

Charity Number 1161913

**Thomas Theyer Foundation (TTF)**  
**Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

**Introduction**

This is the Annual report of the Thomas Theyer Foundation for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

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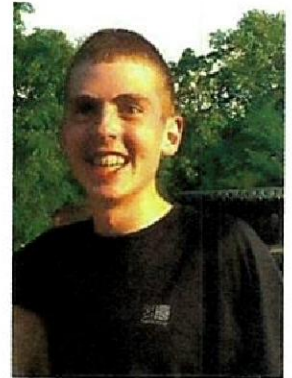
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## Introduction

The Thomas Theyer Foundation (TTF) was set up following the death of Thomas Samuel Theyer. Thomas was 18 on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013; he died six weeks later Friday July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013. At primary school Thomas was diagnosed as having Dyspraxia and Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD). Dyspraxia affects fine and/or gross motor skills and general coordination additionally people with Dyspraxia may have difficulty with planning and organising, speech, general perception and thought process. TTF was founded by Thomas's family following his death with the aim of supporting other children and young people like Thomas and their families.



The focus of the charity is the **Physical and Mental Health** of its beneficiaries.

- Children and Young People (CYP) with Special Educational Needs (SEN) and those experiencing Difficult Life Circumstances (DLC) and their families.

## Our Vision

- Children and Young People (CYP) with Special Educational Needs (SEN) and and/or Difficult Life Circumstances (DLC) are given the opportunity to access outdoor activities to benefit their physical and mental health and wellbeing.
- The families, of these CYP, can enjoy and benefit from respite breaks.
- These families have access to mental health and wellbeing support.
- These families are provided with signposting, help and guidance so they can access appropriate support for their children during compulsory education and thereafter in finding appropriate support and/or employment opportunities.

## Our mission is:

To support children and young people with SEN and/or DLC, their families/carers so that they can develop and maximise their potential, future happiness, and wellbeing.

## Public Benefit Statement

The trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The Thomas Theyer Foundation will provide services to Children and Young People (CYP) with Special Educational Needs (SEN) and/or Difficult Life Circumstances (DLC), their families and/or carers, within the aims and objectives of the charity.

## **Public Need**

### **National Statistics SEN and Mental Health**

Over 1.5 million pupils in England have Special Educational Needs (SEN). An increase of 87,000 from 2022.

The percentage of pupils with an EHC plan has increased to 4.3%, from 4.0% in 2022.

The percentage of pupils with SEN but no EHC plan (SEN support) has increased to 13.0%, from 12.6% in 2022.

The percentage of pupils who have SEN support increases with age, reaching a peak of 15.7% of pupils at ages 9 and 10. This then steadily declines through secondary ages, to 12.4% at age 15.

The percentage of pupils with an EHC plan also increases with age, from 3.3% at age 5, up to a later peak of 5.3% at age 11 before slowly declining to 4.7% at age 15.

In 2023, 20.3% of children aged 8 to 16 years had a probable mental disorder, 12.0% had a possible mental disorder.

In young people aged 17 to 19 years, 23.3% had a probable mental disorder, 15.3% had a possible mental disorder.

### **Local picture**

Many children with SEN and those experiencing DLC feel they don't 'fit in', feel isolated, and lonely. Through outdoor activities their mental health can be improved. Small achievements can make a big difference to their confidence and self-esteem and being with others develops their communication and reduces negative feelings.

There is an acute lack of mental health support in our area for CYP. National and local statistics evidence this. Data for our area says the average waiting time for an appointment with Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAHMS) is around 5 months. Parents tell us however that the wait time is much longer. In a recent survey parents told us of over 12 months wait times, and many that their child had never been seen. Our support provides earlier intervention and helps meet this community need.

The outdoor activities and mental health support we provide, benefit CYP with SEN/DLC, their families and the wider community. Through improved physical and mental health and wellbeing. Helping the CYP we support to understand and manage their feelings, emotions and behaviours and develop their confidence and ability to make positive life choices.



## **Constitution and Charity Governing Document**

The Thomas Theyer Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and was registered on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015. The Governing Document prepared for registration has been reviewed in 2019. A copy of the Constitution can be requested from the trustees.

