term plans for the Community Centre remains to provide a local community resource available to all within the community. In reality, being able to deliver on this aim depends largely on the availability of local volunteers to help support community events. Our aim for the coming year is to find ways to engage with the local community and work together with other local groups to find creative ways to encourage local participation.

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**Trustees**

Ms J Farrow Bookings co-ordinator  
Mrs B Peckham  
Mrs B Gwyther Treasurer  
Ms T Young  
Mrs N Hampson Website/media co-ordinator  
Mrs C Vans  
S Metcalfe Chairperson  
Mrs J Roberts

**Independent Examiner**

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on ..... 1/8/25 ..... and signed on its behalf by:



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S Metcalfe - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Ashton Vale Community Centre

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Ashton Vale Community Centre**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ashton Vale Community Centre (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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P S Helps

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Date: 4 August 2025

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

	Notes	31.10.24 Unrestricted fund £	31.10.23 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies		2,977	2,542
Other trading activities	2	<u>30,558</u>	<u>20,342</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>33,535</u>	<u>22,884</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds	3	22,291	22,135
Other		<u>7,934</u>	<u>6,690</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>30,225</u>	<u>28,825</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		3,310	(5,941)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		35,901	41,842
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>39,211</u>	<u>35,901</u>

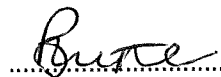
The notes form part of these financial statements

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Balance Sheet  
31 October 2024

	Notes	31.10.24 Unrestricted fund £	31.10.23 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		39,211	35,901
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>39,211</u>	<u>35,901</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		39,211	35,901
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>39,211</u>	<u>35,901</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	6		
Unrestricted funds		<u>39,211</u>	<u>35,901</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>39,211</u>	<u>35,901</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 01.10.2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

  
.....  
B Gwyther - Trustee

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably

### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	31.10.24	31.10.23
	£	£
Regular bookings	16,089	9,325
Private bookings	10,214	6,637
Deposits banked	<u>4,255</u>	<u>4,380</u>
	<u>30,558</u>	<u>20,342</u>

**3. RAISING FUNDS**

**Raising donations and legacies**

	31.10.24	31.10.23
	£	£
Support costs	<u>22,291</u>	<u>22,135</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

	31.10.24	31.10.23
	£	£
Trustees' fees	<u>630</u>	<u>1,170</u>

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2024 nor for the year ended 31 October 2023.

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Donations and legacies	2,542
Other trading activities	<u>20,342</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>22,884</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
Raising funds	22,135
Other	6,690

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>Total</b>	<u>28,825</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	(5,941)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>	
Total funds brought forward	41,842
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>35,901</u>

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.11.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	35,901	3,310	39,211
	<u>35,901</u>	<u>3,310</u>	<u>39,211</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>35,901</u>	<u>3,310</u>	<u>39,211</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	33,535	(30,225)	3,310
	<u>33,535</u>	<u>(30,225)</u>	<u>3,310</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>33,535</u>	<u>(30,225)</u>	<u>3,310</u>

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.11.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	41,842	(5,941)	35,901
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>41,842</u>	<u>(5,941)</u>	<u>35,901</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	22,884	(28,825)	(5,941)
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>22,884</u>	<u>(28,825)</u>	<u>(5,941)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.11.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	41,842	(2,631)	39,211
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>41,842</u>	<u>(2,631)</u>	<u>39,211</u>

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	56,419	(59,050)	(2,631)
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>56,419</u>	<u>(59,050)</u>	<u>(2,631)</u>

**7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 October 2024.

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

	31.10.24	31.10.23
	£	£
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<b>Total incoming resources</b>	33,535	22,884
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Deposits returned	4,173	4,090
Cleaning	2,480	2,226
Gardening	672	265
Water and sewerage	<u>609</u>	<u>109</u>
	7,934	6,690
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Trustees' fees	630	1,170
Insurance	925	1,215
Light and heat	11,667	12,056
Telephone	98	90
Postage and stationery	235	130
Sundries	3,395	2,695
Repairs	4,283	2,391
HUB	<u>-</u>	<u>102</u>
	21,233	19,849

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Ashton Vale Community Centre

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

	31.10.24	31.10.23
	£	£
<b>Other</b>		
<b>Other 2</b>		
Accountancy	480	480
Donations	<u>578</u>	<u>1,806</u>
	<u>1,058</u>	<u>2,286</u>
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### **Significant activities**

In October 2021 an Annual General Meeting was widely advertised within the community with all residents invited to attend. In addition to notices being posted, individual leaflets delivered to all households, advertising on social media and offering free refreshments, this resulted in a very disappointing response with only two members of the community attending the meeting. Community engagement has been a consistent challenge within Ashton Vale. A variety of ways to engage the community and engender interest in becoming involved has been tried with little positive outcome. We are now seeking to find alternative ways to engage with the community. It may be that there was still concern about exposure to Covid and a reluctance for people to mix indoors at the end of the imposed lockdown period. We want to provide more local community events for local people to attend, but with limited volunteers, this is challenging and there is a need to balance obtaining sufficient funds to maintain the Community Centre with providing free events.

