

# **InterACT Church and Community Partnership**

Charity number 1171402

## **Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**



West Yorkshire Community Accounting Service

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**Prepared by West Yorkshire Community Accountancy Service CIO**

# **InterACT Church and Community Partnership**

## **Trustees' report for the year ended 31 December 2022**

### **Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors**

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Charles Laxton	Chair	
Rev. Angela Hughes		
Rev. Joanne Lightowler		resigned 31 Aug 2022
Rev. John Rogers		
Rev. Simon Jones		appointed 23 May 2022
Guy Austin-Bride		appointed 1 Sept 2022

<b>Charity number</b>	1171402	Registered in England and Wales
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<b>Registered and principal address</b>	<b>Bankers</b>
Stainbeck Church	CAF Bank Ltd
Stainbeck Road	25 Kings Hill Avenue
Leeds	West Malling
LS7 2PP	Kent
	ME19 4JQ

### **Independent examiner**

E J Beverley FCCA

### **West Yorkshire Community Accountancy Service CIO**

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### **Structure, governance and management**

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) foundation formed on 1 Feb 2017 and is governed by a constitution.

### **Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees**

The trustees of the charity are appointed by the trustees at a duly convened meeting.

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## **Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2022**

### **Objectives and activities**

#### **The charity's objects**

The objects of the CIO are:

(1) Relief and prevention of poverty for the public benefit in Meanwood, Leeds, in particular, but not exclusively, focusing on the 'Meanwood 7 Estates'\*, by

(a) The provision of recreational activities and activities that promote self-development and wellbeing, intended to improve the quality of life of the beneficiaries and tackle effects of financial and cultural poverty.

(b) The provision of activities to develop the capacity and skills of the beneficiaries, in such a way that they are better able to identify, and help meet, their needs and to participate more fully in society.

(2) The advancement of community development for the public benefit in Meanwood, by:

(a) The provision of activities that draw together a diversity of people from across Meanwood and its immediate surroundings, with the aim of promoting social cohesion and tackling exclusion resulting from hardship and cultural differences.

(b) The promotion of volunteering, by supporting local people to take active, voluntary roles in the management of the organisation and the running of its activities.

(c) The promotion of the voluntary sector, through active engagement with community forums and public sector bodies, to the benefit of the Meanwood community, and particularly the 'Meanwood 7 Estates'\*

(3) The advancement of religion for the public benefit in Meanwood, by:

(a) Working as a partnership of Christian churches, operating and delivering activities in accordance with Christian principles.

\* The 'Meanwood 7 Estates' is the name given locally to a number of areas in Meanwood, Leeds, which see higher levels of financial hardship and poor health in comparison to neighbouring areas. Most of them rank repeatedly in the top 2% of the Government's indices of multiple deprivation.

#### **The charity's main activities**

A wide variety of activities that bring people together from all parts of the community of Meanwood, Leeds, to help build relationships across social divides. Examples of activities include weekly youth club, craft sessions, play and learn, parenting support, family fun days, theatre and board games.

#### **Public benefit statement**

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular:

Relief and prevention of poverty for the public benefit in Meanwood, Leeds, in particular, but not exclusively, focusing on the 'Meanwood 7 Estates.'

The advancement of community development for the public benefit in Meanwood.

The advancement of religion.

#### **Achievements and performance**

2022 was as much a time of returning as building on what was born during the time of the pandemic. It was our first Meanwood Olympics in two years – the tenth Meanwood Olympics for our area. We welcomed hundreds of people, new faces and old; so many pleased to be back. As always, it was good to create space for families to have fun together, but even more than usual, we were aware that the simple and old fashioned games won the day. Sometimes that's all that's needed to have a good time! During the summer, we also enabled 100+ people to go on trips within and outside the city. These are valuable times of connection and memory-making that we're so grateful to be able to facilitate.

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## **Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2022**

### **Achievements and performance continued**

Our food Pantry has grown significantly in membership and local support. Over the course of the year, the membership trebled in size and 1,463 visits were made, feeding 90-110 people each week. We have a fantastic team of volunteers from the local community and from the local churches, all of whom get to know their customers well and building some great relationships. The Pantry is a good place to make new connections, share cooking tips, experiment with new foods, save money and reduce food waste. We very much believe we live by the national Your Local Pantry network's motto of Dignity, Choice and Hope.

