



NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
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OVERVIEW

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership is an independent charity that supports the local community, including the local voluntary sector, through the advancement of education and provision of relief, help and advice to those in need.

It aims to be a successful, sustainable community hub that is responsive, innovative, effective, well run and used, and able to adapt and develop to meet local needs. The Hub is centrally located, in Pateley Bridge, and provides a friendly place for people to visit for help or information, for advice or to access services. The partnership also operates a range of services from the premises. It is well established as a key anchor organisation in the delivery of services and projects in the Nidderdale area, with a proven track record for the facilitation of groups and partnerships to further the needs of the local community.

Nidderdale Plus has changed rapidly since obtaining charitable status in 2015. Following a period of consolidation up to 2018, the charity made significant progress during 2019 to the extent that it was well placed to become a Community Support Organisation (CSO) at the start of 2020 when the global COVID-19 pandemic began to affect the rural community.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The year 2021-2022 was another year that was very much impacted by the global COVID-19 pandemic. The charity continued to take a pivotal role in the local area, in particular as a Community Support Organisation, to coordinate and deliver new and existing services as required during the pandemic. There were two other major areas of development for Nidderdale Plus which involved setting up a charity shop on Pateley Bridge High Street, and launching a Digital Champion project to enable people to either get on line for the first time, or improve their digital skills. A separate section of the report covers these areas of work.

The strategic aims and objectives were reviewed and updated during the year. They are now as follows:

To be the home of community assistance

- keeping up to date with community needs
- reviewing and identifying current and future organisational needs
- Implementing, or facilitating (via the Nidderdale Plus Local Fund*), initiatives and projects which meet identified needs and promote wellbeing
- Working in partnership and cooperating with other organisations
- To be the centre of high-quality volunteering opportunities in Nidderdale

To be financially sustainable

- Identifying income requirements for existing services and sustaining contractual relationships with existing funders where possible (NYC and NY Police), and seeking contractual opportunities with additional statutory partners, especially the NHS and Social Services
- Identifying income sources for additional projects and bidding for appropriate funds as and when they are needed
- Ensuring effective operation of wholly owned trading company which exists to support the charity and contribute to the charity's operational sustainability

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To be operationally efficient

- To continue to digitise in house systems wherever appropriate
- With effective people management, ensuring appropriate skills and experience
- To conduct a training needs analysis to achieve the future development of staff and to offer appropriate training to volunteers
- With effective performance management both relevant to Service Level Agreements (SLAs) and for our own organisational and planning needs, establishing a bespoke data management system and an outcomes measurement system in 2022
- With effective volunteer involvement and management
- With effective safeguarding policies and procedures that are reviewed annually

To be effective communicators

- externally with customers, press, commissioners, funders and local people
- internally with staff, volunteers, members and partners

To maintain and further develop current and prioritised community services

- Community library, including our own jigsaw library
- Community transport, now including drivers using their own cars, and a prescription delivery service
- Information, advice and support, and access to council services, including a Tourist Information Point
- Police front desk
- Meals on Wheels service and Digital Champion service
- To prepare for offering a Minibus service, including Group Hire
- Charity Shop which will also provide the source of the "Nidderdale Plus Local Fund" (See p.6, Nidderdale Charity Shop) to which local groups and charities can apply
- Working in partnership we will continue to offer access to Citizens Advice and MIND mental health support

During 'normal times' the charity's activities aim to maintain, improve, and develop local services and improve access to existing and new community services. The charity provides a range of services in partnership with other organisations, these include a community library, community transport and access to County and Borough council services and local police front desk. The hub is a focal point for local people and organisations as well as visitors to the area; it also provides tourism information and office services from the non-charitable company. There is a thriving group of dedicated volunteers who support the community hub and help to ensure it meets people's needs. However, as the global pandemic continued throughout this period, it was essential that the charity continued to adapt to the changing circumstances and details follow.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

As all the last financial year fell within the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, it is right that this section has a focus on COVID-19 and how Nidderdale Plus continued to meet need in our area. Nidderdale Plus continued as a Community Support Organisation (CSO), commissioned by North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC), one of 23 that were operative across the whole. CSOs were set up principally to address residents' needs in their geographical area, as the unprecedented period of COVID-19 set in, so that there would be a trusted and well known agency on the ground who could mobilise support and create and sustain new services to help people deal with the privations of lockdown and the unusual times we all had to live through.

We changed, innovated and evolved through COVID primarily down two service routes: **central services** (provided by our staff and central volunteers) and **indirect (or devolved) services** (provided by neighbours and residents—all of whom are volunteers-- at a community level).

