

ST MATTHEWS BIG LOCAL (LEICESTER)

England & Wales · Charity number 1166668

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-04-21

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of The City of Leicester and the County of Leicestershire and in particular the community of St Matthews Estate, Leicester without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, race or politics, religion or other opinions, by associating together with the said inhabitants, and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for local residents including by the provision of a community facility.

Activities: To promote the benefit of residents of St Matthews Estate Leicester, by associating together the residents with the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for residents including by the provision of community facilities.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Leicester City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£265,611	£245,594	-	-
2024-08-31	£255,711	£218,348	-	-
2023-08-31	£222,839	£213,305	-	-
2022-08-31	£192,881	£221,390	-	-
2021-08-31	£196,908	£204,628	-	-
2020-08-31	£233,654	£169,835	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
LEE NICHOLLS	Chair	2016-04-21
Adnan Wadud		2025-11-24
Ali Adnan		2019-10-31
Amina Gharda		2019-04-08
Aysha Karolia		2018-11-03
Dr Mokhtar Elareshi		2024-07-22
Imran Dedat		2025-04-28
Nicky Whitehead		2025-11-24
Rebecca Ferguson		2025-11-24
Saima Shah		2022-10-21
Sarah Whitmore		2020-10-29

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Annual Report and Accounts

For the period 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025



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Trustees' Annual Report

for the period

1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025

Charity registration number: 1166668

Objectives

"To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the City of Leicester and the County of Leicestershire, and in particular St. Matthews Estate Leicester without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, race or politics, religion or other opinions, by associating together with the said inhabitants, and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for local residents including by the provision of a community facility.

Activities

The priorities are to make St Matthews a place:

- which is cleaner and greener
- where everyone is appreciated, valued and respected
- where everyone can reach their potential and local businesses flourish
- where everyone feels safe and secure
- where we can celebrate diversity, talent and creativity

Details of the activities, projects and services in relation to our purposes and priorities can be found in more detail in the Big Local plans which can be found here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/documents-policies>

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

The Main Achievements of the Charity

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) continues to make a real difference to people's lives. It has given people new skills and opportunities. In the last year of our funding from Local Trust we continue to deliver on our Big Local Plan priorities, and we have been successful in securing significant additional funding for staffing and additional activities above and beyond the plan.

Review of the Past Year

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (SMBLL) continues to impact people's lives in very positive ways by creating opportunities for local people to acquire and develop new skills as well as to improve and strengthen existing ones. The priorities identified within our Big Local Plan have been our focus, alongside this we have secured significant other funds as we diversify our operation for the future

Our weekly food fare remains in place and is well managed by a regular group of volunteers. This operates on a Tuesday each week during term time and those accessing it are asked for a small contribution to help cover the cost of the Fare share delivery. During the reporting period there were 920 attendances.

The Big Local Programme

The Big Local programme entered our final year with a final date of August 2025 to fully 'Close out' of the Big Local – Local Trust project. It has been an amazing 12+ years and which has given up the time and space to start a charity, grow our community and build legacy within our community. We will be forever grateful for the opportunity to be part of this programme, and we move forward onto a more independent footing.

The Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) and St Matthews Cruyff Court

The facility opening in August 2018 is now seven years old and is used by far more members of our community than we could have ever imagined when the original concept was designed.

We continue to be kindly supported by grants for our delivery from the Office of the Police and Crime commissioner, Cruyff Foundation, Samworth Brothers Sports Opportunity fund and Hasting Direct these grants have allowed us to continue to run free sessions for at least 13 hours a week, these sessions are in addition to the sessions our partners, Leicester City in the Community, also run free sessions each Tuesday. Again, in the Summer of 2024/25 we were able to increase our sports delivery to cover Sundays, providing a 7 day a week operation.

This year the area has undergone a refresh with £10,000 spent on repainting the running track, basketball court and netball court. We have also spent £4,000 on upgrading the playing surface of the pitch with new high quality rubber crumb.

We were pleased to be supported in the spring by employees from Hastings Direct who volunteered to spring clean the grounds, cutting back shrubs and painting benches to refresh the area.

For the past seven years rental income has so far been ringfenced for maintenance and direct running cost of the facility, but as we move forward, we may start to use some of this income to pay for Sports Coach Salaries.

Holiday Activities and Food Programme.

In the school holidays we continue to partner with Leicester City Council and the Department for Education who provide us with a grant to deliver the Holiday Activities and Food Programme. This runs for 2 weeks in the easter holidays, 4 weeks in the summer holidays and four days at Christmas. We provide hot meals and sports related activities for up to 50 children who are on benefit related free school meals each day.

Children have enjoyed a hot nutritious meal, free fun activities and trips out.

Project delivery August 2024-2025

Cleaner and Greener

In the last 12 months the Big Local has continued working on our pledge to create a Cleaner and Greener St Matthews and to raise awareness of the harm we do to our environment. We have done this partly by providing fun and educational activities for our families.

Big Local has organised several community litter picks. Lots of families took part and the Easter pick rewarded all children with a choice of Easter eggs. Our fantastic changemakers and youth club also joined in with additional litter picks during their school holidays, and we were happy to partner with the good gym who worked hard clearing and restocking the raised planters and hanging baskets.

During each school holiday we collaborated with Leicester Library Services to offer a series of workshops where children demonstrate their creativity, making new objects and artwork from (clean!) recycled items. The children were asked to consider what small things they can do to reduce, recycle and reuse. With particular importance to repurposing objects or litter that they might once have thrown away.

In October we challenged them with portraiture and sculpture using cardboard boxes, paper scraps, packaging and paint. In February the workshop coincided with early preparations for Ramadan and a wonderful range of sparkling decorations were created from plastic bottles, foil, foam, cartons and a thousand twinkles! The first Easter week workshop produced fantastic holiday decorations of eggs, chickens, and rabbits with the second themed around spring flowers and insects. May half term saw lots of imaginative

sea creatures. Loads of cardboard used up! The children's work featured in a large display in the library throughout the summer holidays

In the summer term we worked with Taylor Road Primary School delivering an after-school Eco Club. The five sessions included understanding the environment, how eco-systems and food chains work, the difference between natural and genetically modified crops and the problem of micro-plastics in the oceans. The children planted flowers, grew vegetables from seed, created beachscapes and bird feeders, and enjoyed a wildlife photography competition.

Celebrating Diversity and Talent

In addition to celebrating Ramadan and Easter with creative workshops, the Big Local was also privileged to have Santa visit our magical grotto in St Matthews House during December. 57 children and parents enjoyed Christmas crafts and games accompanied by hot chocolate with marshmallows and gingerbreads, before popping in to chat to Santa and receive a present. We created a truly magical grotto and there were a lot of awestruck little ones!

Valuing our community and promoting health

Over the winter we were awarded a grant from Leicester Public Health Fund which enabled us to create a Warm Hub alongside the Tuesday Fairshare provision. This Warm Hub ran for 17 weeks where between 22 and 45 visitors each week enjoyed chat, board games, quizzes, colouring and the use of computers. Refreshments included a variety of hearty, home-made soups and rolls made from the Fairshare surplus as well as hot drinks, biscuits and cakes. Much better for general health and wellbeing than queuing in the cold!

Partnerships

We extend thanks to our partners: Leicester Library Services, Taylor Road Primary School, with special thanks going to Oadby Town Centre Association for the loan of the incredible costumes, inflatables and decorations for Santa's Grotto.

This year Big Local has been privileged to partner with some great organisations that have made the delivery of the above projects possible, particularly the clean and green pledge: Centrica PLC, Taylor Road Primary School, the What Cabin, St Matthews Ladies Café. We also thank our partners: Leicester Library Services, The Curve, Buzzing Roots and Creative Triangle, for collaborating in delivering the arts and cultural projects.

And last, but by no means least, thank you to all our fantastic parent volunteers!

Sports Provision

There have been 10,106 recorded attendances at our sports sessions over the past 12 months, with 886 individual participants accessing our provision during this period.

We continue to deliver free sports sessions for at least 13 hours each week, providing regular opportunities for young people aged 8 to 21 to participate in structured physical activity. Sessions remain well attended, and we continue to engage with more than 200 young people each week.

Our volunteer pathway continues to demonstrate positive outcomes. We have supported young people to gain qualifications and valuable volunteering and work experience in sport. Notably, two of our volunteers have successfully progressed into paid employment as sports coaches after completing their Introduction to Football Coaching qualification.

During school holidays, we extend our provision to increase engagement and help prevent young people from becoming involved in anti-social behaviour. This includes additional sessions and a programme of football tournaments across the different age groups. These tournaments continue to be very popular, with over 200 young people taking part.

We are also exploring new partnership opportunities to broaden our sports offer, including discussions with Leicestershire County Cricket Club to deliver tape-ball cricket sessions for our young people — with potential to expand this offer to the wider community in the future.

Our sports activities remain a key element of our youth engagement model, helping young people build confidence, develop communication skills, strengthen interpersonal skills, and enhance their CVs through real-world experience and leadership development.

Youth Club Provision – That Thing After School

Our twice-weekly youth club, That Thing After School, continues to provide a safe and engaging environment for young people aged 10 to 18. Operating every Wednesday and Friday from 4pm to 7pm, the programme offers a wide range of positive activities designed to support creativity, learning and personal development.

This year, we have recorded 2242 attendances and engaged 221 individual young people in the programme.

We have continued to expand our creative arts offer, working closely with local providers such as 2Funky Arts to deliver blocks of breakdancing and DJ/music workshops. These opportunities enable young people to express themselves in new ways and engage in activities they may not otherwise have access to.

Our arts provision has developed significantly through:

Spoken word workshops – where participants explored poetry and wrote original pieces reflecting on life in St Matthews

Graffiti art workshops – resulting in painted canvases celebrating their community

Music and song writing sessions led by Leicester's new Poet Laureate, Mr Shay – culminating in lyrics and tracks created and performed by the young people

These achievements were showcased proudly at a Youth Club Showcase Evening, giving young people the chance to celebrate their work in front of peers and staff.

We continue to support personal growth and essential life skills through cooking, personal development and debate workshops, helping young people develop communication and conflict resolution skills.

Our partnership with Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service continues to have a strong impact. Young people completed fire safety awareness, first aid training and an interactive road safety experience using the hazard express 3D vehicle. A visit to the fire station provided practical learning opportunities, and we are proud that one participant has since joined the Fire Cadets.

Trips have also included a visit to the local library and Leicester's New Walk Museum, where young people engaged directly with a working artist to learn about creative careers.

To further enhance the experience at the club, we have invested in new board games and equipment, supporting continued engagement, teamwork and social interaction.

Across all our activities from September 2024 to August 2025 we have reached in total nearly 15,300 opportunities for residents to participate in our activities.

Activities included:

Trip to London

Diwali Craft Activities

Two Christmas Craft Workshops

Elders Christmas lunch at Church Cour

Children's theatre Trip

Weekly Term time Foodshare project

Twice weekly youth Club

Minimum of 13 hours of Sports provision weekly

Easter, Summer and Winter Holiday Activity and Food Provision
February Half Term Craft Activities
Community litter picks
Eid recycling craft activities
Eco club with Taylor Road School
Sunflower growing competition
Bulb planning with Ladies Café and What Cabin
Trip to Skegness.
St Matthews Community Parks Day.

Contribution Made by Volunteers

Volunteering continues to be an integral part of the Charity's work. The volunteer Board of Trustees remains central to offering strategic vision and direction to the Charity.

Additionally, there has been ongoing voluntary input from many local organisations and individuals in particular staff from the Central England Co-op food and funeral services, Hastings Direct, Good Gym Leicester, Centrica PLC and residents who willingly give their time to supporting and offering practical help with various activities and events.

For the period September 2024 to August 2025, the charity's bank of local volunteers contributed over 290 attendances averaging 860 hours to assist with various projects and activities. It is estimated we had around 35 regular volunteers last year.

Volunteers undertake a range of activities from litter picking, gardening, supporting holiday activities and food programmes, wrapping parcels at Christmas, help setting up and clearing at St Matthews Community Parks Day, supporting events and activities much more.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period:

At the end of the year the Charity's unrestricted net current assets are £163,661 and Last year they were £114,575, this is a decrease of £49,086.

Reserves

The Charity wishes to hold six months general expenses and one month of staff costs in unrestricted funds. It is felt that this level of reserves is necessary because it can often take many months for grant applications to be processed. The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets (free reserves) held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of resources expended, which equates to £20,000 in general funds. At this time the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Sources of Funding

Until this last year, the main source of income for the Charity has been The Big Local which offered £1,000,000 to be used over 10 years to benefit the residents of St Matthews Estate. Expenditure was governed by the Local Plan which had been written and revised after extensive consultation with residents. This plan has now closed out with all funds used by end of August 2025.

We continue to receive ongoing customer donations from Applegreen Petrol Station, which we are grateful to receive.

We would like to thank:

Hasting Direct, Police Crime Commissioner, Barclays, Leicester City Council, StreetGames, PCC/ Violent Reduction Network, Arts Council National Lottery, Samworth Brothers Sports Fund, Leicester City Council / D.F.E, LCC Cycling, Ward Council, Leicester City Council / ARTS / Cultural Ambition Fund, Leicester City Council / D.F.E and all other donations, sponsors, food suppliers.

The full list of funders can be found on page 18.

Structure, Governance and Management

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) is a charitable incorporated organisation.

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Foundation Constitution registered 21st April 2016.

See <https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com>

Appointment of Charity Trustees

Trustees must be either residents or workers on St Matthews Estate. They are trustees in their own right and do not represent any bodies with which they may be associated. The majority of Trustees must be residents.

Trustees are normally elected by members of the Charity at the AGM but may be appointed by the Trustees in which case they need to be elected by the members at the following AGM.

Each year, one third of the Trustees must stand down but they may be re-elected at the AGM. The minimum number of Trustees is 8 and the maximum is 17. The maximum continuous period of office is four terms, after which there must be a break of at least one year.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name: St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)
Registered charity number: 1166668
Address: St Matthews House, 25 Kamloops Crescent, Leicester LE1 2HX
Names of the Charity Trustees-
Lee Nicholls (Chairperson) (appointed April 2016)
Mrs Carol Allan (Treasurer) (Resigned July 2024)
Christine James (appointed April 2016) (Resigned October 2025)
Aysha Karolia (appointed November 2018)
Amina Gharda (appointed April 2019)
Ali Adnan (appointed October 2019)
Sarah Whitmore (appointed Oct 2020)
Zackaria Ahmed (appointed Oct 2021) (Resigned November 2024)
Shahbaaz Khan (appointed Nov 2023) (Resigned May 2025)
Imran Dedat (appointed October 2025)
Dr Mohktar Elareshi (appointed November 2024)
Saima Shah (appointed Oct 2022)
Nicky Whithead (appointed October 2025)
Rebecca Ferguson (appointed October 2025)
Adnan Wadud (appointed October 2025)

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s) Lee Nicholls

Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc) Chairperson

Date 2nd June 2026

Independent Examiner's Report

to the Trustees of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (the charity) for the year ended 31st August 2025.

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 that in any material respect:

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.

Date



02/06/2026

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St Matthews Big Local
Registered Charity no 1166668
Annual accounts for the period 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025

Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds	Prior Year funds
Incoming Resources						
Donations and legacies	3	7,784			7,784	2,434
Charitable activities	3	7,510	219,199		226,709	204,176
Bank Interest	3	13,749			13,749	14,593
Other	3	17,369			17,369	34,508
Total		46,412	219,199		265,611	255,711
Resources expended						
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	13,770	95,504	302	109,576	101,305
Running costs	6	20,615	90,624	16,746	127,985	108,144
Governance	7	1,548	6,485		8,033	8,899
Total		35,933	192,613	17,048	245,594	218,348
Net income/(expenditure)		10,479	26,586	(17,048)	20,017	38,363
Extraordinary items						
Transfers between funds	13	39,722	(39,722)			
Net movement in funds		50,201	(13,136)	(17,048)	20,017	38,363
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	13	305,602	168,992	30,739	505,333	466,970
Total funds carried forward		355,803	155,856	13,691	525,350	505,333

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2025

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total this year	Prior year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	11	192,142			192,142	191,027
Investments						
Total fixed assets		192,142			192,142	191,027
Current assets						
Cash at bank and in hand	12	165,875	155,856	13,691	335,422	314,174
Total current assets		165,875	155,856	13,691	335,422	314,174
Debtors	10					3,620
Creditors	10	(2,214)			(2,214)	(3,489)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		163,661	155,856	13,691	333,208	314,306
Total assets less current liabilities		355,803	155,856	13,691	525,350	505,333
Total net assets or liabilities		355,803	155,856	13,691	525,350	505,333
Funds of the Charity						
Restricted income funds			155,856		155,856	168,992
Designated funds				13,691	13,691	30,739
Unrestricted funds		355,803			355,803	305,602
Total funds		355,803	155,856	13,691	525,350	505,333

Signed by one trustee on behalf of
all the trustees



Print name: Lee Nicholls
(Chairperson)

Date 2nd June 2026.

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Basis of preparation. St Matthews Big Local 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 notes.

Statement of compliance

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)) (issued in October 2019)- (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland

(FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by 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
- and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Going concern - The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis

Note 2: Accounting policies

2.1 Income: This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity

Recognition of income: These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting: There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations: Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Legacies: Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets

in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts: Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Contractual income and performance related grants: This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

Government grants: The charity has received no government grants in the reporting period.

Donated goods: Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so. Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Gifts in kind: for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Donated services and facilities: Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

Volunteer help: The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends: This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Settlement of insurance claims: Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

2.2 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition: Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs: The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.

Governance and support costs: Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have either been charged directly to funds or allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants with performance conditions: Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions: Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations: The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

Redundancy cost: The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Creditors: The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Basic financial instruments: The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS 102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS 102 SORP.

2.3 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity: These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £800. They are valued at cost.

The depreciation rates are 20% for fixtures and fittings, equipment and property improvements, 33.3% for electronic equipment and 4% on the MUGA measured on a straight line basis.

