

**THE LINK TEES VALLEY LTD**  
**(A Company limited by Guarantee)**

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1166207

COMPANY NUMBER: 9687965

**FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021**

**DRAYCOTT & KIRK**  
**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

92 Westgate  
Guisborough  
Cleveland  
TS14 6AP

**THE LINK TEES VALLEY LTD**

**CHARITY INFORMATION**  
**AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

<b>Address</b>	The Palace Hub Esplanade Redcar England TS10 3AE
<b>Bankers</b>	Barclays Bank 1 Churchill Place London E14 5HP
<b>Accountants</b>	Draycott & Kirk Chartered Accountants Cleveland House 92 Westgate Guisborough CLEVELAND TS14 6AP
<b>Reg. Charity No.</b>	1166207
<b>Company number</b>	9687965



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

**Trustees' annual report (including Directors' report) for the period**

**From: 01.04.2020**

**To: 31.03.2021**

**Charity name: The Link Tees Valley Ltd (Aka The Link Charitable Trust)**

**Charity registration number: 1166207**

**Company number: 09687965**

**Objectives and activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Link Charitable Trusts works with children, young people and their families to promote positive family life and relationships by providing supportive activities for all.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The Link Charitable Trust works closely with The Link (Redcar) CIC which is a social enterprise delivering therapeutic interventions to children and young people who are suffering from emotional wellbeing and emerging mental health problems.</p> <p>The Link Charitable Trust has been set up to work with the wider family offering help with a range of practical issues including support, advice and guidance to improve the emotional wellbeing of the whole family unit.</p> <p>During this reporting period we have had to adapt our practice to deal with the pandemic. To do this we had to move a lot of our delivery to on line and also furlough some of our staff who were unable to work in that way.</p> <p>We also identified a need to provide mental health support to adults and have changed our objects in recognition of widening our scope. We received a 6 month grant from the National Lottery to help us set this up and employed 2 adult mental health workers to meet this need.</p>

In 2019/2020 The Charity was successful in securing funding from Sirius Minerals to deliver an employability programme which extended our service provision; we found that the problems faced by our service users are connected with disadvantage, unemployment, social exclusion, skills gaps, and poverty. The project aimed to empower, up-skill and support local people into education, training, and pathways to employment including community development activity to alleviate the effects of poverty. This project was developed and delivered within this reporting period, however due to COVID-19 we were unable to complete the project, with some funds being re-aligned to support service delivery during the pandemic. These funds were put in place to increase our delivery of children's groups.

Our Family Hub project' continued to provide services throughout Redcar and Cleveland as well as developing outposts in and partnerships in Brotton and, Marske and Redcar Football Clubs. The project offers support and advice at regular community drop-ins, where needs are assessed and support can be put in place, this may be one to one outreach for the young person and also family support sessions. The project will also deliver training/ workshop to parents/ carers,

We have also continued to deliver our parent support group (offering advice and guidance to parent/ carers) and also continued consultation with parent/ carers and children and young people, to ensure they have a real voice in how 'their' service is run as we believe that every person adds value to The Link Charitable Trust.

We held weekly groups for children and young people, such as Art Group, Performing Arts, Cooking, Activity and Participation, which have continued to engage children and young people within the local community ensuring increased attendance to these groups. Our Art Group linked in with a local festival.

		This year, we again linked in with 'World Mental Health Day' which is a national campaign; This Campaign began in October and ran through to Christmas, culminating in hundreds of donations from the local community to our Christmas Hamper project. We linked in with our local Care Leaving Team and delivered 130 hampers to Care Leavers across Redcar & Cleveland and Middlesbrough and also to families supported by The Link Charitable Trust and The Link CIC.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In undertaking these activities, the Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The charity does not make grants.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	At the current time the Board does not have any plans regarding social investment.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Our volunteers play an important role in the delivery of activities especially during the summer holidays and Christmas parties and activities.
Other		