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Date: 18 July 2024

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

	Notes	31.10.23 Unrestricted fund £	31.10.22 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies		2,542	2,485
Other trading activities	2	<u>20,342</u>	<u>20,517</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>22,884</u>	<u>23,002</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds	3	22,135	12,234
Other		<u>6,690</u>	<u>7,390</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>28,825</u>	<u>19,624</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		(5,941)	3,378
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		41,842	38,464
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>35,901</u>	<u>41,842</u>

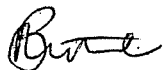
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Ashton Vale Community Centre

Balance Sheet  
31 October 2023

	Notes	31.10.23 Unrestricted fund £	31.10.22 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		35,901	41,842
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>35,901</u>	<u>41,842</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>35,901</u>	<u>41,842</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>35,901</u>	<u>41,842</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	6		
Unrestricted funds		<u>35,901</u>	<u>41,842</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>35,901</u>	<u>41,842</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 15/7/24 and were signed on its behalf by:



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B Gwyther - Trustee

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## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

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Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

<b>2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES</b>	31.10.23	31.10.22
	£	£
Regular bookings	9,325	11,563
Private bookings	6,637	5,611
Deposits banked	<u>4,380</u>	<u>3,343</u>
	<u>20,342</u>	<u>20,517</u>

**3. RAISING FUNDS**

Raising donations and legacies

	31.10.23	31.10.22
	£	£
Support costs	<u>22,135</u>	<u>12,234</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

	31.10.23	31.10.22
	£	£
Trustees' fees	<u>1,170</u>	<u>430</u>

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2023 nor for the year ended 31 October 2022.

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund
	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Donations and legacies	2,485
Other trading activities	<u>20,517</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>23,002</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
Raising funds	12,234
Other	7,390

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>Total</b>	<u>19,624</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	3,378
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>	
Total funds brought forward	38,464
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>41,842</u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.11.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	41,842	(5,941)	35,901
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>41,842</u>	<u>(5,941)</u>	<u>35,901</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	22,884	(28,825)	(5,941)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>22,884</u>	<u>(28,825)</u>	<u>(5,941)</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.11.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	38,464	3,378	41,842
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>38,464</u>	<u>3,378</u>	<u>41,842</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	23,002	(19,624)	3,378
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>23,002</u>	<u>(19,624)</u>	<u>3,378</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.11.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	38,464	(2,563)	35,901
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>38,464</u>	<u>(2,563)</u>	<u>35,901</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	45,886	(48,449)	(2,563)
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>45,886</u>	<u>(48,449)</u>	<u>(2,563)</u>

**7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 October 2023.

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

	31.10.23	31.10.22
	£	£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	2,542	2,210
Other receipts	-	275
	<u>2,542</u>	<u>2,485</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Regular bookings	9,325	11,563
Private bookings	6,637	5,611
Deposits banked	4,380	3,343
	<u>20,342</u>	<u>20,517</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	22,884	23,002
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Deposits returned	4,090	4,020
Cleaning	2,226	2,618
Gardening	265	656
Water and sewerage	109	96
	<u>6,690</u>	<u>7,390</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Trustees' fees	1,170	430
Insurance	1,215	1,447
Light and heat	12,056	4,796
Telephone	90	100
Postage and stationery	130	336
Sundries	2,695	2,954
Repairs	2,391	891
Carried forward	19,747	10,954

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Ashton Vale Community Centre

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2023

	31.10.23	31.10.22
	£	£
<b>Other</b>		
Brought forward	19,747	10,954
HUB	<u>102</u>	<u>-</u>
	19,849	10,954
<b>Other 2</b>		
Accountancy	480	480
Donations	<u>1,806</u>	<u>800</u>
	<u>2,286</u>	<u>1,280</u>
Total resources expended	<u>28,825</u>	<u>19,624</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>	<u>(5,941)</u>	<u>3,378</u>

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**ASHTON VALE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1161245

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# Accounts

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Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2022  
for  
Ashton Vale Community Centre

Stanley Joseph Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Suite 1  
Liberty House  
South Liberty Lane  
Bristol  
BS3 2ST

Ashton Vale Community Centre

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for the Year Ended 31 October 2022

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## Ashton Vale Community Centre

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 October 2022

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

Ashton Vale Community Centre is a long established community building and resource located in the heart of Ashton Vale. It is easily accessible by local people. In 2014, an opportunity arose for the community to adopt a guiding role in ensuring the future of the Community Centre.

