

Dipton Community Association

2021 Annual Report

Registered Charity Number 1174183

Dipton Community Association**Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2021**

The trustees present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Reference and Administration information

Charity Name	Dipton Community Association
Charity Registration Number	1174183
Registered address	Dipton Jubilee Centre Front Street Dipton Stanley Co Durham DH9 9DR

Board of Trustees

Karen Dodds (Chair)
Lorraine Raine (Secretary)
Andrew Curry (Treasurer)
Catherine Chirnside
Margaret Curry
Daphne Oliver
Graham Sinclair

Auditors

David Rolfe
Agutter Business Services (Dipton) Limited
2 Coleridge Gardens
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Bankers

Santander Bank PLC

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Structure, governance and management

Governing document

Dipton Community Association is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation with the Charity Commission under charity number 1174183. It is governed by a constitution last updated in 2017.

Organisational structure

The charity trustees are responsible for the general control and management of the charity. The trustees give their time freely and receive no remuneration or any other financial benefits. The trustees meet on a regular basis and are responsible for all of the decisions taken in relation to running Dipton Jubilee Centre. Trustees are appointed at an Annual General Meeting of the charity's members in accordance with the constitution.

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the charity are set out in the constitution and summarised as follows:

To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Dipton by providing facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation, with the objects of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.

To establish or to secure the establishment of a Community Centre, and to maintain and manage such a Centre for activities promoted by the Association in furtherance of the above objective.

Our community centre provides a valuable educational and recreational resource to all in our local community. A wide variety of activities are organised and take place at the centre so local residents could access a wide-range of activities without travelling into town.

This year has been a very challenging one for the trustees due to the global Coronavirus pandemic. The government's restrictions caused us to close our doors for large sections of the year. It also caused some of our groups to cease or find alternative venues.

However, due to the dedicated hard work of our trustees and the support of our users, members and the wider community, we were able to make 2021 a good year for the charity.

Thanks to the funding from The National Lottery we have been able to complete the major works required at the centre, including a new kitchen, new toilets, new windows throughout, new fire doors in the main hall, a new efficient heating system, and complete renovation of the meeting room, hallway and office. The centre is now a modern, safe and efficient venue for our users, and is now returning to normal after a challenging period. The pre-covid bookings are returning to normal and a Jubilee day is planned to reintegrate the community.

Financial Review

Principle funding sources

The charity's primary source of income is from hall hire fees paid by the weekly groups and ad-hoc bookings such as birthday parties and meetings. The Covid 19 pandemic impact is now passing and the charity is returning to normal this year. Income from lettings totalled £6,282.64 for the period ending 31st December 2021, a promising return for the months after Covid.

The charity also generates income from the fundraising events held at the centre, however Covid 19 also had a large impact our ability to hold these activities. A Christmas Fair was held, including a Santa for the local children, which raised £943.84. There are many other events in the planning stage which are being discussed in our marketing meetings

The charity received Covid19 grants from the local authority totally £20275.21 which helped cover the shortfall from hall hire fees and purchase the additional equipment and materials to re-open as a covid secure venue.

The charity were also awarded capital funding from The National Lottery which funded improvements throughout the centre and made the venue safer, more efficient, more accessible and more attractive. The improvements have generated interest from new hirers ahead of re-opening when the restrictions allow.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing an annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law.

The law applicable in England and Wales requires charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity for that period.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

Select suitable accounting methods and apply them consistently;
Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the governing constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees for the purpose of charity law who served during the year and up to the date this report are set out on page 2.

Approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf:

Karen Dodds (Chair)

31st March 2022



**Dipton Community Association
Accounts Statement
For the Year Ended 31st December 2021**

Income

Covid 19 Funding	£11,335.21
Fees	£6,282.64
Grants	£29,958.00
Bank Interest	£1.04
Xmas Fair/Events	£943.84

Last Year

£13,902.50
£6,706.51
£119,065.60
£12.63
£56.70

Net Income

£48,520.73

£139,743.94

Expenses

Gas/Electric	£1,815.11
Water	-£18.78
Telecoms	£346.91
Cleaning	£420.00
Repairs/Maintenance	£28,634.83
Website	£0.00
Events	£0.00
Insurance	£1,675.10
Misc	£512.00
Professional Fees	£60.00
Licences	£124.02
Adverts	£0.00
Accountancy/Audit	£60.00
Wages	£1,603.60
Banks Grant Application	£0.00
Major projects	£3,615.60

£2,996.83
£143.23
£339.02
£239.68
£1,358.85
£150.00
£0.00
£1,659.90
£270.05
£513.00
£0.00
£0.00
£60.00
£1,580.72
£0.00
£121,808.44

Net Expenses

£38,848.39

£131,119.72

Surplus for the Year

£9,672.34

£8,624.22

Represented By

ADD	Balance at Bank 31-12-21	£16,322.08
ADD	Deposit Account 31-12-21	£11,027.75
ADD	Cash in Hand 31-12-21	£78.82
LESS	Accountant's fee due	-£60.00
LESS	Balance B/Fwd 1-1-21	-£17,696.31

£12,719.09
£5,026.71
£10.51
-£60.00
-£9,072.09

Balance carried Forward

£9,672.34

£8,624.22

*I hereby certify that I have examined the books and records
provided to me, and they give a clear and accurate statement
of the financial affairs of the Dipton Community Centre
during the year ended 31st December 2021*



Signed
David Rolfe
Accountant

Agutter Accountancy and Bookkeeping

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Tuesday, 15 March 2022

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Dipton Community Centre

I was independent Examiner of the accounts for Dipton Community Centre in respect of the year ended December 31st, 2021. A signed copy of the accounts is attached.


It is my opinion that the accounts are a true and accurate representation of the financial affairs of the Centre for the period in question.

Once again, the pandemic had a significant effect on the work of the Centre. Revenue from fees and events was subdued again at just over £8000 and was only slightly above the level of the previous year. At £11335.21, Covid funding from government sources was significant.

Grants for specific projects were again prominent, totalling £29958.00, notably from the National Lottery. These were spent on the ongoing refurbishment of the building, notably about £20000 on a new kitchen.

The surplus for the year was healthy at £9672.34 and reflected in cash balances of £27368.65.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Rolfe', written over a horizontal line.

David Rolfe
Independent Examiner