

BEVERLEY CHERRY TREE COMMUNITY CENTRE

ANNUAL REPORT

2021 to 2022

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

These last two years have been difficult and Cherry Tree Centre's principle response was to adapt our meeting room into a social supermarket. The need for this was becoming apparent before Covid, which immediately amplified the needs of many struggling to balance their domestic bills with reduced income. The supermarket has been a notable success and I want to thank all those, in whatever capacity, who have contributed to its value.

It has to be said however, that the need for foodbanks and similar, while within our constitutional aims and of enormous value to our local community is not what should be our primary role. Cherry Tree Centre came into existence to focus the strengths of the Swinemoor Estate Community and to provide opportunity and support for people to share abilities, ideas and energy in an atmosphere of kinship, acceptance and cooperation. Our scope has been reduced.

Sadly, while our Advice Service met significant demands as problems multiplied for those in difficult circumstances, we lost Steve who led the advice team. This was a serious blow to us and my heart went out to his family coping with such a tragic terminal illness. That has only highlighted the ongoing need to assist families and individuals having to cope with universal benefit, employment difficulties, bills, health and emotional crises etc. The range of problems is akin to pre-Victorian levels of social distress but our response should not rely on charity and philanthropy delivered through a patchwork of voluntary organisations. Our welfare state provision, in, as we are told, a world-beating economy had to be bolstered, improved and genuinely be a credit to the country.

Lastly, however, Cherry Tree Centre's brightest spot and continuing source of positivity is Little Gruffalo's. The pre-school provision for nursery age children is terrific. The staff are uniformly marvelous and though this is a tough environment to work in, they contribute with energy and enthusiasm to the educational and social development of the kids on our roll.

On that happy note, let me thank our manager Jo and Little Gruffalo's leader Alison and my fellow trustees for all their work and support. In addition, our grateful recognition of our local councils and all our other donors and grant-givers who enable Cherry Tree to continue its work.

Jim Whitfield

CENTRE MANAGERS REPORT 2022

2021 saw another year of lockdowns, working from home and restrictions due to the pandemic. The year proved to be a challenging one again for us at the centre due Covid-19. Our strength has always been a combination of a hard working staff team, supported by amazing volunteers. We have continued to serve and meet the needs of the local community and surrounding areas of the East Riding.

ADVICE

Our Advice Service was pushed to the limits by the number of calls, emails and people in crisis. We supported clients with gas and electric vouchers, beds, heating, food, washing machines, cookers etc. We welcomed our new advisor, Lisa, who came to us to support the elderly in Bridlington through a National Lottery Grant. However due to the restrictions caused by the pandemic, she worked from home supporting all of our clients. Lisa continues to support people with issues such as debts. Unfortunately Steve, our senior advisor, became ill and sadly passed away. He was a fantastic colleague and friend and he will be greatly missed by everyone.

PRE-SCHOOL & OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

Little Gruffalo's has had a difficult time with adapting to working under Covid restrictions. A massive thank you to all of the team who work extremely closely with the Children's Centre, social workers, Portage, East Riding SENCO team and East Riding Family Information Service, and special thanks to Paul Herbert for his continued support and advice through all of the challenges we face at Little Gruffalo's Pre-School and Out of School Club.

The Out of School Club lost a large number of children throughout the pandemic as parents worked from home. This meant we lost some of our regular payments from parents. Fortunately numbers have now increased again as parents have returned to work.

CHERRY TREE PANTRY

The pantry was set up and began in October 2020. Fifty places were initially available for membership. However, demand grew in the first three weeks. We now have approximately 170 members that attend the pantry every week. This would not be possible without our team of volunteers. We currently have 32 pantry volunteers who help by collecting food and working shifts in the pantry. We receive support from a number of supermarkets and local businesses.

Without their support the pantry would struggle to meet the needs of the community. There have been lots of tears, anxieties and some reluctance from people when they start using the pantry, however soon they feedback that the pantry is a lifeline for them. One member commented that they never buy fruit and vegetables as they could not afford it and they consider it to be a luxury. They were overwhelmed to receive a bag full each week for free from the pantry. Thank you to everyone who has sponsored and supported the pantry.

GROUPS

Due to the users of our pensioners and survivors of strokes groups being vulnerable, it has been difficult for our members to continue to meet. A big thank you to the volunteers who support these groups and are busy preparing for the groups restarting at the end of this month in their new venue – Armstrongs.

HAF FREE SCHOOL MEALS BAGS

In conjunction with the Food Poverty Alliance, we have supported 2500 to 3000 families in receipt of free school meals by delivering bags of food to schools and homes. Once again a big thank you to all of the volunteers who helped to support this project.