### **Charitable objects**

- A) For the public benefit to relieve the needs of and to promote and protect the good health and well-being of:
  - Young people with additional needs such as Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and/or Autism Spectrum Disorders (ADD) and their families/carers.
  - Young people who have difficult life circumstances such as but not limited to 'young carers.'
- B) To relieve the needs of children and young people with additional needs and /or difficult life circumstances, in particular but not exclusively, by developing their self-awareness, confidence and improving their health and well-being through fitness and outdoor activities.
- C) To relieve those in need of assistance in particular by providing respite opportunity for families with children with additional needs or other family members who require adapted accommodation facilities.
- D) To promote the social inclusion of children and young people with additional needs and/or difficult life circumstances by such charitable means as the trustees see fit.
- E) To relieve those in need, in particular but not exclusively, by providing information and support for the families/carers of young people with additional needs.
- F) To advance the education of the public in relation to the needs of young people with additional needs particularly, but not exclusively, by providing training, practical advice, and information.
- G) To advance education for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively, by encouraging and promoting opportunities for young people with additional needs to access employment and training.

## Key Projects

### 1. The Thomas Theyer Support Centre

The charity is considering longer term options for premises. Current rented premises provide a small office and one counselling room. The current facilities do not provide the space needed for creative therapies or for signposting/support work with parents.

The charity currently rents a shop premises in Buxton. Above this shop is an apartment accessed separately via a side entrance. The charity plans to review options and the feasibility of this premises providing the space needed for its office and rooms for counselling, creative therapy, child and parent sessions and signposting/parent support.

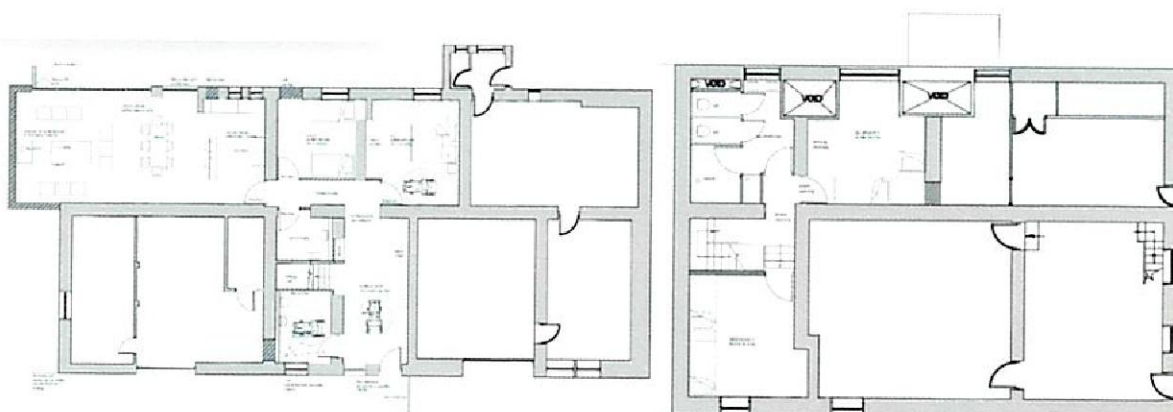
### 2. The Thomas Theyer Foundation Sports and Outdoor Charity Shop

Work is required to improve the storage/cellar space and re-decoration of the inside and exterior of the shop.

### 3. The Thomas Theyer Cottage at White Hall Outdoor Education Centre

The charity continues to work with White Hall Outdoor Education Centre, in Buxton. The centre is currently reviewing options for the development of an unused cottage, which would provide standalone accommodation suitable, for CYP with SEN or DLC, so they can enjoy and benefit from residential outdoor activity breaks. The cottage would also be available for respite family breaks.