Central services

We continued to provide all our core services, but virtually all were adapted or enlarged during lockdowns, etc. Examples of adaptation:

Community library: we changed to offering home delivery to people wanting to receive books, DVDs, etc. People could ring to talk through their book choices with our staff and our volunteer drivers using our community car would deliver books—all in a COVID secure way

Community transport: As well as doing local book and jigsaw deliveries, we continued to offer the services of our car to the NHS and we have delivered across the whole district, either to all care homes or to all GP practices, a variety of health equipment on several occasions. For example, we delivered to all GP practices in Harrogate district over 100 blood pressure monitors that could be given to patients to record their own blood pressure.

Council Services: As a CSO we were regularly in touch with Adult Social Services, either to refer cases on, or to receive information from them about people and the help they needed.

In addition to adapting existing services, we continued to offer the following services that we had started to offer at the beginning of the pandemic in the previous financial year.

Prescription delivery

Meals on Wheels service and emergency food delivery

Jigsaw library: In addition to the ever-growing library at Nidderdale Plus, we developed two satellite jigsaw libraries at Darley Christ Church Community Centre and Summerbridge Methodist Church.

Transport to vaccination sites and hospital appointments: We continued to borrow a minibus from local charity, Dementia Forward, so that we could temporarily enlarge our CT service to offer these two vital forms of transport. Huge thanks to Dementia Forward for lending their minibus to us—it proved to be an invaluable addition to our CT service. The minibus was finally returned in July 2021.

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Vaccination volunteers: in concert with the other CSOs in the district, we continued to provide teams of volunteer marshals to Harrogate and Ripon mass vaccination centres. We also provided volunteers at the Pateley Bridge Pharmacy vaccination sessions held at the Memorial Hall in Pateley Bridge. Andy Cockroft became a member of staff and took over the coordination and allocation of volunteers to vaccination sessions during the year, working for Nidderdale Plus.

Citizens' Advice: We continued to work with Harrogate Citizens Advice to provide monthly video-link clinics for people who need advice on a wide range of topics.

Indirect services

As the first lockdown began, in 2020, we had quickly established a network of community organisers (most often these people were from parish councils and churches), who had strong links into their communities and could harness the services of numerous volunteers who could span out through their communities to provide help with a variety of daily needs. Probably the single most important factor behind the effectiveness of these people was their ability to use hyper-local and trusted communication channels—that they were already using before the crisis began. Sometimes this was a village Facebook group, sometimes a parish magazine or village newsletter, sometimes a village email group. In this way they could both recruit volunteers quickly and pick up need.

Nidderdale Plus continued to work with this network to resolve issues for local residents and to cascade out news and resources throughout the period of this report.

New services: Non-COVID

Census Support Service : We continued to offer this service, under contract with Good Things Foundation (who had been retained by the ONS). The Census was in operation between 1 March-5 May 2021, and two members of staff were trained by Good Things Foundation to be Census Support Advisers. They helped people who were not digitally enabled to complete their Census forms. This proved challenging owing to lockdowns and the difficulty of dealing with people face to face. However, the initiative was a success and we managed to deal with a significant number of people and help them. The knowledge gained during this period was helpful in designing the Digital Champion Service that we went to launch in November 2021.

Digital Champion Service: We launched this service on 1st November 2021, having appointed Joanne Hayes as our Digital Champion Coordinator. Jo's priorities included the recruitment of volunteer Digital Champions to ensure we could reach a large number of people across Nidderdale and the Washburn valley and she quickly set to work recruiting volunteers and going out to find and help people who needed support in a variety of ways. The early signs from the project were very encouraging and we successfully applied to Good Things Foundation for grant funding from the Connect Up Programme that was launched in January 2022. In addition we were awarded grant funding from the NHS to promote the NHS app throughout our community and Mashamshire, and this work began in March 2022.

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Nidderdale Charity Shop: We took over the lease of what had been the Save the Children Charity Shop on Pateley Bridge High Street at the beginning of January 2022 and trading began on 18th February. The Executive Director, Helen Flynn, is the accountable officer for the charity shop and was responsible for setting up all systems and policies, etc, at the shop. We were extremely fortunate that many of the volunteers wanted to stay on and work at the new shop and they were extremely helpful in a number of ways during set up. All trustees and staff are extremely grateful to them for their support and dedication. The purpose of the Charity Shop is to support the communities of Nidderdale and Washburn, both through providing funding to some of Nidderdale Plus's charitable activities, such as the community transport scheme and Meals on Wheels service, and by setting up a charitable fund, provisionally titled "Nidderdale Plus Local Fund". The idea behind the fund is that an annual allocation of profits from the shop go into the "Local Fund" and local groups, charities and organisations can bid into this annually to provide services and small capital schemes that will be of assistance to local people. Trustees intend that Two Ridings Community Foundation will administer this grant scheme on behalf of Nidderdale Plus. Though the finances of Nidderdale Charity Shop fall under our trading company, Nidderdale Ltd, Trustees feel that it is appropriate to report briefly on the operation and purpose behind the shop in the Nidderdale Plus Annual Report.

