

SPACE YOUTH PROJECT

Registered Charity Number : 1167902

Registered office : Bournemouth and
Poole College North Road Poole
Dorset BH14 0LS

**Trustees' Annual Report and
Financial Statement**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Space Youth Project Charity Public Benefit

Space Youth Project is a LGBT+ charity for young people aged under 25 based in Dorset and operates under the following charitable purposes:

- The advancement of education
- The advancement of health or saving lives
- The advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity

To achieve these Space Youth Project offers face to face group sessions in 8 locations (Bournemouth, Poole, Dorchester, Christchurch, Weymouth, Dorchester, Beaminster and Sherborne), as well as T-Group which is specific to the needs of transgendered young people. There are also 121 support sessions, counselling sessions and support via telephone, email and text available. Any future changes to these will assess and consider the public benefit, keeping in mind the Charity Commission's guidance before being implemented.

Space Youth Project's activities benefit the young people within Dorset as they raise awareness for the needs of LGBT+ young people, offer safe spaces for these young people to be themselves and educate professionals across Dorset in schools on the needs of young people in their care. It is the aim that this will create a more inclusive and diverse community Dorset whilst continuing to support those who need it.

The public benefits are measured through the annual reporting of the number of young people who have accessed Space Youth Project within a 12 month period, the locations and styles of sessions held and the outreach to the further community. This work includes engagement through Space Youth Project's website and newsletter and sessions held within schools.

OBJECTS AND BACKGROUND

Space started in 2001 when two groups of young people questioning their sexuality approached local support agencies asking for help in coming to terms with living in a heteronormative society. Since then, the organisation has increased its membership to include trans and other gender identities and sexualities and has become well known in the Dorset area for its youth-led work. Space Youth Project was formally registered as a charity in June 2007 and became a CIO in June 2016, governed by a constitution. We support lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and those questioning their sexuality or gender identity – we use the term LGBT+ to include all young people within this spectrum. The key issues still revolve around how to face prejudice, and how to deal with emotions and poor mental health of varying severity up to and including suicidal tendencies.

The Constitution (governing document) states that the objects of the charity are:

To advance in life and relieve needs of young people under the age of 25 who are lesbian, bisexual, gay, trans and questioning (LGBT+) through:

- The provision of educational, recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare designed to improve their conditions of life;

- Providing advice, support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to advance education and enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals. And The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by:
- The elimination of discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation.
- Advancing education and raising awareness in equality and diversity issues faced by people of all ages who are LGBT+ and
- Cultivating a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity to create a safe environment where LGBT+ people can promote and explore their culture and work in the interests of the public benefit to remove any social exclusion.

Space has continued the services offered and operates with a full-time CEO, a substantial part time project manager, a trainee youth support worker and a dedicated team of part-time professionally trained and qualified staff and volunteers. In September 2021 we also secured funding for 2 Year of Service young people in partnership with Dorset Youth Association. Space has continued to provide drop-in groups , phone and internet support and crucial one-to-one support. We have started to safely restart attending physical conferences or events. We have offered young people opportunities to volunteer with Space to improve their skills and build their self-esteem. Space also provides training courses for other organisations and professionals to raise awareness of the issues facing LGBT+ young people and how to approach and work effectively with them. It has achieved a reputation for providing safe places for LGBT+ young people to meet, supporting them in raising their confidence and self-worth, enabling them to develop new skills and become less isolated.

ACTIVITY AND ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE YEAR

We have been delighted to be able to continue to support our wonderful young people. This would not have been possible without the dedication and commitment of everyone involved who have put in an extraordinary effort to enable this to happen.

Groups The focus during the year was the provision of meeting spaces for LGBT+ young people The groups utilise a peer-led model facilitated by a qualified and experienced team and are held in Bournemouth, Bridport, Christchurch, Dorchester, Poole, Sherborne and Weymouth. We also continue to run Space T Group (specifically for those who are exploring their gender identity), Supernovas (An Active Steering Group of Senior Members whose mission is to Challenge, Listen and Overcome) and Coffee & Chat was launched for 18+ LGBT+ people.