The overriding aim is that Ashton Vale Community Centre will continue to thrive with a new generation of users to be a valuable asset to the community; used according to the wishes of the local community and re-establishing it as a hub of the community, accessible to all.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Significant activities**

In October 2021 an Annual General Meeting was widely advertised within the community with all residents invited to attend. In addition to notices being posted, individual leaflets delivered to all households, advertising on social media and offering free refreshments, this resulted in a very disappointing response with only two members of the community attending the meeting. Community engagement has been a consistent challenge within Ashton Vale. A variety of ways to engage the community and engender interest in becoming involved has been tried with little positive outcome. We are now seeking to find alternative ways to engage with the community. It may be that there was still concern about exposure to Covid and a reluctance for people to mix indoors at the end of the imposed lockdown period. We want to provide more local community events for local people to attend, but with limited volunteers, this is challenging and there is a need to balance obtaining sufficient funds to maintain the Community Centre with providing free events.

### **Private and Regular Bookings**

Ashton Vale Community Centre is a very popular venue for local people to hold celebrations and events due to its proximity to the residential area and its transport links.

We remain committed to supporting the local community and offering free Community Events whenever possible and to supporting other groups who also provide services to the community. Following the relaxation of Covid 19 restrictions the Community Centre was able to open its doors to regular and one off bookings. The Community Centre has always attracted a number of regular bookings; this is mainly due to the ease of access to the community centre, safe off street parking, proximity to public transport and the large space available. We have significantly improved the way bookings are made and this has become more systematic although it is still largely reliant on one person and can be a very time consuming task. We are currently looking into ways that this can become more automated.

During the period November 2021 - October 2022 it was encouraging to see an increase in both the regular bookings and private bookings.

### **Volunteers participation**

A volunteer rota operates amongst committed members who ensure that users of the service are greeted, familiarised with the property and advised about managing safety while using the Community Centre. A volunteer contact is always available during each booking.

Volunteers also take part in additional roles within the Community Centre. This might be cleaning and sorting out of the facility, replacing broken or faulty furnishings, ensuring the Community Centre is in a suitable condition for letting.

### **Community and Fundraising Events**

Community Halloween event was held in October 2021 and was well attended by the local community.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

During the year the Community Centre was awarded a total of £1,780 from the John James Foundation in order to host a Christmas Lunch for all local pensioners over aged 65. This event was well attended

### **Social Media and Communication**

Whilst Social Media has improved the speed with which we can contact the local community, we are aware that with a significant number of older adults living in Ashton Vale that a broader way of contacting residents is still required. We advertise local events on notice boards, shop windows, through newsletters and posting direct leaflets. We intend to develop closer links with other local community groups, to pool resources and find improved ways of communicating.

We are also looking into how our current website could be improved to speed up the current booking process, currently this is a significant task for one person and we want to try to make the booking system more automated. This may entail employing a web company to install new systems on our behalf.

### **Maintenance and Repairs**

All the improvements have now been completed and everything is fully operational.

### **Long term plans:**

The long term plans for the Community Centre remains to provide a local community resource available to all within the community. In reality, being able to deliver on this aim depends largely on the availability of local volunteers to help support community events. Our aim for the coming year is to find ways to engage with the local community and work together with other local groups to find creative ways to encourage local participation.

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

### **Registered Charity number**

1161245

### **Principal address**

16 Valley View  
Clutton  
Somerset  
BS39 5SN

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2022

**Trustees**

Mrs L Clark  
Ms J Farrow Bookings co-ordinator  
Mrs B Peckham  
Mrs B Gwyther Treasurer  
Ms T Young  
Mrs N Hampson Website/media co-ordinator  
Mrs C Vans  
S Metcalfe Chairperson  
Mrs J Roberts

**Independent Examiner**

Stanley Joseph Limited  
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on ..... and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
S Metcalfe - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Ashton Vale Community Centre

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Ashton Vale Community Centre**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ashton Vale Community Centre (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2022.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

P S Helps  
Stanley Joseph Limited  
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Date: .....