MIND Mental Health Service: MIND began to offer outreach into Nidderdale and rented the meeting room at the hub one day per week, starting in November 2021, to facilitate this work.

Usage:

Due to the closure of the hub because of the pandemic, it hasn't been possible to provide usage data in the same form as previous years. However, the monitoring information collected as part of our work as a Community Support Organisation gives a good indication of the scale and volume of work carried out over the year. Performance management information is being reviewed in the light of the changing and developing nature of our services and will be included in next years' report.

Nidderdale Plus

From April 2021 to the end of March 2022



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Great credit must go to the staff members who worked diligently and selflessly throughout the whole of last year, often going beyond the call of duty and having to change their ways of working on an almost daily basis: Helen Flynn, Sandra Walker, Heather Blundell, Tracey Dawson, Joanne Hayes, Carole Cottrill, Andy Cockroft and Angela Raw. The office was manned in a COVID-secure way throughout the whole period, ensuring we could respond quickly to address residents' needs.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income and Expenditure during the year

Funds available to spend at the Charitable Company's discretion ('Undesignated Funds') have increased by £38.2k this year.

Significant changes this year were:

- Community car income (£8.2k) is now substantially higher than pre-Covid levels.
- Staff costs increased due to the new Digital Champion Service, with the appointment of Joanne Hayes as our Digital Champion Coordinator.

These accounts incorporate the trading subsidiary Nidderdale Ltd. Turnover has recovered to pre-Covid levels for normal trading activities. These have been augmented this year by the charity's opening of the Nidderdale Charity Shop. Starting in the last few weeks of the financial year, it contributed £8k to turnover in 2021-22, and is expected to contribute very substantially in future years. Much of the net profit will be disbursed to local charities and non-profit groups, as mentioned in the Commentary above. Nidderdale Ltd's reported net profit has reduced from 2020-21 due to the start-up costs for the charity shop and a government Covid-19 grant received last year.

Designated Funds

The trustees have decided to designate funding, as detailed below, to support an increase in future service delivery and the consequent enlargement of the staff team.

Towards the purchase of a minibus, from the charity's own funds	£8.2k
Financial support to the minibus running costs for the first two years	£8.0k
Additional post for a Marketing and Business Support Officer	£22.5k
Total	£38.7k

Staffing was reviewed in December 2021. The Board of Trustees are to re-examine the staffing and resource requirements in December 2022 in view of the continuing changes to workload and the ongoing uncertain situation.

The above funds, plus the designation for fixed assets held by the charity, amount to a total of £49.6k Designated Funds at the year ended 31 March 2022.

Part (£7.8k) of the funds designated last year for the charity shop start-up costs were not required and have been released back into Undesignated Funds.

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Restricted Funds

There are Restricted Funds of £24k. This is grant from NYCC towards the purchase of a minibus to support the community transport service.

Reserves Policy

The Charitable Company's policy has been to hold free reserves of £53,000 covering six months expenditure. This is due to uncertainty about future local authority funding following the change to a unitary authority in North Yorkshire, and the likelihood of other grant income being harder to obtain in a post-COVID financial environment. A clearer picture about future funding is now emerging. SLA funding has historically been received from two principal authorities (Harrogate Borough Council and North Yorkshire County Council), as well as North Yorkshire Police, but it is now likely that the aggregate amount will materially reduce.

At the year-end on 31 March 2022, monies held in free reserves were £93,846 (2021 - £55,619). This covers nine months total expenditure (2021 - six months). Trustees believe greater cover to be prudent due to the increased likelihood of losing some historical funding under previous Service Level Agreements with local authorities. This is due to local government reorganisation in North Yorkshire, due to take effect from 1 April 2023.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution:

Nidderdale Plus is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee. The Charitable Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. It also has a wholly owned subsidiary company, Nidderdale Limited, which operates non-charitable activities for the benefit of Nidderdale Plus.

Recruiting and appointing Trustees:

Trustee vacancies are advertised, and applicants are interviewed prior to meeting with the full Board. Induction into the workings of the Charitable Company is carried out by Officers already serving on the Board with ongoing training being undertaken.