HAF HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

In conjunction with East Riding of Yorkshire Council we arranged activities during the school holidays throughout the year such as trips to the cinema, Jump Inc, museums, mini golf and pizza making. This project was very challenging due to the numbers of cases of Covid among the staff and children.

YOUTH CLUB

The Cherry Tree Youth Club is aimed at young people between the age ranges of 9-18 living in the Beverley area. We have been running for five years and started off using the main meeting room in The Cherry Tree Centre. We expanded rapidly with so many young people coming along to take part in the fun activities.

We are currently looking for our own permanent place, but in the meantime we use the facilities of local places who rent out their rooms. Whilst not ideal this means we get to meet up and have fun. From the 7th February 2022 we will be at Armstrongs club every Monday.

We have continued to work through the pandemic with our youth workers thinking outside of the box and doing well-being visits and outdoor trips to keep

us connected. We have taken part in online escape the rooms and have been able to use the cinema, Jump Inc. and other entertainment facilities on Flemingate.

We have been supporting young people in Beverley through our outreach programme which has been successful in reaching young people who may not wish to join in some of our structured activities but may be in need of support.

We have a strong team of well motivated and enthusiastic youth workers who are dedicated to improving the life chances of the young people they are in contact with. Our youth work team all work with young people in their day jobs and happily work with the Cherry Tree manager to offer a fantastic youth club on evenings and weekends. Our youth workers plan activities for the school holidays and last summer ran an out of schools sports group supported by The East Riding Council, to offer a fitness programme packed with a diverse range of activities and ensure all the young people who attended on Burden Road playing fields were well fed and watered too.

We were extremely fortunate to be chosen to take part in the Two Ridings Dragons Den. One of young people went along with myself and Fiona and spoke to the audience about the Youth Club. We were awarded a grant and the audience award.

THANK YOU

It would take pages and pages to thank all of the businesses in Beverley and the East Riding, the local people and all of the funders that have supported the charity throughout the difficult times of Covid-19. Without your support, both financial and practical, the centre would not be in the thriving position it is in today.

Joanne Ramsay

TREASURER'S REPORT

The year 2020-2021 has been such a difficult year for everyone and certainly a challenge for us. But once again we have shown that the change from a charity to a CIO it has allowed us to be a fluid adaptable organisation. We have been supported by so many and this has allowed us to support so many families with our various services we offer in times we have not seen for many years, it has been challenging, time consuming, frustrating but very, very rewarding.

Financially we are in a healthy place, as is reflected in our accounts, this has allowed us to continue to grow and deliver our services whilst making modernisations to the centre.

We enter a period of uncertain times in the coming financial year as we come out of lock down and discover how Brexit may impact us all, but our organisation will be there for you and your families...

I have written a little poem, I've called it.....

What life would be like without this charity....

"This wonderful little charity

Cherry Tree is its name

Sleepless nights and lack of tea

Fighting poverty is our game

A pantry stocked with plenty

Whilst my belly goes empty

Our advice service goes from strength to strength its services needed plenty

I count the pennies in a possessive way as if they were my own

A pre-school we are proud of

Our staff oh how they've grown

Smiling little faces of children aged 2 and 3 and 4

Alison shouts at her staff....shut that bloody door

The youth club is now a vibrant group imbedded with investment

Fi comes up with some crazy ideas

We shoutwhere's the RISK ASSESSMENT!

Marie with her coffee

Pat playing her flute

100's of team meetings

Jim you are on mute!

The volunteers they work so hard and never moan out loud

They deserve a special mention, The trustees are so proud

Terry writing funding bids, an endless task for us

But when he brings a good 1 in, you should see his face abuzz

The front doors buzzer broken

But Jane she doesn't care

Up and down those bloody stairs

Oh how she runs with flair

Our chair is a jetsetter, always off to France

Always squeezing meetings in, Jim give us a bloody chance

Our other Jim is a constant

With a question here or there

Now a Freeman of Beverley

He gets everywhere

Claire my right-hand counter, guard dog at the gate

She always watching the money line

No Jo you cant spend that-let me speak to Tony, dam its all too late

This leads me to the gaffer (Joanne)

Best be careful what I says
The charity is a part of us
In so many special in many ways

I'd like to say 'thankyou' to our funders for all the cash they've brought
It really helps the communities
Next year, please just add a nought

All the businesses, councillors and people that have helped us on the way
Your support to us is invaluable, next year ...please please will you stay?

