



MINE Annual Report: 2020-21

MINE (Mission Initiative Newcastle East)

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Mission Initiative Newcastle East (MINE) is a Bishop's Mission Order and registered charity working across the East end of Newcastle. It was established (as the Urban ministry and Theology project) as a creative way for the parishes and clergy of Byker and Walker to work and learn together with an initial emphasis on contributing to the economic regeneration of the area through the strategic use of the Church's resources, and also as a vehicle for theological training in an urban context.

Our Objectives:

- For the existing Anglican congregations to grow in spiritual depth, numerically and in theological awareness
- For new expressions of church presence and mission to emerge that honour the local context
- For local Christians to develop models of ministry that arise directly out of the context of social and economic regeneration
- For existing buildings to be used in a strategic and economical way
- For ecumenical cooperation and partnership to take place wherever appropriate and possible
- For the establishment of appropriate partnerships with both statutory and voluntary agencies through stimulating interaction with communities of Newcastle East
- For those engaged in theological training to share in learning gained by local people in a way that means we gain from their experience
- For theological reflection on the urban context to take place in the midst of the activities generated by the interaction of the above aims

We run a variety of projects that demonstrate our commitment and engagement with the Newcastle East area:

MINE Youth:

Led by our Children's and Youth Coordinator this currently entails:

- o Working in the local academy trust, supporting students in one-to-one and small group settings, and bridging the gap between schools based and community based support.
- o Other schools work including RE workshops, sports clubs, and DJ workshops.
- o Detached youth work on the streets of Byker and Walker.
- o Closed clubs for children and young people aged 8-13, using sports, music, craft, games and other activities to promote holistic wellbeing.
- o Parent and toddler groups.
- o A gap year programme for young people aged 16-23 to serve, learn and grow.

MINE Youth Activity in figures:

Activity Type	Sessions Run (total hours)	Average sessional attendees (total distinct)
Bubbles	24 (24)	6 (23)
Detached	72 (116)	21 (unknown)
Street Clubs	16 (32)	5 (24)
Schools Music Sessions	12 (24)	10 (20)
Schools Prayer Sessions	4 (4)	30 (120)
Online Events	8 (14)	5 (21)

Delivered 1362 activity packs to families in Byker and Walker

Delivered 75 pumpkins for a carving competition

Ran light gardens in the Autumn and Winter school holidays for 46 families

Created a Christmas video with local residents, seen by 2000 people on facebook.

Ran a sports holiday club for 12 young people over two days in the Christmas holidays.

Ran a follow up holiday club in the Easter holidays for 15 young people, and a fun day for 12 families

Supporting the Community through the Pandemic:

It's been a long year, and as well as regular activity we've been involved in a lot! Here is a summary of the sorts of things we've got up to as we support children, young people and families in the East End through the Coronavirus Pandemic.

Over lockdown we've delivered packs of activities (crafts, games, reflections, sweets) and food to more than 150 families in Byker and Walker, many of them on many occasions. We've done these for Easter, Christmas, half term, summer, and various other times, and all have been a great opportunity to get to know new families, and support those we know more closely.

Over Summer 2020 we took part in Street Games' "Best Summer Ever". With funding from the department of education, organisations across the city put on street clubs, pop up workshops and detached youth work to give children and young people a chance to have some fun over what could have been a pretty miserable summer. We spent 5 of the 7 weeks out and about, delivering activity packs and food parcels, connecting with the community, and doing all sorts of exciting youth work with the East End's wonderful young people.

At Autumn and Christmas we decked St Michael's church grounds with lights and invited families to come, enjoy the sights and atmosphere, and reflect on themes of comfort, joy, hope and light. See the separate report for more information on them!

In the Christmas holidays, when it was still against the rules to gather inside, we decided we wouldn't let some cold weather stop us celebrating Christmas and the joy of Jesus' birth! So we did an outdoor sports club in Walker park with people we'd met over the year on detached. We had a great time chatting about the Christmas story and playing sports together, so when it came to Easter we decided to do it again.

Of course, it being Easter, we expected it to be warmer. We were wrong. Still, even though it snowed, young people came to the park and we played more sports, ate more food, and chatted about the Easter Story. Off the success of Christmas and Easter, we did another sports holiday club at half term.

We were successful in a bid to buy and decorate a large shipping container outside St Michael's Church. With help from the long-term friend of MINE youth, Graham, we invited children and young people from Byker to come and learn some graffiti skills, and paint the whole container. It really does look fantastic, and more than that, the young people involved can now walk past the church grounds, point to it, and say "I did that". It's great to see young people exploring creativity, and making a positive difference in their community.





An ambitious project to redevelop St Michael's Church and its site into a Youth and Community Hub, which MINE has been leading on, led by a part time coordinator and Steering Group.

The Lighthouse Project arose out of the need to preserve and modernise the St Michael's Church building on Byker Hill, a valuable piece of Byker's heritage, while also addressing the needs of the Community. In development with Mission Initiative Newcastle East (MINE), the Lighthouse Project aims to provide a sustainable youth and community hub as well as a flexible worship space and private hire offer.

Key Partners

Over the course of our consultation process we have developed close relationships with a number of organisations in the area and beyond. We have firm expressions of partnership interest from Foundation Futures, Nourish Food School, Byker Young People's Partnership, Kids Kabin, Byker Sands, MINE Youth, Children North East West End Food Bank, Byker Scouts and Seven Stories. Whilst also maintaining close relationships with others, including but not limited to Onside, Children and Families Newcastle, Northern Stage and Newcastle City Council, who may not be a direct partner but are a vital part of our learning, development and future.