Organisational structure and decision making:

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for the organisation and ensuring that it is well run and that it continues to deliver the charitable outcomes for the benefit of the people for whom it has been set up. The Board develops the strategy and agrees and maintains the vision, mission, and values of the organisation.

The Board meets at least six times per year, excluding the AGM, when it discusses and monitors the work and performance of the organisation. Board members also meet to progress initiatives and projects as well as with stakeholders. The Board also holds an annual 'Away Day' where strategy, priorities and performance are considered, and future plans agreed.

During 2021-2022 the Partnership employed one full time and five part time staff (some permanent and some fixed term), and employed four people on zero-hours contracts.

Executive Director: Helen Flynn

Community Hub Coordinator: Sandra Walker

Business Support Officer: Tracey Dawson (from March 2022)

Digital Champion Coordinator: Joanne Hayes (from November 2021)

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Partnership Officers: Heather Blundell (til February 2022); Angela Raw (from March 2022)

Zero-hours contracts: Tracey Dawson (March 2021-March 2022), Carole Cottrill, Andy Cockroft, Amber Hirst

Librarian: Carol Cooling (employed by NYCC)

The Trustees reviewed the resource levels required to meet the changing circumstances and introduced a different staff structure, including the introduction of a Digital Champion Coordinator and Business Support Officer. This was owing to the growth of the organisation and the increasing complexity of its range and depth of operations

Volunteers (active in the financial year 2021-22):

Library/Office: Sharon Cawood, Chris Grainger, Helen Hattan, Rosemary Helme, Pat Jackson, Suzanne Mellor, Ruth Turk, Fiona Robson, Kath Chapman, Jude Bartle, Julia Saunders

Drivers: Carolyn Evans, David Thomas, Lawrence Sherrington, Roger Wensley, Ron Walker, Sandra Walker, Sarah Turnbull, Simon Robinson, Stuart Hattan, Heather Blundell, Darryl Hall, Gill Lazonby, David Bird, Andy Chapman, Tracey Dawson, Paul Howells, Duncan Sloane, Gordon Murdoch, Alan Brown, Alan Land

Shop volunteers: Sue Lyon, Jude Bartle, Jayne Booth, Mavis Cannon, Barbara Cansell, David Clarke, Elizabeth Clarke, Ruth Dodsworth, Helen Evans, Felicity Hallam, Susan Jones, Julia Kent, Tessa Lee, Terri Scarborough, Thelma Spain, Judith Spencer, Roger Wensley, Sarah Turnbull, Jane Hallam

Digital Champion volunteers: Howard Jones, Yvonne Lumley, Jane Robinson, Judi Rogers, Steph Woodward, Jessica Wood

Meals on Wheels Volunteers: Jackie Kerr, Carol White, Grant Blakemore, Samantha O'Brien, Claire Porter, Alan Cottrill, Julia Saunders, Dee Longfellow, Freya Brosnon, Mel Browne

Vaccination volunteer marshals: Jane Aksut, Alex Aksut, Jerry Anderson, Vanessa Appleby, John Appleby, Louise Ashley, Marie Barnett, Paul Barry, Sonia Barton, Kristen Beck, Sue Bell, David Bird, Grant Blakemore, Linda Boon, Elaine Brierley, Helen Brown, Andy Cockroft, Sue Cockroft, Anthony Comerford, Helen Comerford, Malcolm Constantine, James Critchley, Hellen Curtis, Tracey Dawson, Lee Daysh, Liz Elvidge, John Elvidge, John Fairfoot, Mandy Fallon, Kathy Gargan, Andrew Gosling, Susan Gosling, Linda Harker, Jo Hayes, Lynne Heaton, Rob Higgs, Sue Hirst, Judith Hooper, Pauline Howard, Angela John, Kate Jones, Sarah Jones, Sue Jones, Alan Jordan, Val Jordan, Andrew Kempston-Parks, Jackie Kerr, Jonathan Knocker, Carol Lancaster, Gillian Land, Alan Land, Jan Lawson, Dee Longfellow, Colette Luscomb, Jarl Luscomb, Duncan Melville, Paul Mitchell, Catherine Mounsey, Sam O'Brien, Gina Read, Steve Rimmer, Beverley Robinson, Dave Robinson, Fiona Robson, Freddie Saunders, Julia Saunders, Anne Smith, David Smith, Elaine Smith, Laura Smith, Wendy Taylor, Mark Tankard, John Thompson, Phil Trickey, Chris Turner, Gillian Turner, Elisa Wardman, Viv White, Carol White, Polly Whitehead, Viv Whitelaw, Sandra Wignall, Lynda Wilson, Jessica Wood, Jackie Zito