Note 3 Analysis of income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:					
Donations and gifts	2,019			2,019	1,434
Gift Aid					
Donated Goods and Services (Note 4)	5,765			5,765	1,000
Other					
Total	7,784			7,784	2,434
Charitable activities:					
Charitable activities	7,510			7,510	8,534
Grants		219,199		219,199	195,642
Total	7,510	219,199		226,709	204,176
Other trading activities:					
Room lets	3,596			3,596	20,182
MUGA hire	13,773			13,773	14,326
Total	17,369			17,369	34,508
Bank Interest					
CCLA Deposit Account	13,749			13,749	14,593
TOTAL INCOME	46,412	219,199		265,611	255,711

Note 4 Donated goods, facilities and services

	Last year £	Prior year £
Leicester City Council - food parcels		1,000
Leicester City in the Community - food	2,500	
Creative Triangle - Chocolate	225	
Vodafone - SIM cards & credit	2,880	
Chutney Ivy - meal voucher	160	
Total	5,765	1,000

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Prior year £
Note 5 Expenditure on charitable activities					
Direct expenditure on activities					
Big Local		20,235		20,235	19,094
Arts Council Grant		8,624		8,624	5,733
Barclays / Sported Grant		180		180	320
Cruyff Foundation Tournament					454
Hastings Direct		540		540	
Holiday Activities & Food		11,757		11,757	8,590
Leicester City Council		1,340		1,340	3,980
Million Hours Fund - National Lottery		3,012		3,012	1,142
MUGA Designated			302	302	
Police & Crime Commissioner					295
Samworth Sports Opportunities		990		990	320
Sport England		242		242	
Street Games		26		26	
Unused BL Grants funding		320		320	800
Other	13,770			13,770	7,344
Publicity		619		619	401
Staff		47,619		47,619	52,832
Total	13,770	95,504	302	109,576	101,305

Note 6 Running costs

Office expenses	621	497		1,118	2,715
Travel		13		13	
Depreciation	14,003			14,003	16,098
Equipment	802	2,419	20	3,241	6,185
Building running costs	4,004	2,298		6,302	6,983
Repairs & maintenance	935	5,346	182	6,463	1,420
MUGA maintenance	10	4,194	16,544	20,748	8,943
Staff	240	75,857		76,097	65,597
Training					203
Total	20,615	90,624	16,746	127,985	108,144

Note 7 Governance

Administration	366	3,089		3,455	1,636
Fees	276	3,396		3,672	6,447
Independent Examination	906			906	816
Total	1,548	6,485		8,033	8,899

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	35,933	192,613	17,048	245,594	218,348
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Note 8 Support costs

When appropriate, support costs will be allocated by time for activities and by hours for staff.

Note 9 Paid employees

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Prior year £
Wages and salaries	240	107,435		107,675	115,517
Social security costs		9,849		9,849	857
Other pension costs (3 employees)		6,192		6,192	2,055
Total	240	123,476		123,716	118,429

Note 10, Debtors, creditors and accruals

Sundry debtors					3,620
Sundry creditors	(1,308)			(1,308)	(2,673)
Fee for Independent Examination	(906)			(906)	(816)
Total	(2,214)			(2,214)	132

Note 11 Tangible fixed assets**Cost or valuation**

	Property & improve'ts	Fixtures & equipment	Electronic equipment	Total
Balance bt. forward	285,758	9,356	6,395	301,509
Additions	14,183	935		15,118
Disposals				
Balance cd. forward	299,941	10,291	6,395	316,627

Depreciation

Balance bt. forward	96,144	8,392	5,946	110,482
Charge for the year	12,886	668	449	14,003
Eliminated on disposal				
Balance cd forward	109,030	9,060	6,395	124,485

Net book value at 31 August 2025

190,911	1,231		192,142
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Net book value at 31 August 2024

189,614	964	449	191,027
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Note 12 Cash at bank & in hand

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Prior year £
Short term deposits	132,068	140,000	13,691	285,759	302,010
Cash at bank and on hand	33,807	15,856		49,663	12,164
Total	165,875	155,856	13,691	335,422	314,174

An uncleared transaction of £122.66 in the current account is taken into account above.

Note 13 Funds

	Balance b/d £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Fund name & purpose					
Unrestricted					
General	305,602	46,412	(35,933)	39,722	355,803
Unrestricted					
Designated - MUGA future	30,739		(17,048)		13,691

Restricted

Big Local - delivery of Local Plan	24,528	103,143	(109,776)	(17,895)	
Arts Council - Our Arts Sketchbook 2025		22,163	(14,546)	(2,400)	5,217
Barclays / Sported Grant - sports	180		(180)		
Co-op - Foodbank floor	863			(863)	
Cycle Safety	600				600
Holiday Activities & Food	4,637	25,209	(17,420)	(8,615)	3,811
Hastings Direct - Sports coaches etc	6	3,000	(2,546)		460
LCC Bike Hire Scheme	5,000				5,000
Leicester City Council *		12,153	(2,404)	(9,749)	
Million Hours - National Lottery - Youth	8,657	19,311	(18,130)		9,838
MUGA Future Provision	106,935				106,935
Police & Crime Commissioner **	333	9,991	(4,620)		5,704
Redundancy Provision	13,055		(13,055)		
Samworth Sports Opportunities	990		(990)		
Sports England - Lets Get Moving		13,888	(5,712)		8,176
Street Games 2025 - Youth Project.		10,341	(26)	(200)	10,115
Tudor Trust - Staff Costs	2,239		(2,239)		
Unused grantts returned	320		(320)		
Violent Reduction - Youth involvement	649		(649)		
	168,992	219,199	(192,613)	(39,722)	155,856
Total Funds	505,333	265,611	(245,594)		525,350

Transfers between funds	Reason for transfer	Amount
Big Local to General	Fee for being LTO and administration	(8,500)
Big Local to General	Underspend of 5% running costs provided	(4,421)
	Capitalisation of	
Big Local to General	works	(4,974)
Arts Council to General	Room hire	(2,400)
Co-operative to General	Contribution to works	(863)
Holiday Activities & Food	Capitalisation of oven, venue hire & o'hds	(8,615)
Leicester City Council to General	Warm Hub room hire & MUGA revamp	(9,749)
Street Games to General	Room hire	(200)
		(39,722)

Leicester City Council *

Grants for Parks Day & warm hub & refunded grant

Police & Crime Commissioner **

Grants for sports

Note 14 Transactions with trustees and related parties

	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Trustee remuneration and benefits		
Travel	46	40
Flowers for a retiring trustee		41
	46	81
Number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity	1	1
None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity		

Transactions with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period

Note 15 Government grants received

None

ST MATTHEWS BIG LOCAL (LEICESTER)

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Accounts

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

Registered Charity no 1166668

Annual Report and Accounts

For the period 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024



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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 Charity registration number: 1166668

Objectives

"To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the City of Leicester and the County of Leicestershire, and in particular St Matthews Estate, Leicester without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, race or politics, religion or other opinions, by associating together with the said inhabitants, and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for local residents including by the provision of a community facility.

Activities

The priorities are to make St Matthews a place:

- which is cleaner and greener
- where everyone is appreciated, valued and respected
- where everyone can reach their potential and local businesses flourish
- where everyone feels safe and secure
- where we can celebrate diversity, talent and creativity

Details of the activities, projects and services in relation to our purposes and priorities can be found in more detail in the Big Local plans which can be found here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/documents-policies>

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Policy on Grant Making

Grants are administered by the Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation. Grants of up to £500 are available to residents of St Matthew's and up to £1,000 for organisations to run activities for residents. The total annual grant funding to help deliver our vision is £10,000. All activities must be open to all communities on the Estate and must be advertised.

A wide selection of grants has been awarded to both local residents and voluntary organisations which all help to provide positive activities locally and help us to deliver our Vision. More information about our grants programme can be seen here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/grants>

The Main Achievements of the Charity

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) continues to make a real difference to people's lives. It has given people new skills and opportunities. We continue to deliver on our Big Local Plan priorities, and we have been successful in securing significant additional funding for staffing and additional activities above and beyond the plan.

Review of the Past Year

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (SMBLL) continues to impact people's lives in very positive ways by creating opportunities for local people to acquire and develop new skills as well as to improve and strengthen existing ones. The priorities identified within our Big Local Plan have been our focus.

Our weekly food fare remains in place and is well managed by a regular group of volunteers. This operates on a Tuesday each week during term time and those accessing it are asked for a small contribution to help cover the cost of the Fare share delivery. During the reporting period there were 874 attendances.

The Big Local Programme

With the Big Local grants programme was due to finish in August 2024, however we were able to negotiate with Local Trust to extend the grant to August 2025. We were able to achieve this as there had been an underspend in our grant offer mainly due to the Covid pandemic. Also, in this period the Trustees agreed not to continue with the Social Enterprise project as there was not sufficient time to set it up and let it run within the time remaining of the Big Local Programme. The current Big Local programme delivery continues with many of the set projects outlined in the plan.

The Big Local funding has now entered the close out phase (less than £150,000 remaining) during the next 12 months when the charity has less than £75,000 of Big Local funding available, we will enter the close out period, during this period there will be no requirement to report expenditure to Local Trust and they will waiver final reporting requirements. There will be a requirement to publish spend on our website to ensure we remain accountable to the community.

The Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) & Cruyff Court

The facility opening in August 2018 is now six years old and is used by far more members of our community than we could have ever imaged when the original concept was designed.

We continue to be kindly supported by grants for our delivery from the Office of the Police and Crime commissioner, Cruyff Foundation, Samworth Brothers sports opportunity fund and Hasting Direct these grants have allowed us to continue to run free sessions for at least 13 hours a week, these sessions are in addition to these sessions our partners Leicester City in the Community also run free sessions each Tuesday. Again, in the Summer of 2023/24 we were able to increase our sports delivery to cover Sundays, providing a 7 day a week operation.

We were pleased to be supporting in the spring by employees from British Gas (Centrica) who volunteered to spring clean the area, cutting back shrubs and painting benches to refresh the area.

For the past six years rental income has so far been ringfenced for maintenance and direct running cost of the facility, but as we move forward, we may start to use some of this income to pay for Sports Coach Salaries.

Holiday Activities and Food Programme.

In the school holidays we continue to partner with Leicester City Council and the Department for Education who provide us with a grant to deliver the Holiday Activities and Food Programme. This runs for 2 weeks in the easter holidays, 4 weeks in the summer holidays and four days at Christmas. We provide hot meals and sports related activities for up to 50 children who are on benefit related free school meals each day.

Children have enjoyed a hot nutritious meal, free fun activities and trips out.

The Big Local plan delivery.

During the past 12 months Jan Bryars was employed on a casual basis to deliver elements of the Big Local plan, Jan brought a new refreshed outlook on delivery and was able to engage widely with the community and worked closely with the local primary school, Taylor Road.

In the last 12 months we have placed particular emphasis on the delivery of our 'Cleaner and Greener' vision. This has created a happy crossover with some of our other pledges in terms of project delivery.

Cleaner and Greener

We provided St Matthews families with a range of fun, educational activities and asked the children what a 'Cleaner and Greener Environment' really means. Appreciating, to start with, the environment of their bedroom, next their home and garden, St Matthews estate, Leicester city and surrounding countryside and ultimately the planet. Then consider what small things they can do to reduce, recycle and reuse. With particular importance to repurposing objects or litter that they might once have thrown away. We offered eight workshops where children and parents created new items out of old. Five of these also included a cultural festival element. These holiday-time workshops have been very popular, with 586 children and parents engaging throughout the year.

In June we held a junk modelling competition to create a sculpture from (clean!) recycled items. 51 entries were received, and winners included a junk munching monster and models of Vancouver Rd playpark, a recycling factory and an 'ideal world'. A lot of creativity and the children are clearly taking the message to heart

During the year we also conducted five litter picks with various community groups, plus a few ad hoc sessions.

In addition to the 'cleaner' pledge we have been 'greening' St Matthews estate by planting a wide variety of over 800 spring and summer flowering bulbs. This has been achieved by working with our youth club, the Changemakers, the What Cabin and other partners such as Centrica PLC who did a major tidy-up of the MUGA and Austin Jackson Memorial Garden in June, and a month later dug out, weeded, painted and replanted the raised beds and hanging baskets on Mackenzie Way. A huge improvement!

During the summer term Big Local delivered an Eco Club at Taylor Road Primary. The six sessions included understanding the environment, the problem of micro-plastics, sustainable energy, celebrating World Earth Day, planting flowers and food, bird spotting and a 'do you know St Matthews?' history quiz/walking tour. There were lots of fun activities including making beachscapes, bird feeders, wind chimes and a wildlife photography competition. We hope to collaborate again next year. The Year 1 children also worked with us to cultivate sunflowers from seeds. There were some fine specimens to be seen around St Matthews over the summer!

Celebrating Diversity and Talent

We celebrated a range of cultural festivals and encouraged our young artists with five arts and crafts workshops at both St Matthews House and St Matthews Community Centre. These included making Diwali, Christmas, New Year, Easter and Eid decorations, predominantly out of recyclable items. Lots of fun and an awful lot of (eco-friendly) glitter!!!!

At Christmas our wonderful young Changemakers delivered a party at Church Court for some of the more mature members of our community. We were joined

by residents from Sabramati House and St Matthews homes. Yummy food, bingo, a Christmas quiz and generous prizes from Creative Triangle.

Shortly after Christmas we took 22 children and parents to The Curve theatre to see The Owl Who Came for Christmas. For most of them it was their first trip seeing a live theatre show and the culmination of a performing arts qualification that they had taken earlier in the year. A truly magical day out.

Partnerships

This year Big Local has been privileged to partner with some great organisations that have made the delivery of the above projects possible, particularly the clean and green pledge: Centrica PLC, Taylor Road Primary School, the What Cabin, St Matthews Ladies Café. We also thank our partners: Leicester Library Services, The Curve, Buzzing Roots and Creative Triangle, for collaborating in delivering the arts and cultural projects.

And last, but by no means least, thank you to all our fantastic parent volunteers!

Sports Provision

There have been 11,555 recorded attendances at our Sport sessions in the past 12 months. 731 of the attendees were new participants.

We continue to deliver free daily sports sessions for at least 13 hours a week between 4 till 6pm, 4 till 7pm on Fridays, and between 2 and 6pm on Saturdays.

The sessions cater for young people between the ages of 8 and 21. Sessions are well attended, and we are engaging with over 200 young people each week.

We currently have thirteen hundred registered participants. During the school holidays, our commitment to engaging young people in positive activities to prevent them falling into anti-social behaviour we increase the delivery of our provision from 2 until 6pm and provide three additional sessions on Sundays between 4 and 7pm.

During the summer with the European championship football tournament held in Germany we held 5 football tournaments for each age group including a girl's tournament, culminating in a German themed football final with over 250 young people attending.

Our sports sessions are underpinned with learning through engagement and allow us to provide volunteer opportunities for young people to grow in confidence and develop their communication and provide work experiences to develop their interpersonal skills and confidence and enhance their CVs. Our late-night football offer of providing 20 weeks of free football sessions to 16+ year olds between 9 and 11pm on Friday nights was well attended with on average 40 young people attending each week

Youth Club

This year, saw the start of a new service offered by the Big Local in the form of a twice weekly Youth Club 'That Thing After School'. Every Wednesday and Friday between 4 and 7pm young people are provided a variety of engaging activities that foster learning, creativity, and connection among its attendees.

Highlights so far have included trips to Laser Force and Drayton Manor Park, which offered fun and memorable bonding experiences.

We have hosted music, DJing and personal development workshops, allowing members to explore their creative talents and set individual goals.

In addition to that we held a successful series of firefighter workshops that covered essential safety topics like road traffic accidents, CPR, and fire safety by engaging the young participants with Virtual Reality Headsets, CPR Mannequins and quizzes.

The programme concluded with a visit to Hasting Road fire station, where participants had hands-on experiences with fire safety equipment and learned first aid skills.

Additionally, we have celebrated different festivals with food and activities that have brought everyone together, creating a warm, inclusive and inquisitive environment. Allowing participants to learn about different cultures and customs.

After consultation with young people, we have invested in new, high-quality equipment that have added to the fun, attracting more participants and encouraging them to stay involved. These include, pool and table tennis table, virtual reality headsets, dartboard, PlayStation 5, Karaoke machine.

The acquisition of this equipment and experiences we have offered have enriched the youth club participants, helping them build skills and strengthen connections within a supportive and enjoyable environment that we have created. Snacks and refreshments are provided to the young people at each session, as we start to teach participants basic cooking skills.

Other activities

Across all our activities from September 2023 to August 2024 we have reached in total nearly 16,400 opportunities for residents to participate in our activities.

Activities include:

- Trip to London
- Diwali Craft Activities
- Two Christmas Craft Workshops
- Elders Christmas lunch at Church Cour
- Children's theatre Trip
- Weekly Term time Foodshare project
- Twice weekly youth Club
- Minimum of 13 hours of Sports provision weekly
- Easter, Summer and Winter Holiday Activity and Food Provision
- February Half Term Craft Activities
- Community litter picks
- Eid recycling craft activities
- Eco club with Taylor Road School
- Sunflower growing competition
- Bulb planning with Ladies Café and What Cabin
- Trip to Skegness.
- St Matthews Community Parks Day.

Contribution Made by Volunteers

Volunteering continues to be an integral part of the Charity's work. The volunteer Board of Trustees remains central to offering strategic vision and direction to the Charity.

Additionally, there has been ongoing voluntary input from many local organisations and individuals in particular staff from the Central England Co-op food and funeral services, Good Gym Leicester, Centrica PLC and residents who willingly give their time to supporting and offering practical help with various activities and events.

For the period September 2023 to August 2024, the charity's bank of local volunteers contributed over 300 attendances averaging 900 hours to assist with various projects and activities. It is estimated we had around 35 regular volunteers last year.

Volunteers undertake a range of activities from litter picking, gardening, supporting holiday activities and food programmes, wrapping parcels at Christmas, help setting up and clearing at St Matthews Community Parks Day, supporting events and activates much more.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

At the end of the year the Charity's unrestricted net current assets are £145,315 and Last year they were £100,794, this is an increase of £44,521.

Reserves

The Charity wishes to hold six months general expenses and one month of staff costs in unrestricted funds. It is felt that this level of reserves is necessary because it can often take many months for grant applications to be processed. The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets (free reserves) held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of resources expended, which equates to £20,000 in general funds. At this time the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Sources of Funding

Currently, the main source of income for the Charity is The Big Local which has £1,000,000 to be used over 10 years to benefit the residents of St Matthews Estate. Expenditure is governed by the Local Plan which has been written and revised after extensive consultation with residents. The final Big Local Plan covering the last 4 years of the Big Local project has been approved by Local Trust. There is an estimated £320,000 of funding available.

We continue to receive ongoing customer donations from Applegreen Petrol Station, which we are grateful to receive.

We would like to thank:

Hasting Direct, Police Crime Commissioner, Barclays, Leicester City Council, De Montfort University, StreetGames, PCC/ Violent Reduction Network, Arts Council National Lottery, Samworth Brothers Sports Fund, Leicester City Council / D.F.E, LCC Cycling, Ward Council, Leicester City Council / ARTS / Cultural Ambition Fund, Leicester City Council / D.F.E and all other donations, sponsors, food suppliers.

The full list of funders can be found on page 17.

