



# **The Mayor of Wigan's Charity Appeal**

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

**For the Period**

**1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**

**To**

**31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

## Reference and Administration Details

**Charity Name:** The Mayor of Wigan's Charity Appeal

**Also Known as:** The Mayor's Charity

**Registered Charity Number:** 1169188

**Charity's Principal Address:** C/O The Mayor's Office  
Wigan Town Hall  
Library Street  
Wigan  
WN1 1YN

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity:**

Miss Judith Atherton

Mr Andrew Sharrock                      Chair and Treasurer

Mr Michael William Winstanley      Secretary

**Independent Examiner:**

Stephen Atherton

**Bank:**

HSBC  
21 The Grand Arcade  
Wigan  
Lancs  
WN1 1BH

## Structure, Governance and Management

<b>Type of Governing Document:</b>	Trust Deed adopted 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2016
<b>How the Charity is constituted:</b>	Membership of the Charity is open to everyone who can support the Charity and there are currently 10 members.
<b>Trustee selection Method:</b>	Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the General Meeting usually held in May following the appointment of the Mayor for the ensuing Mayoral Year.

All trustees give their time voluntary and receive no remuneration or other benefits.

<b>Risk:</b>	The risk that the charity is exposed to is reviewed annually by the trustees and due to its operating model the risk is deemed to be low and this is reflected in the reserve policy.
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## Objectives and Activities

### **Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document:**

To further such exclusively charitable purposes, according to the laws of England and Wales, as the trustees determine by the provision of grants.

### **Grant Making Policy:**

The policy on grant making is that the incoming Mayor during their year as Deputy Mayor will select an organisation or organisations which they would like the charity to support during their Mayoral Year; they put this to the trustees who consider the request and make the decision to accept or reject the request. The organisation selected to be supported by the charity **must benefit the residents of the borough**. The charity prefers that the selected organisation uses the grant for some capital purpose, to give some longevity from the grant; but the charity does not rule out the grant being used for some revenue purpose. The selected organisation will discuss and agree with the charity how the grant will be used.

### **Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objectives:**

During this year, 2022 to 2023, the Mayor was Councillor Marie Morgan and the charity to be supported by The Mayor of Wigan's Charity Appeal was selected to be 'Daffodils Dreams'.

6\* x Daffodils Dreams began when its founder, Maureen Holcroft, was recovering from eye surgery and was convalescing for six weeks. She read an article in the local paper about 'Child Poverty', and although she was aware that it existed in the Borough, she didn't realise the around 40% of youngsters in several wards within Wigan Borough living below the poverty line.

Having read the article, Maureen wanted to do something, anything, to help. It made her realise just how lucky her family and friends are to lead such privileged lives, surrounded by people who can provide emotional support, encouragement or guidance. Having the simplest essentials to live healthy and safe lives, is a privilege that we can often take for granted.

### **Daffodils Dreams Vision is:**

Every child comes into this world the same way, and we believe every child deserves the right to live a happy, healthy and fulfilling life. All children should be offered the same opportunities in life regardless of their background or the financial situation of their parents.

The team at Daffodils Dreams want to help children reach their full potential by giving them opportunities to explore their natural gifts and thrive at home, school and play.

## **Achievements and Performance**

We held the annual 'The Mayor of Wigan Charity Ball' again. The event was held at the MacDonald Kilhey Court Hotel and was yet again almost a sell-out. As well as being well attended everyone enjoyed the food, drink, DJ and local female vocalist Olivia Garcia. It was also attended by many of the Civic Heads from the Greater Manchester conurbation and we were pleased to have the Deputy Deputy Lieutenant Melanie Bryan OBE present at the Ball.

We had another very enjoyable visit to the Wigan Brew House and people enjoyed a guided tour of the brewery and picked up some knowledge about the brews on tap, along with some light refreshments and good conversation with friends; plus the mandator raffle.

The Payer Breakfast was held again, with speaker, prayers and breakfast.

For the more cerebral supporters of the Charity the annual Quiz Night was held again. This as well as testing your brain cells, memory and knowledge on a number of fronts is also a fund night with – yes, you've guest it light refreshments and alcohol and good company.

We held a number of bucket collections at sporting events across the Borough.

Thanks to the help and support of the staff and volunteers at Haigh Woodland Park we had a very enjoyable walk around the estate and surrounding area, raising money for the charity. It was not a sponsored walk but there was a charge to be a participant in the walk. The walk ended in the food court at Haigh Woodland Park

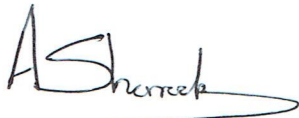
# **The Mayor of Wigan's Charity Appeal** **Balance Sheet for the Year 1st September 2022 to 31st August 2023**

<b>ASSETS</b>		<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
Balance brought forward The Mayor (Cllr M Morgan)	£10,772.27	Wigan Music Service	£5,000.00
Balance brought forward Cllr S Dawber	£3,804.86	Daddy's With Angels	£21,869.21
Balance brought forward Cllr Y Klieve	<u>£26,796.99</u>	Wigan Youth Zone	£3,804.86
<b>Total Balance Brought Forward</b>	<b>£41,374.12</b>		
Donations to Current Account	£16,374.12	The Mayors Charity Ball	£6,102.89
Donations to PayPal Account	£81.63		
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>£16,455.75</b>	Expenses incurred with fund raising events	£630.00
Fund rising events	£3,954.67	Bank Charges	£98.73
The Mayors Charity Ball	£12,347.00		
Miscellaneous income	£36.00		
	<u><b>£74,167.54</b></u>		<u><b>£37,505.69</b></u>
Total Income for the Year	£74,167.54		
Less Total Expenditure for the Year	<u>£37,505.69</u>		
Balance for the Year	<u><b>£36,661.85</b></u>		

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above at a meeting held on 15<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ASharrock', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Andrew Sharrock  
Chair

Date: 15/01/2024



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

THE MAYOR OF WIGAN'S CHARITY APPEAL

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1169188

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD/MM/YYYY.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below~~ \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

16-OCT-2023

Name:

STEVE ATHERTON

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body

M.A. B.A.

(if any):

Address: PIPPIN STREET FARM  
SMITHY LANE  
BRINDLE PR6 8ND

## Section B

### Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.