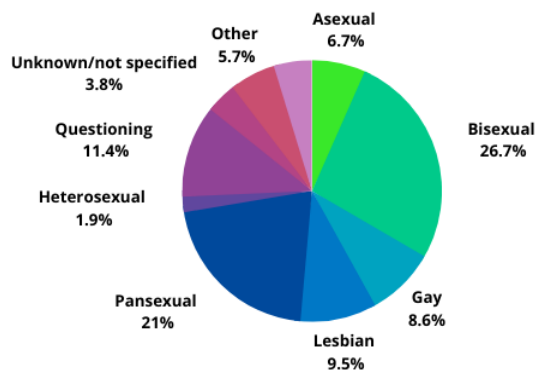
121 Support work - usually face-to face is a much needed and utilised service we provide for your young people – this is not time limited though it does focus on young people developing the skills to help themselves and build resilience. We have also delivered **counselling** sessions.

In addition to **groups**, **telephone** and **face to face** meetings there has been continued and increased use of support via the **internet** and **text**. We have also increased our **social media** support and reach tremendously utilising Facebook, messenger, Instagram and twitter.

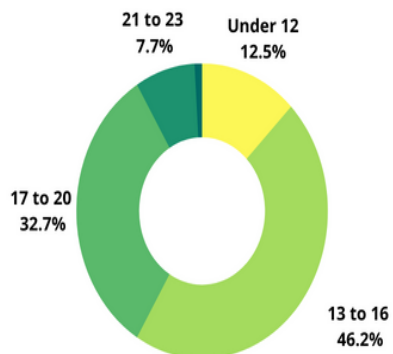
The Numbers

- **273** vulnerable LGBT+ young people supported

MEMBERS BY SEXUALITY



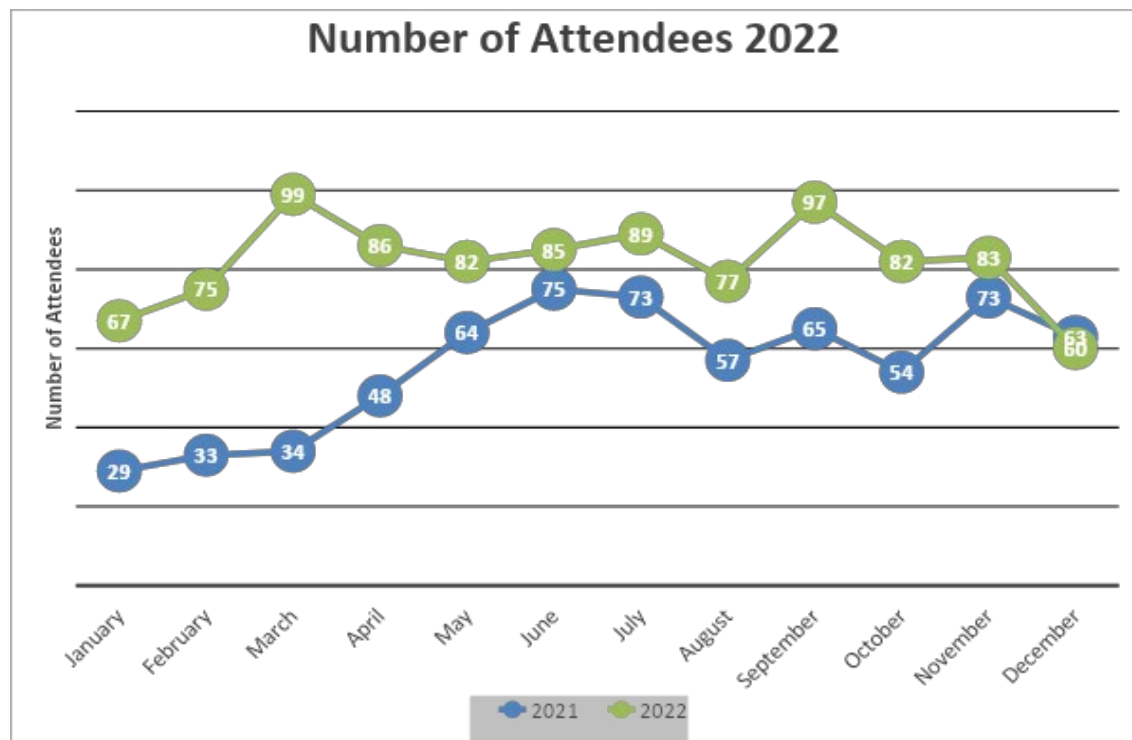
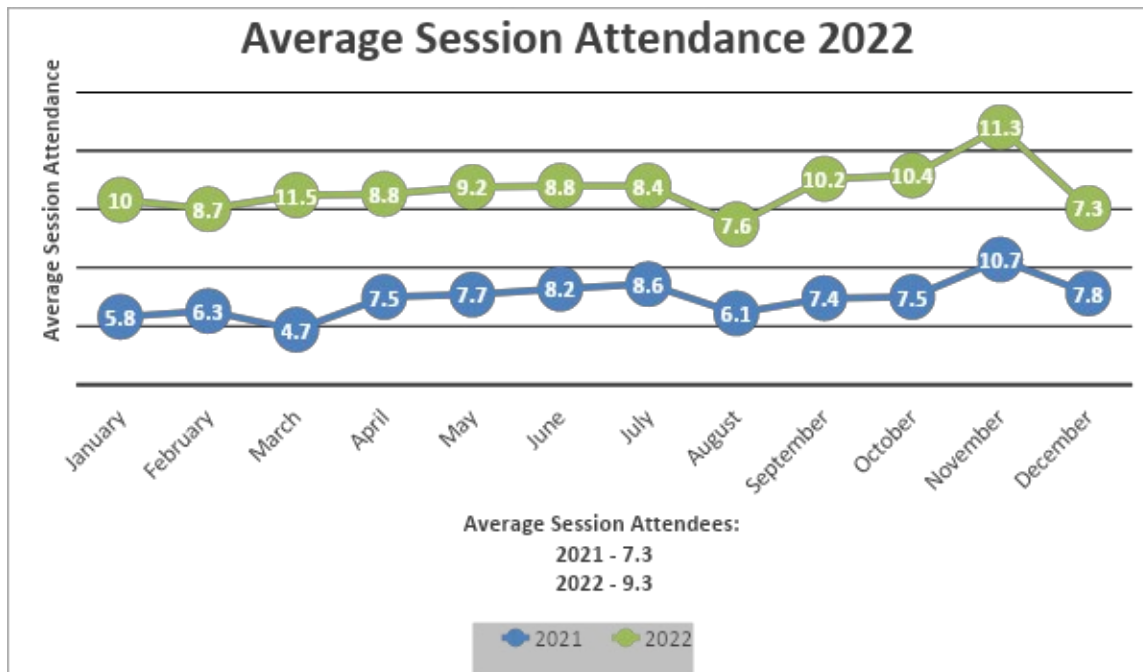
MEMBERS BY AGE



- **220** physical and virtual sessions delivered

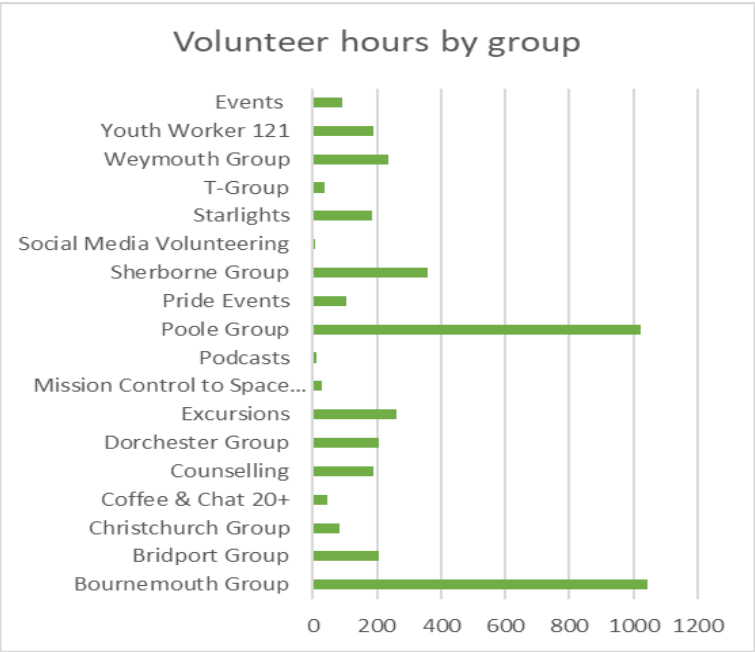


- **208** 121 support sessions to individuals
- **2565** contacts with LGBT+ young people