Structure, Governance and Management

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) is a charitable incorporated organisation.

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Foundation Constitution registered 21st April 2016.

See <https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com>

Appointment of Charity Trustees

Trustees must be either residents or workers on St Matthews Estate. They are trustees in their own right and do not represent any bodies with which they may be associated. The majority of Trustees must be residents.

Trustees are normally elected by members of the Charity at the AGM but may be appointed by the Trustees in which case they need to be elected by the members at the following AGM.

Each year, one third of the Trustees must stand down but they may be re-elected at the AGM. The minimum number of Trustees is 8 and the maximum is 17. The maximum continuous period of office is four terms, after which there must be a break of at least one year.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name: St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)
Registered charity number: 1166668
Address: St Matthews House, 25 Kamloops Crescent, Leicester LE1 2HX

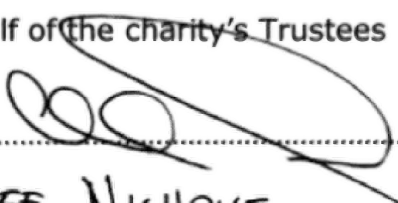
Names of the Charity Trustees-

Lee Nicholls (Chairperson) (appointed April 2016)
Mrs Carol Allan (Treasurer) (Resigned July 2024)
Christine James (appointed April 2016)
Aysha Karolia (appointed November 2018)
Amina Gharda (appointed April 2019)
Ali Adnan (appointed October 2019)
Sarah Whitmore (appointed Oct 2020)
Zackaria Ahmed (appointed Oct 2021)
Shahbaaz Khan (Appointed Nov 2023)
Saima Shah (Appointed Oct 2022)
Dr Mokhtar Elareshi (Appointed Jul 2024)

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature(s).....

Full name(s) LEE NICHOLLS

Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc) Chair

Date 10.3.2025

Independent Examiner's Report

to the Trustees of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (the charity) for the year ended 31st August 2024.

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 that in any material respect:

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.

Date 19/03/2025



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Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds	Prior Year funds
Incoming Resources						
Donations and legacies	3	2,434			2,434	6,101
Charitable activities	3	8,534	195,642		204,176	193,285
Bank Interest	3	14,593			14,593	7,076
Other	3	34,508			34,508	16,377
Total		60,069	195,642		255,711	222,839
Resources expended						
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	6,344	93,961		101,305	112,917
Running costs	6	31,476	72,853	3,815	108,144	97,665
Governance	7	564	8,335		8,899	2,723
Total		38,384	175,149	3,815	218,348	213,305
Net income/(expenditure)		21,685	20,493	(3,815)	38,363	9,534
Extraordinary items						
Transfers between funds	13	9,819	(13,282)	3,463		
Net movement in funds		31,504	7,211	(352)	38,363	9,534
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	13	274,098	161,781	31,091	466,970	457,436
Total funds carried forward		305,602	168,992	30,739	505,333	466,970

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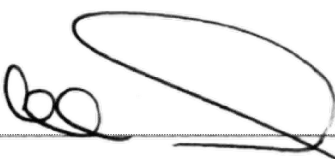
Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2024

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total this year	Prior year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	11	191,027			191,027	204,395
Investments						
Total fixed assets		191,027			191,027	204,395
Current assets						
Cash at bank and in hand	12	118,064	165,371	30,739	314,174	261,244
Total current assets		118,064	165,371	30,739	314,174	261,244
Debtors	10		3,620		3,620	2,507
Creditors	10	(3,489)			(3,489)	(444)
						(732)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		114,575	168,991	30,739	314,306	262,575
Total assets less current liabilities		305,602	168,991	30,739	505,333	466,970
Total net assets or liabilities		305,602	168,991	30,739	505,333	466,970
Funds of the Charity						
Restricted income funds			168,992		168,992	161,781
Designated funds				30,739	30,739	31,091
Unrestricted funds		305,602			305,602	274,098
Total funds		305,602	168,992	30,739	505,333	466,970

Signed by one trustee on behalf of
all the trustees

Print name

Date


 LEE NICHOLLS
 10.3.2025

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Basis of preparation. St Matthews Big Local 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 notes.

Statement of compliance

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)) (issued in October 2019)- (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland

(FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by 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
- and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Going concern - The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis

Note 2: Accounting policies

2.1 Income: This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity

Recognition of income: These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting: There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations: Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as

entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Legacies: Legacies are included in the SoFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts: Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Contractual income and performance related grants: This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

Government grants: The charity has received no government grants in the reporting period.

Donated goods: Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so. Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Gifts in kind: for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Donated services and facilities: Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

Volunteer help: The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends: This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Settlement of insurance claims: Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

2.2 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition: Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs: The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.

Governance and support costs: Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have either been charged directly to funds or allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants with performance conditions: Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions: Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations: The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

Redundancy cost: The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Creditors: The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Basic financial instruments: The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS 102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS 102 SORP.

2.3 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity: These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £800. They are valued at cost.

The depreciation rates are 20% for fixtures and fittings, equipment and property improvements, 33.3% for electronic equipment and 4% on the MUGA measured on a straight line basis.

Note 3 Analysis of income

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
		£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:						
Donations and gifts		1,434			1,434	3,891
Gift Aid						
Donated Goods and Services	Note 4	1,000			1,000	2,210
Other						
Total		2,434			2,434	6,101
Charitable activities:						
Charitable activities		8,534			8,534	5,521
Grants			195,642		195,642	187,764
Total		8,534	195,642		204,176	193,285
Other trading activities:						
Room lets		20,182			20,182	3,816
MUGA hire		14,326			14,326	12,561
Total		34,508			34,508	16,377
Bank Interest						
CCLA Deposit Account		14,593			14,593	7,076
TOTAL INCOME		60,069	195,642		255,711	222,839

Note 4 Donated goods, facilities and services

	2024	Prior yr
	£	£
Leicester City Council - road closures		380
Leicester City In Community/ Islamic UK - food hampers		1,000
Prana Café - fruit		80
Creative Triangle - cereals & hat & scarf sets & toys		450
Samworth Brothers - sandwiches		300
Leicester City Council - food parcels	1,000	
Total	1,000	2,210

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Note 5 Expenditure on charitable activities					
Direct expenditure on activities					
Big Local		19,094		19,094	14,520
Arts Council Grant 2023		5,733		5,733	
Barclays / Sported Grant		320		320	
Cruyff Foundation Tournament		454		454	
Holiday Activities & Food		8,590		8,590	11,320
Leicester City Council		3,980		3,980	1,067
Million Hours Fund - National Lottery		1,142		1,142	
Police & Crime Commissioner		295		295	
Samworth Sports Opportunities		320		320	
Unused BL Grants funding		800		800	
Other	6,344			7,344	19,170
Publicity		401		401	2,418
Staff		52,832		52,832	63,249
Total	6,344	93,961		101,305	111,744

Note 6 Running costs

Office expenses	878	1,837		2,715	3,287
Travel					183
Depreciation	16,098			16,098	15,552
Equipment	1,851	4,328	6	6,185	4,383
Building running costs	6,129	854		6,983	5,881
Repairs & maintenance	1,266	154		1,420	1,596
MUGA maintenance	5,134		3,809	8,943	9,961
Staff	120	65,477		65,597	56,822
Training		203		203	
Total	31,476	72,853	3,815	108,144	97,665

Note 7 Governance

Administration		1,636		1,636	1,921
Fees	564	5,883		6,447	52
Independent Examination		816		816	750
Total	564	8,335		8,899	2,723
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	38,384	175,149	3,815	218,348	212,132

Note 8 Support costs

When appropriate, support costs will be allocated by time for activities and by hours for staff.

Note 9 Paid employees

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Wages and salaries	120	115,397		115,517	109,984
Social security costs		857		857	1,056
Other pension costs (3 employees)		2,055		2,055	2,091
Total	120	118,309		118,429	113,131

Note 10, Debtors, creditors and accruals

Sundry debtors		3,620		3,620	2,507
Sundry creditors	(2,673)			(2,673)	(444)
Fee for Independent Examination	(816)			(816)	(732)
Total	(3,489)	3,620		132	1,331

Note 11 Tangible fixed assets

	Property & improve'ts	Fixtures & equipment	Electronic equipment	Total
Cost or valuation				
Balance bt. forward	283,028	9,356	6,395	298,779
Additions	2,730			2,730
Disposals				
Balance cd. forward	285,758	9,356	6,395	301,509
Depreciation				
Balance bt. forward	83,017	7,553	3,814	94,384
Charge for the year	13,127	839	2,132	16,098
Eliminated on disposal				
Balance cd forward	96,144	8,392	5,946	110,482
Net book value at 31 August 2024	189,614	964	449	191,027
Net book value at 31 August 2023	200,011	1,803	2,581	204,395

Note 12 Cash at bank & in hand

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Short term deposits	106,271	165,000	30,739	302,010	233,953
Cash at bank and on hand	11,793	371		12,164	27,291
Total	118,064	165,371	30,739	314,174	261,244

Note 13 Funds	Balance b/d	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance c/f
Fund name & purpose	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General	274,098	60,069	(38,384)	9,819	305,602
Unrestricted					
Designated - MUGA future	31,091		(3,815)	3,463	30,739
Restricted					
Big Local - delivery of Local Plan	29,207	123,630	(105,958)	(22,351)	24,528
70 Jumps for Jubilee - sports #	582	(582)			
Arts Council Grant	5,242	2,544	(7,032)	(754)	
Barclays / Sported Grant - sports	500		(320)		180
Co-op - Foodbank floor		863			863
Cruyff Foundation - tournament		1,920	(1,740)	(180)	
Cycle Safety	600				600
Holiday Activities & Food	1,120	25,454	(20,685)	(1,252)	4,637
Hastings Direct - Sports coaches	320		(314)		6
LCC Bike Hire Scheme	5,000				5,000
Leicester City Council *	3,000	980	(3,980)		
Million Hours - National Lottery		21,281	(12,624)		8,657
MUGA Future Provision	106,935				106,935
Police & Crime Commissioner **	3,429	19,552	(20,848)	(1,800)	333
Redundancy Provision				13,055	13,055
Samworth Sports Opportunities	1,310		(320)		990
Street Games ***	328		(328)		
Tudor Trust - Staff Costs	2,239				2,239
Unused grants returned	1,120		(800)		320
Violent Reduction - Youth involvement	849		(200)		649
	161,781	195,642	(175,149)	(13,282)	168,992
Total Funds	466,970	255,711	(218,348)		505,333
Designated					
Transfers between funds		Reason for transfer		Amount	
				£	
Big Local to General		Fee for being LTO and administration		8,000	
Big Local to General		Underspend of 5% running costs provided		569	
Big Local to Redundancy Provision		Provision for end of project		13,055	
Arts Council to General		Room hire		754	
Cruyff Tournament to General		Administration		180	
Holiday Activities & Food to General		MUGA and room hire and overheads		1,252	
Police & Crime Commissioner **		MUGA and room hire and overheads		1,800	
General to MUGA Designated		MUGA maintenance		3,463	
# 70 Jumps for Jubilee		unspent grant returned			
* Leicester City Council		Grants for Parks Day & cultural activities			
** Police & Crime Commissioner		Grants for sports			
*** Street Games		Grants for sports, media project, peer research and community give back			

Note 14 Transactions with trustees and related parties	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Trustee Expenses		
Travel	40	152
Flowers for a retiring trustee	41	35
	81	187
 Number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity	 2	 1

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity

Transactions with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period

Note 15 Government grants received

None

ST MATTHEWS BIG LOCAL (LEICESTER)

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Accounts

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

Registered Charity no 1166668

Annual Report and Accounts

For the period 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023



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**Trustees' Annual Report
for the period
1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023
Registered Charity number: 1166668**

Objectives

"To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the City of Leicester and the County of Leicestershire, and in particular St. Matthews Estate, Leicester without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, race or politics, religion or other opinions, by associating together with the said inhabitants, and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for local residents including by the provision of a community facility.

Activities

The priorities are to make St Matthews a place:

- which is cleaner and greener
- where everyone is appreciated, valued and respected
- where everyone can reach their potential and local businesses flourish
- where everyone feels safe and secure
- where we can celebrate diversity, talent and creativity

Details of the activities, projects and services in relation to our purposes and priorities can be found in more detail in the Big Local plans which can be found here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/documents-policies>

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Policy on Grant Making

Grants are administered by the Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation. Grants of up to £500 are available to residents of St Matthew's and up to £1,000 for organisations to run activities for residents. The total annual grant funding to help deliver our vision is £10,000. All activities must be open to all communities on the Estate and must be advertised.

A wide selection of grants has been awarded to both local residents and voluntary organisations which all help to provide positive activities locally and help us to deliver our Vision. More information about our grants programme can be seen here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/grants>

The Main Achievements of the Charity

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) continues to make a real difference to people's lives. It has given people new skills and opportunities. We continue to deliver on our Big Local Plan priorities, and we have been successful in securing significant additional funding for staffing and additional activities above and beyond the plan.

Review of the Past Year

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (SMBL) continues to impact people's lives in very positive ways by creating opportunities for local people to acquire and develop new skills as well as to improve and strengthen existing ones. The priorities identified within our Big Local Plan have been our focus.

Our weekly food bank remains in place and is well managed by a regular group of volunteers. This operates on a Tuesday each week and those accessing it are asked for a small contribution to help cover the cost of the Fare share delivery. During the reporting period there were 685 attendances.

The Big Local Programme

With the Big Local grants programme was due to finish in August 2024, however we were able to negotiate with Local Trust to extend the grant to August 2025. We were able to achieve this as there had been an underspend in our grant offer mainly due to the Covid pandemic. Also, in this period the Trustees agreed not to continue with the Social Enterprise project as there was not sufficient time to set it up and let it run within the time remaining of the Big Local Programme.

The current Big Local programme delivery continues with many of the set projects outlined in the plan. A new part time delivery assistant has been employed to help deliver the plan. The team work together to deliver the bigger projects such as St Matthews Community Parks Day.

The Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) and St Matthews Cruyff Court

The facility opening in August 2018 is now five years old and is used by far more members of our community than we could have ever imaged when the original concept was designed. Thanks to funding from organisations such as the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Violence Reduction Network, Cruyff Foundation, Samworth Brothers Sports Opportunity Fund and Hasting Direct we continue to run free sessions for at least 13 hours a week, in addition to these sessions our partner Leicester City in the Community also runs free sessions each Tuesday. Over the summer months this year we temporarily increased our delivery to also cover Sundays.

In addition to football the basketball court continues to be very popular and this year we invested in new backboard to keep the area looking fresh and new.

Holiday Activities and Food Programme.

In the school holidays we continue to partner with Leicester City Council and the Department for Education who provide us with a grant to deliver the Holiday Activities and Food Programme. This runs for 2 weeks in the Easter holiday, 4 weeks in the summer holiday and a week at Christmas. We provide hot meals and sports related activities each day for up to 50 children who are on benefit related free school meals.

The "Art at St Matthews" project

This year we were provided with significant funding from the Arts Council, supported with funding from Leicester City Council Cultural Ambitions Fund to deliver several arts taster sessions across the estate. The project was delivered and managed in corroboration with Buzzing Roots.

The project has made St Matthews into a vibrant creative hub. Leicester's Assistant City Mayor, Cllr Vi Dempster, praises the programme's diverse arts and activities, benefiting all ages. Artist Sian Watson Taylor engaged the Ladies Only group in visual storytelling, fostering unity and breaking cultural barriers. The

project revamped the local library's storage room into an environmental and health-compliant space. Additionally, it offered children Melodic Play Time sessions, promoting music appreciation and family literacy. The initiative not only empowered young people, it also brought together diverse communities, instilling a sense of pride and creativity in St Matthews. One local young person secured their first paid jobs in the arts. The success culminated in exhibitions, Parks Day celebrations, and the creation of mini-libraries, leaving a lasting impact on community cohesion.

Change Makers

Throughout the year a group of teenage young people have met together to work on projects ranging from gardening for elderly residents to working as a team behind the scenes on Parks Day. They are an impressive group of young citizens.

Sports Provision

There have been 17,827 recorded attendances at our Sports sessions in the past 12 months.

Violence Reduction Network

SMBL continues to work closely with the Violence Reduction Network, this partnership is strengthened through regular workshops alongside sports activities to educate and raise awareness of young people around the dangers of youth violence, gangs and drugs.

Late Night Football

Thanks to a grant from the Police Crime Commissioner, SMBL was able to address the lack of activity for young people on a Friday night, which meant they were hanging around on the streets, getting into trouble and causing anti-social behaviour. After a successful trial period, we were able to offer 20 weeks of late-night football. These sessions are regularly attended by up to 40 young people from across the city.

Qualifications

We continue to provide qualifications for young people to develop their CVs, and provide them with pathways into future employment. Young people have competed the EE playmaker award, first aid and safeguarding qualifications and also gain level one football coaching certificates.

Employment of local coaches

Local young people who have completed the level one coaching certificate are provided with the opportunity to complete work experience and put into practice what they have learned on the course. 11 young people are now employed by SMBL as sports coaches, coaching and mentoring local young people during the sessions and acting as positive role models. Young people aspire to follow in the footsteps of the coaches who they look up to and see that taking part in volunteering and completing qualifications can lead to future employment opportunities.

Street Doctors Workshops

We delivered sessions for our young people as part of the reducing violence programme. The sessions educated young people on "what to do when someone gets stabbed " and "what to do when someone is knocked out" each lasting 1 hour, for a group of 15 young people, and were delivered by medical students at the University of Leicester.

Holiday Activities and Food Programme

Our HAF programme has proved to be successful with up to 50 young people attending regularly. Sessions are structured to provide activities catering for all ability levels, a healthy and hot lunch and a reward activity on the final day of the programme. This year young people were taken to Ninja Warrior. The desert rat's army community engagement team attending the HAF programme this year delivering a day of team building and leadership workshops.

Buzzing Roots

An arts project delivered with Buzzing Roots titled 'That Thing on Saturday' gave young people the opportunity to come into St Matthews house on Saturday afternoons and try out drama and spoken word workshops. Young people were able to discuss what challenges they are facing and create artwork to share their story.

Police Partnership

We continue to work closely with Leicestershire Police to strengthen the relationship between young people and the Police. Police officers have delivered interactive workshops around stop and search, knife crime and the dangers of drugs and gang violence.