Ashton Vale Community Centre

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<b>Total</b>		<u>19,624</u>	<u>18,817</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		3,378	11,700
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		38,464	26,764
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>41,842</u>	<u>38,464</u>

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Ashton Vale Community Centre

Balance Sheet  
31 October 2022

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		_____	_____
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		41,842	38,464
		_____	_____
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>41,842</u>	<u>38,464</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	6		
Unrestricted funds		41,842	38,464
		_____	_____
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>41,842</u>	<u>38,464</u>

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B Gwyther - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2022

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	31.10.22	31.10.21
	£	£
Tiddler's Takeover Playgroup	-	96
Regular bookings	11,563	8,418
Private bookings	5,611	728
Deposits banked	<u>3,343</u>	<u>900</u>
	<u>20,517</u>	<u>10,142</u>

**3. RAISING FUNDS**

**Raising donations and legacies**

	31.10.22	31.10.21
	£	£
Support costs	<u>12,234</u>	<u>15,852</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2022 nor for the year ended 31 October 2021.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2022 nor for the year ended 31 October 2021.

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Donations and legacies	20,375
Other trading activities	<u>10,142</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>30,517</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
Raising funds	15,852
Other	2,965

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>Total</b>	<u>18,817</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	11,700
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>	
Total funds brought forward	26,764
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>38,464</u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.11.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	38,464	3,378	41,842
	<u>38,464</u>	<u>3,378</u>	<u>41,842</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>38,464</u>	<u>3,378</u>	<u>41,842</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	23,002	(19,624)	3,378
	<u>23,002</u>	<u>(19,624)</u>	<u>3,378</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>23,002</u>	<u>(19,624)</u>	<u>3,378</u>

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.11.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	26,764	11,700	38,464
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>26,764</u>	<u>11,700</u>	<u>38,464</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	30,517	(18,817)	11,700
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>30,517</u>	<u>(18,817)</u>	<u>11,700</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.11.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	26,764	15,078	41,842
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>26,764</u>	<u>15,078</u>	<u>41,842</u>

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	53,519	(38,441)	15,078
	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>53,519</u>	<u>(38,441)</u>	<u>15,078</u>

**7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 October 2022.

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2022

	31.10.22 £	31.10.21 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	2,210	20,337
Other receipts	<u>275</u>	<u>38</u>
	2,485	20,375
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Tiddler's Takeover Playgroup	-	96
Regular bookings	11,563	8,418
Private bookings	5,611	728
Deposits banked	<u>3,343</u>	<u>900</u>
	<u>20,517</u>	<u>10,142</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	23,002	30,517
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Deposits returned	4,020	590
Cleaning	2,618	1,479
Gardening	656	610
Water and sewerage	<u>96</u>	<u>286</u>
	7,390	2,965
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Insurance	1,447	1,400
Light and heat	4,796	2,794
Telephone	100	90
Postage and stationery	336	149
Sundries	3,384	1,051
Repairs	891	10,211
Carried forward	10,954	15,695

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Ashton Vale Community Centre

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2022

	31.10.22 £	31.10.21 £
<b>Other</b>		
Brought forward	10,954	15,695
HUB	<u>-</u>	<u>157</u>
	10,954	15,852
<b>Other 2</b>		
Accountancy	480	-
Donations	<u>800</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,280</u>	<u>-</u>
Total resources expended	<u>19,624</u>	<u>18,817</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u>3,378</u>	<u>11,700</u>

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**ASHTON VALE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1161245

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# Accounts

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Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021  
for  
Ashton Vale Community Centre

Stanley Joseph Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Suite 1  
Liberty House  
South Liberty Lane  
Bristol  
BS3 2ST

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for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

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## Ashton Vale Community Centre

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

Ashton Vale Community Centre is a long established community building and resource located in the heart of Ashton Vale. It is easily accessible by local people. In 2014, an opportunity arose for the community to adopt a guiding role in ensuring the future of the Community Centre.

The overriding aim is that Ashton Vale Community Centre will continue to thrive with a new generation of users to be a valuable asset to the community; used according to the wishes of the local community and re-establishing it as a hub of the community, accessible to all.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Significant activities**

In October 2021 an Annual General Meeting was widely advertised within the community with all residents invited to attend. In addition to notices being posted, individual leaflets delivered to all households, advertising on social media and offering free refreshments, this resulted in a very disappointing response with only two members of the community attending the meeting. Community engagement has been a consistent challenge within Ashton Vale. A variety of ways to engage the community and engender interest in becoming involved has been tried with little positive outcome. We are now seeking to find alternative ways to engage with the community. It may be that there was still concern about exposure to Covid and a reluctance for people to mix indoors at the end of the imposed lockdown period. We want to provide more local community events for local people to attend, but with limited volunteers, this is challenging and there is a need to balance obtaining sufficient funds to maintain the Community Centre with providing free events.

### **Private and Regular Bookings**

Ashton Vale Community Centre is a very popular venue for local people to hold celebrations and events due to its proximity to the residential area and its transport links.