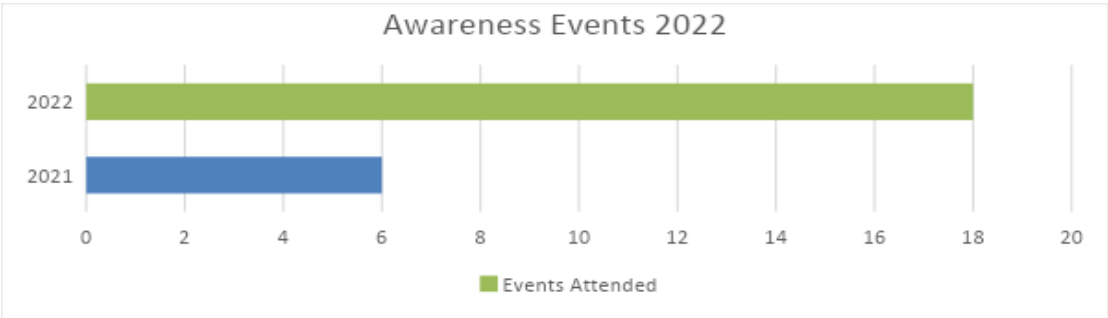
- 4.9 full time equivalent paid staff
- 10 sessional youth support workers
- 39 volunteers