Other activities during the September 2022 to August 2023 period included:

- Litter picking 19 October 2022.
- Weekly FareShare delivery and food bank opening every Tuesday.
- Free Bike to Work scheme 5 September 2022.
- Friday night 9-11pm sports.
- Women only, Jump for the Jubilee activities.
- Basketball tournament 3v3 21 October 2022.
- Changemakers Bingo for elderly residents 2 Nov.
- Indoor Xmas HAF 19/20/21/22 Dec.
- Saturday morning Girl's football.
- St Matthews Young person's Christmas disco! Ages 11-16 year old 16 December 2022.
- FIFA tournament at St Matthews Big Local run by Leicester City in the Community 20 December 2022.
- Arts offering in St Matthews House.
- St Matthews Big Local are represented at the National Youth Voice Conference in Liverpool 8 December 2022.
- Xmas tree decorations in St Matthews 9 December 2022.
- Changemakers helping in out at Open Hands 9 December 2022.
- Santa visits 22 December 2022.
- Several new qualified coaches Sami, Keval, Nasteha, Layla.
- Winter 2022, Easter 2023 and Summer 2023 Holiday Activities and Food Programme.
- Community Safety workshop and PS5 FIFA tournament 6 March 2023.
- Ramadan Football tournament 18 March 2023.
- Free Dr Bike Checks and minor repairs throughout the year.
- Eid chocolates for the community 21 March 2023.
- Support for St Matthews Ladies Cafe.

- Hosted the Trustees and Staff of Local Trust 23 March 2023.
- Easter Egg hunt 6 April 2023.
- 10 Air Fryers distribution 19 April 2023.
- Cuppa at the MUGA event 5th May 2023.
- Litter Pick 31 May 2023.
- Drama and Spoken Word classes 3 June 2023.
- Tier 2 Trauma-informed whole staff and Trustees training VRN 17 May 2023.
- Theatre workshops 21 May 2023 onwards.
- Arts in St Matthews projects.
- Hanging basket making 5 July 2023.
- St Matthews Community Hero award Haleema.
- Hosted the Police Crime Commissioner visit Rupert Matthews to Cruyff Court.
- St Matthews Trip to Skegness 5 August 2023.
- St Matthews community Park's Day 25 August 2023.

Across all our activities from September 2022 to August 2023 we have reached in total nearly 14,000 opportunities for residents to participate in our activities, supported by nearly 293 volunteering opportunities, 13 part-time staff and an active Board of Trustees.

Contribution Made by Volunteers

Volunteering continues to be an integral part of the Charity's work. The volunteer Board of Trustees remains central to offering strategic vision and direction to the Charity.

Additionally, there has been ongoing voluntary input from many local organisations and individuals in particular staff from the Central England Co-op food and funeral services, Good Gym Leicester and residents who willingly give their time to supporting and offering practical help with various activities and events.

For the period September 2022 to August 2023, the charity's bank of local volunteers contributed over 293 attendances averaging 879 hours to assist with various projects and activities. It is estimated we had around 35 regular volunteers last year.

Volunteers undertake a range of activities from litter picking, gardening, supporting holiday activities and food programmes, wrapping parcels at Christmas, help setting up and clearing at St Matthews Community Parks Day, supporting the Jubilee event and much more.

The Charity's Food Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programmes from September 2022 to August 2023 have been a tremendous success, only made possible with the involvement, help and support from our bank of volunteers who worked tirelessly with the Charity and partner agencies in providing hot meals, brunches and food parcels for children on St Matthews Estate.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

At the end of the year the Charity's unrestricted net current assets are £69,703 and Last year they were £51,595, this is an increase of £18,108.

Reserves

The Charity wishes to hold six months general expenses and one month of staff costs in unrestricted funds. It is felt that this level of reserves is necessary because it can often take many months for grant applications to be processed. The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets (free reserves) held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of resources expended, which equates to £20,000 in general funds. At this time the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Sources of Funding

Currently, the main source of income for the Charity is The Big Local which has £1,000,000 to be used over 10 years to benefit the residents of St Matthews Estate. Expenditure is governed by the Local Plan which has been written and revised after extensive consultation with residents. The final Big Local Plan covering the last 4 years of the Big Local project has been approved by Local Trust. There is an estimated £320,000 of funding available.

We continue to receive ongoing customer donations from Applegreen Petrol Station, which we are grateful to receive.

We would like to thank:

Hasting Direct, Police Crime Commissioner, Barclays, Leicester City Council, De Montfort University, StreetGames, PCC/ Violent Reduction Network, Arts Council National Lottery, Samworth Brothers Sports Fund, Leicester City Council / D.F.E, LCC Cycling, Ward Council, Leicester City Council / ARTS / Cultural Ambition Fund, Leicester City Council / D.F.E and all other donations, sponsors, food suppliers.

The full list of funders can be found on page 18.

Structure, Governance and Management

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) is a charitable incorporated organisation.

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Foundation Constitution registered 21st April 2016.

See <https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com>

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name: St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

Registered charity number: 1166668

Address: St Matthews House, 25 Kamloops Crescent, Leicester LE1 2HX

Appointment of Charity Trustees

Trustees must be either residents or workers on St Matthews Estate. They are trustees in their own right and do not represent any bodies with which they may be associated. The majority of Trustees must be residents.

Trustees are normally elected by members of the Charity at the AGM but may be appointed by the Trustees in which case they need to be elected by the members at the following AGM.

Each year, one third of the Trustees must stand down but they may be re-elected at the AGM. The minimum number of Trustees is 8 and the maximum is 17. The maximum continuous period of office is three terms, after which there must be a break of at least one year.

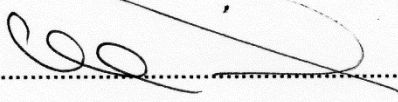
Names of the Charity Trustees

Lee Nicholls (Chairperson) (appointed April 2016)
Mrs Carol Allan (Treasurer) (appointed April 2016)
Christine James (appointed April 2016)
Karen Reed (resigned March 2023)
Aysha Karolia (appointed November 2018)
Amina Gharda (appointed April 2019)
Ali Adnan (appointed October 2019)
Sarah Whitmore (appointed Oct 2020)
Zackaria Ahmed (appointed Oct 2021)
Shahbaaz Khan (appointed Oct 2023)
Saima Shah (appointed Oct 2022)

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature(s).....

Full name(s) LEE NICHOLLS

Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc) CHAIR

Date 7/3/24

Independent Examiner's Report

to the Trustees of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (the charity) for the year ended 31st August 2023.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the trustees of the charity, you 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 Act")

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act;
or

the accounts do not accord with those records;
or

The accounts do 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.

Signed



Date 12/03/2024

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St Matthews Big Local
Registered Charity no 1166668
Annual accounts for the period 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023

Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds	Prior Year funds
Incoming Resources						
Donations and legacies	3	6,101			6,101	5,891
Charitable activities	3	5,521	187,764		193,285	167,290
Bank Interest	3	7,076			7,076	735
Other	3	16,377			16,377	18,965
Total		35,075	187,764		222,839	192,881
Resources expended						
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	8,420	104,497		112,917	111,744
Running costs	6	31,157	66,508		97,665	103,789
Governance	7	752	1,971		2,723	5,857
Total		40,329	172,976		213,305	221,390
Net income/(expenditure)		(5,254)	14,788		9,534	(28,509)
Extraordinary items						
Transfers between funds	13	9,159	(12,460)	3,301		
Net movement in funds		3,905	2,328	3,301	9,534	(28,509)
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	13	270,193	159,453	27,790	457,436	485,945
Total funds carried forward		274,098	161,781	31,091	466,970	457,436

St Matthews Big Local
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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total this year	Prior year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	11	204,395			204,395	218,598
Investments						
Total fixed assets		204,395			204,395	218,598
Current assets						
Cash at bank and in hand	12	70,879	159,274	31,091	261,244	238,410
Total current assets		70,879	159,274	31,091	261,244	238,410
Debtors	10		2,507		2,507	2,925
Creditors	10	(1,176)			(444) (732)	(2,497)
Net current assets/(liabilities)			161,781	31,091	262,575	238,838
Total assets less current liabilities		69,703	161,781	31,091	466,970	457,436
Total net assets or liabilities		69,703	161,781	31,091	466,970	457,436
Funds of the Charity						
Restricted income funds			161,781		161,781	159,453
Designated funds				31,091	31,091	27,790
Unrestricted funds		274,098			274,098	270,193
Total funds		274,098	161,781	31,091	466,970	457,436

Signed by one trustee on behalf of
all the trustees

Print name

Date


 LEE NICHOLLS
 7/3/24

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Basis of preparation. The charity opted to adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by 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

and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)

and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Going concern - The Charity is a going concern.

Note 2: Accounting policies

2.1 Income: This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity

Recognition of income: These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

the charity becomes entitled to the resources;

it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and

the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting: There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations: Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Legacies: Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts: Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Contractual income and performance related grants: This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

Government grants: The charity has received no government grants in the reporting period.

Donated goods: Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so. Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Gifts in kind: for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Donated services and facilities: Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

Volunteer help: The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends: This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Settlement of insurance claims: Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition: Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs: The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.

Governance and support costs: Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have either been charged directly to funds or allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants with performance conditions: Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions: Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations: The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the

Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

Redundancy cost: The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Creditors: The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Basic financial instruments: The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS 102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS 102 SORP.

2.4 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity: These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £800. They are valued at cost.

The depreciation rates are 20% for fixtures and fittings, equipment and property improvements, 33.3% for electronic equipment and 4% on the MUGA measured on a straight line basis.

Note 3 Analysis of income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:					
Donations and gifts	3,891			3,891	5,511
Gift Aid					
Donated Goods and Services	2,210			2,210	380
Other					
Total	6,101			6,101	5,891
Charitable activities:					
Charitable activities	5,521			5,521	2,946
Grants		187,764		187,764	164,344
Total	5,521	187,764		193,285	167,290
Other trading activities:					
Room lets	3,816			3,816	4,395
MUGA hire	12,561			12,561	14,570
Total	16,377			16,377	18,965
Bank Interest					
CCLA Deposit Account	7,076			7,076	735
TOTAL INCOME	35,075	187,764		222,839	192,881

Note 4 Donated goods, facilities and services	Last year	Prior year
	£	£
Leicester City Council - road closures	380	380
Leicester City In Community/ Islamic UK - food hampers	1,000	
Prana Café - fruit	80	
Creative Triangle - cereals & hat & scarf sets & toys	450	
Samworth Brothers - sandwiches	300	
Total	2,210	380

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Prior year £
Note 5 Expenditure on charitable activities					
Direct expenditure on activities					
Big Local		20,585		20,585	14,520
70 Jumps for Jubille		28		28	245
Arts Council Grant 2023		15,429		15,429	
Freemason 2022 Unrestricted grant		1,000		1,000	
Holiday Activities & Food		6,331		6,331	11,320
Leicester City Council		1,580		1,580	1,067
Police		833		833	
Ride Leicester Parks Day		300		300	
Street Games		1,301		1,301	2,182
Unused LT Grants funding		(1,120)		(1,120)	
VRN - YOUTH INVOLVEMENT FUND		47		47	312
Other	8,420			8,420	16,431
Publicity		1,874		1,874	2,418
Staff		56,309		56,309	63,249
Total	8,420	104,497		112,917	111,744
Note 6 Running costs					
Office expenses	977	2,310		3,287	3,644
Travel		183		183	52
Depreciation	15,552			15,552	15,752
Equipment	278	4,105		4,383	7,489
Building running costs	3,002	2,879		5,881	6,554
Repairs & maintenance	1,387	209		1,596	3,111
MUGA maintenance	9,961			9,961	12,628
Staff		56,822		56,822	54,559
Training					
Total	31,157	66,508		97,665	103,789
Note 7 Governance					
Administration	734	1,187		1,921	4,650
Fees		52		52	529
Independent Examination	18	732		750	678
Total	752	1,971		2,723	5,857
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	40,329	172,976		213,305	221,390

Note 8 Support costs

When appropriate, support costs will be allocated by time for activities and by hours for staff.

Note 9 Paid employees

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Prior year £
Wages and salaries		109,984		109,984	114,433
Social security costs		1,056		1,056	1,121
Other pension costs (2 employees)		2,091		2,091	2,254
Total		113,131		113,131	117,808

Note 10, Debtors, creditors and accruals

Sundry debtors		2,507		2,507	2,925
Sundry creditors	(444)			(444)	(1,819)
Fee for Independent Examination	(732)			(732)	(678)
Total	(1,176)	2,507		1,331	428

Note 11 Tangible fixed assets**Cost or valuation**

	Property & improve'ts	Fixtures & equipment	Electronic equipment	Total
Balance bt. forward	283,028	9,356	5,046	297,430
Additions			1,349	1,349
Disposals				
Balance cd. forward	283,028	9,356	6,395	298,779

Depreciation

Balance bt. forward	70,436	6,714	1,682	78,832
Charge for the year	12,581	839	2,132	15,552
Eliminated on disposal				
Balance cd forward	83,017	7,553	3,814	94,384

Net book value at 31 August 2023

200,011	1,803	2,581	204,395
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Net book value at 31 August 2022

212,592	2,642	3,364	218,598
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Note 12 Cash at bank & in hand

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Prior year £
Short term deposits	64927	137,935	31,091	233,953	163,577
Cash at bank and on hand	5952	21,339		27,291	74,833
Total	70,879	159,274	31,091	261,244	238,410

Note 13 Funds	Balance b/d	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance c/f
Fund name & purpose	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General	270,193	35,075	(40,329)	9,159	274,098
Unrestricted					
Designated - MUGA future	27,790			3,301	31,091
Restricted					
Big Local - delivery of Local Plan	26,249	101,914	(90,584)	(8,372)	29,207
70 Jumps for Jubilee - sports	2,166		(1,584)		582
Arts Council Grant		22,892	(17,650)		5,242
Barclays / Sported Grant - sports		500			500
Cycle Safety	600				600
Football Foundation	438		(438)		
Freemason 2022 grant - general	3,000		(2,052)	(948)	
Holiday Activities & Food	920	23,614	(20,630)	(2,784)	1,120
Hastings Direct - Sports coaches		2,080	(1,760)		320
LCC Bike Hire Scheme	5,000				5,000
Leicester City Council *		4,580	(1,580)		3,000
Leicester NHS (Girls Sat Football)	1,684		(1,684)		
MUGA Future Provision	106,935				106,935
Police & Crime Commissioner **		23,255	(19,826)		3,429
Ride Leicester - Parks Day		300	(300)		
Samworth Sports Opportunities		1,310			1,310
Sport England	1,850		(1,850)		
Street Games ***	4,544	7,319	(11,179)	(356)	328
Tudor Trust - Staff Costs	5,171		(2,932)		2,239
Unused grantts returned			1,120		1,120
Violent Reduction - Youth involvement	896		(47)		849
Total Restricted	159,453	187,764	(172,976)	(12,460)	161,781
Total Funds	457,436	222,839	(213,305)		466,970

Transfers between funds	Reason for transfer	Amount
		£
Big Local to General	Fee for being Local trusted organisation	7,803
Big Local to General	Underspend of 5% running costs provided	569
Street Games to General	MUGA and room hire	356
Holiday Activities & Food to General	MUGA and room hire	2,784
Freemasons 2022 grant	MUGA and room hire	948
General to Designated MUGA	Provision for future running costs	3,301

* Leicester City Council

** Police & Crime Commissioner

*** Street Games

Grants for Parks Day, Skegness trip & cultural activities

Grants for community activities (Big Smile) and sports

Grants for sports, media project, peer research and community give back

Note 14 Transactions with trustees and related parties	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Trustee remuneration and benefits		
Travel	152	47
Flowers for a retiring trustee	35	
	187	47
 Number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity	 3	 1

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity

Transactions with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period

Note 15 Government grants received

None

ST MATTHEWS BIG LOCAL (LEICESTER)

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St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

Registered Charity no 1166668

Annual Report and Accounts

For the period 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022



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**Trustees' Annual Report
for the period
1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022
Charity registration number: 1166668**

Objectives

"To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the City of Leicester and the County of Leicestershire, and in particular St. Matthews Estate Leicester without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, race or politics, religion or other opinions, by associating together with the said inhabitants, and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for local residents including by the provision of a community facility.

Activities

The priorities are to make St Matthews a place:

- which is cleaner and greener
- where everyone is appreciated, valued and respected
- where everyone can reach their potential and local businesses flourish
- where everyone feels safe and secure
- where we can celebrate diversity, talent and creativity

Details of the activities, projects and services in relation to our purposes and priorities can be found in more detail in the Big Local plans which can be found here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/documents-policies>

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Policy on Grant Making

Grants are administered by the Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation. Grants of up to £500 are available to residents of St Matthew's and up to £1,000 for organisations to run activities for residents. The total annual grant funding to help deliver our vision is £10,000. All activities must be open to all communities on the Estate and must be advertised.

A wide selection of grants has been awarded to both local residents and voluntary organisations which all help to provide positive activities locally and help us to deliver our Vision. More information about our grants programme can be seen here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/grants>

The Main Achievements of the Charity

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) continues to make a real difference to people's lives. It has given people new skills and opportunities. We continue to deliver on our Big Local Plan priorities, and we have been successful in securing significant additional funding for staffing and additional activities above and beyond the plan.

Review of the Past Year

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (SMBLL) continues to impact people's lives in very positive ways by creating opportunities for local people to acquire and develop new skills as well as to improve and strengthen existing ones. The priorities identified within our Big Local Plan have been our focus.

During the first half of the year, we continued to be impacted by the Covid Pandemic and the restrictions they brought, with Leicester being locked down for the longest of any city in the country. We continued to run an emergency foodbank and adapted our services to provide much needed support to our community.

Our weekly foodbank remains in place and is well managed by a regular group of four volunteers. This operates on a Tuesday each week and those accessing are asked for a small contribution to help cover the cost of the Fare share delivery. During the reporting period there were 860 attendances.

The Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) was able to be used as an outside venue, and as well as our traditional weekday offering of coached sports sessions for young people, we were able to hire out the facility to other organisations and small groups.

Over the Christmas period although still under some Covid restrictions we arranged for selection packs to be distributed across the estate to children nominated online by parents. We also arranged a Christmas party for 61 children from our community with traditional party food, a visit from Santa, party games and a gift for each of the children.

Our volunteer youth panel also organised their first Christmas Party at St Matthews House. They planned a small disco and fun games for their friends from around the estate. Youth panel members continue to be active in organising events for their peers on the Estate and in addition to the Christmas party they helped to organise and promote a trip for the community to Twin Lakes, and ran sweet stalls at the Jubilee Party, and St Matthews Community Parks Day.

During the winter months from October to February we worked in partnership with Leicester City in the Community and St Matthews Dynamos to provide Friday night Anti-Crime Football sessions at the MUGA from 9pm to 11pm. The timing of these sessions was deliberately organised as it is traditionally a time when there are no other youth services on offer locally. The sessions were very well attended with 543 attendances during this period.