Nidderdale Network Volunteer Coordinators: Tracey Dawson, Jackie Kerr, Jane Aksut, Gina Crowther, Bryan Dexter, Nigel Nicholas, Rose Gosling, John Hartshorn, Graham Hebblethwaite, Andy Lyon, Stephen McCauley, Julie Wilberforce

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Board of Trustees:

Paula Newson Smith (Chair); Colin Ions (Vice Chair); Roger Wensley (Treasurer); Richard Bruce (Secretary); Jenny Spruce; David Frady; Jackie Kerr.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 3 November 2022.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Paula M Newson Smith – Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP**

I report to the Charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages 11 to 22.

This report is made solely to the Charitable Company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body in accordance with section 154 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examiner's work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charitable Company's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charitable Company, the Charitable Company's members as a body and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities, applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

Sarah Wearing, FCA, DChA

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3 November 2022

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022 £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021 £</i>
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	3	12,796	34,276	47,072	67,824
Charitable activities	4	118,871	684	119,555	93,147
Investment income	5	6	-	6	11
Total Income		131,673	34,960	166,633	160,982
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	111,120	10,460	121,580	103,021
Total Expenditure		111,120	10,460	121,580	103,021
Net income		20,553	24,500	45,053	57,961
Transfers between funds	14	500	(500)	-	-
Net movement in funds		21,053	24,000	45,053	57,961
Total Funds Brought Forward		122,376	-	122,376	64,415
Total Funds Carried Forward	15	£ 143,429	£ 24,000	£ 167,429	£ 122,376

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

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AS AT 31 MARCH 2022
BALANCE SHEET
(company number: 05331403)

		2022	2021
	<i>Notes</i>	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	9	10,783	12,457
Investments	10	100	100
Current Assets			
Debtors	11	32,483	27,018
Cash at Bank and in Hand		129,238	87,790
		<hr/> 161,721	<hr/> 114,808
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<hr/> (5,175)	<hr/> (4,989)
Net Current Assets		<hr/> 156,546	<hr/> 109,819
Total Net Assets		<hr/> <hr/> £ 167,429	<hr/> <hr/> £ 122,376
The Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted Funds			
- Designated	13	49,583	66,757
- Undesignated	13	93,846	55,619
Restricted Funds	14	24,000	-
Total Charity Funds		<hr/> <hr/> £ 167,429	<hr/> <hr/> £ 122,376

For the financial year ended 31 March 2022, the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The Members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Management Committee on 3 November 2022

Roger Wensley
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The company is a private company limited by guarantee. The members are the Trustees. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company. The company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and is a public entity (no. 05331403).

The address of its registered office is:

Station Square, King Street, Pateley Bridge, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 5AT

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102))), the Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 1A) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Charitable Company is small and has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 7 of FRS 102 and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement.

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The accounts are prepared in UK Sterling and rounded to the nearest £.

b) Going Concern

The Charitable Company has cash resources and has no requirement for external funding. The Charitable Company has seen its service levels and funding expand during the COVID-19 pandemic. These additional services are fully funded with monies provided in advance.

The Trustees therefore have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for 12 months from signing the accounts. They continue to believe that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

c) Income

Donations and legacies are accounted for when they are receivable by the Charitable Company. Other income is accounted for on an accruals basis as far as is prudent to do so.

d) Grant Income

Revenue grants are credited to the income and expenditure account at the time when they are entitled to the receipt. Any unspent restricted grants at the period end are carried forward as restricted funds in the balance sheet.

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2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Expenditure and Allocation of Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Staff costs and overheads are recharged to the subsidiary based on time and income levels. Costs are apportioned within the charity and fund accounting as detailed below:-

Staff costs - on a time basis

Other direct charitable costs and costs of generating funds - on an actual basis

Support costs - on the level of use/ actual basis where specific

f) Taxation

As a registered Charity it benefits from rate relief and is generally exempt from Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax, but not from VAT. The Charitable Company is not registered for VAT and therefore the irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100 or more are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Equipment, fixtures and fittings	- 25% reducing balance
Land and buildings	- 10 year straight line

h) Investments

The investment in the Charitable Company's unlisted trading subsidiary is included at historical cost.

i) Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any trade discounts due.

j) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and any short term deposit accounts with a maturity of three months or less from the date of opening.

k) Creditors and Provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charitable Company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

l) Funds

The Unrestricted Funds are funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Designated Funds are funds set aside by the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted Funds are funds which have been received by the Charitable Company for a specific purposes other than the general objectives of the Charitable Company.