We remain committed to supporting the local community and offering free Community Events whenever possible and to supporting other groups who also provide services to the community. Following the relaxation of Covid 19 restrictions the Community Centre was able to open its doors to regular and one off bookings. The Community Centre has always attracted a number of regular bookings; this is mainly due to the ease of access to the community centre, safe off street parking, proximity to public transport and the large space available. We have significantly improved the way bookings are made and this has become more systematic although it is still largely reliant on one person and can be a very time consuming task. We are currently looking into ways that this can become more automated.

During the period November 2020 - October 2021 there were a number of bookings which had to be managed, rearranged or cancelled due to regularly changing Covid regulations. All parties and gatherings were cancelled during November and December 2020 due to Covid. Some small meetings which could be managed within Covid regulations were allowed. Including: Conductive Education - Bristol, which had a weekly booking. Slimming World which returned with limited numbers, an NHS Flu Clinic was held on 12th December 2020.

The Majority of the cancelled bookings between November and January 2021 were for Birthday Parties and family celebrations and private events. During the first few months of 2021 there were intermittent bookings allowed. Local elections were held on 6th May. The Community Centre was then closed for a week for refitting of a new kitchen.

From May 2021 lots of the previous bookings cancelled were rearranged. Between May and December 2021 the Community Centre saw a return of confidence in booking events

### **Volunteers participation**

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

A volunteer rota operates amongst committed members who ensure that users of the service are greeted, familiarised with the property and advised about managing safety while using the Community Centre. A volunteer contact is always available during each booking.

Volunteers also take part in additional roles within the Community Centre. This might be cleaning and sorting out of the facility, replacing broken or faulty furnishings, ensuring the Community Centre is in a suitable condition for letting.

## **Community and Fundraising Events**

Community Halloween event was held in October 2020 and was well attended by the local community.

In December 2020, the Community Centre was awarded £680 from the John James Foundation in order to host a Christmas Lunch for all local pensioners over aged 65. However as Covid 19 was still prevalent and undergoing a surge in new infections at that time, it was not felt safe to encourage vulnerable elderly people to a large community event. It was felt more appropriate to keep these funds and provide a free community event during Spring or summer 2021. As a gesture from the Community Centre all residents over age 65 years were hand delivered a box of biscuits from the Community Centre. This was much appreciated by local residents who had been disappointed that a Christmas lunch had to be postponed.

## **Covid 19 - Re-opening procedures**

Since the re-opening of the Community Centre following a period of prolonged closure, hirers have gradually returned to request bookings. We have continued to provide increased sanitising provision, encouraging social distancing and encouraged outdoor events where possible.

## **Social Media and Communication**

Whilst Social Media has improved the speed with which we can contact the local community, we are aware that with a significant number of older adult living in Ashton Vale that a broader way of contacting residents is still required. We advertise local events on notice boards, shop windows, through newsletters and posting direct leaflets. We intend to develop closer links with other local community groups, to pool resources and find improved ways of communicating.

We are also looking into how our current website could be improved to speed up the current booking process, currently this is a significant task for one person and we want to try to make the booking system more automated. This may entail employing a web company to install new systems on our behalf.

In August 2021 the International Balloon Fiesta was cancelled by Bristol City Council This is a much loved local four day event which has been present for over 40 years. We decided to offer a local Facebook competition asking for pictures of Balloons to be drawn by all ages I the 3-6 year, 7-9 year and age 10 years and above. All pictures submitted were displayed for local residents to see on the Community Centre fencing. This was a popular event, with small prizes awarded to participants.

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Maintenance and Repairs**

At the Community Centre AGM in July 2020 the Committee had discussed using the time during Covid restrictions to undertake some improvements to the Community Centre which are difficult to achieve when it is in constant use. It had been agreed to obtain quotes for:

New kitchen units and work surfaces

New internal fire doors

New Entrance Porch

Emptying and sorting out the side storage room.

New window blinds

These improvements were undertaken during 2020 and have enhanced the appearance of the Community Centre making it more attractive and welcoming to hirers.

### **Long term plans:**

The long term plans for the Community Centre remains to provide a local community resource available to all within the community. In reality, being able to deliver on this aim depends largely on the availability of local volunteers to help support community events. Our aim for the coming year is to find ways to engage with the local community and work together with other local groups to find creative ways to encourage local participation.

