



Parson Cross Initiative Projects

Annual Report 2022

Registered Charity 1172288

Report from the Chair

Every year I seem to say it, but it really has been another eventful year where we have seen things change. Some things have grown and taken on new life and meaning, some things have struggled and been cast off. People likewise have come and gone, new faces have appeared and familiar faces have moved on to other challenges. Throughout all this our central work continues; the task of helping to make people within the communities we serve feel more included, more valued and dare I say it more loved and wanted.

One of the personal highlights for me over the last twelve months has been the post pandemic success of our community allotments. As you will remember during the pandemic the site was used for youth work and a partnership with Brightbox, whilst both these initiatives have now ended they have been replaced with link to local community mental health services, residential care services, local health surgeries as well as a rise in numbers of community participants.

Likewise the growth of the Community Food Hub has been both something to celebrate, in terms of people supporting it and its stand alone financial viability, and also something that causes us all much concern with the clear rise in the past few months of households who are relying on the hub for food to help stretch the household budget in these economically demanding times. The rise in the cost of living seems likely to continue throughout 2023 and as such will undoubtedly stretch us further as a charity once again.

There are also some important challenges that lie ahead for the charity. The first of these is the need to recruit and retain reliable session hosts for our regular sessions, much of this has in the past fallen on Trustees, but this feels increasingly unsustainable as a model and the need to find other solutions whether from voluntary sources or elsewhere and is something that the charity will need to give serious thought to in the next twelve months.

The second big issue facing the charity and the Trustees is the future of our office base and many of our activities at Mount Tabor. We have known for sometime that the existing Church Trustees were an ageing and diminishing number, and the past couple of years have brought this to a head. Discussions are underway between the Church Council and Methodist Circuit about the future. Whilst we've been assured the building (and our presence) is not under any immediate threat, we are also aware that any changes in the management and trusteeship of the space will have a significant impact on the charity as the prime user of the space, it is something that again PXI Trustees will need to give significant thought to going forward.

Finally I'd like to thank everyone who has been supportive of our work in the last year. Firstly, our trustees, volunteers, helpers and participants and to our partners and fellow travellers, and also to our donors, funders and supporters who have given generously once again.

I look forward to another year of working with you all.

Nick Waterfield (Chair of Trustees) October 2022

Community Food Hub & Social Café

As we reported last year the Community Food Hub and Social Café restarted (post pandemic) in May 2021, this therefore has been its first full year since then. The Fareshare delivery remains the bulk of the food supplied, and we were pleased this year to be able to add fresh fruit and vegetables into the hub following agreement with Fareshare. Meanwhile we continue to offer the Foodworks frozen meal service on both a pre order and cash payment basis, we also offer these meals as part of our "emergency response" to those in an immediate need of food.



Demand has continued to rise, both as more people have heard about the food hub, but also as the "cost of living crisis" has had a greater and greater impact on peoples household budgets. So many of those coming have told us how valuable they find the service in just helping out that little bit in making the weekly budget stretch a little further.

The Social Café continues to be the focal point around which we offer support to people who come for more than just food. Every person and every week is of course different and that is both the joy and the challenge but once again in the past twelve months we have dealt with issues as wide ranging as; family bereavement, physical and mental ill health, preventing eviction and accessing adult learning opportunities.



Tuesdays at Tabor

As well as being Fareshare and Foodworks delivery day, Tuesdays focus at Mount Tabor is the Social Café and community lunch as well as creative arts activities. Although the crafting side of this offer has been slow to return to its pre pandemic levels of involvement, the music group has bounced back and has seen new participants, and opening up even more musical diversity.

In May 2022 our Reasons To Sing! Projects concluded with an amazing community concert featuring Steel City Choristers and our own community singers. The concert itself was a great success with over a hundred and fifty people attending. The project as a whole drew together the shared stories from local people and reflections from Steel City Choristers as well as and was a great way of moving on from the restrictions of the pandemic. Our relationship with the Choristers continues with a Carol Concert planned for this December and links to local schools in the area.