## **Achievements and performance**

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>We have continued to deliver our core activities for children, young people and parents/ carers and also expand our provision to support parents/ carers and other adults with specific mental health difficulties. In relation to Adult mental Health we have delivered one to one and group support, as well as delivering informative workshops.</p> <p>We have increased our provision particularly in harder to reach, more isolated villages within the borough. This has allowed us to work more holistically with families and has also increased networking in those areas, with us regularly linking in with other local organisations.</p> <p>We recruited a part time member of the team to focus on our marketing which has increased our social media presence by regularly posting updates of our offer and highlights of our weekly groups. We have also linked in with other community groups supporting adult mental health which has supported referrals into the service.</p> <p>This year has been a difficult one due to COVID and we have seen the impact of the pandemic on mental health within our local communities with increased referrals for children, young people, families, and adults needing support.</p> <p>There was an increased need of individuals within our community, struggling financially and in need of essential hampers. We delivered hampers throughout the lockdown and created a Christmas hamper campaign. The Christmas Hamper campaign was a huge success and received a lot of support from the community of Redcar and Cleveland.</p>
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#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>We have developed our overall 3 year Strategy in this period.</p>
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	This work is ongoing following development of strategy.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		The Link Charitable Trust and The Link CIC have been working closely to develop their Governance Structures. A Memorandum of Understanding between the two distinct organisations has been developed.

## Financial review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The position at the end of the period is positive as we have secured funding from BIG Lottery to fund 2 x 3 year projects to deliver services throughout Redcar and Cleveland to both children and adults.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Reserves are that part of a charity's unrestricted funds that is freely available to spend on any of the charity's purposes. The Link Charitable Trust maintains free unrestricted reserves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to provide a level of working capital that protects the continuity of our work</li> <li>to provide a level of funding for unexpected opportunities</li> <li>to provide cover for risks such as unforeseen expenditure or unanticipated loss of income.</li> </ul>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£29,821
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A

Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No
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#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Grants are the main source of funds within The Link Charitable Trust, the majority being restricted grants.  We also receive donations from fundraising activities to increase our unrestricted reserves.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/A
Other		N/A

#### Structure, governance and management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document: for example,	Para 1.25	Memorandum of Articles of Association
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Private company limited by guarantee without share capital
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	

#### Additional information (optional)



You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Ongoing and under development - key priority for 2021/22. We have recently identified online workshop opportunities which will form part of the training alongside renewed safeguarding training and enhanced DBS checks.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Memorandum of Understanding has been developed in conjunction with The Link CIC. All Trustees of the charity and Directors of the CIC have been involved.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A
Other		N/A

## Reference and administrative details

Charity name	<b>The Link Tees Valley Ltd</b>
Other name the charity uses	<b>The Link Charitable Trust</b>
Registered charity number	<b>1166207</b>
Charity's principal address	<b>The Palace Hub, 28-29 Esplanade, Redcar, TS10 3AE</b>

## Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Ian Swales			
2	Christine Blinkhorn	Treasurer		
3	Louise Butterfield		23rd September, 2020 to 31st March, 2021	
4	Richard Dowson	Chair		
5	Andrew Jamie Cocoran			
6	Barbara Shaw			
7	Deborah McGargle			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (optional information)

## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

## Other optional information

## Declarations

The company has taken advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the report above.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report (including directors' report) above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees/directors

Signature(s) Christine Blinkhorn | Ian Swales

Full name(s) CHRISTINE BLINKHORN | IAN SWALES

Position (for example Secretary, Chair, etc) TREASURER | TRUSTEE

Date 21/12/21

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Link Tees Valley Ltd**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 4 to 6

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.


### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



C N Mason

Chartered Certified Accountant

Draycott & Kirk  
Cleveland House  
92 Westgate  
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Date