The nature and purpose of each individual fund are explained in notes 13 and 14.

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3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	£	£	£	£
Donations	5,159	782	5,941	3,931
Donations from Nidderdale Ltd	1,608	-	1,608	9,702
Grant - The Brelms Trust CIO	-	3,000	3,000	5,000
Government Grants	3,547	4,000	7,547	23,291
Government Grants - Mini Bus Grants	-	24,000	24,000	-
	2,482	2,494	4,976	25,900
	<u>£ 12,796</u>	<u>£ 34,276</u>	<u>£ 47,072</u>	<u>£ 67,824</u>

In 2021 £38,400 of Donations and Legacies were restricted.

The Charity also benefits greatly from the involvement and enthusiastic support of its many volunteers, details of which are given in our annual report. In accordance with Charities SORP, the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	£	£	£	£
Service level agreements:				
Harrogate Borough Council	13,000	-	13,000	13,000
North Yorkshire Police	6,268	-	6,268	6,268
NYCC - Access to services	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
NYCC - Community Support Organisation	36,000	-	36,000	30,000
NYCC - Dial a ride	1,891	-	1,891	1,891
NYCC - Library	6,944	-	6,944	6,421
NYCC - Health & Wellbeing	-	-	-	7,000
NHS - Vaccination volunteers	13,800	-	13,800	2,550
Government funded services	<u>81,903</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,903</u>	<u>71,130</u>
Other income:				
Community Car*	8,247	-	8,247	1,066
Library Fees	1,160	-	1,160	470
Meals on wheels	5,387	684	6,071	6,217
Census Support Service	1,960	-	1,960	3,274
Costs recharged	-	-	-	238
Costs recharged to Nidd Ltd	20,214	-	20,214	10,752
	<u>£ 118,871</u>	<u>£ 684</u>	<u>£ 119,555</u>	<u>£ 93,147</u>

In 2021 £8,891 of Income from Charitable activities were restricted.

*In 2021 included in government grant was £3,780 from the Coronavirus Bus Service Support Grants (CBSSG) from NYCC to compensate for car income lost due to COVID.

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5 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	£	£
Bank and Building Society Interest	£ 6	£ 11

6 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	£	£	£	£
Staff Salary Costs	68,599	7,217	75,816	64,700
Staff Training and Recruitment	1,031	-	1,031	360
Volunteer Training	880	-	880	-
Census Support Service	-	-	-	351
Covid Grant Expenditure	-	-	-	3,871
Meals on Wheels	3,012	2,184	5,196	7,108
Community Car - Fuel	2,602	48	2,650	1,664
Community Car - Insurance/Repairs	1,019	-	1,019	792
Community Car - Driver expenses	913	-	913	-
Telephone and Broadband	1,065	-	1,065	614
Stationery and Printing	410	-	410	109
Rent	10,417	-	10,417	10,418
Light, Heat and Water	2,042	-	2,042	1,685
Repairs and Maintenance	1,875	234	2,109	152
Promotion and Event Costs	564	624	1,188	380
Cleaning	149	-	149	126
Room Hire	-	-	-	88
Emergency Food Aid	-	153	153	-
Sundry	630	-	630	417
Depreciation	3,594	-	3,594	3,739
Support Costs (see below)	12,318	-	12,318	6,447
	<u>£ 111,120</u>	<u>£ 10,460</u>	<u>£ 121,580</u>	<u>£ 103,021</u>
Support costs				
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,285	-	1,285	1,248
AGM Costs	45	-	45	-
IT Costs	3,230	-	3,230	1,780
Insurance	1,005	-	1,005	799
Advertising	4,033	-	4,033	283
Bank Charges	182	-	182	167
Payroll Services	1,012	-	1,012	1,330
Legal and Professional Fees	1,130	-	1,130	840
Subscriptions and Licences	396	-	396	-
	<u>£ 12,318</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 12,318</u>	<u>£ 6,447</u>

In 2021 £50,977 of expenses in Charitable activities were applied to restricted activities.

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7 STAFF COSTS

	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	£	£
Wages and Salaries (gross)	71,125	50,861
Sub-contractors	1,745	13,113
Pension Costs	2,946	726
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	£ 75,816	£ 64,700
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The average head count of staff employed during the year was 6 (2021 - 3).

No employee earned over £60,000 during the year.

The key management personnel of the Charitable Company, is the Executive Director. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity was £28,333 (2021 - £22,047).