Community Allotments & Growing Spaces

Although we still retain the growing space at Mount Tabor, we have since the pandemic concentrated our work on the community allotments at Norwood. Our partnership with Brightbox ended in December 2021, although some elements such as the shed painting project have continued to run through to this year. The return of “normal” saw most of the youth involvement also leave the site with a return to other venues and activities.

But as one thing ends another chapter begins and since spring 2022 we’ve seen new partnership links with a local community mental health team, local adult care providers, local GP’s and other community groups. Our weekly

sessions now host around 20 people engaged in the community site.

Much of this years fruit and vegetable harvest has found its way back into the food hub at Tabor, with the rest going to volunteers and helpers on the community allotments. Next year we’re looking at further improvements to the site including building a new compost urinal.

We were rewarded for all our efforts this summer with second place in the City Councils allotment competition (Allotment Society & Community Group Section) for which we were very proud.

Autism Hope

This last year has been the busiest yet for Autism Hope! Our weekly coffee mornings started in September 2021 and these have got busier every week, now we are regularly having 25+ people attending. We have had guest speakers from Autism Plus and Shaped come along to talk about the work they are doing. In March we had our own Mothers Day Celebration which included flowers and hand massages for all the Mums in the group. In May we celebrated the Jubilee with a special tea party and in June we held our first Stress and Wellbeing Workshop. In August we had our first coach trip to the seaside which was a wonderful day out for some of the families we support. It has certainly been a fun and busy year for the group!



Safeguarding

We've spent quite some time this year considering our safeguarding practices and policies, we have considered this important because much of the work we do brings us into contact with vulnerable people. Our policies stand in line with those of the Methodist Church because of both our historic links and our use of Methodist premises at Mount Tabor for much of our work. Good safeguarding keeps everyone safe, our trustees, our volunteers, our helpers and our participants. We will continue to work hard to develop both our policy and our practice and offer a safe and supportive environment in which everyone can thrive.

Appendices:

Trustees 2021-22

Nick Waterfield (Chairperson)

Iain Cloke

Alison Charlesworth (Treasurer)

Cheryl Hattersley (Resigned August 2022)

Carlie Brough

Carlton Reeve

Jonathan Buckley

Janet Shepherd

Teresa Buckley

(non voting members)

Alan Bettison

Jane Offord (Safeguarding Officer)

Grant Funders 2021-22

~~St~~/Agatha's

~~F~~reshgate Foundation

~~J~~ames Neil Trust

~~S~~heffield Town Trust

~~G~~roundworks UK (Jack's Store)

~~A~~nda

~~A~~hold Clark

~~S~~heffield City Council

~~500~~ together

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Visit our website: **<https://pxiprojects.wordpress.com/>**



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name PXI PARSON CROSS INITIATIVE (PROJECTS)

No 1172288

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	1st September 2021		31st August 2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Income from donations, legacies and grants	6,404	13,290	-	19,694	22,310
Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading Income	-	241	-	241	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,404	13,531	-	19,935	22,310
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,404	13,531	-	19,935	22,310
A3 Payments					
Costs of charitable activities	2,463	13,756	-	16,219	19,751
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
Others	2,685	372	-	3,057	5,222
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	5,148	14,128	-	19,276	24,973
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	5,148	14,128	-	19,276	24,973
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,256	- 597	-	659	- 2,663
A5 Transfers between funds	- 6,778	6,778	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	35,734	3,376	-	39,110	-
Cash funds this year end	30,212	9,557	-	39,769	- 2,663

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	30,212	9,557	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	30,212	9,557	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			



	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Food stock held at 31st Aug 2022	-	56	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Alison Charlesworth	09.10.2022
	Nick Waterfield	09.10.2022



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

PXI

PARSON CROSS INITIATIVE

On accounts for the year
ended

31 AUGUST 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1172288

Set out on pages

1 & 2 of form CC16a

(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 31/12/2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

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

Signed:

Date:

13/12/2022

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.