22/4/21

**THE LINK TEES VALLEY LTD**

**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31 MARCH 2021**

<b><u>Incoming Resources</u></b>	<b><u>Note</u></b>	<b><u>Unrestricted Funds</u></b>	<b><u>Restricted Funds</u></b>	<b><u>Total Funds</u></b>	<b><u>Year Ending 31/03/2020</u></b>
Donations		9,335		9,335	7,241
Grants	2	15,000	218,468	233,468	117,675
Furlough			8,955	8,955	
<b><u>Total Incoming Resources</u></b>		24,335	227,423	251,758	124,916
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>					
Rent & Rates		-	15,671	15,671	9,656
Light and Heat		-	-	-	-
Telephone		-	451	451	210
Post, Stationery and Advertising		-	3,277	3,277	1,234
Wages		-	118,211	118,211	72,054
Pensions		-	2,291	2,291	855
Training		-	4,802	4,802	1,365
Website Costs		-	-	-	3,149
Room Booking		-	510	510	421
Activities & Fundraising Events		500	9,986	10,486	462
Summer Activities		-	-	-	2,255
DBS		-	196	196	186
Consultancy		-	1,805	1,805	8,600
Sundry Costs		5,281	5,204	10,485	2,646
Group Supplies		-	-	-	898
Repairs		149	-	149	45
Travel Expenses		-	329	329	1,463
Independent Examiner Fee		-	759	759	1,046
Bookkeeping		-	264	264	-
		5,930	163,758	169,688	106,545
<b><u>Transfers between funds</u></b>				-	-
<b><u>Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources</u></b>		18,405	63,665	82,070	18,371
Total funds brought forward		11,416	44,584	56,000	37,629
<b><u>Total funds carried forward</u></b>		29,821	108,249	138,070	56,000

**THE LINK TEES VALLEY LTD (COMPANY NUMBER 9687965)**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

	<u>NOTE</u>	<u>31/03/2021</u>	<u>31/03/2020</u>
		£	£
<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>			
Bank Account		135,472	57,654
Cash Account		-	123
Debtor		4,315	
		<u>139,787</u>	<u>57,777</u>
		139,787	57,777
<b><u>CURRENT LIABILITIES: payable within 1 year</u></b>			
Other creditors		1,417	1,477
Accruals		300	300
		<u></u>	<u></u>
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>	<b>4</b>	<u>138,070</u>	<u>56,000</u>
<b><u>FUNDS</u></b>			
Unrestricted Funds	<b>3</b>	29,821	11,416
Restricted Funds	<b>3</b>	<u>108,249</u>	<u>44,584</u>
		<u>138,070</u>	<u>56,000</u>

For the period ending 31 March 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company 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 financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

**These Financial Statements were approved by the Directors on**

Date 21/12/21

Signed Christine Blinkhorn

Printed CHRISTINE BLINKHORN.

## **THE LINK TEES VALLEY LTD**

### **Notes to the Accounts for the period ended 31st March 2021**

#### **1. General information and basis of preparation**

- a) The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance 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) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through update bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016), the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally accepted practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.
- The charity has applied update bulletin 1 as published on 2 February 2016 and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds it is applying FRS 102 Section 1A.
- The Financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The Financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest pound.
- The significant accounting policy's applied in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. These policies have been applied to all years shown unless otherwise stated.
- The charity adopted SORP (FRS 102 in the current year and no transition adjustments were required.
- b) **Funds**
- Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.
- Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the accounts.
- c) All grants and voluntary income are accounted for gross when receivable, as long as they are capable of financial measurement. Gifts in kind have not been capable of measurement and are not included.
- d) All expenditure is accounted for gross, and when incurred.
- e) It is the Charities policy to only capitalise assets at a cost of £500 or over.

#### **2 Grants Receivable**

	<b><u>31/03/2021</u></b>	<b><u>31/03/2020</u></b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Lottery - Family Hub	66,950	-
Lottery - Adult Support	43,869	-
Lottery Uplift	18,613	-
County Durham Community Foundation	11,219	-
Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council	10,000	-
Lottery 1 year	9,894	-
Middlesbrough Council	9,420	-
Hartlepool ESF	9,091	-
Children in Need	7,425	-
Tees Valley Combined Authority	5,763	-
RCBC Champion	5,000	-
SABIC	5,000	-
Teesside University	3,700	-
Tees Valley Community Foundation	1,769	-
Groundworks	500	-
Warburtons	400	-
RCVDA	255	-
I Will	9,600	4,980
Sirius Minerals	15,000	22,292
BBC	-	9,900
BGC	-	65,003
Reach Social Investment	-	13,000
B O Davies	-	1,000
Hilden Charitable Trust	-	1,500
	<b><u>233,468</u></b>	<b><u>117,675</u></b>

Details of grants are included in note 3.

