

# **GILLINGHAM YOUTH FOUNDATION**

## **Chairman's Report for 2021/22**

Gillingham Youth Foundation has emerged from a very testing few years, when it was really unclear if we would still have a Gillingham Youth & Community Centre for the community to come back to. As I referred to in my 20/21 report, the Foundation owes its complete gratitude to the continued generosity of local sponsorship, one-off grants and in-kind donations. I thank all the groups and individuals that work with us in providing for our Community.

This last year has seen significant progress for Gillingham Youth Foundation with income from hirers achieving on all-time high in the six-year history of the Foundation. New hirers have come on board and more enquiries are coming forward. I am pleased to say that nearly every part of the youth centre building is now bringing in an income.

It was agreed by the Trustees to tackle some of the most pressing repairs, particularly the rear porch entrance damaged by rain ingress. It was also agreed to begin a programme of long-awaited redecoration, replacing old lighting with energy saving LED, up-grading taps to save water, replacing the hand-dryers in the toilets and replacing worn out floor coverings. The result is a building fit for purpose, bright and clean for the community's use. My sincere thanks to Alan Waistell, fellow trustee, for all his attention to maintenance, which keeps the buildings safe and up to standard for our hirers.

It was agreed by the Trustees that hire rates would not be increased during the Covid pandemic, however at the end of 2021, we all became very much aware that utility bills, gas and electricity in our case, were going to increase significantly. Again, I thank Alan Waistell for securing the Foundation the best possible prices through his contacts. With this in mind, it was very regrettable that the Trustees were left with no alternative but to raise hire fees from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021. We really do appreciate everyone's co-operation with this.

Looking ahead, we are doing our best to provide the most efficient heating and lighting we can within our budget. The replacement of the remaining old lighting throughout the building with LED intelligent lighting is a goal for 2022/23.

So What is new, what is next? We will continue to increase our regular hirers through promotion of the centre. The renting out of the garage workshop and the Music Suite has been very successful. The renting out of the workshop adjacent to the garage as storage space has also been very successful. Our next project is to work on hiring out the office space on the first floor (this has now been achieved in the current year). We will have then achieved full hire capacity of the premises.

I would like to thank all groups and individuals who have stuck with us through these difficult times and we are really pleased to be able to continue to accommodate you going forward.

I would also like to mention and minute our thanks to Eric, our Caretaker and his wife, Angela for their conscientious duty to the youth centre. It has become a full-time job for them both!

Finally, I would like to minute our thanks to our Trustees who put in more hours a week than your average job requires and so I thank Belinda and Alan for all that they have done over the last year to keep this community's dream a reality and for the support of new trustees, Gaynor and Judy, who joined us in June 2021 (but who regrettably, this current year, have resigned due to other commitments). It has been a pleasure to work as part of this committee and look forward to the coming year with excitement and optimism.

**David Walsh, Chair of Trustees, Gillingham Youth Foundation**

**31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023**

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1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 - 31st August 2022

## PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

		<b>This year 2021/2022</b>	<b>Prev. year 2020/2021</b>
<b><u>INCOME:</u></b>		<b><u>£</u></b>	<b><u>£</u></b>
Sales: hire of rooms Sales Type A 4000		26,923.75	13,157.00
Sale of Assets: 4200		0	180.00
Other Income: 4900 donations, sponsorship, tombola		<u>6,222.85</u>	<u>10,765.78</u>
		<b>33,146.60</b>	<b>24,102.78</b>
<b><u>EXPENSES AND OVERHEADS</u></b>			
Gas, water, electric	7200	6,830.24	4,133.77
Rent & Rates	7100*	0	0
Office costs	7500	1,110.48	1,086.48
Fire & Safety	7503	2,124.14	1,052.00
Health & Hygiene	8201	1,045.12	2,017.81
Legal and professional	7600*	0	100.00
Insurance	7610	1,530.57	2,688.12
General expenses	8200*	5,934.06	2,909.26
Repairs and renewals	7800	252.00	1,755.49
Payroll costs	7001	240.00	240.00
PAYE (HMRC payments)	2210	994.84	1,444.20
Net Wages	2220	8,804.49	5,881.34
		<b><u>28,865.94</u></b>	<b><u>23,308.47</u></b>
<b>NET PROFIT/(LOSS):</b>		<b>4,280.66</b>	<b>794.31</b>
<b>Reserves policy:</b>			
<i>Based on total expenditure £28,865.94 divided by 12 months = £2,405.50 x 3 months = £7,216.50</i>			
<b>Lloyds Opening Account Balance:</b>		<b>13,717.28</b>	<b>13,790.34</b>
<b>Lloyds Closing Account balance:</b>		17,775.69	13,717.28
<b>Variation</b>		4,058.41	(73.06)
<b>Trade debtors 1100</b>		412.25	721.25
<b>Less Adjustment for Sage Accounts Bank Opening Balance: £190</b>		190.00	0
<b>(As Agreed with Independent Examiner, C.R. Taylor &amp; Co.)</b>			
		<b><u>4,280.66</u></b>	<b><u>794.31</u></b>

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiners

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

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

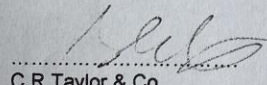
Basis of Independent examiners statement

Our examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiners statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention.

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

  
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