

FRITH YOUTH CENTRE

Trustee Report for 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Frith Youth Centre, Bussage, Stroud, GL6 8AG

Charity number 1162806

Trustees: Mike Roberts, Jenny Taylor, Steve Beioley, Peter Oakley, Dan Endruweit, David Taylor, Len Taylor, David Wood and Alistair Pearson.

Aim of the charity

The aim of the charity is to provide a range of creative, leisure and educational activities for young people in the Bussage area and to give young people opportunities to contribute to the local community.

Achievements and Performance

During the reporting period, the youth club activities have been provided by a team of professional youth workers. The youth club runs separate sessions for juniors and seniors and runs a range of activities each week.

FYC provides 15 hours of youth work sessions a week for 47/52 weeks of the year which is a huge offering and one the community should be very proud of.

In 2023 we have supported 2 vulnerable young people to start counselling through Young Gloucestershire and take ownership of their mental health, we have chaperoned a vulnerable young person to the GP to help with mental health concerns, we have had our second year at Chalfest which was bigger and better than ever with a lineup of young people DJing- a feat noticed by 'DJ Dubbu' and wants FYC to showcase in upstage next year. We have provided many young people with opportunities to learn forest skills and bushcraft with outdoor activities, cookery skills and how to work in the kitchen, many forms of musical skills including DJing, MCing, guitar, drums and keyboard- even using some music tech such as loopstations and iPads. Young people have the chance to learn and educate themselves in a non formal environment, with activities based around world and cultural calendar events, and current affairs, and lastly young people have a chance to socialise, have fun and 'hang out' in a space which is intrinsically theirs three times a week. So far in 2023, 67 new young people have signed up to the Frith Youth Centre taking numbers of registered young people from 214 to 281. Sessions regularly see attendances of between 20-30 young people per day of opening.

when looking at monthly reports from 2023 the total number of young people attending sessions can range from 130- 250 a month.

The new school term has seen an influx of new year 6's join which has seen the development of a new year 6 only session on Mondays, giving three age ranges space and time at FYC for themselves.

The activities included a sexual health week. Safeguarding issues were picked up in those sessions and links made with the Gloucestershire Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub(MASH).

Budgeting sessions were also held which included how financial decisions were made in the wider social context such as housing, social care, education and the Arts. The staff also undertook language sessions looking at basic words across the world.

Other more fun activities took place such as music making, karaoke and cooking. The team and young people took part in a local music festival called Chalfest and played a significant role in a workshop

The activities were curtailed from December 2023 until March 2024 because of the departure of the previous team leader and several staff and the arrival of a new a team leader and staff(The staff group has now settled into a consistent and reliable delivery pattern)

The day to day oversight of Frith Youth Centre is delegated to a Management Committee of volunteers from the local community. The charity employs youth workers and an administrator.

Finance

Financial Review

The Trustees have elected for exemption from audit under the provisions of the Companies Act. The accounts for the financial year have been subject to an independent examination and show a surplus of £10,244 for the year.

During the year grants of £42,500 were received, of which £18,000 was provided by the Parish Council and £26,500 was from the Barnwood Trust. This additional grant, income, coupled with the Youth Club not being operation for the first quarter of 2024 due to recruitment issues, resulted in the surplus for the year.

Financial conditions are more difficult for the year 2024/25 however sufficient funds exist to support the charity for the year and into 2025/26.

The Treasurer and Administrator continue to review the financial process and make improvements where appropriate.

The Trustees have reviewed the funding requirements for 2024/2025 and beyond and made appropriate recommendations to the Management Committee. The Parish Council continue to provide £18,000 per year of ongoing support to the youth club which has ensured sufficient funds exist within the charity to support activity for 2024/2025. Necessary building maintenance expenditure will be funded from reserves designated for this purpose.

The reserves policy of the charity is due for review by the Trustees.

Signed *E. M. Roberts*
Print name EVAN MICHAEL ROBERTS
Position CHAIR OF TRUSTEES
Date 29/1/2025

FYC BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/24

Fixed Assets 961

Current Assets

Debtors
Prepayments -
Current Accounts 25,264
Petty Cash -
COIF Charity Fund 2,581
CCLA Accumulation units at cost 35,000
62,845

Creditors

Net Current Assets 62,845

Total Assets 63,806

Represented by

Income and Expenditure Accounts
Balance Brought Forward 53,562
Net Total Income for the year 10,244
Balance Carried Forward 63,806

FYC INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/24**Income**

Income from Investments 122.85
Grants 42,500
Donations 921
Bank Interest -
Mast income 5,750
Solar fee 966
Club Activities Community Café 1,793
Hire of Hall 5,187
Other -
57,240

Expenditure

Insurance 1,337
Water Rates 198
Electricity 5,248
Repairs and Maintenance 1,494
Refurbishment -
Pension 1,739
Cleaning 2,676
Administration and Accountancy -
Salaries 31,765
Other 1,934
Depreciation 170
Training 437

46,996

10,244

E.M. Roberts
Chair of Trustees
29/1/2025
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Frithwood Youth Club

On accounts for the year
ended

31/3/24

Charity no
(if any)

1162806

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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 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 all 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 in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

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

Signed:

Date: 27 Jan 2025

Name:

Beverly Mullock

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.