8 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

In December 2018 the Trustees decided to accelerate progress at a crucial time in the development of the Community Hub and made a decision to commission consultancy and project services from one Trustee. The services commenced in January 2019 and in July 2020 the Trustee resigned. The Trustee was paid £Nil in 2021-22 (£6,820 in 2020-21) for such services.

9 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings	Equipment, fixtures and fittings	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£	£
At 1 April 2021	24,367	24,763	49,130
Additions	-	1,920	1,920
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At 31 March 2022	24,367	26,683	51,050
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<u>Depreciation</u>			
At 1 April 2021	14,621	22,052	36,673
Charge for the year	2,437	1,157	3,594
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At 31 March 2022	17,058	23,209	40,267
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<u>Net Book Value</u>			
At 31 March 2022	£ 7,309	£ 3,474	£ 10,783
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At 31 March 2021	£ 9,746	£ 2,711	£ 12,457
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All fixed assets were used for the furtherance of the charitable activities.

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10 INVESTMENTS

The Charitable Company holds 100% of the ordinary £1 share capital in its trading subsidiary Nidderdale Limited totalling £100. The subsidiary was incorporated on 16 September 2015 and its activities include the provision of tourist information, sale of merchandise, office services and retail shop. The total net profit of £1,608 (2021 - £9,702) was donated to The Nidderdale Partnership Plus. Additionally, during the year £20,214 (2021 - £10,752) was recharged to Nidderdale Limited for management fees.

A summary of the results of the subsidiary is shown below:

	<i>Year ended 31 March 2022 £</i>	<i>Year ended 31 March 2021 £</i>
Turnover	29,410	22,971
Cost of sales	(2,039)	(1,118)
Gross profit	27,371	21,853
Administrative expenses	(25,763)	(12,151)
Profit before donations to charity	£ 1,608	£ 9,702

The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:

Assets	26,051	21,715
Liabilities	(25,951)	(21,615)
Funds	£ 100	£ 100

11 DEBTORS

	<i>2022 £</i>	<i>2021 £</i>
Trade Debtors	90	2,540
Amounts owed from Subsidiary Undertaking	25,297	20,985
Other Debtors	400	400
Prepayments and Accrued Income	6,696	3,093
	£ 32,483	£ 27,018

12 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<i>2022 £</i>	<i>2021 £</i>
Other Taxes and Social Security	1,389	1,200
Other Creditors	2,217	2,270
Accruals	1,569	1,519
	£ 5,175	£ 4,989

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13 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.21</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2022</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	12,557	-	(3,594)	1,920	10,883
- Minibus	19,700	-	-	(3,500)	16,200
- Expanding services	34,500	-	(4,204)	(7,796)	22,500
	<u>66,757</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,798)</u>	<u>(9,376)</u>	<u>49,583</u>
Unrestricted Funds	55,619	131,673	(103,322)	9,876	93,846
	<u>£ 122,376</u>	<u>£ 131,673</u>	<u>£ (111,120)</u>	<u>£ 500</u>	<u>£ 143,429</u>
	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.20</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2021</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	14,647	-	(3,739)	1,649	12,557
- Minibus	-	-	-	19,700	19,700
- Expanding services	-	-	-	34,500	34,500
	<u>14,647</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,739)</u>	<u>55,849</u>	<u>66,757</u>
Unrestricted Funds	44,998	113,691	(48,305)	(54,765)	55,619
	<u>£ 59,645</u>	<u>£ 113,691</u>	<u>£ (52,044)</u>	<u>£ 1,084</u>	<u>£ 122,376</u>

Designated Funds

Fixed Assets: This fund relates to the net book value of the fixed assets of the charity including the investments in the shares of the trading subsidiary.

Minibus: This fund relates to monies set aside towards the purchase of a new minibus and the running costs for the first two years.

Expanding services: This fund relates to start up costs for a new charity shop and a new post due to the expanding demands on the charity.

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14 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.21</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2022</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	-	1,020	(1,020)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	-	350	(350)	-	-
NYCC NHS App Grant	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Prescription Delivery	-	48	(48)	-	-
Meals on Wheels	-	684	(684)	-	-
NYCC Minibus Grant	-	24,000	-	-	24,000
Brierley Homes	-	234	(234)	-	-
TRCF Arqiva Grant	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Computer Costs	-	500	-	(500)	-
The Brelms Trust CIO	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	-
NYCC Locality Budget	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYCC Thank you Event	-	500	(500)	-	-
TRCF Travel Grant	-	124	(124)	-	-
Total	£ -	£ 34,960	£ (10,460)	£ (500)	£ 24,000