● **3058** volunteer hours given

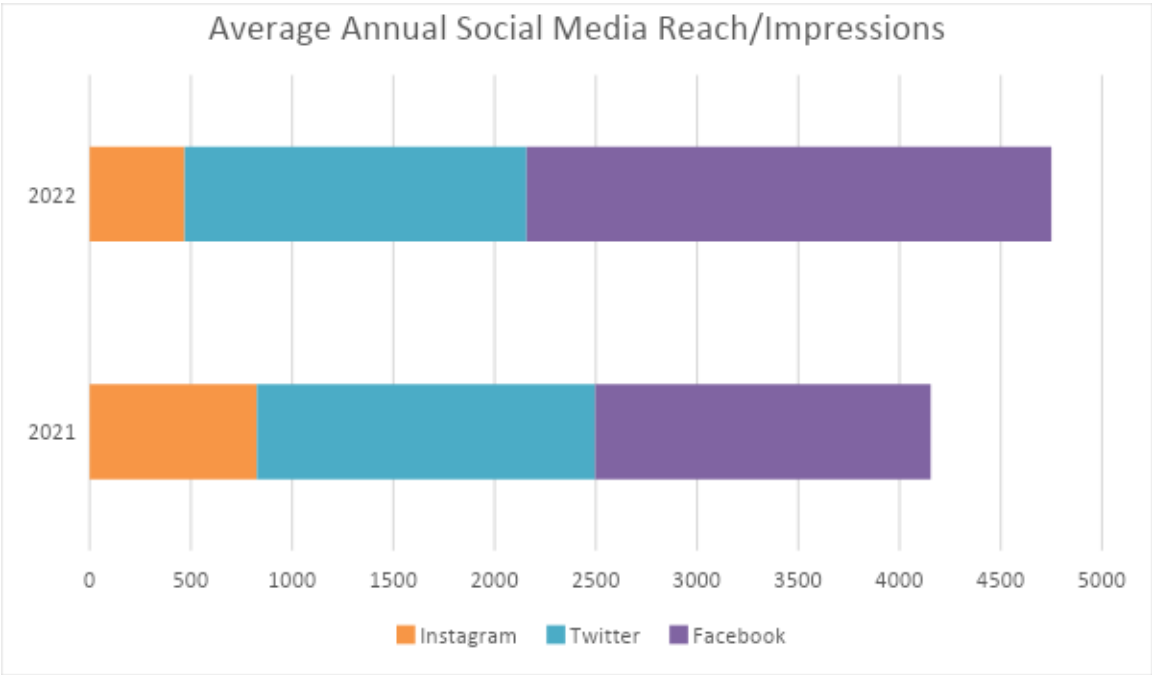
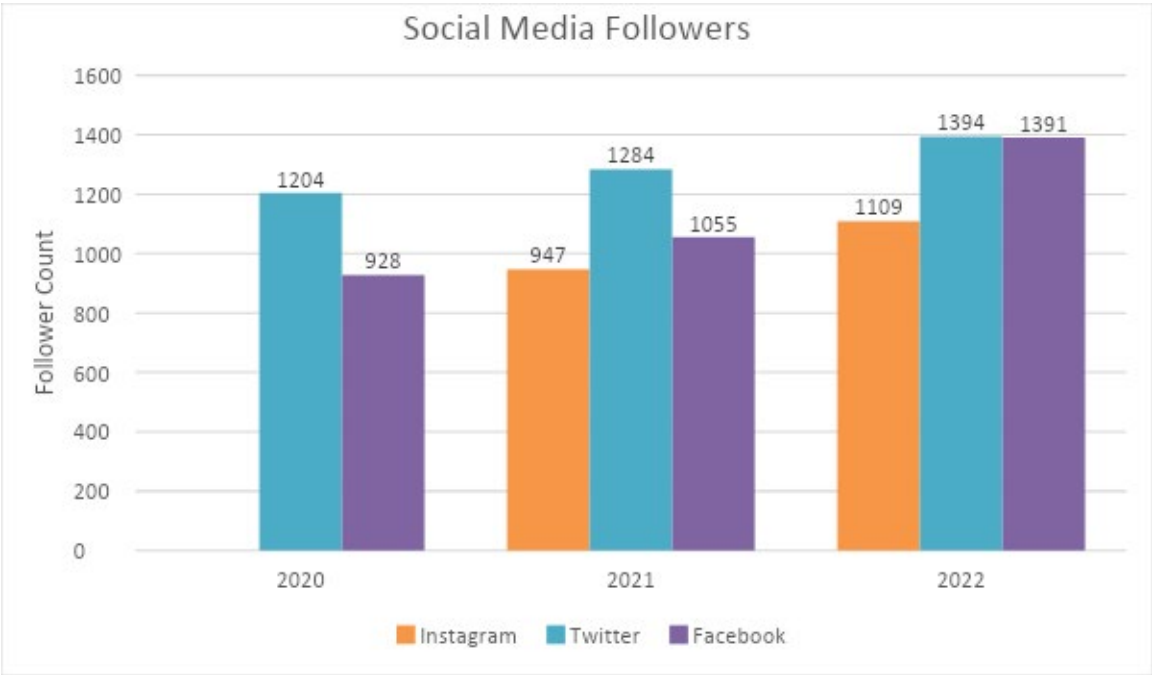


Consultations - 33 consultations have been carried out with and on behalf of our LGBT+ young people on for other youth organisations, Universities and Colleges, LGBT+ bodies, health organisations, Local Authorities, Dorset Police, the Home Office and other government departments, voluntary bodies, national and local charities and funders.

Awareness Raising Thankfully this year we have been able to attend in person events to raise awareness of the issues facing LGBT+ people, promote our services and encourage acceptance, inclusion and kindness while sharing smiles and colour.