The charity is a special place, its special in our heart
So many thank you's.... I didn't know where to start
But I'd like to say thank you, to absent friends so dear
We will cherish you in all our hearts and all you've done EVERY single year

So what would life be like without this charity?
Stress free, lots of fun and many hours free for me
But then there would be no support
for East Riding families
Advice, food banks, pre-school, youth club and housing too
At this AGM The trustees would like to say a very big THANK YOU!

Tony Henderson
Honorary Treasurer

Beverley Cherry Tree Centre

Statement of Financial Activities Including Financial Activities For the period ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019 Funds
Income										
Donations, Grants and Legacies	2	-	242,949	242,949	-	72,599	72,599	-	37,587	37,587
Income from Charitable Activities	3	120,563	-	120,563	170,006	-	170,006	173,418	39	173,457
Income from Other Trading Activities	4	-	-	-	13	-	13	26	-	26
Investment Income				-			-			-
Total Income		120,563	242,949	363,512	170,019	72,599	242,618	173,444	37,626	211,070
Expenditure										
Charitable Activities	5	89,936	146,160	236,096	55,508	182,247	237,755	40,559	161,626	202,185
Costs of Raising Funds	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
				-			-			-
Total Expenditure		89,936	146,160	236,096	55,508	182,247	237,755	40,559	161,626	202,185
Net Incoming Resources before Transfers		30,627	96,789	127,416	114,511	-	109,648	132,885	-	124,000
Transfer between Funds	12									8,885
Net Incoming Resources before other recognised Gains and Losses		30,627	96,789	127,416	114,511	-	109,648	132,885	-	124,000
Gain/(Loss) on sale of assets				-			-			-
Bad Debts Written Off				-			-			-
Net Movement in Funds		30,627	96,789	127,416	114,511	-	109,648	132,885	-	124,000
Funds Brought forward at 31 March 2020		653,181	-	434,352	538,670	-	324,704	405,785	-	200,704
Total Funds Carried Forward 31 March 2021		683,808	-	337,563	653,181	-	434,352	538,670	-	324,704

Statement of Financial Activities Balance Sheet As at 31 March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019 Funds
Fixed Assets										
Tangible Assets	9	180,821		180,821	187,190		187,190	187,190		187,190
Current Assets										
Debtors	10	13,586		13,586	8,013		8,013	8,012		8,012
Cash at bank and in hand		166,278		166,278	38,065		38,065	16,947		16,947
Total Current Assets		360,685	-	360,685	233,268	-	233,268	212,149	-	212,149
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	14,440		14,440	14,439		14,439	14,439		14,439
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)		346,245	-	346,245	218,829	-	218,829	197,710	-	197,710
		346,245	-	346,245	218,829	-	218,829	197,710	-	197,710
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Notes to the Financial Statements for the period ended 31 March 2021

2.Donations, Grants and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019 Funds
Grants									
Advice Centre Grant		15,000	15,000		15,000	15,000		9,692	9,692
Beverley Town Council		6,000	6,000		5,000	5,000			-
EROYC-Emergency Food		10,000	10,000						
EROYC-Food for Families		9,600	9,600						
EROYC-Food for Families Brexit Grant			-		13,811	13,811		10,000	10,000
EROYC-Housing Project Grant			-		2,860	2,860			-
EROYC-Pensioner Group Grant			-		199	199			-
EROYC-RHL Grant		10,000	10,000						
ERVAS		16,625	16,625						
Food for Families Donations		8,498	8,498						
Food for Families Neighbourly Starbucks			-		1,000	1,000			-
Garden Donation : Church Donations			-		160	160			-
Garden Donation : Lions			-		150	150			-
Garden Donation : Roses Funeral			-		314	314			-
Garfield Weston Centre Grant		15,000	15,000						
Goodwin Fareshare		2,000	2,000						
Groundwork UK-Centre Grant		1,000	1,000		3,900	3,900			-
Groundwork UK-Pre School			-		1,430	1,430			-
Help for Health		4,000	4,000						
HEY Smile Grant		1,000	1,000						
Hull College Apprenticeships		500	500						
J & H Rausing CV19 Grant		21,500	21,500						
Key Fund Investment		21,000	21,000						
Lottery Grant		64,594	64,594						
Mayors /Fund			-		2,941	2,941			-
National Lottery Grant			-		19,383	19,383		13,692	13,692
Neighbourly Action		400	400						
North Bank Voluntary Action		1,765	1,765						
Power to Change		14,868	14,868						
Sir James Reckitt Charity			-						-
St Nicholas Mission		500	500						
Two Ridings Community Foundation		16,100	16,100		6,451	6,451			-
Woodward		1,000	1,000						
Youth Garden		1,999	1,999						
Total Grants	-	242,949	242,949	-	72,599	72,599	-	33,384	23,692
Donations									
General Donations			-			-		4,203	4,203
Total Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,203	4,203
Total Donations/Grants/Legacies	-	242,949	242,949	-	72,599	72,599	-	37,587	27,895