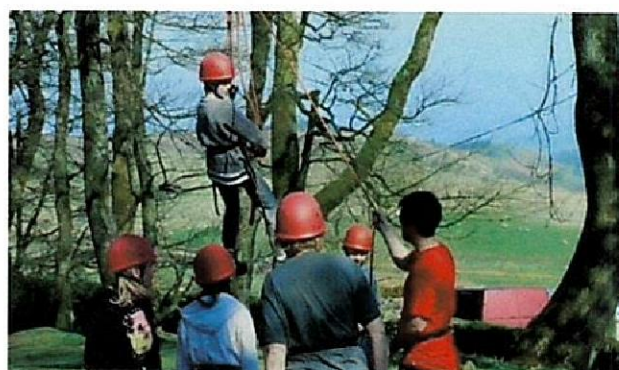
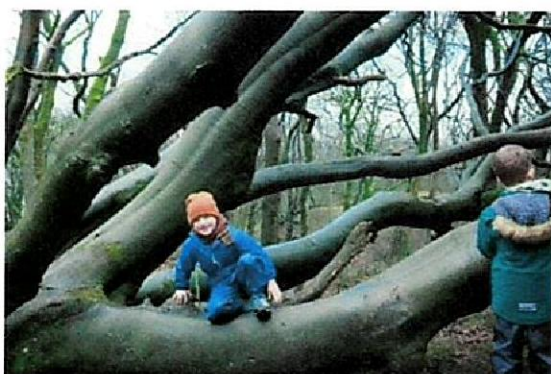
The centre is responsible for raising funds for the works, along with its charity 'The Friends of White Hall' and The Thomas Theyer Foundation is supporting with this project. It's role and that of the centre, and its owner Derbyshire County Council, is set out in a Service Level Agreement. As part of that agreement, the Thomas Theyer Foundation has provided plans for the alteration and extension of the cottage. These have been drawn by friend of the Thomas Theyer Foundation, Claire Wilde of Slater Wilde Architects.





## Charitable Activities

- Funding for our counselling service enabled the delivery of 572 counselling sessions during the reporting period supporting 54 beneficiaries.
- Funding for outdoor activities enabled 48 CYP to take part in activities at White Hall Outdoor Centre, near Buxton and collaboration with Buxton Civic Association provided 'Woodland Wanderers' for a further 20 CYP, benefitting 68 more beneficiaries in total. Total beneficiaries during the reporting period - 122



The trustees would like to thank all its supporters, local businesses, individuals and grant making organisations for their help in 2022-23 including;

- The Post Code Lottery
- Barnabas Charitable Trust
- Helen Jean Cope Charity
- 29<sup>th</sup> May 1961 Charitable Trust
- The William Dean Trust
- The David Brooke Charity
- The Casey Trust
- Leek Building Society
- The Sterry Family Foundation
- Goyt Valley Striders
- Buxton Athletics Club
- Seasons Bar Buxton
- Bradbury Cheese Buxton
- The Storm Troopers
- Sheila Bradbury



All those who raised funds through taking part in an activity or event, including duck runners!

### **The TTF Team and Volunteers**

We have a very small team at the charity, equivalent to just 2 full time staff and the equivalent of 1.1 full time staff at the shop. The trustees wish to thank all the team for their hard work and dedication in 2022/23 which has supported 122 beneficiaries.

**Special thanks, as always, to our volunteers who help in so many ways, at our shop, at events and giving time and expertise to help us in our work - it is so appreciated.**





## **Financial Review**

Total income during the reporting period was £121,081

£75,958 from General Donations, Grants and Events and Campaigns. £55,744 of this was restricted income.

£8,940 from counselling service income.

£35,928 from shop trading income.

£254 bank interest.

### **Restricted Funds**

£5,162 of unused restricted income at the end of 2020/21 was brought forward. The balance of restricted income at the end of 2022/23 was £24,018

Total expenditure during the year was £120,267

Resulting in a nominal surplus of £814

The Balance Sheet showed total funds of £131,165 of which £24,018 are restricted funds.

### **Charitable Activities**

Income (less shop trading) was £85,153 available for charitable activities.

Expenditure on charitable activities was £49,536 58% of income.

### **Designated Funds**

The following have been allocated to the delivery of key projects by the charity.

£50,000 for the Thomas Theyer Foundation Support Centre.