This was the year that My Meanwood Community Anchor was born. This is a legacy of the partnership working that has been so strong in our area for many years. Representatives of resident groups and Third Sector organisations meet regularly to work out what we can do better together to improve and strengthen our neighbourhoods. We were instrumental in forming this group, and our Project Manager continues as Chair.

The group is part of the Leeds Community Anchor Network, and this has meant we've overseen the distribution of Government Household Support Fund, intended to help people through the cost of living crisis. This has helped us get fridges, freezers, microwaves, cookers, food and fuel to people who have been struggling without. Working with others is a vital part of doing this well.

Meanwood Men Shed has continued to grow through the year, and we are also beginning to make connections with other Men's groups in Meanwood (that we didn't previously know about!). A group of men meet weekly, mainly to make and build up at the Shed on the farm, but there are social events steadily building that include a wider number of people. We are constantly receiving requests for more information, so we know that there's interest and a need for these activities.

Holy Trinity Café has moved into the larger space at Holy Trinity Hall, which is more comfortable and has better acoustics than the room we previously used. It's made life a lot easier, and we're pleased to see people returning – around 30-35 each week. The café is currently registered as a warm space.

There's always so much more we could report – over 100 hampers delivered at Christmas; focused developments on the Beckhills; a grant awarded that's enabling us to focus on strategic development and becoming more resilient as a charity; but it seems good to end with looking forward. We're now in partnership with Thrive Leeds to develop a new youth project that will focus on supporting young people to lead and volunteer in the community. We've been working really hard to find funds for a modular building on the grounds of Stainbeck Church, and it feels like we're getting close! If planning permission goes smoothly, the building will be in place in late spring, and we will finally be able to start bringing young people together again, having stopped our Monday Night youth club back in 2020 when the first lockdown happened. Definitely something to look forward to in 2023!

### **Financial review**

The net receipts for the year was £11,169, including net receipts of £12,152 on unrestricted funds and net payments of £983 on restricted funds after transfers.

The Covid-19 pandemic was a significant turning point for InterACT, the impact of which we are still working through in terms of our vision and direction. However, financially, we found there was lots of support available as funders sought to ensure the Third Sector remained as secure as possible in the circumstances and gave us freedom to use previously granted monies in a way that reflected the needs of our communities. The changed nature of the work has also given access to new grants.

At the time of signing these accounts the charity has been impacted by the global Covid-19 virus. However, the trustees have assessed the charity's ability to continue for at least 12 months from the date that the accounts are approved and conclude that no material uncertainties exist that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

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### **Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 December 2022**

#### **Reserves policy**

The charity's free reserves, at the year end were £40,668.

We have set a restricted reserves target for our 2023 budget that equates to the cost of four months overheads, excluding payroll costs; three months payroll costs, including staff expenses; and the amount needed to cover redundancy payments calculated for the end of the budget year. For the 2023 budget, the target figure is therefore £35,488

Approved by the board of trustees on 20/09/2023

Charles Laxton (Trustee)

# **InterACT Church and Community Partnership**

## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of InterACT Church and Community Partnership**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 7 to 11.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the CIO 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 CIO's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. 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 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act;
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

E J Beverley FCCA

21/09/2023

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**InterACT Church and Community Partnership**  
**Receipts and payments account**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Notes	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Grants and donations	(2)	42,283	54,056	96,339	103,451
Sales and fees		8,612	-	8,612	8,980
Gift Aid		-	-	-	1,402
Holy Trinity Café and Stainbeck Church		350	-	350	624
Bank Interest		48	-	48	-
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>51,293</u>	<u>54,056</u>	<u>105,349</u>	<u>114,457</u>
<b>Payments</b>					
Salaries, NIC and pensions		30,938	24,181	55,119	44,838
Payroll costs		335	-	335	84
Sessional staff		624	-	624	-
Staff travel		745	293	1,038	519
Training		73	-	73	203
Meeting expenses		296	36	332	44
Volunteer expenses		280	-	280	222
Rent		500	500	1,000	1,250
Website		1,044	1,540	2,584	403
Materials and resources		69	64	133	696
Events and activities		3,249	27,342	30,591	42,622
Insurance		3	473	476	475
Bank charges		81	-	81	96
Other expenses		142	-	142	142
Independent examination		510	-	510	510
Covid-19 support expenses		-	-	-	3,569
Grant funding returned		-	-	-	1,163
Office costs		252	610	862	1,456
<b>Total payments</b>		<u>39,141</u>	<u>55,039</u>	<u>94,180</u>	<u>98,292</u>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>		<u>12,152</u>	<u>(983)</u>	<u>11,169</u>	<u>16,165</u>
<b>Fund balances brought forward</b>		<u>28,516</u>	<u>18,062</u>	<u>46,578</u>	<u>30,413</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>	(3)	<u>40,668</u>	<u>17,079</u>	<u>57,747</u>	<u>46,578</u>