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

## **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

### **Registered Charity number**

1161245

### **Principal address**

16 Valley View

Clutton

Somerset

BS39 5SN

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

**Trustees**

Ms S Bird (resigned 31.10.21)  
Mrs L Clark  
Ms C Price (resigned 31.10.21)  
Ms J Farrow Bookings co-ordinator  
N Cocking (resigned 31.10.21)  
Mrs B Peckham  
Mrs B Gwyther Treasurer  
J Price (resigned 31.10.21)  
Ms T Young  
Mrs N Hampson Website/media co-ordinator  
Mrs C Vans  
Ms L Skeates (resigned 31.10.21)  
Ms Y Lines (resigned 31.10.21)  
S Metcalfe Chairperson  
Mrs J Roberts

**Independent Examiner**

Stanley Joseph Limited  
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 29<sup>th</sup> August 22 and signed on its behalf by:

 L. CLARK

pp S Metcalfe - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Ashton Vale Community Centre

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Ashton Vale Community Centre**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Ashton Vale Community Centre (the Trust) for the year ended 31 October 2021.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

P S Helps  
Stanley Joseph Limited  
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Date: .....

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

		31.10.21 Unrestricted fund £	31.10.20 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	Notes		
Donations and legacies		20,375	11,737
Other trading activities	2	<u>10,142</u>	<u>6,862</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>30,517</u>	<u>18,599</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds	3	15,852	10,904
Other		<u>2,965</u>	<u>5,989</u>
<b>Total</b>		<u>18,817</u>	<u>16,893</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		11,700	1,706
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		26,764	25,058
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>38,464</u>	<u>26,764</u>


The notes form part of these financial statements

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Balance Sheet  
31 October 2021

	Notes	31.10.21 Unrestricted fund £	31.10.20 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank		38,464	26,764
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>38,464</u>	<u>26,764</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		38,464	26,764
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>38,464</u>	<u>26,764</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	6		
Unrestricted funds		<u>38,464</u>	<u>26,764</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>38,464</u>	<u>26,764</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25.10.2022..... and were signed on its behalf by:

  
.....  
B Gwyther - Trustee

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably

### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### **Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	31.10.21	31.10.20
	£	£
Tiddler's Takeover Playgroup	96	-
Regular bookings	8,418	2,385
Private bookings	728	3,037
Deposits banked	<u>900</u>	<u>1,440</u>
	<u>10,142</u>	<u>6,862</u>

**3. RAISING FUNDS**

**Raising donations and legacies**

	31.10.21	31.10.20
	£	£
Support costs	<u>15,852</u>	<u>10,904</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2021 nor for the year ended 31 October 2020.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2021 nor for the year ended 31 October 2020.

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Donations and legacies	11,737
Other trading activities	<u>6,862</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>18,599</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
Raising funds	10,904
Other	5,989

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>Total</b>	<u>16,893</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	1,706
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>	
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	25,058
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u><u>26,764</u></u>

6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.11.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	26,764	11,700	38,464
	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>26,764</u></u>	<u><u>11,700</u></u>	<u><u>38,464</u></u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	30,517	(18,817)	11,700
	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>30,517</u></u>	<u><u>(18,817)</u></u>	<u><u>11,700</u></u>

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.11.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	25,058	1,706	26,764
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>25,058</u>	<u>1,706</u>	<u>26,764</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	18,599	(16,893)	1,706
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>18,599</u>	<u>(16,893)</u>	<u>1,706</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.11.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.10.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	25,058	13,406	38,464
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<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>25,058</u>	<u>13,406</u>	<u>38,464</u>

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	49,116	(35,710)	13,406
	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>49,116</u>	<u>(35,710)</u>	<u>13,406</u>

**7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 October 2021.

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

	31.10.21 £	31.10.20 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	20,337	11,737
Other receipts	<u>38</u>	<u>-</u>
	20,375	11,737
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Tiddler's Takeover Playgroup	96	-
Regular bookings	8,418	2,385
Private bookings	728	3,037
Deposits banked	<u>900</u>	<u>1,440</u>
	<u>10,142</u>	<u>6,862</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	30,517	18,599
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Deposits returned	590	1,610
Cleaning	1,479	1,336
Gardening	610	2,328
Water and sewerage	<u>286</u>	<u>715</u>
	2,965	5,989
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Other</b>		
Insurance	1,400	-
Light and heat	2,794	3,183
Telephone	90	91
Postage and stationery	149	6
Sundries	1,051	1,749
Repairs	10,211	5,875
Carried forward	15,695	10,904

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 October 2021

	31.10.21	31.10.20
	£	£
<b>Other</b>		
Brought forward	15,695	10,904
HUB	<u>157</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>15,852</u>	<u>10,904</u>
Total resources expended	<u>18,817</u>	<u>16,893</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u>11,700</u>	<u>1,706</u>

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**ASHTON VALE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1161245

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# Accounts

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# ASHTON VALE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Registered Charity No: 1161245

## Committee Report

2019-2020

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### Annual Report December 2019 – November 2020

#### Committee Members and their roles

- Steven Metcalf - Chairperson
- Linda Watts - Secretary
- Becky Gwyther - Treasurer
- Jo Farrow - Bookings Co-ordinator
- Nicola Hampson – Website/Media Co-ordinator

#### Committee members with general duties

- Caroline Vans
- Lucy Skeates
- Judith Roberts
- Laura Clark
- Claire Lee
- Becky Peckham
- Trisha Young
- Samantha Bird

#### **Background:**

Ashton Vale Community Centre is a long established community building and resource located in the heart of Ashton Vale. It is easily accessible by local people. In 2014, an opportunity arose for the community to adopt a guiding role in ensuring the future of the Community Centre.