From September to May we continued to work with Community Advice and Law Service (CALS) who ran a weekly appointment based session at St Matthews House. This was attended by 61 residents during this period.

In October half term we worked in collaboration with Buzzing Roots who ran a range of half term activities including, story time with hot chocolate, community litter pick and creating an educational video. They created a sculpture made from collected waste rubbish, this was very well attended with 181 attendances.

During November and December, we worked in partnership with Leicester Adult Skills and Learning Service to offer Everyday English Classes at St Matthews House. These sessions were running over 11 weeks and were attended by around 11 people each week.

We were pleased once again to be awarded funding by the Department of Education via Leicester City Council to provide a Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) for the Christmas, Easter and the school summer holidays. This was to provide food and activities to children who would normally have received free school meals. We were supported heavily by volunteers from Central England Co-op food and funeral services who provided staffing for HAF to help us serve nutritious food to the children who attended. The funding also allowed us to add a fun reward element to the sessions this year, with the children attending Ninja Warrior at Christmas and Alton Towers at the end of the summer programme. They were also visited by the Dessert Rats who ran team building exercises with the children. During the delivery we had 936 attendances.

As we moved into the new year and restrictions eased, we were able to get back on track planning and delivering our Big Local Plan, we organised community litter picks, planting events and the annual trip to Skegness, with St Matthews Community Parks Day being delivered in August after a two-year hiatus.

During February 2022 we piloted a 6-week project called 'Coffee and Company' this ran in the early evening and was funded by a grant from Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation. The average attendances were 12 people each week and they enjoyed games, company and a light snack each evening. The programme finished at the end of the funding, and it was difficult to secure additional funding.

We brought our community together to celebrate HM Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee with a massive street party where the whole estate was invited. The event was formally opened by the Lord Lieutenant and included a brass band, free picnics, and ice cream for all. We created a special 'Golden Table' for invited elders in the community and they had a great time reminiscing of their time and the impact of HM Queen Elizabeth's reign. The event received national and local press coverage and the local radio station broadcast live from the event for the whole duration of the party. It was a great success and enjoyed by over 400 residents.

We continued to be part of the Leicester Violence Reduction Network Partnership as a delivery partner and were pleased to be awarded a grant from the Youth Involvement Fund. This enabled us to provide a programme of preventative activities, education workshops and mentoring opportunities for disaffected young people and children aged 11 -24. We provided a series of sports engagement opportunities and classroom based workshops including knife crime, racism, leading a healthy lifestyle and Gangs.

We continue to work as a Local Trusted Organisation with Street Games and were successful in being awarded two grants this year. One for Tackling Inequalities where we provided a series of sports engagement activities and we were also pleased to be awarded a grant from Street Games as part of the national Youth Involvement Fund, this enabled us to employ peer researchers, two local young people were interviewed, trained, and supported to speak to over 90 young people in their community to gather their views on youth violence and how it impacted on them, their lives, and their communities.

The programme started in May 2022 and finishes in December 2022. Some of the early findings are –

- Increasing youth provisions available e.g. sports events, debates, late night provision.

- Providing opportunities to build relationships with the police.
- Creative positive representations of young people on social media.
Raising awareness of youth violence e.g., workshops on social media safety or an opportunity to talk to people with real life experience of violence.

We were successful in gaining several grants from various organisations. Additionally, our skills and ability in seeking, identifying, and acquiring additional funding for staffing and extra activities above and beyond the Big Local Plan, remains a success as outlined below:

LCC / DEPT For Education	Winter HAF programme
LCC / DEPT For Education	Easter HAF programme
LCC / DEPT For Education	Summer HAF programme
LLRCF	6 Week Café
UK Cycling 4th	5 Weeks Dr Bike repair sessions
Street Games	Street Games sports coaching
Street Games	Youth involvement fund
Arnold Clark Community Fund	Foodbank 14 weeks
Co-op Local Community Fund	Indoor painting St Matthews House
Freemasons Jubilee Celebration	Donation to the Queen's jubilee party
National Lottery	Grant for the Queens jubilee party
Violence Reduction Network	Sports delivery and workshops
LCC / Ride Leicester	Bike stand repair station at the MUGA
Sport England	70 Jumps for the Jubilee
Y.I.F /CIN/ Government	10 Chromebooks
Arnold Clark Community Fund	Parks Day support
NHS Make the Change	Girls Saturday football

Various other small donations – via donation tins, sponsorship, food etc.

Sports Provision

Our sports programmes allow us to engage young people and provide regular positive, structured activities. These activities provide a platform to remove barriers between the young people. As they train and play together in teams, they are able to get to know one another whilst taking part in activities they enjoy. The activities and workshops provide structured engagement, training, and qualifications alongside an achievable pathway to future employment opportunities.

Young people on the estate are affected by gang culture and are at risk of getting involved with youth violence, drugs, and knife crime.

Through our engagement we have built a trusted relationship with young people allowing us to engage with a wide range of young people from St Matthews and across the city. We host regular tournaments and provide medals and trophies.

Sessions are advertised through social media, word of mouth and other local agencies. Young people can be referred from other local agencies and the police if they felt they would benefit for the programme.

Taking part in physical activity has many wide-ranging benefits, including health, mental health, sociability and developing good habits in young people that will continue to benefit them through their lives.

All sessions are fun and inclusive, and delivered by qualified staff, who have progressed from participant to volunteer to employee. Staff live locally and are

known to the young people. This relationship between participant and coach is built on mutual trust and respect and is a key factor in retaining participants as the relationship is more than just coach and participant. Coaches act as positive inspirational role models, mentoring and providing pastoral support to the young people.

As an organisation, we are providing safe, structured, supervised activities, where parents know their children are taking part and not hanging around on the streets.

Our sports programme maintains the credibility and respect of our organisation amongst the community.

Participants have completed the FA Playmakers Award, Level 1 Football Coaching certificate, Safeguarding Young People and first aid qualifications.

Lawn Tennis Association

Our partnership with the LTA has allowed us to access resources including tennis rackets, nets, playing equipment and medals, trophies and certificates which has allowed us to run open tournaments during the school holidays. We were also provided with tickets to attend Wimbledon this summer.

Violence Reduction Network

VRN funding has allowed us to deliver sports engagement activities on Saturdays between 2 and 6pm for young people aged between 11 and 25. Alongside sports activities we have delivered monthly workshops to educate young people around the dangers of youth violence, gangs and drugs. We also took part in the HOPE HACK, which is a collection of youth organisations working with young people to tackle youth violence, this year's hope hack was in Coventry. Our partnership with the VRN provided an opportunity for 8 young people to spend the day at Leicestershire Police Force HQ, where they met with the Chief Constable and engaged with various police departments including the dog handlers and gun unit. The police were invited to St Matthews House where they delivered an anti-knife crime workshop and brought along the knife arch. A football match between the Community and the Police was hosted at the Cruyff Court, with the community winning 12-4, this game will now be hosted annually as part of our continued commitment to develop relationships between young people and the Police.

Jump for the Jubilee - Women's activity

We have provided weekly activity sessions where women have taken part in walking, football, cricket, and rounders. Alongside our activity sessions we have delivered monthly healthy eating workshops and provided all regular participants with a fitness tracker to monitor their activity level to encourage them to remain active during the week.

Girl's football

There is a lack of provision for girls on the estate. Funding has allowed us to address the lack of activities for girls as this demographic is massively underrepresented. We deliver a regular girl only football session on the Cruyff Court every Saturday between 12:30 and 1:30pm.

Other activities during the September 2021 to August 2022 period included:

- LCFC Community Trust – programme of sports activities
- Internal sports provision for 15 hours' week, including tournaments and competitions

- Half Term Holiday Fun and Food
- Christmas meals for the elderly (home delivered)
- English classes
- Weekly women's café
- Community support café (6 Thursdays)
- Clean up days
- Safe and secure cycle events
- Christmas children's party
- Youth Forum Christmas party
- Queen's Jubilee celebration
- Trips to Twin lakes, Beacon Hill, Alton Towers, Nina Warriors, and Skegness
- Sculpture building and workshops
- Weekly Fairshare foodbank
- Community planting events
- Environmental workshops and COP 27 community pledges

Across all our activities from September 2021 to August 2022 we have reached in total nearly 13,666 opportunities for residents to participate in our activities, supported by nearly 293 volunteering opportunities, 11 part-time staff and an active Board of Trustees.

Contribution Made by Volunteers

Volunteering continues to be an integral part of the Charity's work. The volunteer Board of Trustees remains central to offering strategic vision and direction to the Charity.

Additionally, there has been ongoing voluntary input from many local organisation and individuals in particular staff from the Central England Co-op food and funeral services, Good Gym Leicester and residents who willingly give their time to supporting and offering practical help with various activities and events.

For the period September 2021 to August 2022, the charity's bank of local volunteers contributed over 293 attendances averaging 879 hours to assist with various projects and activities. It is estimated we had around 35 regular volunteers last year.

Volunteers undertake a range of activities of activities from litter picking, gardening, supporting holiday activities and food programmes, wrapping parcels at Christmas, help setting up and clearing at St Matthews Community Parks Day, supporting the Jubilee event and much more.

The Charity's Food Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programmes from September 2020 to August 2021 have been a tremendous success, only made possible with the involvement, help and support from our bank of volunteers who worked tirelessly with the Charity and partner agencies in providing hot meals, brunches and food parcels for children on St Matthews estate.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

At the end of the year the Charity's unrestricted net current assets are £51,595 and Last year they were £43,629, this is an increase of £7,903.

Reserves

The Charity wishes to hold six months general expenses and one month of staff costs in unrestricted funds. It is felt that this level of reserves is necessary because it can often take many months for grant applications to be processed. The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets (free reserves) held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of resources expended, which equates to £12,000 to £15,000 in general funds. At this time the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Sources of Funding

Currently, the main source of income for the Charity is The Big Local which has £1,000,000 to be used over 10 years to benefit the residents of St Matthews Estate. Expenditure is governed by the Local Plan which has been written and revised after extensive consultation with residents. The final Big Local Plan covering the last 4 years of the Big Local project has been approved by Local Trust. There is an estimated £320,000 of funding available.

We continue to receive ongoing customer donations from Applegreen Petrol Station, which we are grateful to receive.

We would like to thank:

UK Cycling, Tudor Trust, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation, Sport England, Leicester and Rutland Freemasons, Tudor Trust, Leicester City Council, Football Foundation, Arnold Clark Community Fund, Hastings Direct, Neighbourly, Cruyff Foundation and all other donations, sponsors, food suppliers.

We have continued to receive funding from Tudor Trust for a grant continuation towards staffing costs and also a grant to help make our premises Covid secure.

The full list of funders can be found on page 18.

Structure, Governance and Management

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) is a charitable incorporated organisation.

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Foundation Constitution registered 21st April 2016.

See <https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com>

Appointment of Charity Trustees

Trustees must be either residents or workers on St Matthews Estate. They are trustees in their own right and do not represent any bodies with which they may be associated. The majority of Trustees must be residents.

Trustees are normally elected by members of the Charity at the AGM but may be appointed by the Trustees in which case they need to be elected by the members at the following AGM.

Each year, one third of the Trustees must stand down but they may be re-elected at the AGM. The minimum number of Trustees is 8 and the maximum is 17. The maximum continuous period of office is three terms, after which there must be a break of at least one year.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name: St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

Registered charity number: 1166668

Address: St Matthews House, 25 Kamloops Crescent, Leicester LE1 2HX

Names of the Charity Trustees-

Lee Nicholls (Chairperson) (appointed April 2016)
Mrs Carol Allan (Treasurer) (appointed April 2016)
Christine James (appointed April 2016)
Karen Reed (appointed November 2018)
Aysha Karolia (appointed November 2018)
Amina Gharda (appointed April 2019)
Ali Adnan (appointed October 2019)
Sarah Whitmore (appointed Oct 2020)
Zackaria Ahmed (appointed Oct 2021)
Saima Shah (Appointed Oct 2022)

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

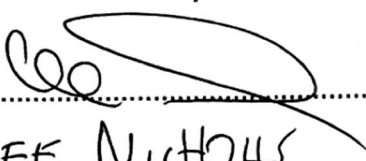
Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature(s).....

Full name(s)

Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date


LEE NICHOLLS
30.5.2023

Independent Examiner's Report

to the Trustees of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (the charity) for the year ended 31st August 2022.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the trustees of the charity, you 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 Act")

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act;
or

the accounts do not accord with those records;
or

The accounts do 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.

Signed



Date

02.06.2023

John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE

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St Matthews Big Local
Registered Charity no 1166668
Annual accounts for the period 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022

Statement of Financial Activities

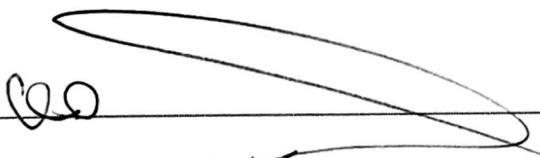
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds	Prior Year funds
Incoming Resources						
Donations and legacies	3	5,891			5,891	6,952
Charitable activities	3	4,046	163,244		167,290	181,654
Bank Interest	3	735			735	24
Other	3	18,965			18,965	8,278
Total		29,637	163,244		192,881	196,908
Resources expended						
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	4,017	107,727		111,744	109,623
Running costs	6	40,630	63,159		103,789	91,506
Governance	7	1,824	4,033		5,857	3,499
Total		46,471	174,919		221,390	204,628
Net income/(expenditure)		(17,569)	(10,940)		(28,509)	(7,720)
Extraordinary items						
Transfers between funds	13	16,451	(22,125)	5,674		
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Other gains/(losses)						
Net movement in funds		(1,118)	(33,065)	5,674	(28,509)	(7,720)
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	13	270,576	193,253	22,116	485,945	493,665
Total funds carried forward		269,458	160,188	27,790	457,436	485,945

St Matthews Big Local
Registered Charity no 1166668
Annual accounts for the period 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total this year	Prior year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	11	218,598			218,598	226,885
Investments						
Total fixed assets		218,598			218,598	226,885
Current assets						
Cash at bank and in hand	12	51,167	159,453	27,790	238,410	260,671
Total current assets		51,167	159,453	27,790	238,410	260,671
Debtors	10	2,925			2,925	
Creditors	10	(2,497)			(2,497)	(1,611)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		51,595	159,453	27,790	238,838	259,060
Total assets less current liabilities		270,193	159,453	27,790	457,436	485,945
Total net assets or liabilities		270,193	159,453	27,790	457,436	485,945
Funds of the Charity						
Restricted income funds			159,453		159,453	193,253
Designated funds				27,790	27,790	22,116
Unrestricted funds		270,193			270,193	270,576
Total funds		270,193	159,453	27,790	457,436	485,945

Signed by one trustee on behalf of
all the trustees


 LEE NICHOLLS
 30.5.2022

Print name

Date

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Basis of preparation. The charity opted to adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by 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
- and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Going concern - The Charity is a going concern.

Note 2: Accounting policies

2.1 Income: This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity

Recognition of income: These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting: There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations: Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Legacies: Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts: Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Contractual income and performance related grants: This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

Government grants: The charity has received no government grants in the reporting period.

Donated goods: Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so. Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Gifts in kind: for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Donated services and facilities: Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SOFA.

Volunteer help: The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends: This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Settlement of insurance claims: Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition: Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs: The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.

Governance and support costs: Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have either been charged directly to funds or allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants with performance conditions: Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions: Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations: The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the

Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

Redundancy cost: The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Creditors: The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Basic financial instruments: The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS 102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS 102 SORP.

2.4 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity: These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £800. They are valued at cost.

The depreciation rates are 20% for fixtures and fittings, equipment and property improvements, 33.3% for electronic equipment and 4% on the MUGA measured on a straight line basis.

Note 3 Analysis of income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:					
Donations and gifts	5,511			5,511	5,412
Gift Aid					
Donated Goods and Services	380			380	1,540
Total	5,891			5,891	6,952
Charitable activities:					
Charitable activities	2,946			2,946	
Grants	1,100	163,244		164,344	181,654
Total	4,046	163,244		167,290	181,654
Other trading activities:					
Room lets	4,395			4,395	
MUGA hire	14,570			14,570	8,278
Total	18,965			18,965	8,278
Bank Interest					
CCLA Deposit Account	735			735	24
TOTAL INCOME	29,637	163,244		192,881	196,908

Note 4 Donated goods, facilities and services

	Last year	Prior year
	£	£
Leicester City Council - road closures	380	
DMU - Christmas hamper		190
RDD Ltd - Sanitising stations		600
Britannia Bakery - Cakes & bread		50
Prana Café - Toys & food gifts		700
	380	1,540

Donated goods and services are recognised when they can be quantified.

All of the Board members are volunteers and their work, together with other volunteers is invaluable in running St Matthews Big Local.

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds £	Prior year £
Note 5 Expenditure on charitable activities					
Direct expenditure on activities					
Big Local		14,520		14,520	10,689
70 Jumps for Jubilee		245		245	
Arnold Clarke 2021		1,620		1,620	
Arnold Clarke Parks Day 2022		750		750	
Cycling Grant 2020		1,000		1,000	6,000
Football Foundation		62		62	
Freemasons		2,000		2,000	603
Freemasons Jubilee Grant		693		693	
Hastings Direct					4305
Holiday Activities & Food 2019					1014
Holiday Activities & Food		11,320		11,320	13,663
Jubilee Grant (National Lottery)		4,183		4,183	
Leicester City Council		1,067		1,067	
Leicester NHS (Girls Sat Football)		296		296	
LLRCF - Night Cafe		375		375	
Other	3,730			3,730	20,209
Parks Day		1,184		1,184	
Samworth Bounce Back Grant		538		538	727
Street Games Peer Research activity		78		78	
T.I.F Street Games / Sport England		2,104		2,104	
VRN - Youth Involvement Fund		312		312	
Publicity	287	2,131		2,418	1658
Staff		63,249		63,249	50755
Total	4,017	107,727		111,744	109,623

Note 6 Running Costs

Office expenses	1,764	1,880		3,644	5,602
Travel	34	18		52	82
Depreciation	15,752			15,752	16,138
Equipment	3,641	3,848		7,489	6,050
Building running costs	6,400	154		6,554	7,182
Repairs & maintenance	411	2,700		3,111	3,484
MUGA maintenance	12,628			12,628	8,105
Staff		54,559		54,559	44,569
Training					294
Total expenditure on running costs	40,630	63,159		103,789	91,506

Note 7 Governance

Administration	1,783	2,867	4,650	2,241
Fees	41	488	529	580
Independent Examination		678	678	678
Total expenditure on governance	1,824	4,033	5,857	3,499

46,471	174,919	221,390	204,628
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Note 8 Support Costs

When appropriate, support costs will be allocated by time for activities and by hours for staff.