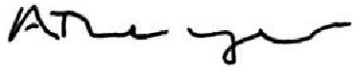
£5,000 for Structural and Decorative improvements at the Thomas Theyer Foundation Sports and Outdoor Charity shop (includes work to improve cellar/storage.

### **Reserves Policy**

The charities reserves policy is equivalent to six months operating costs, to cover programmed charitable activities and the admin costs to support that level of activity (which includes staffing, premises and utilities). This reserves amount is calculated at £57,500



Signed on behalf of the Trustees.



Aimee Theyer

Date 30/01/2024



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES



Charity Name <b>Thomas Theyer Foundation</b>	No (if any) 1161913
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**Receipts and payments accounts**

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2022	To	Period end date 31/03/2023
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**Section A Receipts and payments**

	Unre- stricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endow- ment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
General Donations	14,738			14,738	9,244
Events & Campaigns	5,476			5,476	12,378
Bank Interest	254			254	10
Funding Grants		31,416		31,416	14,119
Wages Restricted		24,328		24,328	7,043
Shop Income	35,928			35,928	36,460
Counselling Income	8,940			8,940	1,436
Other Income				-	-
Job Retention Scheme				-	4,951
Council Covid Grant				-	4,763
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>65,337</b>	<b>55,744</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>121,081</b>	<b>90,404</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>65,337</b>	<b>55,744</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>121,081</b>	<b>90,404</b>



### A3 Payments

Charitable Activities	12,648	36,888	-	49,536	39,528
Fundraising & Events	2,642		-	2,642	2,125
Marketing	1,581		-	1,581	625
Admin Expenses & Stationery	389		-	389	4,192
Salaries & Wages	56,384		-	56,384	38,274
Professional Fees	1,935		-	1,935	1,476
Trading Expenses	932		-	932	1,897
Rent, Utilities & Insurance	5,956		-	5,956	6,643
Other Expenses	912			912	4,069
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>83,379</b>	<b>36,888</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>120,267</b>	<b>98,829</b>

### A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

		-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

### Total payments

<b>83,379</b>	<b>36,888</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>120,267</b>	<b>98,829</b>
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### Net of receipts/(payments)

-	18,856	-	814	-
<b>18,042</b>				<b>8,425</b>

### A5 Transfers between funds

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### A6 Cash funds last year end

		-	130,351	138,776
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### Cash funds this year end

		-	131,165	130,351
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## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unre- stricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endow- ment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	207	24,018	-
	Deposit Accounts	102,274		-
	Shop Account	4,666		-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>107,147</b>	<b>24,018</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unre- stricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endow- ment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which as- set belongs	Cost (op- tional)	Current value (op- tional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-



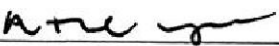
**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use**

Details	Fund to which as-set belongs	Cost (op-tional)	Current value (op-tional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

**B5 Liabilities**

Details	Fund to which lia-bility re-lates	Amount due (op-tional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	AIMEE THEYER	30/01/24

**Notes to the accounts**

**Designated Funds** £50,000 is allocated as Designated Funds for the Thomas Theyer Foundation Support Centre and £5,000 for required works at the Thomas Theyer Foundation Sports and Outdoor Charity Shop.

**Operating Reserves** £57,500 is calculated to cover six months operating costs, in line with our reserves policy.

**The trustees view on designated funds and operational reserves.**

Designated funds set aside for key projects are important to the on-going development and needs of the charity. Without a Support Centre (providing space for charitable activities and offices) the charity will not be able to deliver the much-needed charitable activities to meet the needs of its beneficiaries.

With regards to operational reserves, the trustees take a cautious view to ensure that the charity has the resilience and ability to meet current service provision and manage any unforeseen financial or other difficulties which could impact beneficiaries, funders and the continued operation of the charity.





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Independent examiner's report on the  
accounts

**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name

The Thomas Theyer Foundation

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

**Charity no (if any)**

1161193

**Set out on pages**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 03 / 2023.

**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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

*Liam McCarthy*

Date:

30/01/2024

Name:

Liam McCarthy

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body (if  
any):

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## Section B

## Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).



Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Nothing to report