



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1st	Month April	Year 2022		Day 31st	Month March	Year 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Together Centre @ Loxley House (CIO)		
Other names charity is known by	None		
Registered charity number (if any)	1173335		
Charity's principal address	287 Birch Lane		
	Dukinfield		
	Tameside		
Postcode	SK16 5AU		

Names of the charity trustees and officials who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dawson Lane	Chair		Membership
2	Mark Collier	Secretary		Membership
3	Paul Callaghan	Treasurer		Membership
4	Jackie Lane	Trustee		Membership
5	Ann Murphy	Trustee		Membership
6	Margaret Sidebottom	Trustee		Membership
7	Susan Quinn	Trustee		Membership
8	Paul Rippon	Trustee		Membership
9	Christine Salah	Trustee		Membership

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
None	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Leanne Bold

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Constitution dated 19 th April 2017
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(eg. trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Dated 8th June 2017

Voluntary application and selection by membership election

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The charity is ultimately managed at the Centre Manager and at a strategic level by the 9 Trustees with support currently provided by local officers as part of the local council's community asset transfer agenda. Operationally, the organisation is managed and operates through a team of volunteers who all have specific job roles and responsibilities.

A formal partnership arrangement is in place with Active Tameside to deliver a community café and health and wellbeing activities within the centre.

Tameside MBC provides a commissioned Day Service for people with disabilities from the centre with an employed team of 3 care staff and one Senior.

Risk assessments were carried out during the summer of 2022 prior to services re-opening from the lockdown periods towards the end of the year. The assessments were approved by our Health and Safety Champion. Consideration of risk is also given within the business plan in terms of overall management of the charity and its priorities. Specific risk assessments are completed as and when required in terms of events and activities. All other risks eg Fire, Health and Safety etc are managed within the relevant documents and policies.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the CIO according to the constitution are:

To further or benefit the residents of Tameside and the neighbourhood, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents

In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power:

To establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above object.

Nothing in this constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the CIO for the purposes which are not charitable in accordance with (Section 7 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005) and (Section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008)

The Centres Vision Statement is:

We want to be a place of possibility. We want to be a place where people can come together, feel safe, well and happy. Where people can learn and grow and feel a sense of pride and ownership.

The Centres Strategic Aims are:

- To provide a community resource and facilities for all to use.
- To provide a range of activities for all to participate in.
- To provide a healthy food offer available and accessible for all.
- To help people to access services and facilities which will help to improve their wellbeing.

Summary

The Together Centre at Loxley House seeks to develop a range of health and wellbeing activities over time in order to achieve our social objectives, as well as generate sufficient income to manage and maintain the centre in the longer term.

Key activities of the Trust will be:

- Managing the Together Centre as an accessible, community facility hosting a range of services to the community.
- Providing a range of services to meet the needs of local Families.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

We currently do not have a policy on grant making, however, this is something that we will be working on more detail with our colleagues at Action Together Tameside. We have submitted a number of successful grants for specific projects within the centre and are working hard to deliver the projects.

We recognise the importance and the crucial contribution that is made by our volunteers and this is reflected in the centres Volunteer Strategy that is in place. This covers all aspects of volunteering ensuring that all our volunteers have a positive experience whilst being involved at the centre.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main

Section D

Achievements and performance

achievements of the charity during the year

Volunteers – The Together Centre successfully recruited a core group of 57 volunteers, all of whom support the Centre Manager and recently recruited new Trustees.

Council Support – Work has continued on a DRAFT Business Plan for the Centre, as one of the key requirements to effect transfer of the asset to the Together Centre.

Donations and Funding – Our Centre Manager appointed in 2021 now leads on the development and submission of new grant applications and building the level of donations and commercial income into the organisation.

The Centre Manager recognised the Charity would need to establish a 'not for profit' activity to make itself financially sustainable, and therefore just recently in September 2022 Together Services has been established to successfully deliver a wide range of initiatives ranging in size from a few hundred pounds to thousands of pounds in value. The common threads of 'grow our own' and 'added value' have guided and informed our delivery model.

Recognised for our pioneering and creative approach Together Services fits The Together Centre's objectives perfectly – to grow our trading arm commercially and enhance our social, ethical, and environmental offer in the local community. In addition, the significant financial contribution we make to the Together Centre enables the Charity to grow rapidly and develop new projects which benefit our local Community

Activities Timetable – The Centre supports local families with a vast amount of weekly wellbeing sessions and workshops, most importantly supporting those most during these unprecedented times; ages 0 – 100+

Partnership working – We have continued to work with Action Together on building the capacity of the organisation alongside other support Organisations including the NHS, AGEUK, local Schools, the local Authority, Housing Associations, and MORE.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

AsThe Together Centre is in its formative and development years, any surpluses and reserves shall be dedicated to expand and further its ambitions as stated in the Objects section of the Constitution.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including

The Charities principal sources of funds and income are generated from:

- Rental income
- Room Hire
- Community Café

- any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

- Together Services
- Service Delivery
 - o Grants
 - o Contracts
 - o Direct Payments
- Fundraising (Fairs, events, socials etc)
- Voluntary income and donations

Expenditure is focused primarily on the purchase of equipment to enhance and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the organisation.

A business plan forming the basis of a Community Asset Transfer with the local authority is well advanced and reflects our policy objectives. Reserves and working resources will, wherever possible, be employed in an ethical manner.



To develop and maintain a healthy reserve it is our policy to retain a reserve fund supplemented by a minimum of 25% of the year-end surplus. The Trust Board may increase this at any time as it sees fit and appropriate, under advisement of the Treasurer.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Dawson Lane	Paul Callaghan
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	29-01-2023	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

The Together Centre

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1173335

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023

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 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.

Signed:

Date:

29.2.24

Name:

J V Fidler

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

F.C.C.A.

Address:

80 Joel Lane

Gee Cross, Hyde

Cheshire, SK14 5LF

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.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Together Centre @ Loxley House CIO

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Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2022

To

Period end date
31/03/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Fundraising	10	-	-	10	32
Grants and donations	50,492	-	-	50,492	72,709
Room hire	8,878	-	-	8,878	6,806
Services	24,080	-	-	24,080	-
Workshops	4,731	-	-	4,731	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	88,191	-	-	88,191	79,547
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	88,191	-	-	88,191	79,547
A3 Payments					
Fundraising expenses	120	-	-	120	120
Meal provision	16,991	-	-	16,991	4,261
Resources	15,685	-	-	15,685	5,793
Volunteer costs	24,662	-	-	24,662	8,810
Administration costs	13,526	-	-	13,526	2,755
Wages	48,949	-	-	48,949	14,326
Establishment costs	4,382	-	-	4,382	2,013
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	124,315	-	-	124,315	38,078
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	11,474	-	-	11,474	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,474	-	-	11,474	-
Total payments	135,789	-	-	135,789	38,078
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 47,598	-	-	- 47,598	41,469
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	106,393	-	-	106,393	64,924
Cash funds this year end	58,795	-	-	58,795	106,393

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		56,538	-	-
		2,257	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	58,795	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Equipment	Unrestricted	2,611	-
	Motor vehicle	Unrestricted	10,500	-
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			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Accruals	Unrestricted	824	
	Net Wages	Unrestricted	1,658	
	PAYE	Unrestricted	3,440	
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			-	

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Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	PAUL CALMAN	18/03/24



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