Note 9 Paid employees

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Wages and salaries		114,433		114,433	92,073
Social security costs		1,121		1,121	1,212
Other pension costs (2 employees)		2,254		2,254	2,039
Total		117,808		117,808	95,324

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees was 3 (3.5 in the prior year)

No employee received remuneration and benefits greater than £60,000

	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Note 10 Debtors, Creditors and accruals		
Sundry debtors	2,925	
Sundry creditors	(1,819)	(933)
Fee for Independent Examination	(678)	(678)
Total	428	(1,611)

Note 11 Tangible fixed assets

	Property & improve'ts	Fixtures & equipment	Electronic equipment	Total
Cost or valuation				
Balance bt. forward	283,028	6,937		289,965
Additions		2,419	5,046	7,465
Balance cd. forward	283,028	9,356	5,046	297,430
Depreciation				
Balance bt. forward	57,855	5,225		63,080
Charge for the year	12,581	1,489	1,682	15,752
Balance cd. forward	70,436	6,714	1,682	78,832
Net book value at 31 August 2022	212,592	2,642	3,364	218,598
Net book value at 31 August 2021	225,173	1,712		226,885

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Note 12 Cash at bank & in hand					
Short term deposits	25,205	110,935	27,437	163,577	157,168
Cash at bank and on hand	25,963	48,517	353	74,833	103,503
Total	51,168	159,452	27,790	238,410	260,671

Note 13 Funds	Balance b/d	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance c/f
Fund name & purpose	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General	270,576	29,257	(46,091)	16,451	270,193
Unrestricted					
Designated - MUGA future	22,116			5,674	27,790
Restricted					
70 Jumps for Jubilee - sport		3,116	470	(480)	2,166
Arnold Clarke 2021 - food bank		2,500	2,500		
Arnold Clarke Parks Day 2022		750	750		
Big Local - Delivery of the Local Plan	30,384	77,244	71,604	(9,775)	26,249
Children in Need - Y.I.F. - equipment		5,823	778	(5,045)	
Co-op Decorating		2,700	2,700		
Cruyff Foundation - Summer Play	1,000	400	1,400		
Cycle Safety - bike repair	600				600
Cycling Grant 2020 - bike repair		1,450	1,100	(350)	
Football Foundation - sport	500		62		438
Freemasons - food bank	2,000		2,000		
Freemasons 2022 Unrestricted		3,000			3,000
Hastings Direct Sports Grant	1,800		1,800		
Holiday Activities & Food	1,622	25,775	24,727	(1,920)	750
Holiday Activities & Food 2019	170				170
Jubilee Grant - Freemasons - celebrations		1,000	1,000		
Jubilee Grant - Nat Lottery - celebrations		5,025	5,025		
Leicester City Council - cycling	5,000	1,632	1,067	(565)	5,000
Leicester NHS (Girls Sat Football)		1,980	296		1,684
LLRCF - Night Cafe		1,000	730	(270)	
MUGA Future Provision	106,935				106,935
Parks Day	1,184		1,184		
PCC GRANT 2020 - sports	2,000		2,000		
Samworth Bounce Back Grant - sports	538		538		
Sport England 2020 - sports	3,221		1,371		1,850
Street Games - peer research activity		10,427	5,883		4,544
T.I.F Street Games/Sport England - sports		9,772	7,252	(2,520)	
Tudor Trust - staff costs	36,299		31,128		5,171
VRN - Youth Involvement Fund - sport		9,650	7,554	(1,200)	896
Total Restricted Funds	193,253	163,244	174,919	(22,125)	159,453
Total Funds	485,945	192,501	128,828		457,436

Transfers between funds	Reason for transfer	Amount
		£
Big Local to General	Fee for being Local trusted organisation	7,500
Big Local to General	Underspend of 5% running costs provided	412
Big Local to General	Transfer of fixed assets (Slush machine)	913
70 Jumps for Jubilee	Use of facilities including MUGA	480
Children in Need - Y.I.F.	Transfer of fixed assets (Laptops)	5,045
Cycling Grant 2020	Room hire & overheads	350
Holiday Activities & Food	Use of facilities including MUGA	1,920
Leicester City Council	Room hire & admin - Everyday English	565
LLRCF - Night Cafe	Room hire	270
T.I.F Street Games / Sport England	MUGA hire & room hire	2,520
VRN - YOUTH INVOLVEMENT FUND	MUGA hire	1,200
General to Designated MUGA	Provision for future running costs	5,674

Designated funds

Some income from the MUGA is transferred to a designated fund to be used in MUGA running costs in the future.

Note 14 Transactions with trustees and related parties

Trustee remuneration and benefits

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity

	This year £	Prior year £
Trustees' expenses		
Travel	47	82
Total	47	82

Number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity

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Transactions with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period

	This year £	Prior year £
Note 15 Government grants received		
Coronavirus Job Retention scheme		4,895
		4,895

ST MATTHEWS BIG LOCAL (LEICESTER)

England & Wales - Charity number 1166668

Accounts

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

Registered Charity no 1166668

Annual Report and Accounts

For the period 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021



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**Trustees' Annual Report
for the period
1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021
Charity registration number: 1166668**

Objectives

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the community of St Matthews Estate, Leicester without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, race or politics, religion or other opinions, by associating together with the said inhabitants, and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for local residents including by the provision of a community facility.

Activities

The priorities are to make St Matthews a place:

- which is cleaner and greener
- where everyone is appreciated, valued and respected
- where everyone can reach their potential and local businesses flourish
- where everyone feels safe and secure
- where we can celebrate diversity, talent and creativity

Details of the activities, projects and services in relation to our purposes and priorities can be found in more detail in the Big Local plans which can be found here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/documents-policies>

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Policy on Grant Making

Grants are administered by the Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation. Grants of up to £500 are available to residents of St Matthew's and up to £1,000 for organisations to run activities for residents. The total annual grant funding to help deliver our vision is £10,000. All activities must be open to all communities on the Estate and must be advertised.

A wide selection of grants has been awarded to both local residents and voluntary organisations which all help to provide positive activities locally and help us to deliver our Vision. More information about our grants programme can be seen here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/grants>

The Main Achievements of the Charity

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) continues to make a real difference to people's lives. It has given people new skills and opportunities. We continue to deliver on our Big Local Plan priorities, and we have been successful in securing significant additional funding for staffing and additional activities above and beyond the plan.

Review of the Past Year

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (SMBLL) continues to impact people's lives in very positive ways by creating opportunities for local people to acquire and develop new skills as well as to improve and strengthen existing ones. The priorities identified within our Big Local Plan have been our focus.

During this reporting year we continued to be impacted by the Covid pandemic. It was during the late spring that the charity started to emerge from providing an emergency food bank provision to start to plan and deliver aspects of our Big Local plan.

Our Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) reopened, and our normal sports offering was re-established quickly. Rental income returned and *Bounce Back* grants from Samworth Brothers, Hastings Direct and the Cruyff Foundation enabled us to increase our delivery particularly at weekends.

During the year the emergency food bank offering was accessed on over 18,000 occasions. The provision was changed during the year as the situation started to improve and people were able to return to work. People began to access our emergency food provision based on need. We continue to offer a subsidised FareShare delivery every two weeks to everyone in the community.

The food provision was a lifeline for many who had lost their jobs, been put on furlough or on zero-hours contracts with hours being reduced to a minimum.

The charity remained open for the duration of Covid when many other local statutory and voluntary agencies closed. This was well received by our community, and they were reassured of our presence at their hour of greatest need.

We continued to work with the Community Advice and Law Service that was funded by the National Emergency Trust and then Hasting Direct. During this time 76 clients were seen. Some of the work took several visits to establish facts and complete paperwork and appeals. Three of the successful cases resulted in back pay from the Department of Work and Pensions of £4,307 with an annual increased income of £20,607.

We were pleased to be awarded funding by the Department of Education via Leicester City Council to provide a Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) in Easter and the school summer holidays. This was to provide food and activities to children who would normally have received free school meals.

We were successful in gaining several grants from various organisations. Additionally, our skills and ability in seeking, identifying and acquiring additional funding for staffing and extra activities above and beyond the Local Plan, remain a success as outlined below:

UK Cycling (3 times)	Dr Bike Events
Samworth Brothers	Bounce Back Grant
National Emergency Trust	Additional Foodbank Jan - March 2021
Emergency Food Partnership	Laptop and Core costs
Sport England Grant Extension	Workforce Diversity Grant Extension
Leicestershire Freemasons	Foodbank
Tudor Trust	Staff / Trustee / Volunteer Welfare
LCC / Reaching people	Easter Holiday Food Programme
Football Foundation	Return to football
Arnold Clark Community Fund	Sports and Fitness Sessions
LCC - Active through Football	Sports

Hastings Direct	Sport Project for 10 weeks x 6 hours
LCC/Reaching People	Summer - Holiday Activity Food
Neighbourly / The Virgin Media	Summer Litter Pick / BBQ and Sports Day
Cruyff Foundation	Weekend Sports Delivery
Various other small donations – via donation tins, sponsorship, food etc.	

We have continued to support a range of regular ongoing activities including financial support for a credit union, a youth panel, access to training via LASALS, the food bank and an Elders' Lunch Club and a very successful Women's Community Café which puts on a range of activities, events, and trips.

Our Multi Use Games Area continues to be a huge asset to the community. It is used by hundreds of people each week. Many groups and individuals use the facility to deliver sports. We have learnt that the facility is at its best when structured coached sports are delivered which is why, in February 2020, St Matthews Big Local employed its own qualified and experienced sports coaches.

The sport coach posts were initially funded by Sport England Workforce Diversity Project. This was delivered between February 2020 and February 2021. Funding was extended for a further 6 months until August 2021.

This additional 6 months of funding allowed us to continue to deliver female and male sport and physical activity sessions throughout the week to provide opportunities for the community to become active after a period of inactivity and isolation.

13 male and female volunteers were identified and supported onto a volunteer pathway where they gained nationally recognised qualifications including the FA Playmaker Award, Safeguarding Children and Young People, First Aid, Mental Health Awareness in Sports. 4 volunteers went on to gain employment with St Matthews Big Local as sports coaches.

In the Summer, SMBL delivered the HAF programme. We provided 4 weeks of sports activities, including football, tennis, basketball, cricket for 50 young people who are on free school meals (FSM). All young people on the programme were also provided with a daily nutritious meal.

We received funding from Hastings Direct to deliver additional engagement activities on Saturdays between 2 and 6pm. These sessions were delivered to young people aged between 7 and 21.

We received funding from the Cruyff Foundation's *Bounce Back fund* to deliver activities to re-engage the community in physical activities after the Covid Lockdown. These sessions were delivered on Saturdays between 2 and 6pm to young people aged between 7 and 21.

- 10 football tournaments have taken place throughout the year to engage the community and bring young people together from diverse backgrounds, this has been particularly important as knife crime and anti-social behaviour has increased, and the threat of youth violence has affected the young people in the community.
- 601 participants have attended St Matthews Big Local sports activities.
- Over 200 young people have participated in the tournaments.
- 19 volunteers were supported to gain qualifications and practical work experience.
- 4 young people were employed and are now employed by the Charity after completing a volunteer pathway.

Our grants programme continued to be less successful than we hoped, and though it has encouraged organisations and individuals to deliver projects that benefit the community, we have decided not to continue with it going forward after the current funding has been used.

Due to Covid, this year has seen a reduction in the number of additional activities and events we have been able to deliver to achieve our Big Local Plan priorities and objectives. Since March 2020 we have provided weekly meals and telephone support, an extended food bank, a free community food table and fridge several times a week as well as school holiday breakfast grab bags.

Other activities during the September 2020 to August 2021 period included:

- LCFC Community Trust – programme of sports activities
- Half Term Holiday Fun and Food
- First Aid training
- Community cinema
- Kids Christmas hampers
- English classes
- Women's café
- Clean up days
- Safe and secure cycle events

Across all our activities from September 2020 to August 2021 we have reached in total nearly 6000 residents, supported by nearly 90 volunteers, 11 part-time staff and an active Board of Trustees.

Contribution Made by Volunteers

Due to the global pandemic and high rates of infections in the area, our keen volunteers were not able to participate in many volunteering opportunities. However, they were kept supported via regular telephone contact to determine their health and wellbeing.

Volunteering continues to be an integral part of the Charity's work. The volunteer Board of Trustees remain central to offering strategic vision and direction to the Charity. The additional challenges presented by the Covid pandemic meant that they had to adapt their style of working to meet more frequently via online forums.

Additionally, there has been ongoing voluntary input from the local Police and Police Community Support Officers, as well as residents who willingly give their time to supporting and offering practical help with various activities and events. For the period September 2020 to August 2021, the charity's bank of local volunteers contributed over 1040 hours of voluntary time to assist with various projects and activities.

Volunteers have also been instrumental in helping to service the Charity's Emergency Food Bank which offers support to families in need, several of whom are Universal Credit claimants. The various agencies operating in St Matthews are also able to gain 24/7 access to the facility to assist families and individuals in crisis.

Between September 2020 and August 2021 two Youth Forum meetings were held. These meetings were supported by four dedicated volunteers. The Youth Forum is designed to engage and empower young people (9-17 years) who reside on the St Matthews estate to take an active role in making decisions,

developing projects/programmes and initiatives that are deemed to improve their quality of life and the lives of other residents. Due to the global pandemic, coupled with local restrictions, youth forum meetings and activities had to be suspended.

The Charity's Food Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programmes from September 2020 to August 2021 have been a tremendous success, made possible with the involvement, help and support from our bank of volunteers who worked tirelessly with the Charity and partner agencies in providing hot meals, brunches and food parcels for children on St Matthews estate. Additionally, volunteer support enabled the Charity to continue its extended food provision throughout the various 'lockdowns' which the City of Leicester experienced over the period of the global pandemic.

One Estate Clean-up/Improvement Day was held during the period September 2020 and August 2021. A total of seven agencies supported this event by involving 18 members of their staff team on a voluntary basis. Support was also received from residents.

St Matthew's collaborative working with other agencies supported by volunteers, during September 2020 resulted in the hosting of a music workshop with the Philharmonia Orchestra and an animation workshop with the Phoenix Arts Centre. Both events were held at St Matthews House and were well attended by residents (children and adults).

Safe cycling and repair events held during the period September 2020 to August 2021 were supported by residents including young people. At least two volunteers supported both events. The first event was oversubscribed in terms of attendance whilst the second event had a poor turnout due to inclement weather.

Christmas activity for 2020 was celebrated in a 'Covid safe way' whereby volunteers (dressed in festive costumes) delivered gifts door-to-door to families whilst observing social distancing protocols.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

At the end of the year the Charity's unrestricted cash funds had decreased by £8,793.

Reserves

The Charity wishes to hold six months general expenses and one month of staff costs in unrestricted funds. It is felt that this level of reserves is necessary because it can often take many months for grant applications to be processed. The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets (free reserves) held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of resources expended, which equates to £12,000 to £15,000 in general funds. At this time the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Sources of Funding

Currently, the main source of income for the Charity is The Big Local which has £1,000,000 to be used over 10 years to benefit the residents of St Matthews Estate. Expenditure is governed by the Local Plan which has been written and revised after extensive consultation with residents. The final Big Local Plan

covering the last 4 years of the Big Local project has been approved by Local Trust. There is an estimated £430,000 of funding available.

We are grateful for continued funding from The Samworth Brothers Sports Opportunity Fund for the ongoing maintenance of the St Matthews Multi Use Games Area (MUGA).

We continue to receive ongoing customer donations from Applegreen Petrol Station, which we are grateful to receive.

Over the past year we continue to develop new relationships with local businesses to support our work. The management of the Prana Café in Leicester have been very supportive, providing Christmas gifts, fruit for the Holiday Activities and Food Programme and free meal vouchers to families on free school meals.

The Tudor Trust, in addition to supporting Staff Salaries, made a generous grant donation to the organisation recognising the impact that Covid has had on the charity. The funding was used to bring the staff together at some social events which encouraged positive team building and the chance to relax a little after a challenging year.

The worldwide coronavirus pandemic was particularly difficult for our community, not least due to the low income and zero hours contracts but also due to the fact that Leicester has been in some form of perpetual lockdown for nearly a year. We have been particularly grateful to have received financial and in-kind support from many organisations, allowing us to adapt our workplace to be Covid secure and to provide over 17,000 meals and a welfare and benefits advice service to our community at the time of their greatest need.

We would like to thank:

UK Cycling, Samworth Brothers, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundations, Sport England, Leicester and Rutland Freemasons, Tudor Trust, Leicester City Council, Football Foundation, Arnold Clark Community Fund, Hastings Direct, Neighbourly, Cruyff Foundation and all other donations, sponsors, food suppliers.

We have continued to receive funding from Tudor Trust for a grant continuation towards staffing costs and also a grant to help make our premises Covid secure.

The full list of funders can be found on page 2.

Structure, Governance and Management

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) is a charitable incorporated organisation.

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Foundation Constitution registered 21st April 2016.

See <https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com>

Appointment of Charity Trustees

Trustees must be either residents or workers on St Matthews Estate. They are trustees in their own right and do not represent any bodies with which they may be associated. The majority of Trustees must be residents.

Trustees are normally elected by members of the Charity at the AGM but may be appointed by the Trustees in which case they need to be elected by the members at the following AGM.

Each year, one third of the Trustees must stand down but they may be re-elected at the AGM. The minimum number of Trustees is 8 and the maximum is

17. The maximum continuous period of office is three terms, after which there must be a break of at least one year.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name: St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)
Registered charity number: 1166668
Address: St Matthews House, 25 Kamloops Crescent, Leicester LE1 2HX

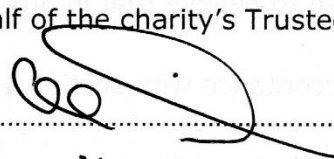
Names of the Charity Trustees

Lee Nicholls (Chairperson) (appointed April 2016)
Mokhtar Elareshi (appointed March 2017)
Mrs Carol Allan (Treasurer) (appointed April 2016)
Christine James (appointed April 2016)
Karen Reed (appointed November 2018)
Aysha Karolia (appointed November 2018)
Amina Gharda (appointed April 2019)
Ali Adnan (appointed October 2019)
Naima Ahmed (appointed Oct 2020, resigned January 2022)
Uneiza Ravat (appointed Oct 2020)
Sarah Whitmore (appointed Oct 2020)
Zackaria Ahmed (appointed Oct 2021)

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature(s).....