The overriding aim is that Ashton Vale Community Centre will continue to thrive with a new generation of users to be a valuable asset to the community; used according to the wishes of the local community and re-establishing it as a hub of the community, accessible to all.

#### Committee Minutes

Minutes of all meetings have been recorded and circulated to all Committee members.

#### Income and Expenditure

A summary of the Annual Accounts 2019-2020 are attached to this report.

## Community Centre Activity November 2019 – December 2020

### **Private and Regular Bookings**

Ashton Vale Community Centre is a very popular venue for local people to hold celebrations and events due to its proximity to the residential area and its excellent transport links.

We remain committed to supporting the local community and offering free Community Events whenever possible. The Community Centre has attracted a number of regular bookings; this is mainly due to the ease of access to the community centre, safe off street parking, proximity to public transport and the large space available. We have significantly improved the way bookings are made and this has become more systematic.

Due to Sars - Covid 19, our regular bookings were cancelled from March 2020, we continued to take provisional bookings for future events, but as time progressed and restrictions increased many of these were cancelled permanently or postponed indefinitely.

### **Volunteers**

A rota operates amongst committed members who ensure that users of the service are greeted and shown around the facility, pointing out health and safety requirements and ensuring that a contact is always available during each booking. Volunteers also take part in additional roles within the Community Centre using the local skills and resources of members and their families.

### Community and Fundraising Events

During the period end of November 2019 – December 2020 the Community Centre continued to host local events. It is a popular venue for children's birthday and family celebrations. Additionally a number of other regular users include, fitness and exercise and dancing groups, Toddlers and Play Groups Slimming World, Judo. The Hub Community Craft Group and Café, Community Police Drop In.

Annual Halloween event.

The Community Centre is regularly used to host voting for National and Local Elections

In December 2019 the Community Centre was awarded £600 in a grant from the **John James Foundation** in order to host a Christmas Lunch for all local pensioners. This was a very successful event with 90 attendees and 8 meals delivered to local resident homes.

The annual **New Year's Eve Family Party** on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 was well attended and raised further income for the Community Centre.

### **Sars - Covid 19 – enforced closure March 2020**

In early February 2020 the Committee met to produce a local newsletter bulletin which would advertise an AGM to be held in April once the evenings were lighter. We were only becoming aware that a new virus was beginning to have an impact in the UK. By the beginning of March 2020 it was apparent that there

was now a virus of considerable concern. We postponed the AGM until further guidance was available. By March 2020, in line with Government requirements we closed the Community Centre and cancelled all arranged bookings. Our users understood this requirement and deposits paid were returned or if the hirer preferred, held on account for a re-booking once allowed.

This remained the case until July when the Government relaxed some requirements and enabled some public spaces to open. The Community Centre Committee met in July in a socially distanced environment to discuss what would be required in order to welcome back hirers safely and within Government guidance.

We undertook a risk assessment of the building, highlighting where visitors could enter and exit safely and made arrangements to have sanitising stations placed throughout the building. With the exception of the disabled toilet, toilets and the kitchen facilities were closed. Our Booking Forms were amended to reflect the changes and to highlight the responsibilities of the Hirer to ensure that social distancing was maintained and a written record kept of all attendees and their contact details.

The initial cost of these amendments were met through Community Centre Funds. We arranged for enhanced cleaning and sanitising of all areas after each attendance.

The new arrangements were short lived and in October 2020 we were advised that all facilities again had to be fully closed.

### **Improvements/Refurbishment.**

In April 2020 we received a Grant in the amount of £10,000 from Bristol City Council, this was to assist in the loss of regular bookings and in making the facility as Covid Safe as possible. We decided to use this time to make improvements to the building, which would not be possible if the Community Centre was fully opened. This included repairs to the porch roof, cutting large cherry trees back to a safe height, Outside porch repainting, Repairs to the gents toilet cistern, providing Covid sanitising stations, sanitising instructions and outside banners to advise of open and closing dates and procedures.

We replaced the Main Front doors, from the original wooden doors to new double glazed secure doors. We also replaced one of the main Fire Exit Doors. These both improved the aesthetic appearance of the Community Centre but also made it more secure. The new doors would have a 15 year guarantee.