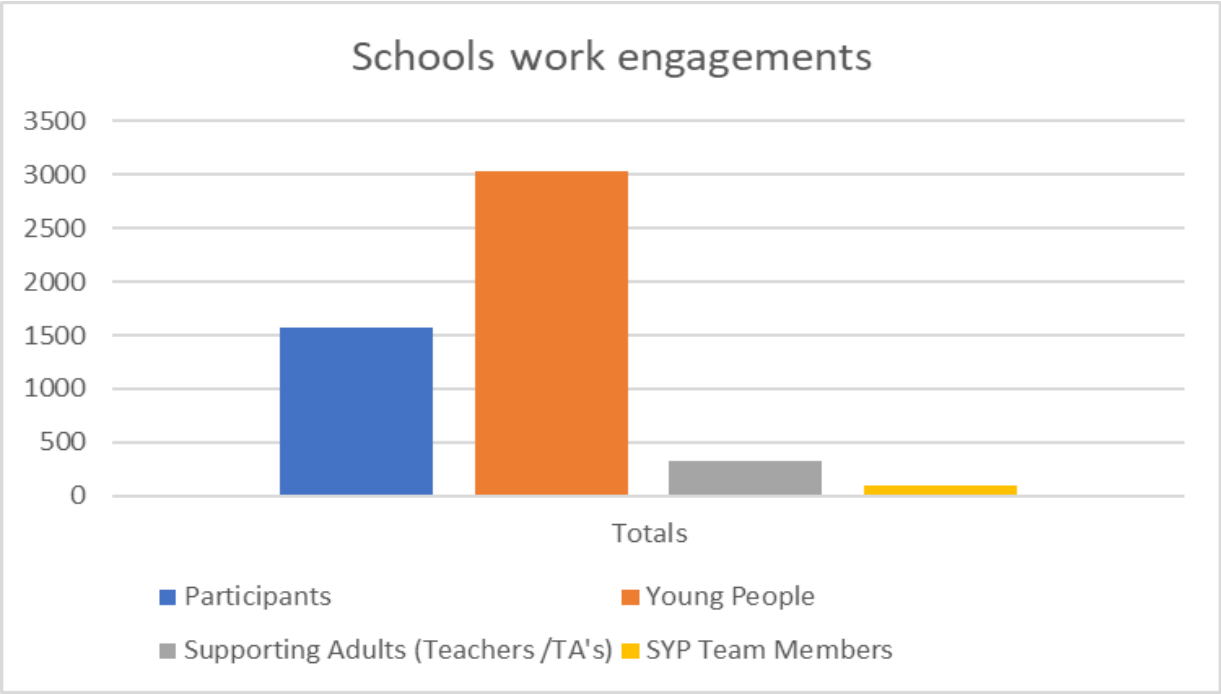


Social Media We have seen an increase in our **social media** presence



Schools Work

With the help of our fabulous education volunteers, especially Mel ably supported by Beth, training and awareness raising sessions have been delivered



Income Generation

The charity has also continued developing routes whereby specialist advice and guidance can be provided to other professionals, parents and carers to enable them to work with LGBT+ young people in a more informed and supportive manner. This has provided a further income stream which we will be developing. The internet shop is still creating income and will be expanded when new products become available.

Funding is secure until March 2024 and everyone is working together to increase funding stability.

None of this work could happen without the input from our **WONDERFUL TEAM** - We are privileged to have a very dedicated team of volunteers (youth workers, administrators and trustees) who have given over **3,058 hours** of their time and passion to support Space Youth Project. Thanks must also go to the band of sessional workers and support team who facilitate the smooth running of groups and the project as a whole.

Future Plans Space Youth Project will continue to deliver the activities previously mentioned in the coming year. We will be increasing income generation streams by delivering more schools work and training and providing lived experience workshops and Q&A sessions.

Trustees The Constitution provides for there to be at least three Trustees, all of whom are required to resign and seek re-election if they wish every three years. New or re-elected Trustees are chosen by the members. The elected Trustees as a body may co-opt further Trustees if particular specialist expertise or support is felt to be needed.

Names of charity Trustees during the period:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office (if any)</u>	<u>Dates appointed or resigned in year</u>
Harry Susser	Co-chair and Safeguarding	Appointed June 2021
Michael Wild		Appointed June 2019
Charlotte Blanchard	Co-chair	Appointed August 2020
Eli Moore		Appointed September 2020
Nathalie Shilton		Appointed May 2021

Day-to day operation is delegated to a full-time salaried CEO, a part time project coordinator, part time admin workers, part time social media creators, trainee youth support worker and sessional youth support workers, with the Trustees meeting formally every 6 weeks.

“As one of the original Trustees from the inception of Space Youth Project as a charity and now a Co-Chair I could not be any more proud, or impressed with everyone involved in keeping Space up and running during these extraordinarily difficult times during the pandemic and coming out the other side.