Full name(s) LEE NICHOLLS

Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc) CHAIR

Date 4/2/2022

Independent Examiner's Report

to the Trustees of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (the charity) for the year ended 31st August 2021.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the trustees of the charity, you 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 Act")

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act;
or

the accounts do not accord with those records;
or

The accounts do 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.

Signed 

Date 10/02/2022

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St Matthews Big Local
Registered Charity no 1166668
Annual accounts for the period 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021

Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds	Prior Year funds
Incoming Resources						
Donations and legacies	3	6,762	190		6,952	10,116
Charitable activities	3	5,895	175,759		181,654	215,489
Bank Interest	3	24			24	617
Other	3			8,278	8,278	7,432
Total		12,681	175,949	8,278	196,908	233,654
Resources expended						
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	3,890	105,733		109,623	77,045
Running costs	6	28,323	60,161	3,022	91,506	87,515
Governance	7	2,234	1,265		3,499	5,275
Total		34,447	167,159	3,022	204,628	169,835
Net income/(expenditure)		(21,766)	8,790	5,256	(7,720)	63,819
Extraordinary items						
Transfers between funds	13	12,973	(15,979)	3,006		
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Other gains/(losses)						
Net movement in funds		(8,793)	(7,189)	8,262	(7,720)	63,819
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	13	279,369	200,442	13,854	493,665	429,846
Total funds carried forward		270,576	193,253	22,116	485,945	493,665

St Matthews Big Local
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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total this year	Prior year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	11	226,885			226,885	243,023
Investments						
Total fixed assets		226,885			226,885	243,023
Current assets						
Cash at bank and in hand	12	45,303	193,252	22,116	260,671	297,944
Total current assets		45,303	193,252	22,116	260,671	297,944
Creditors	10	(1,611)			(1,611)	(47,302)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		43,692	193,252	22,116	259,060	250,642
Total assets less current liabilities		270,577	193,252	22,116	485,945	493,665
Total net assets or liabilities		270,577	193,252	22,116	485,945	493,665
Funds of the Charity						
Restricted income funds			193,253		193,253	200,442
Designated funds				22,116	22,116	13,854
Unrestricted funds		270,576			270,576	279,369
Total funds		270,576	193,253	22,116	485,945	493,665

Signed by one trustee on behalf of
all the trustees

Print name

Date



 LEE NICHOLAS

 4.2.2022

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Basis of preparation. The charity opted to adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by 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
- and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Going concern - The Charity is a going concern.

Note 2: Accounting policies

2.1 Income: This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity

Recognition of income: These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting: There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations: Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Legacies: Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts: Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Contractual income and performance related grants: This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

Government grants: The charity has received the following government grants in the reporting period.

	This year £	Prior year £
Coronavirus Job Retention scheme	4,895	8,843
Coronavirus Community Support Fund		20,000
	4,895	28,843

Donated goods: Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so. Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Gifts in kind: for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Donated services and facilities: Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SOFA.

Volunteer help: The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends: This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Settlement of insurance claims: Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition: Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs: The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.

Governance and support costs: Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have either been charged directly to funds or allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants with performance conditions: Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions: Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations: The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

Redundancy cost: The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Creditors: The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Basic financial instruments: The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS 102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS 102 SORP.

2.4 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity: These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £800. They are valued at cost.

The depreciation rates are 20% for fixtures and fittings, equipment and property improvements, 33.3% for electronic equipment and 4% on the MUGA measured on a straight line basis.

Note 3 Analysis of income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:					
Donations and gifts	5,222	190		5,412	9,376
Gift Aid					340
Donated Goods and Services	1,540			1,540	400
Total	6,762	190		6,952	10,116
Charitable activities:					
Charitable activities					590
Grants	5,895	175,759		181,654	214,899
Total	5,895	175,759		181,654	215,489
Other trading activities:					
Room lets					2,613
MUGA hire			8,278	8,278	4,819
Total			8,278	8,278	7,432
Bank Interest					
CCLA Deposit Account	24			24	617
TOTAL INCOME	12,681	175,949	8,278	196,908	233,654

Note 4 Donated goods, facilities and services	Last year	Prior year
	£	£
DMU - Christmas hamper	190	
RDD Ltd - Sanitising stations	600	
Britannia Bakery - Cakes & bread	50	
Prana Café - Toys & food gifts	700	
Samworth Bros - Sandwiches		100
Creative Triangles - Goods for distrib'n		300
	1,540	400

Donated goods and services are recognised when they can be quantified.

All of the Board members are volunteers and their work, together with other volunteers is invaluable in running St Matthews Big Local.

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Note 5 Expenditure on charitable activities					
Direct expenditure on activities					
Big Local		10,689		10,689	13,062
Cycling 2020		6,000		6,000	
Easter HAF Programme 2021		6,300		6,300	
Freemasons		603		603	
Hastings Direct		4,305		4,305	985
Holiday Hunger 2019		1,014		1,014	846
Leicester City Council - Covid 20					1,325
LLRCF 3RD GRANT		4,440		4,440	
Martin Lewis MS - Covid 19					3,646
National Emergency Trust 2nd Grant		7,041		7,041	3,655
National Lottery Community Fund		3,369		3,369	1,192
National Lottery Food Bank / Holiday Co-ordinator		160		160	5,165
Neighbourly Grants		614		614	
Other	953			953	4,962
Samworth Bounce Back Grant		727		727	
Samworth Muga Maintenance		70		70	
Sport England 2020		1,562		1,562	
Summer HAF Programme 2021		7,363		7,363	
Tudor Trust Staff Welfare /Covid 19		2,000		2,000	497
Publicity		1,658		1,658	2,993
Staff	2,937	47,818		50,755	38,717
Total	3,890	105,733		109,623	77,045

Note 6 Running Costs

Office expenses	1,698	3,904	5,602	5,321
Travel	17	65	82	150
Depreciation	16,138		16,138	16,136
Equipment	1,615	4,435	6,050	6,971
Building running costs	4,143	3,039	7,182	7,072
Repairs & maintenance	2,754	730	3,484	2,125

MUGA maintenance		5,083	3,022	8,105	8,134
Staff	1,958	42,611		44,569	41,570
Training		294		294	36
Total expenditure on running costs	28,323	60,161	3,022	91,506	87,515

Note 7 Governance

Administration	976	1,265		2,241	3,266
Fees	580			580	1,331
Independent Examination	678			678	678
Total expenditure on governance	2,234	1,265		3,499	5,275
	34,447	167,159	3,022	204,628	169,835

Note 8 Support Costs

When appropriate, support costs will be allocated by time for activities and by hours for staff.

Note 9 Paid employees

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Wages and salaries	4,652	87,421		92,073	77,964
Social security costs	119	1,093		1,212	904
Other pension costs (2 employees)	124	1,915		2,039	1,419
Total	4,895	90,429		95,324	80,287

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees was 3 (3.5 in the prior year)

No employee received remuneration and benefits greater than £60,000

Note 10 Creditors and accruals

	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Big Local underspend (repaid Oct '20)		44,728
Sundry creditors	933	1,896
Fee for Independent Examination	678	678
Total	1,611	47,302

Note 11 Tangible fixed assets

Cost or valuation

	Property & improve'ts	Fixtures & equipment	Total
Balance bt. forward	283,028	6,937	289,965
Additions			
Balance cd. forward	283,028	6,937	289,965

Depreciation

Balance bt. forward	43,106	3,836	46,942
Charge for the year	14,749	1,389	16,138
Balance cd forward	57,855	5,225	63,080

Net book value at 31 August 2021	225,173	1,712	226,885
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Net book value at 31 August 2020		239,922	3,101	243,023	
				This year	Prior year
				£	£
Note 12 Cash at bank & in hand					
Short term deposits				157,168	171,542
Cash at bank and on hand				103,503	126,402
Total				260,671	297,944
Note 13 Funds		Balance b/d	Income	Expenditure	Transfers
Fund name & purpose		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					Balance c/f
					£
General		279,369	12,681	(34,447)	12,973
					270,576
Unrestricted					
Designated - MUGA future		13,854	8,278	(3,022)	3,006
					22,116
Restricted					
Big Local - delivery of the Local Plan			94,383	(54,658)	(9,341)
Action Homeless Grant			1,330	(1,330)	
Cruyff Foundation - Summer Play			1,000		
Cycling 2020			7,420	(6,270)	(1,150)
Cycle Safety		600			
					600
Easter HAF Programme 2021			7,000	(7,000)	
Football Foundation			500		
					500
Freemasons			3,600	(1,600)	
					2,000
Hastings Direct		4,305		(4,305)	
Hastings Direct Sports Grant			2,400		(600)
					1,800
Holiday Hunger 2019		1,184		(1,014)	
					170
LCC Bike Hire Scheme		5,000			
					5,000
Leicester Hospital Charities			440	(144)	(296)
LLRCF 3RD GRANT			5,100	(5,100)	
MUGA Future Provision		102,425			4,510
					106,935
National Emergency Trust 2nd Grant		7,743		(7,743)	
National Lottery Community Fund		3,633		(3,633)	
Nat Lot Food Bank / Holiday Co-ord		3,476		(3,476)	
Neighbourly Grants		400	1,000	(1,400)	
Parks Day		1,184			
					1,184
PCC GRANT 2020		2,000			
					2,000
Samworth Bounce Back Grant			2,000	(1,462)	
					538
Samworth Muga Maintenance		11,776		(7,266)	(4,510)
Sport England 2020		23,525	14,456	(31,428)	(3,332)
					3,221
Summer HAF Programme 2021			14,820	(12,238)	(960)
					1,622
Tudor Trust		32,109	18,500	(14,310)	
					36,299
Tudor Trust Covid		1,082		(782)	(300)
Tudor Trust Staff Welfare Grant			2,000	(2,000)	
Total restricted funds		200,442	175,949	(167,159)	(15,979)
					193,253

Total funds	493,665	196,908	(204,628)	485,945
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Transfers between funds	Reason for transfer	Amount £
Big Local to General	Fee for being Local trusted organisation	7,500
Big Local to General	Underspend of 5% running costs provided	1,241
Big Local to General	Independent Examination fee	600
Cycling 2020 to MUGA Des	Use of facilities including MUGA	1,150
Hastings Direct Sports to MUGA Des	Use of facilities including MUGA	600
Leicester Hospital Char to MUGA Des	Use of facilities including MUGA	296
Samworth MUGA to MUGA Future	Historic transfer of provision	4,510
Sport England 2020 to General	Contribution to overheads	3,332
Summer HAF Prog to MUGA Des	Use of facilities including MUGA	960
Tudor Trust Covid to General	Contribution to rent	300

Designated funds

Income from the MUGA is transferred to a designated fund to be used in MUGA running costs in the future.

Note 14 Transactions with trustees and related parties

Trustee remuneration and benefits

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity

Trustees' expenses	This year £	Prior year £
Travel	82	69
Total	82	69

Number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity

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Transactions with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period

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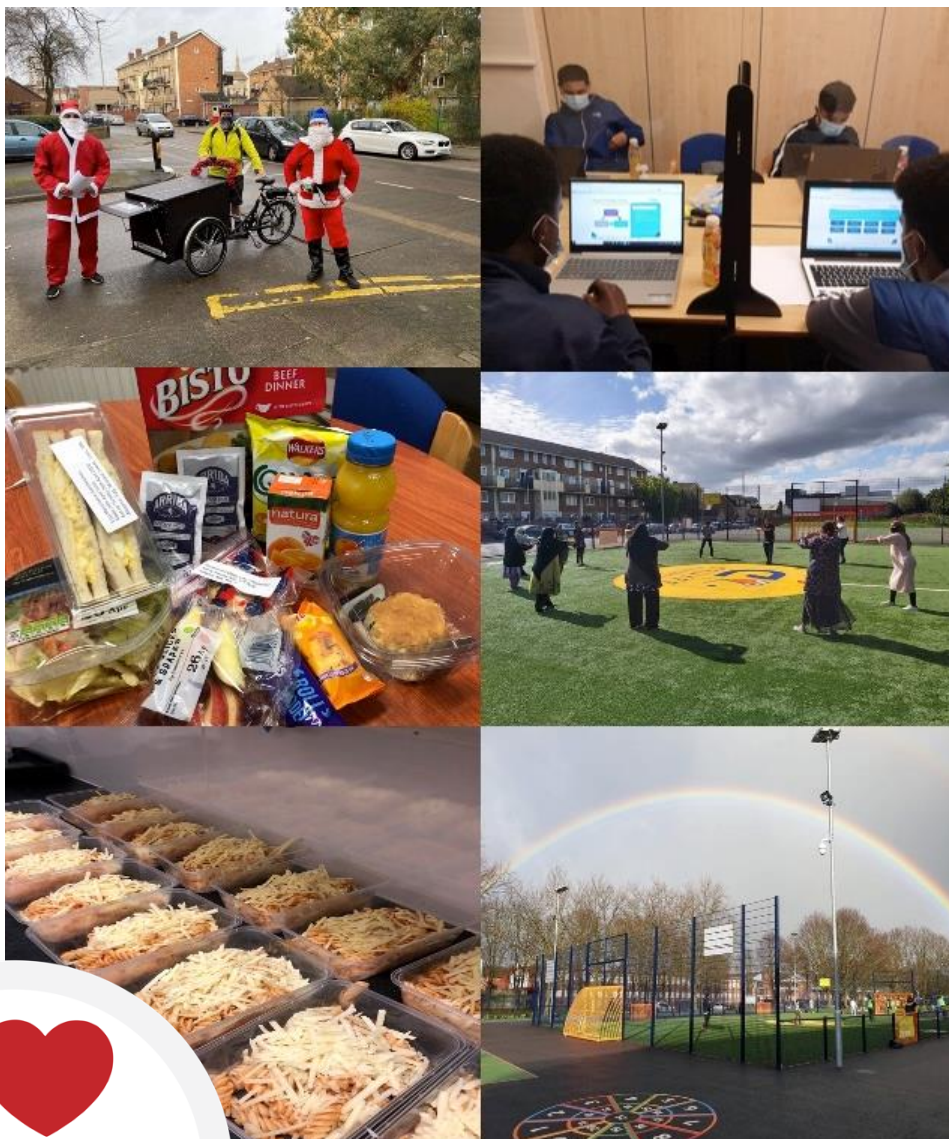
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St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

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For the period 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020



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Objectives

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the community of St Matthews Estate Leicester without distinction of gender, sexual orientation, race or politics, religion or other opinions, by associating together with the said inhabitants, and the statutory authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve facilities and service provision in the interest of social welfare, community cohesion and improving conditions and life chances for local residents including by the provision of a community facility.

Activities

The priorities are to make St Matthews a place:

- which is cleaner and greener
- where everyone is appreciated, valued and respected
- where everyone can reach their potential and local businesses flourish
- where everyone feels safe and secure
- where we can celebrate diversity, talent and creativity

Details of the activities, projects and services in relation to our purposes and priorities can be found in more detail in the Big Local plans which can be found here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/documents-policies>

Public Benefit

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Policy on Grant Making

Grants are administered by the Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation. Grants of up to £500 are available to residents of St Matthews and up to £1,000 for organisations to run activities for residents. The total annual grant funding to help deliver our vision is £10,000. All activities must be open to all communities on the Estate and must be advertised.

A wide selection of grants has been awarded to both local residents and voluntary organisations which all help to provide positive activities locally and help us to deliver our Vision. More information about our grants programme can be seen here:

<https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com/smbigrants>

The Main Achievements of the Charity

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) continues to make a real difference to people's lives. It has given people new skills and opportunities. We continue to deliver on our Big Local Plan priorities, and we have been successful in securing significant additional funding for staffing and additional activities above and beyond the plan. In 2020, we recruited two sports coaches and adapted our service delivery to respond to the needs of the community due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Review of the Past Year

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) continues to impact people's lives in very positive ways by creating opportunities for local people to acquire and develop new skills as well as to improve and strengthen existing ones. The priorities identified within our Big Local Plan have been our focus. Additionally, our skills and ability in seeking,

identifying and acquiring additional funding for staffing and extra activities above and beyond the Local Plan, remain a success. In 2019/20 we secured over £100k for staffing costs and additional projects and £6k from donations in cash or kind from the following donors:

- De Montfort University – Community Cinema and other donations
- Phoenix Arts – Food donations
- Ward Committee - Xmas meal / Coronavirus Emergency Funding
- Sport England - Sports Engagement Workers
- Police & Crime Commissioner - VRN Project Aspire
- Leicester City Council - Sustainable travel grant
- Neighbourly Community Fund - Coronavirus support
- National Emergencies Trust LRCF - Coronavirus support
- Seven Trent - Coronavirus Community Support Fund
- Hastings Direct - Coronavirus support, Welfare Rights Project, PPE, core costs
- The National Lottery Community Fund Awards for all - Coronavirus - supporting St Matthews future
- Martin Lewis Emergency Fund - Coronavirus support
- National Emergencies Trust LRCF - Welfare Rights and Advice Project
- Leicester City Council Community Mobilisation Fund - Foodbank provision
- Tudor Trust – Staffing and Coronavirus support
- National Lottery Community Fund - Neighbourhood Co-ordinator
- Various other small donations – via donation tins, sponsorship, food etc.

We have continued to support a range of regular ongoing activities including financial support for a credit union, a youth panel, access to training via LASALS, the food bank and an Elders' Lunch Club and a very successful Women's Community Café which puts on a range of activities, events and trips.

We were also successful in getting Sport England Funding for a Sports and Volunteer Inclusion Coach and an Assistant Coach to deliver a year-long Sports Workforce Diversity Project.

The coaches delivered 3 sessions per day, Monday to Friday aimed at male and female participants. Sessions included, football coaching, table tennis, walking, tennis, Rounders, Cricket and Fitness. The project has engaged with 316 male and 30 female residents. Nine male and three female volunteers have been identified, completed an induction course, Mental Health in Sport course, Open University Sports Psychology course and four are enrolled onto a Level 1 Coaching Football Certificate course. One volunteer will be going on to secure employment within the organisation.

We would like to thank the Police Crime Commissioner's Office, who through the violence Reduction Network, awarded a grant to deliver 'Project Aspire'. The project is a sport mentoring preventative intervention, working with 13 – 25-year-olds who are disengaged or close to disengagement from society and at risk of falling into youth crime and drug/gang related activity. The project motivated and inspired young people to discover and develop their strengths and to make the most of their potential by developing their skills and confidence.

Project Aspire engaged 83 young people through a structured weekly programme of sports sessions, educational, personal development and leadership workshops. The interactive educational workshops allowed us to deliver key messages around racism, drugs awareness, stereotyping, stop and search, gangs and knife crime as well as the negative effects of such behaviour and the lasting impact of this behaviour on themselves, their families and their community.