### **Social Media and Communication**

Improving Social Media links has significantly improved our ability to communicate quickly and effectively with the local community. We were also able to keep regular users up to date on changing Covid regulations.

The website is regularly updated with information on past and forthcoming events. Our dedicated Facebook page continues to be a useful resource not only for communicating about Community Centre events but also to share important information with the Community Centre followers.

We had leafleted each household in the hope that this would reach out to a generation who do not use social media, but this was not born out with the responses and so we have tried to find more creative ways

of reaching out to people who might not ordinarily have access to Social |media or to visit community resources.

**Long term plans:**

Our immediate plans for 2021 is to replace the kitchen units, making it a more functional area for visitors and replacing old and outdated kitchen crockery and utensils.

We continue to aspire to complete plans to replace the roof at Ashton Vale Community Centre. We were originally quoted approximately £40,000 to replace the original roof but this figure has risen in the last two years to approximately £60,000, which would take a long time to raise funds for. Our current aim is, one allowed to re-open the Community Centre and encourage its regular use. It is a popular and convenient space for the local community.

We hope once restrictions are fully lifted to welcome back regular users and rearrange the previously cancelled AGM. Then together with our users and representatives of the local community, we can make further plans for the future.

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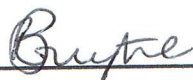
**Signed on behalf of Ashton Vale Community Centre**

Signed 

Name STEVEN C. METCALFE

Date 22/8/21

Position CHAIR

Signed 

Name REBECCA GWYTHER.

Date 19/8/21

Position TREASURER

**Ashton Vale Community Centre - charity no 1161245**  
**Income and Expenditure Account**

	Current Year 2019/2020	Year 2018/2019	Year 2017/2018	
<b>INCOME</b>				
Donations & Fundraising	<b>£11,732.05</b>	£2,576.36	£2,576.36	£ 1,770.40
Regular Bookings	£2,610.00	£6,535.00	£ 6,535.00	£ 6,415.00
Private Bookings	£2,997.00	£6,757.50	£ 6,757.50	£ 4,900.00
Deposits Banked	£1,620.00	£4,900.00	£4,900.00	£ 3,840.00
HUB		£0.00	£93.95	£ 507.50
Tiddler's Takeover Playgroup		-£300.00	£57.36	£ 371.22
Overpayment refund from Utility Warehouse 30/11/17		£0.00	£95.87	£
Nicks Hire Payments				
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>£18,959.05</b>	<b>£20,468.86</b>	<b>£21,016.04</b>	<b>£17,804.12</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
Heating & Lighting	£3,021.67	£2,952.21	£ 2,952.21	£2,481.86
Repairs & renewals	£5,799.06	429.39	£ 429.39	£ 964.46
Gardening	£2,367.53	£153.79	£ 153.79	£ 210.00
Postage		£15.72	£ 15.72	£ 1.30
Phone	£91.46	£113.03	£ 111.03	£ 95.26
Cleaning	£1,296.55	£2,123.34	£ 2,123.34	£1,865.91
Water & Sewage	£715.47	£362.82	£ 362.82	£ -
Printing & Stationary	£5.99	£280.62	£ 280.62	£ 130.90
Hub		£106.48	£ 106.48	£569.36
Misc	£1,591.07	£3,827.20	£ 3,827.20	£ 607.45
Deposit returns	£1,490.00	£3,105.00	£ 3,105.00	£ 3,407.50
Make Sunday Special			£ -	£ -
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>£16,378.80</b>	<b>£13,467.60</b>	<b>£13,467.60</b>	<b>£10,334.00</b>
Total Income	£18,959.05	£20,468.86	£ 21,016.04	£ 17,804.12
Total Expenditure	£16,378.80	£13,467.60	£13,467.60	£ 10,334.00
<b>Surplus/Deficit for year</b>			<b>£7,548.44</b>	<b>£ 7,470.12</b>
Previous year brought forward	£25,058.18		£16,651.29	£ 9,181.17
<b>REMAINING BALANCE</b>		<b>£21,900.95</b>	<b>£ 24,199.73</b>	<b>£ 16,651.29</b>
<b>BANK RECONCILIATION</b>				
Total on Bank Statement @ 31/10/2018			£ -	<b>£ 16,317.86</b>
Money still to be paid in			£ 576.89	£ 576.89
Boggie Bounce Xtreme 0317				
Oct rent			£ 75.00	£ 75.00
October Hub Takings			£ 136.75	£ 136.75
Halloween Party			£ 365.14	£ 365.14
Unpresented				
Cheques/Payments				
ID Mobile Ltd - October			£ 7.50	£ 7.50
Ger - Cleaning Oct			£ 114.00	£ 114.00