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2020</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2021</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	300	-	(300)	-	-
Health and Wellbeing	4,470	7,000	(11,470)	-	-
Prescription Delivery	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
Meals on Wheels	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYCC Dial a Ride	-	1,891	(2,456)	565	-
Connecting Nidderdale	-	10,000	(8,851)	(1,149)	-
Knabbs Ridge	-	2,500	(2,500)	-	-
Computer Costs	-	500	-	(500)	-
COVID-19	-	10,900	(10,900)	-	-
The Brelms Trust CIO	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
NYCC Locality Budget	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	-
Total	£ 4,770	£ 47,291	£ (50,977)	£ (1,084)	£ -

Transfers during the year and prior year relate to unrestricted funds being used to finance a deficit on restricted funds and additions to fixed assets moved to unrestricted funds.

Digital Champions: Grant for promoting digital skills in Nidderdale.

Emergency Food Aid: Monies received from Ripon Community House to administer and purchase emergency food when needed by local residents.

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14 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

NYCC NHS App Grant: Grant received from NHS (via) NYCC for doing outreach to encourage people to download the NHS App.

Prescription Delivery: Grant received from Martin Lewis Charity Fund - Coronavirus for the charity to deliver a prescription delivery service.

Meals on Wheels: monies received from NYCC, HDH Wills 1965 Charitable Trust and Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund for infrastructure and consumables to support new Meals on Wheels service.

NYCC Minibus Grant: Grant for new minibus, delivery of which has been delayed.

Brierley Homes: Grant money received from Brierley Homes to purchase and erect jigsaw shelving in the back office of Nidderdale Plus, to accommodate a growing jigsaw library.

TRCF Arqive Grant: Grant received from Arqiva so that we can do outreach to let people know what they can do if they continue to experience problems with their TV after the Bilsdale mast burned down.

Computer Costs: Micro Grant received from NYCC for the purchase of IT equipment.

The Brelms Trust CIO: The charity received a 3 year grant commitment from the trust between 2019-21 to help fund the extra staff costs for the expansion of services offered by the charity.

NYCC Locality Budget: NYCC provides each County Councillor with a budget to respond to local needs by recommending funding to support certain activities; we received 2 in the year to cover time spent dealing with community car project.

NYCC Thank you Event: We received a grant from NYCC to thank volunteers at a special event.

TRCF Travel Grant: To pay for travel expenses to travel down to London to attend a carol service at Westminster Abbey to thank charities for their work during COVID-19.

Health and Wellbeing: Income received from NYCC (Stronger Communities) to pay for contractor time in developing our range of services to cover Health & Wellbeing.

Community Car (NYCC Dial a Ride): Monies received from NYCC for the Community Car.

Connecting Nidderdale: Grant received from Two Ridings Community Foundation for staff costs and IT purchases for staff working on the Connecting Nidderdale project.

Knabs Ridge: Grant received from Two Ridings Community Foundation - Knabs Ridge Community Benefit Fund for staff costs working on the Connecting Nidderdale project in the Knabs Ridge area.

COVID-19: Various grants were received for COVID-19 related costs including, £2,000 from Two Ridings Community Fund, £3,000 from NYCC Locality Grant, £500 from NYCC Micro Grant and £5,400 from National Lottery Coronavirus Community Support Fund. All these grants were spent on various costs incurred due to COVID-19 and additional staff costs.

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15 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

2022	<i>Unrestricted</i>		<i>Restricted</i> <i>Funds</i> £	<i>Total</i> £
	<i>Undesignated</i> <i>Funds</i> £	<i>Designated</i> <i>Funds</i> £		
Fixed Assets	-	10,783	-	10,783
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	99,021	38,700	24,000	161,721
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(5,175)	-	-	(5,175)
Net Assets	<u>£ 93,846</u>	<u>£ 49,583</u>	<u>£ 24,000</u>	<u>£ 167,429</u>
2021				
Fixed Assets	-	12,457	-	12,457
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	114,808	-	-	114,808
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(4,989)	-	-	(4,989)
Net Assets	<u>£ 109,819</u>	<u>£ 12,557</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 122,376</u>

16 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The total future value of minimum lease payments is as follows:

	<i>2022</i> £	<i>2021</i> £
<i>Buildings</i>		
Within one year	12,500	12,500
Within one to two years	12,500	12,500
Within two to five years	17,708	28,125
	<u>£ 42,708</u>	<u>£ 53,125</u>

The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £10,417 (2021 - £10,417).

17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no other related party transactions in the year other than those with Trustees disclosed in note 8 and the subsidiary disclosed in note 10.