From our CEO who has kept everyone safe and supplied with essential necessities as well as financially as well as our Staff, Volunteers, Young People and Trustees who made sure everything kept running during lock-downs, virtual meetings, bubbles, outdoor only meetings through to today.”
- Harry Susser - Joint chair (Safeguarding lead trustee)

“I firmly believe with the Team we have in place in all functions will enable us to provide our Young People with the education and stability they desire as well as educate the wider public on LGBT+ issues well into the future. I am incredibly proud to be able to say that I was a young person when Space Youth Project was founded and that the need within the community at this time was huge. The benefits I felt by being given a safe space to be myself, to explore my identity and find comfort with my own peers were immense and I could see the same happening for my friends. I was actively involved in benefitting Space, whilst developing myself at the same time, and remember helping secure the funding for and interviewing the CEO. Being involved again as a trustee and seeing our CEO as passionate as she ever was to deliver to LGBT+ young people throughout Dorset is inspiring and I am delighted to be a part of the team helping to provide these services” - Charlee Blanchard

“As a Trustee, I've been delighted to see how we've grown over the past year. Evolving back to in person work since coming out of the pandemic and being able to connect with our service users on a much more personal level. Everyone within our organisation has gone above and beyond to provide a vital support to the LGBT+ young people in Dorset. This safe space has given our service users a break from the hostility and transphobia we've seen increasing in society and this hostility highlights the importance of us offering a trans inclusive service. Space Youth Project continues to be a crucial service, needed now more than ever.” - Eli Moore

“I've been a trustee of Space Youth Project for a decade now. Privileged to meet loads of young people who've benefited from our work, families who really support us, staff and volunteers who go the extra mile!? And regularly!” - Michael Wild

SYP Reserves

Space Youth Project currently holds two types of reserves to maintain the smooth running of the project;

- Staff contingency reserve – this is to cover the cost of staff sickness or other forced absence which could impact the project. This is equivalent to one full time member of staff for four months of work
- General reserve – this to cover funding shortfalls or interruption to normal operating activities. Space Youth Project currently has a 6 month reserve for all public benefits offered by the project, including time to wind down and redundancy costs in the event of a full closure and to ensure the needs of young persons accessing the project are referred to relevant agencies

At present this is a value £116,500

Bankers - CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JQ
Charity Bank Ltd, Fosse House, 182 High St, Tonbridge, TN9 1BE
Nat West, The Square, 5 Old Christchurch Rd, Bournemouth, BH1 1DU

The report has been approved by the Trustees on 21st March 2023 and signed on their behalf by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Harry Susser', written in a cursive style.

Harry Susser (Co Chair)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SPACE YOUTH PROJECT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2022.

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**D C SHORT FCCA
CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT**

Date: 21 March 2023

70 Seabourne Road
Bournemouth
Dorset BH5 2HT

Space Youth Project - Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	2	2,637	3,360
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		155,979	134,468
The total net assets of the charity		158,616	137,828
The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-			
Restricted funds			
Restricted Revenue Funds	3	15,000	82,807
Unrestricted Funds			
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	3	143,616	55,021
Total charity funds		158,616	137,828

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of charity legislation with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.



Harry Susser

Trustee

Approved by the board of trustees on 21 March 2023

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

1 Accounting policies

Policies relating to the production of the accounts.

Basis of preparation and accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) and 'FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) , effective January 2016, , and in accordance with all applicable law in the charity's jurisdiction of registration, except that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), in preference to the previous SORP, the SORP 2005, which has been withdrawn, notwithstanding the fact that the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 refer explicitly to the SORP 2005. This has been done to accord with current best practice.

Risks and future assumptions

The charity is a public benefit entity.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and machinery	33% % straight line
Motor vehicles	33% % straight line

2 Tangible fixed assets

Current Year	Plant & Machinery	Motor Vehicles	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2021	5,411	2,500	7,911	7,911
At 31 March 2022	5,411	2,500	7,911	7,911
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2021	3,457	1,094	4,551	4,551
Charge for the year	150	573	723	723
At 31 March 2022	3,607	1,667	5,274	5,274
Net book value				
At 31 March 2022	1,804	833	2,637	2,637
At 31 March 2021	1,954	1,406	3,360	3,360