**InterACT Church and Community Partnership**  
**Statement of assets and liabilities**  
**as at 31 December 2022**

	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>				
Cash at bank	40,668	17,079	57,747	46,578
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<u>40,668</u>	<u>17,079</u>	<u>57,747</u>	<u>46,578</u>

**Debtors and prepayments**

	2022
	£
Prepayments	1,191
Accrued income	<u>4,710</u>
	<u>5,901</u>

**Assets retained for the charity's own use**

Converted storage container  
Upright fridge x 2  
Glass door freezer

**Liabilities**

	2022
	£
Accruals	<u>792</u>
	<u>792</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 20/09/2023

Charles Laxton (Trustee)

# **InterACT Church and Community Partnership**

## **Notes to the accounts**

### **for the year ended 31 December 2022**

#### **1 Accounting policies**

##### **Basis of accounting**

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

##### **Taxation**

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

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<b>2 Grants and donations</b>	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Church donations	19,100	-	19,100	12,775
Leeds Christian Community	-	8,500	8,500	-
Leeds City Council (LCC)	-	28,156	28,156	49,366
Leeds Community Foundation (LCF)	15,000	-	15,000	-
National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF)	-	9,900	9,900	-
Sainsbury's	-	2,500	2,500	-
Voluntary Action Leeds (VAL)	-	5,000	5,000	-
Charities Aid Foundation	-	-	-	12,000
All Churches Trust	-	-	-	10,900
Leeds South and West Methodist Circuit	-	-	-	10,000
Other grants	1,130	-	1,130	-
Other donations	7,053	-	7,053	8,410
	<u>42,283</u>	<u>54,056</u>	<u>96,339</u>	<u>103,451</u>

<b>3 Restricted funds</b>	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
LCC ABCD	25,000	13,500	25,055	-	13,445
LCC Mice	-	150	150	-	-
Sainsbury's Neighbourly Found'n	-	2,500	2,500	-	-
LCC HAP Youth Project	-	3,215	3,215	-	-
LCC HAP Olympics	-	1,550	1,394	-	156
NLCF Awards for All	-	9,900	1,712	-	8,188
LCC YAF Summer 2022	-	-	4,710	-	(4,710)
Leeds Christian Community UPA	-	8,500	8,500	-	-
VAL Household Support Fund	-	5,000	5,000	-	-
LCC INE Committee	(4,885)	4,885	-	-	-
LCC INW Committee	(2,053)	4,856	2,803	-	-
	<u>18,062</u>	<u>54,056</u>	<u>55,039</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,079</u>

<b>Fund name</b>	<b>Purpose of restriction</b>
LCC ABCD	For Asset Based Community Development work on the Beckhills.
LCC Mice	Towards Christmas hot meals and winter food support.
Sainsbury's Neighbourly Found'n	Towards Pantry running costs.
LCC HAP Youth Project	For modular building - youth project.
LCC HAP Olympics	Towards equipment for Meanwood Olympics.
NLCF Awards for All	Towards Men Shed costs, including signage, disability access, security and activities.
LCC YAF Summer 2022	Towards summer activities for children and families, including family fun days and trips. This grant is paid in arrears.
Leeds Christian Community UPA	Towards the running of Meanwood Pantry, including food, overheads and support.
VAL Household Support Fund	Towards discretionary support for households in the Moortown Ward, for example with fuel, food and household essentials.
LCC INE Committee	Towards the running of Meanwood Pantry, including food, overheads and support.
LCC INW Committee	Towards the running of Meanwood Pantry, including food, overheads and support.

**InterACT Church and Community Partnership**  
**Notes to the accounts continued**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2022**

**4 Related party transactions**

**Trustee expenses**

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

**Trustee remuneration and benefits**

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.