The leadership workshops developed their capacity to deliver a community event aimed at their peers. The mentoring element of the project had a positive impact on the emotional health and well-being of all participants. Through the mentoring, participants were nurtured to become leaders in the community and act as positive role models to younger members of the community.

Through the planning of the football tournament for younger members of the community, participants developed their ideas and then presented these ideas back to the group. This really helped build their leadership, confidence and communication skills, with many having never presented before a group of their peers before.

The local police attended the workshops and sports sessions to develop strong bonds and relationships with the participants. The young people reacted well to this as it provided a platform where they got to know the officers on a personal level. As the relationship between the officers and participants developed, the young people were able to confidently ask questions and, more importantly, challenge the police on issues that have been affecting their lives. This certainly helped to foster more respect for the police and vice versa.

Project Aspire has helped to build a stronger community by bringing young people together from different backgrounds, making them feel better about where they live, improving community links and cohesion and building social capital.

Unfortunately, many of our planned activities had to be suspended or cancelled. In March 2020 we had to adapt to the Covid-19 pandemic and began to offer emergency support and provisions to the community. Some staff were furloughed but we managed to stay open to support the community through such a difficult time. Much of the funding awarded since March 2020 has been to develop our food provision and to extend our foodbank. The pandemic has contributed to a reduction in our income from room and MUGA hire.

Our grants programme continued to be less successful than we hoped, and though it has encouraged organisations and individuals to deliver projects that benefit the community, we have decided not to continue with it going forward after the funding has been used.

Due to Covid-19, this year has seen a reduction in the number of additional activities and events we have been able to deliver in order to achieve our Big Local Plan priorities and objectives. Since March 2020 we have provided weekly meals and telephone support, an extended food bank, a free community food table and fridge several times a week as well as school holiday breakfast grab bags.

Other activities during the September 2019 to August 2020 period included:

- LCFC Community Trust – programme of sports activities
- Everybody's reading workshop
- Half Term Fun and Food
- First Aid Training
- Community cinema
- Children's Xmas Party
- Xmas dinner
- English Classes
- Philharmonia Orchestra Workshops
- Women's café half term event
- Clean up days
- Safe and secure cycle events

Across all of our activities from September 2019 to August 2020 we have reached in total nearly 6000 residents, supported by nearly 90 volunteers, 7 part-time staff and an active Board of Trustees.

Contribution Made by Volunteers

Due to the global pandemic and high rates of infections in the area, our keen volunteers were not able to participate in many volunteering opportunities. However, they were kept supported via regular telephone contact.

Volunteering continues to be an integral part of the Charity's work. The volunteer Board of Trustees remain central to offering strategic vision and direction to the Charity. The additional challenges presented by the Covid-19 meant that they had to adapt their style of working to meet more frequently via online forums.

Additionally, there has been ongoing voluntary input from the local Police and Police Community Support Officers, as well as local residents who willingly give their time to supporting and offering practical help with various activities and events. For the period September 2019 to August 2020, the charity's bank of local volunteers contributed over 1040 hours of voluntary time to assist with various projects and activities.

Volunteers have also been instrumental in helping to service the Charity's Emergency Food Bank which offers support to families in need, a number of whom are Universal Credit claimants. The various agencies operating on St Matthews are also able to gain 24/7 access to the facility to assist families and individuals in crisis.

Between September 2019 and August 2020 two Youth Forum meetings were held. These meetings were supported by four dedicated volunteers. The Youth Forum is designed to engage and empower young people (9-17 years) who reside on the St Matthews estate to take an active role in making decisions, developing projects/programmes and initiatives that are deemed to improve their quality of life and the lives of other residents. Due to the global pandemic, coupled with local restrictions, youth forum meetings and activities had to be suspended.

The Charity's Food Holiday Programmes from September 2019 to August 2020 have been a tremendous success, made possible with the involvement, help and support from our bank of volunteers who worked tirelessly with the Charity and partner agencies in providing hot meals, brunches and food parcels, for children on St Matthews estate. Additionally, volunteer support enabled the Charity to continue its extended food provision throughout the various 'lockdowns' which the City of Leicester experienced over the period of the global pandemic.

One Estate Clean-up/Improvement Day was held during the period September 2019 and August 2020. A total of seven agencies supported this event by involving 18 members of their staff team on a voluntary basis. Support was also received from residents.

St Matthew's collaborative working with other agencies supported by volunteers, during September 2019, resulted in the hosting of a music workshop with the Philharmonia Orchestra and an animation workshop with the Phoenix Arts Centre. Both events were held at St Matthews House and were well attended by local residents (children and adults).

Safe cycling and repair events held during the period September 2019 to August 2020 were supported by residents including young people. At least two volunteers supported both events. The first event was oversubscribed in terms of attendance whilst the second event had a poor turnout due to inclement weather.

Christmas activity for 2020 was celebrated in a 'Covid-19 safe way' whereby, volunteers (dressed in festive costumes) delivered gifts door-to-door to families whilst observing social distancing protocols.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period

At the end of its second year the Charity increased its unrestricted cash funds by over £10,300.

Reserves

The Charity wishes to hold six months general expenses and one month of staff costs in unrestricted funds. It is felt that this level of reserves is necessary because it can often take many months for grant applications to be processed. The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets (free reserves) held by the charity should be between 3 and 6 months of resources expended, which equates to £12,000 to £15,000 in general funds. At this time the Trustees feel that they would be able to continue current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

It is the aim of the charity to meet its reserve target in January 2021, in its third year of operation.

Sources of Funding

Currently, the main source of income for the Charity is The Big Local which has £1,000,000 to be used over 10 years to benefit the residents of St Matthews Estate. Expenditure is governed by the Local Plan which has been written and revised after extensive consultation with residents. The final Big Local plan covering the last 4 years of the Big Local project has been approved by Local Trust. There is an estimated £464,000 of funding available.

We are grateful for continued funding from The Samworth Brother's Sports Opportunity Fund for the ongoing maintenance of the St Matthews Multi Use Games Area (MUGA).

We continue to receive ongoing donations from Applegreen petrol station customer donations which we are grateful to receive.

The worldwide coronavirus pandemic was particularly difficult for our community, not least due to the low income and zero hours contracts but also due to the fact that Leicester has been in some form of perpetual lockdown for nearly a year. We have been particularly grateful to have received financial and in-kind support from many organisations, allowing us to adapt our workplace to be Covid-19 secure and to provide over 17,000 meals and a welfare and benefits advice service to our community at the time of their greatest need.

We would like to thank –

Leicester and Rutland Community Foundations, Leicester and Rutland Freemasons, Seven Trent Water Community Fund, Wycliffe Ward funding, Phoenix Cinema, Martin Lewis Coronavirus Fund, Tudor Trust, National Lottery Community Fund, Neighbourly, Fareshare, Samworth Brother Sport Fund, Action Homeless, Leicester City Council, McDonalds and Hasting Direct.

We have continued to receive funding from Tudor Trust for a grant continuation towards staffing costs and also a grant to help make our premises Covid-19 secure.

The full list of funders can be found on page 2.

Structure, Governance and Management

St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) is a charitable incorporated organisation.

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Foundation Constitution registered 21st April 2016.

See <https://www.stmatthewsbiglocal.com>

Appointment of Charity Trustees

Trustees must be either residents or workers on St Matthews Estate. They are trustees in their own right and do not represent any bodies with which they may be associated. The majority of Trustees must be residents.

Trustees are normally elected by members of the Charity at the AGM but may be appointed by the Trustees in which case they need to be elected by the members at the following AGM.

Each year, one third of the Trustees must stand down but they may be re-elected at the AGM. The minimum number of Trustees is 8 and the maximum is 17. The maximum continuous period of office is three terms, after which there must be a break of at least one year.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name: St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

Registered charity number: 1166668

Address: St Matthews House, 25 Kamloops Crescent, Leicester LE1 2HX

Names of the Charity Trustees

Lee Nicholls (Chairperson) (appointed April 2016)

Mokhtar Elareshi (Vice Chairperson) (appointed March 2017)

Mrs Carol Allan (Treasurer) (appointed April 2016)

Christine James (appointed April 2016)

Karen Reed (appointed November 2018)

Aysha Karolia (appointed November 2018)

Amina Gharda (appointed April 2019)

Ali Adnan (appointed October 2019)

Naima Ahmed (appointed Oct 2020)

Uneiza Ravat (appointed Oct 2020)

Sarah Barsby (appointed Oct 2020)

Abdi Ahmed Ibrahim (resigned October 2020)

Salha Sayid (resigned October 2020)

Declarations

The Trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's Trustees

Signature(s).....

Full name(s) **LEE NICHOLLS**

Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc) **CHAIR**

Date **28.5.2021**

Independent Examiner's Report

to the Trustees of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Matthews Big Local (Leicester) (the charity) for the year ended 31st August 2020.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the trustees of the charity, you 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 Act")

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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

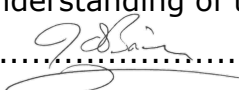
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act;
or

the accounts do not accord with those records;
or

the accounts do 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.

Signed 

Date 02/06/2021

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Statement of Financial Activities

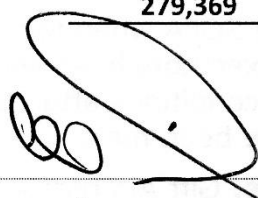
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds	Prior Year funds
Incoming Resources						
Donations and legacies	3	9,866	250		10,116	8,814
Charitable activities	3	10,032	205,457		215,489	197,789
Bank Interest	3	617			617	503
Other	3	2,619		4,813	7,432	13,218
Total		23,134	205,707	4,813	233,654	220,324
Resources expended						
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	8,750	68,295		77,045	75,637
Running costs	6	23,946	63,569		87,515	79,196
Governance	7	1,337	3,938		5,275	5,231
Total		34,033	135,802		169,835	160,064
Net income/(expenditure)		(10,899)	69,905	4,813	63,819	60,260
Extraordinary items						
Transfers between funds	13	12,239	(12,239)			
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Other gains/(losses)						
Net movement in funds		1,340	57,666	4,813	63,819	60,260
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	13	278,029	142,776	9,041	429,846	369,586
Total funds carried forward		279,369	200,442	13,854	493,665	429,846

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Balance Sheet as at 31/08/2020

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total this year	Total last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	11	243,023			243,023	251,606
Investments						
Total fixed assets		243,023			243,023	251,606
Current assets						
Stocks						
Debtors						
Investments						
Cash at bank and in hand	12	38,920	245,170	13,854	297,944	180,031
Total current assets		38,920	245,170	13,854	297,944	180,031
Creditors	10	(2,574)	(44,728)		(47,302)	(1,791)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		36,346	200,442	13,854	250,642	178,240
Total assets less current liabilities		279,369	200,442	13,854	493,665	429,846
Provisions for liabilities						
Total net assets or liabilities		279,369	200,442	13,854	493,665	429,846
Funds of the Charity						
Restricted income funds			200,442		200,442	142,776
Designated funds				13,854	13,854	9,041
Unrestricted funds		279,369			279,369	278,029
Total funds		279,369	200,442	13,854	493,665	429,846

Signed by one trustee on behalf of
all the trustees



Print name

LEE NICHOLS

Date

28.5.2021

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1: Basis of preparation. The charity opted to adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by 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
- and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Going concern - The Charity is a going concern.

Note 2: Accounting policies

2.1 Income: This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity

Recognition of income: These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting: There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and donations: Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP).

Legacies: Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Tax reclaims on donations and gifts: Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Contractual income and performance related grants: This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.

Government grants: The charity has received the following government grants in the reporting period.

	This year £	Prior year £
Coronavirus Job Retention scheme	8,843	
Coronavirus Community Support Fund	20,000	
	28,843	

Donated goods: Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so. Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Gifts in kind: for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Donated services and facilities: Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SOFA.

Volunteer help: The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends: This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Settlement of insurance claims: Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

Liability recognition: Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Support costs: The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.

Governance and support costs: Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have either been charged directly to funds or allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants with performance conditions: Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions: Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

Redundancy cost: The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Deferred income: No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

Creditors: The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Provisions for liabilities: A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date

Basic financial instruments: The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 10.7 FRS 102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS 102 SORP.

2.4 Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity: These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £800. They are valued at cost.

The depreciation rates are 20% for fixtures and fittings, equipment and property improvements, 33.3% for electronic equipment and 4% on the MUGA measured on a straight line basis.

Debtors: Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

Note 3 Analysis of income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:					
Donations and gifts	9,126	250		9,376	8,814
Gift Aid	340			340	
Donated Goods and Services	400			400	
Total	9,866	250		10,116	8,814
Charitable activities:					
Charitable activities	189	401		590	2,636
Grants	9,843	205,056		214,899	195,153
Total	10,032	205,457		215,489	197,789
Other trading activities:					
Room lets	2,613			2,613	4,168
MUGA hire	6		4,813	4,819	9,050
Total	2,619		4,813	7,432	13,218
Bank Interest					
CCLA Deposit Account	617			617	503
TOTAL INCOME	23,134	205,707	4,813	233,654	220,324

Note 4 Donated goods, facilities and services

	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Samworth Bros - Sandwiches	100	
Creative Triangles - Goods for distrib'n	300	
	400	

Donated goods and services are recognised when they can be quantified.

All of the Board members are volunteers and their work, together with other volunteers is invaluable in running St Matthews Big Local.

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Note 5 Expenditure on charitable activities					
Direct expenditure on activities					
Big Local		13,062		13,062	21,138
Hastings Direct - Covid 19		985		985	
Holiday Hunger		846		846	1,941
Other	1,544			1,544	34,281
Leicester City Council - Covid 19		1,325		1,325	
Martin Lewis MSE - Covid 19		3,646		3,646	
National Emergency Trust - Covid 19		3,655		3,655	
National Lottery - Covid 19		1,192		1,192	
National Lottery - Food B'nk & Co-ord'r		5,165		5,165	
PCC VRN Project Aspire - Activities		3,198		3,198	
Tudor Trust - Covid 19		497		497	
LCC Wycliffe Ward- Xmas Day		220		220	
Publicity		2,993		2,993	1,542
Staff	7,206	31,511		38,717	16,735
Total exp on charitable activities	8,750	68,295		77,045	75,637

Note 6 Running Costs

Office expenses	1,265	4,056		5,321	2,176
Travel		150		150	35
Depreciation	16,137			16,137	14,626
Equipment	556	6,415		6,971	6,300
Building running costs	4,261	2,810		7,071	7,267
Repairs & maintenance	90	2,035		2,125	4,265
MUGA maintenance		8,134		8,134	8,128
Staff	1,637	39,933		41,570	36,082
Training		36		36	317
Total expenditure on running costs	23,946	63,569		87,515	79,196

Note 7 Governance

Administration	845	2,421		3,266	3,064
Fees	414	917		1,331	1,489
Independent Examination	78	600		678	678
Total expenditure on governance	1,337	3,938		5,275	5,231
	34,033	135,802		169,835	160,064

Note 8 Support Costs

When appropriate, support costs will be allocated by time for activities and by hours for staff.

Note 9 Paid employees	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds	Prior year
	£	£	£	£	£
Wages and salaries	8,525	69,439		77,964	51,206
Social security costs	238	666		904	
Other pension costs (2.3 employees)	80	1,339		1,419	1,611
Total	8,843	71,444		80,287	52,817

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees was 3.5 (2.5 in the previous year)

No employee received remuneration and benefits greater than £60,000

Note 10 Creditors and accruals	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Big Local underspend (repaid Oct '20)	44,728	
Sundry creditors	1,896	1,131
Fee for Independent Examination	678	660
Total	47,302	1,791

Note 11 Tangible fixed assets	Property & improve'ts	Fixtures & equipment	Total
Cost or valuation			
Balance bt. forward	277,247	5,164	282,412
Additions	5,781	1,772	7,553
Balance cd. forward	283,028	6,936	289,965
Depreciation			
Balance bt. forward	28,357	2,448	30,805
Charge for the year	14,749	1,387	16,137
Balance cd forward	43,106	3,835	46,942
Net book value at 31 August 2020	239,922	3,101	243,023
Net book value at 31 August 2019	248,890	2,716	251,606

Note 12 Cash at bank & in hand	This year	Prior year
	£	£
Short term deposits	171,542	127,720
Cash at bank and on hand	126,402	52,311
Total	297,944	180,031

Note 13 Funds	Balance b/d	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance c/f
Fund name & purpose	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted					
General	278,029	23,134	(34,033)	12,239	279,369
Unrestricted					
Designated - MUGA future	9,041	4,813			13,854
Restricted					
Big Local - delivery of the Local Plan	26,633	64,484	(49,567)	(44,728)	
Cycle safety - cycling activities	600				600
Hastings Direct - Covid 19		5,290	(985)		4,305
Holiday Hunger	2,180	651	(1,647)		1,184
Leicester City Council - Bike Hire		5,000			5,000
Leicester City Council - Covid 19		1,583	(1,583)		
Martin Lewis MS - Covid 19		5,000	(4,732)	(268)	
MUGA - provision for future costs	66,666			35,759	102,425
National Emergency Trust - Covid 19		14,329	(6,586)		7,743
Nat Lottery Community Fund - C19		10,000	(2,613)	(3,754)	3,633
Nat Lottery Food Bank & Co-or'r C19		10,000	(6,524)		3,476
Neighbourly - Covid 19		400			400
Parks Day	1,057		127		1,184
PCC 2020 - Sports Activities		2,000			2,000
PCC VRN Project Aspire - Activities		4,975	(4,975)		
Samworth Bros - MUGA maintenance	12,353	14,136	(12,287)	(2,426)	11,776
Sport England - Workforce Diversity		36,639	(13,114)		23,525
The Tudor Trust - staff	33,287	29,000	(30,178)		32,109
The Tudor Trust - Covid 19		2,000	(918)		1,082
Wycliffe Ward - Xmas Day		220	(220)		
Total restricted funds	142,776	205,707	(135,802)	(12,239)	200,442
Total funds	429,846	233,654	(169,835)		493,665

Transfers between funds	Reason for transfer	Amount
		£
Big Local to General	Fee for being Local trusted organisation	7,500
Big Local to General	Underspend of 5% running costs provided	717
Big Local to MUGA	Provision for long term MUGA running	33,333
Samworth to MUGA underspend	Provision for long term MUGA running	2,426
Martin Lewis to General	Part purchase of a freezer	268
Nat Lottery Community Fund C19	Part purchase of equipment and flooring	3,754

Designated funds

Income from the MUGA is transferred to a designated fund to be used in future MUGA running costs.

Note 14 Transactions with trustees and related parties**Trustee remuneration and benefits**

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity

	This year	Prior
	£	year
Trustees' expenses		£
Travel	69	88
Total	69	88
Number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity	1	1

Transactions with related parties

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period