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

3		2022		2022	2021
		£	£	£	£
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
Donations & Legacies	A1	10,011	172,344	182,355	160,902
Other trading activities	A2	17,387	-	17,387	10,194
Investments	A3	328	-	328	226
Total income	A	27,726	172,344	200,070	171,322
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	A7	23,239	156,043	179,282	119,081
Net movement in funds		4,487	16,301	20,788	52,241
Funds transferred		84,108	(84,108)		
Total funds brought forward		55,021	82,807	137,828	85,587
Total funds carried forward		143,616	15,000	158,616	137,828

Space Youth Project**Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2022**

	2022	2021
	£	£
<i>Income</i>		
Income from operations	199,742	171,096
Investment income		
Interest receivable	328	226
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	200,070	171,322
Gross income in the year including exceptional items	200,070	171,322
<i>Expenditure</i>		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	179,282	119,081
Total expenditure in the year	179,282	119,081
Net income before tax in the financial year	20,788	52,241
Retained surplus brought forward	137,828	85,587
Retained surplus for the financial year	158,616	137,828

All activities derive from continuing operations

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2022

This analysis is classified by conventional nominal descriptions and not by activity.

A1	Current year	Current year	Current year	Prior Year
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds		
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts from individuals				
Small donations individually less than £1000	10,011	-	10,011	4,366
Total donations and gifts from individuals	10,011	-	10,011	4,366
	Current year	Current year	Current year	Prior Year
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds		
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Revenue grants from government and public bodies				
BCP Council	-	25,000	25,000	19,050
Children In Need	-	45,671	45,671	33,758
Dorset County Council	-	20,968	20,968	20,938
The National Lottery	-	49,469	49,469	63,122
Dorset Community Fund	-	-	-	3,000
The Talbot Trust	-	-	-	4,000
Time To Shine	-	8,036	8,036	12,668
The Rank Foundation	-	22,700	22,700	-
Starlights	-	500	500	-
Total public sector revenue grants	-	172,344	172,344	156,536

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2022

A2 Income from other, non charitable, trading activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Non-charitable trading activities	12,492	-	12,492	9,500
Training	4,895	-	4,895	694
Total from other activities	17,387	-	17,387	10,194

A3 Investment income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest Receivable	328	-	328	226
Total investment income	328	-	328	226

A4 Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

Current Year	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	-	111,770	111,770	69,367
Defined contribution pension costs - charitable activities	-	17,619	17,619	12,891
Travel and Subsistence - Charitable Activities	-	1,414	1,414	622
Marketing and advertising of charitable services	-	917	917	608
Staff reimbursed expenses	-	3,551	3,551	702
Young people activities	-	3,649	3,649	7,137
Volunteers' expenses	-	1,158	1,158	363
Total direct spending	-	140,078	140,078	91,690

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2022

A5 Expenditure on charitable activities - Charitable trading

<i>Current Year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Cost of goods for primary purpose trading - Including movement in stock	10,114	-	10,114	9,787
Postage	11,036	-	11,036	2,584
Total charitable trading costs	21,150	-	21,150	12,371

A6 Support costs for charitable activities

<i>Current Year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Employee costs not included in direct costs				
Training and welfare - staff	-	1,473	1,473	935
Premises Expenses				
Premises repairs, renewals and maintenance	-	3,530	3,530	1,979
Insurance	-	1,342	1,342	1,253
Administrative overheads				
Telephone, fax and internet	-	928	928	522
Affiliation fees	-	154	154	201
Computer costs	-	2,462	2,462	1,152
Sundry expenses	-	547	547	701
Equipment, repairs, expenses and maintenance	-	1,344	1,344	6,350
Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner				
Accountancy fees	997	-	997	(113)
Other legal and professional	-	4,185	4,185	-
Financial costs				
Bank charges	96	-	96	70
Paypal charges	273	-	273	1,970
Depreciation & Amortisation in total for	723	-	723	-
Support costs before reallocation	2,089	15,965	18,054	15,020
Total support costs - Current Year	2,089	15,965	18,054	15,020

A7 Total Charitable expenditure

<i>Current Year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Total direct spending	A4	-	140,078	91,690
Total charitable trading costs	A5	21,150	21,150	12,371
Total support costs	A6	2,089	18,054	15,020
Total charitable expenditure	23,239	156,043	179,282	119,081