**THE LINK TEES VALLEY LTD**

**Notes to the Accounts for the period ended 31st March 2021**

**3 Funds**

	Opening balance	Incoming resources	Transfer between funds	Outgoing resources	Closing balance
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	11,416	24,335	-	(5,930)	29,821
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
I Will (a)	3,566	-	-	-	3,566
Sirius Minerals (b)	12,891	-	-	(4,548)	8,343
BBC (c)	1,547	-	-	(1,547)	-
BGC - Reaching Communities (d)	26,580	-	-	(26,580)	-
Lottery - Family Hub ( e)	-	66,950	-	(14,692)	52,258
Lottery - Adult Support (f)	-	43,869	-	(43,869)	-
Lottery Uplift (g)	-	18,613	-	(18,613)	-
Sirius Minerals (h)	-	15,000	-	(3,289)	11,711
County Durham Community Foundation (i)	-	11,219	-	(9,636)	1,583
Awards for All (j)	-	9,894	-	-	9,894
I Will (k)	-	9,600	-	-	9,600
Middlesbrough Countil - DFE Easter (l)	-	9,420	-	(6,860)	2,560
Children In Need (m)	-	7,425	-	(7,425)	-
Hartlepool ESF Community (n)	-	9,091	-	(9,091)	-
RCBC Covid (o)	-	5,000	-	(366)	4,634
Apprentice (p)	-	5,763	-	(5,763)	-
Teesside University (q)	-	3,700	-	-	3,700
Tees Valley Community Foundation ( r)	-	1,769	-	(1,769)	-
Groundworks (s)	-	500	-	(500)	-
Warburtons (t)	-	400	-	-	400
RCVDA (u)	-	255	-	(255)	-
Furlough	-	8,955	-	(8,955)	-
	44,584	227,423	-	(163,758)	108,249

- (a) Grant for youth volunteering.
- (b) Grant for time for me project.
- (c) Grant for Children in Need
- (d) Grant from the Big Lottery Community Fund for Family Hub Project
- ( e) Support for C/YP and families. Groups and one to one.
- (f) Pilot of Adlut mental health support project
- (g) Supporting delivery of remote support during COVID
- (h) 3 months extension to the Lottery Adult support pilot and to increase C/YP service capacity for delivery of groups.
- (i) Delivery of hampers and activity pack during COVID.
- (j) Extension to the delivery of children and young peoples groups.
- (k) Develop and delivery of Young Volunteers Project
- (l) Easter Activities programme
- (m) Group activities for C/YP
- (n) Delivery of mental health training and support for those unemployed
- (o) Delivery of groups for C/YP to gain insight into the impact of COVID on YP's
- (p) Christmas hamper delivery and coordination
- (q) Grant to purchase walking equipment for women's walking group.
- ( r) COVID response support delivery of hampers/activity packs and development and printing of activity book to delivery to YP's
- (s) Hamper delivery of food and other essentials
- (t) Extend the delivery of hampers and activity packs to YP's
- (u) LCT craft group for purchasing of craft materials



## **THE LINK TEES VALLEY LTD**

### **Notes to the Accounts for the period ended 31st March 2021**

#### **4 Analysis of funds by assets**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Current assets	29,145	110,642	139,787
Current liabilities	(1,717)	-	(1,717)
	<u>27,428</u>	<u>110,642</u>	<u>138,070</u>

#### **5 Transactions with trustees and connected persons**

During the year there was no transactions with trustees or connected persons.  
No trustees were remunerated in the year.

#### **6 Trustee indemnity insurance**

During the year, no insurance was purchased to indemnify trustees against default on their part.

#### **7 Employee costs**

12 employees were employed during April  
10 employees were employed during May  
8 employees were employed during June  
7 employees were employed during July  
9 employees were employed during August  
11 employees were employed during September  
12 employees were employed during October to November  
14 employees were employed during December to February  
15 employees were employed during March & remained at 31 March 2021

#### **8 Control**

The company is under the control of the directors.