3. Income from Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021 Funds
<u>Grants</u>			
Parent Fees	106,566		106,566
Room Hire	1,815		1,815
Other Activities	12,182		12,182
	<u>120,563</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>120,563</u>

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020 Funds
143,917		143,917
13,179		13,179
12,910		12,910
<u>170,006</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>170,006</u>

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019 Funds
144,148		144,148
10,571		10,571
18,699	39	18,738
<u>173,418</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>173,457</u>

4. Income from Other Trading Activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021 Funds
General Fundraising			-
Sale of T-shirts			-
Other Items Sold			-
Interest			-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020 Funds
		-
		-
		-
13		13
<u>13</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13</u>

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019 Funds
		-
		-
		-
26		26
<u>26</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26</u>

5. Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019 Funds
Staff Costs		186,867	186,867		182,247	182,247	1,967	160,715	162,682
Staff Costs-Furlough/CVJRS		-	40,707						
Food for Families Purchases & Costs	37,080		37,080						
Office costs	12,447		12,447	10,598		10,598	8,034		8,034
Replacement Windows	10,255		10,255						
Premises Costs	2,474		2,474	5,170		5,170	8,102		8,102
Little Gruffalos Purchases	6,501		6,501						
Depreciation	6,369		6,369	6,368		6,368	6,367		6,367
Flooring/Blinds	2,176		2,176			-			
Miscellaneous	1,767		1,767	14,411		14,411	10,026		10,026
Insurance	1,725		1,725	1,836		1,836	2,500		2,500
Centre Garden Purchases	1,896		1,896						
Computer/Laptop Purchases	1,632		1,632						
CCTV System	1,324		1,324	3,429		3,429			
Advertising	1,258		1,258						
Repairs and Renewals	1,206		1,206						
Website Set up costs	540		540						
Youth Group Purchases	526		526			-			
Pensioner Group Purchases	275		275			-			
Training	182		182	14		14	655		655
Bank/Loan Interest/Charges	175		175	182		182	175		175
Kitchen upgrade	128		128	8,061		8,061			
Travel			-	1,635		1,635	759		759
Beats Bus			-	1,400		1,400			
Blinds			-	732		732			
Advertising			-	655		655	378		378
Activity Costs			-	648		648		911	911
Fridge Freezer			-	369		369			
General Refreshments			-			-	986		986
Professional and Legal Fees			-			-	610		610
	89,936	146,160	236,096	55,508	182,247	237,755	40,559	161,626	202,185

6. Expenditure on Raising Funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020 Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2019 Funds
General Fundraising Costs			-			-			-
			-			-			-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Total

2021

Total

2020

Total

2019

7. Staff Costs

Wages and Salaries	186,867	182,247	162,282
(inc Employers NI and Pensions)			
Agency Staff			
Keyholder Payment*			

186,867

182,247

162,282

*Keyholder payment, is a payment made to a Trustee to lock and unlock the premises

9. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Property £	Office Equipment £	Computer Equipment £	Freehold Property £	Office Equipment £	Computer Equipment £
Cost						
At 31 March 2020	286,367	11,292	8,824	286,367	11,292	8,824
Additions						
Disposals						
At 31 March 2021	286,367	11,292	8,824	286,367	11,292	8,824
Depreciation						
At 31 March 2020	99,838	10,631	8,824	99,838	10,631	8,824
Charge for the Year	5,727	642				
On Disposals						
At 31 March 2021	105,565	11,273	8,824	99,838	10,631	8,824
Net Book Value						
At 31 March 2021	180,802	19	-	186,529	661	-
At 31 March 2020	186,529	661	-	186,529	661	-

	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019
10. Debtors						
Trade Debtors	13,586	8,012	17,700		8,012	17,700
Prepayments						
	13,586	8,012	17,700	-	8,012	17,700

	Total 2021	Total 2020	Total 2019	Total 2020	Total 2020	Total 2019
11. Creditors						
Trade Creditors	14,440	14,439	14,326		14,439	14,326
Taxes and Social Security						
Accruals						
Ni Control Account						
Key Fund Loan						
	14,440	14,439	14,326	-	14,439	14,326

**Independent examiner's Report to the trustees of Beverley Cherry
Tree Community Centre (CTCA) for the year ended 31st March 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of CTCA for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the CTCA 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 CTCA'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 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 Charities Act; or
2. The accounts did not accord with these accounting records; or
3. 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.

ANTHONY WHITLEY ACMA

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05-01-2022