In July 2021, we employed Bradley McClure Architects to take us up to RIBA stage 2, which brings together technical surveys alongside extensive community consultation and conservation reports to produce designs for the building. The design involves multi breakout

spaces, for use in multiple activities and groups. We hope, alongside our partners, that the space can be used collaboratively, with multiple organisations working in the space at the same time. The vision for this is to allow users to engage with multiple organisations at once in order to make the most of their visit and encourage fulfilling opportunities for the community.



Money Advice Newcastle East:

Money Advice Newcastle East is a debt advice charity set up in the east end of Newcastle 4 years ago. We are a project of the MINE together with the Methodist church. We offer free, impartial and individualised face to face debt advice, working under the umbrella of the Christian organisation Community Money Advice.

<https://www.communitymoneyadvice.com/>

Our clients tell us of the relief of having someone to listen to them, to help them without judging. The struggle with debt impacts on all areas of their life. They feel guilty and hopeless. Working with them to find the right solution for them we show the love of God in a practical way, offering them the fresh start that they need.



You can subscribe to our Monthly Newsletter at:

www.minebyker.co.uk/newsletter

MINE Trustees:

Revd Phil Medley (Chair)

Mr Matthew King (vice-Chair)

Revd Helen Gill

Mr Peter Carter (Secretary)

Mrs Pippa Higgs (Treasurer)



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A: Independent examiner's report

Report to the trustees/
directors/members of

Charity name

MINE

On accounts for the
year ended:

31st August 2021

Charity no:

1163731

Company no :

Set out on pages

(examiners include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [named body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent
examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

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Signed:

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Date:

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

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

01/09/2020

To

Period ended
31/08/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations and Gifts		46,967	-	46,967	16,430
Gift Aid	1,801	25	-	1,826	-
Grants received	-	83,179	-	83,179	35,746
Other (room hire, recharge of costs)	270	248	-	518	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,071	130,418	-	132,490	52,175
Total receipts	2,071	130,418	-	132,490	52,175
A2 Payments					
Salaries	-	34,301	-	34,301	-
Trainee Allowance	-	4,200	-	4,200	8,800
Activity Costs	-	12,760	-	12,760	940
Premises Expenses	850	3,942	-	4,792	351
Travel costs	-	918	-	918	1,332
Telephone & Internet	205	621	-	826	2,381
Post, print & Stationery	350	1,359	-	1,709	355
Insurance	92	675	-	767	628
Training	-	2,109	-	2,109	2,586
Refreshments	-	1,850	-	1,850	456
Professional Fees	50	10,303	-	10,353	5,355
Office Equipment	-	7,229	-	7,229	2,117
Fundraising Costs	-	3,960	-	3,960	-
Grant payment made	-	-	-	-	2,000
Sub total	1,547	84,228	-	85,775	27,300
Total payments	1,547	84,228	-	85,775	27,300
Net of receipts/(payments)	524	46,191	-	46,715	24,875
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	538	43,986	-	44,524	19,649
Cash funds this year end	1,062	90,177	-	91,239	44,524

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Cash at Bank	1,062	90,177	-
	Total cash funds	1,062	90,177	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				
B2 Other monetary assets				
	Other Debtor	850	-	-
	Gift Aid claim 20/21	853	-	-

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

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

PHILIP MEDLEY

28/4/22

Section C Notes to the Account

Trustees

The trustees neither received or waived any remuneration during the year (2020: £nil)

Staff Costs

	This year £	Last year £
Salaries and wages	32,235	-
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	2,065	-
Total staff costs	34,301	-

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000

Average head count in the year

Charitable Activities

This year Number	Last year Number
3	-
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Summary of Restricted Funds

	Balance at August 20 to nearest £	Income to nearest £	Expense to nearest £	Transfers to nearest £	Balance at August 21 to nearest £
Lighthouse Project - MINE office	6,595	1,636	- 4,088		4,143
Lighthouse Project - St Michael's	-	64,381	- 22,547		41,834
MINE Youth	31,707	59,111	- 51,203		39,615
Money Advice NE	5,685	5,290	- 6,390		4,585
Total Restricted Funds	43,986	130,418	- 84,228	-	90,177

Lighthouse Project:

MINE 2020 / 21 Income & Expense

Year End	2021	Year End	31/08/2021
		Period	Aug-21

Sum of £

Income / (Expense)	Category	LP - MINE Office	LP - St Michael's	Grand Total
Income	Donations		26,856	26,856
	Grant	1,636	37,500	39,136
	Other income		25	25
Income Total		1,636	64,381	66,017
Expense	Fundraising costs			0
	Insurance		(183)	(183)
	Office Equipment	(548)		(548)
	Office Furniture	(1,721)		(1,721)
	Printing & Stationery	(111)	(22)	(132)
	Professional fees	(503)	(25)	(527)
	Refreshments	(49)		(49)
	Repairs & Maintenance	(802)	(2,852)	(3,654)
	Resources	(191)	(400)	(591)
	Telephone & IT	(164)	(50)	(214)
	Trainee Allowance			0
	Training			0
	Travel & Entertainment			0
	Wages & Salaries		(19,015)	(19,015)
Expense Total		(4,088)	(22,547)	(26,634)
Grand Total		(2,452)	41,834	39,383

Balance B/f	6,595	-	6,595
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Funds available	4,143	41,834	45,977
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