



YOUNG STAR MENTORING

ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2023

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1174301



On finish the Camino in Santiago de Compostela.

Young Stars in Devon



Young Stars in Northumberland

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Firstly, I would like to thank the Trustees Paul and George and all the friends of Young Star Mentoring for your steadfast and continual support and commitment to Young Star Mentoring. Thank you also to Anna and Simon for writing YSM safeguarding policies and the Health and Safety. Thanks too for volunteers Anthony, Yordanka, Denise and Ken in Snowdonia who took the young people on guided walks in Llanberis and Kiera from Dublin.

Thanks to Karen from "Meeting Needs", Charlie and Adam for never forgetting us with financial support and Christine who helps us with the grant writing.

This project is a complete "team effort" and I do believe we make a big impact on young, traumatised lives, keeping to our motto "Changing Lives with Adventure" - a heartfelt thanks to you all.

This year we completed trips to the Peak District, the South Downs, Swanage, North Downs Way, Snowdonia, the Lake District, Scotland, Camino de Santiago NW Spain and Devon. We mentored a group of under 18-year-old unaccompanied minors from West London, two young sisters from SE London on the edge of care and started to connect with young people in Greater Manchester.

We also took the Grenfell ladies football team on a hiking day on the South Downs. These ladies suffered trauma because the awful fire some years back and I was asked by a fellow Fire Fighter, Dion, who is the team coach, to do a team building day. We went to the South Downs. The ladies enjoyed the day in the fresh air, some moaned a bit (lol) because they are not used to walking in the countryside as they are from North Kensington, but Dion said it was a 100% success and would like to do it again in 2024. We keep pushing forward and learning.

The Camino was a wonderful experience this year as usual, I think it was very challenging at times though because some of the young people were very complex and hence were challenging. At times I found myself out of my depth, but I learnt to adopt a new Trauma Informed approach and I have been studying the different elements so I can be more prepared and have the tools and practices to deal with difficult situations that may arise as most of the young people we serve are traumatised through neglect and abuse in their earlier years.

Financially we are in a good place, many thanks to trustees. We are spending most of our funding on mainly 3 things, food, accommodation and transport.

However, I'm continually writing funding bids for the 2024 campaign. I've written 14 or 15 at present and before the end of the year I hope to have approximately 20. I'm hoping we'll be awarded a few as that's all we need really. I realise that with grants it's a matter of writing lots and in a hope to be awarded a few.

Next year I hope with the Trustees approval to do a 3-week Camino in June with a training weekend to Snowdonia taking a group of 9. We hope to go to all 4 countries of the UK i.e. England, Wales, Scotland and for the first time Northern Ireland to see our friends out there from Belfast.

Finance permitting, I would like us to consider a trip to Normandy to the D-Day landing as this is an important part of the UK's and world history. This will help our young people to become better citizens of our country, giving them a better understanding and of an awareness of what's been done for them by the special few.

I do feel we are making an impact on the young people we serve. The main thing the young people want is community and belonging to something, to be taken somewhere and to be accepted as they are, without judgment - and we are doing this.

I feel we are achieving our principles of activity, adventure and connection and our values of teamwork, discipline and respect for others.

Finally, I just wanted to express my gratitude to you all for your support with Young Star Mentoring and wish you all a wonderful Christmas and look forward to 2024 with you.

"Let's get our hiking boots on guys and get Active, Adventurous and Connected."



Tony Lemboye

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

TRUSTEES REPORT

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2023.

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Number	1174301
Start of Financial year	1 st January 2023
End of Financial year	31 st December 2023
Trustees serving during and after the year	Anthony Lemboye (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer) George Dowdell (Treasurer) Paul Mason (Secretary)
Governing Instrument	The charity is governed by the Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) dated March 2017 and registered with the Charity Commission as a charity number 1174301 on 17th August 2017.
Objects	To help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.
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OBJECTIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

To help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

ACTIVITIES

- Taking several young people hiking to the Camino de Santiago in Spain.
- Training trips on national parks and mountains in the United Kingdom.
- Mentoring individual young people.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

In determining our programmes, we must regard both the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and prevention and relief of poverty for the public benefit. The trustees ensure that our programmes are in line with our charitable objects and aims.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The name of the charity is Young Star Mentoring. The charity is governed by the Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) dated March 2017 and registered with the Charity Commission as charity number 1174301 on 17th August 2017.

New trustees are appointed by a resolution of the Trustees at a meeting of the Trustees at which there is a majority of the Trustees present.

The chief executive, Anthony Lemboye, works for the charity on a purely voluntary basis and is also a trustee.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Our income for 2023 was around £21,400. Most of this income originated from individuals and grants from organisations, charities and churches in the United Kingdom. Total resources expended were about £30,600 resulting in a deficit of around £9,200 made possible by reserves brought forward from 2022.

We were able to take a number of young people hiking on the Camino Trail in Spain.

- We took several young people on mentoring and training trips in the United Kingdom.
- We individually mentored some children/young people.

COMMUNITY FUND

In 2022 we received a grant from the Community Fund of the National Lottery of £9165 to enable the charity to mentor young people by taking them to the National Parks of the United Kingdom. We continued this operation in 2023 on 6 different weekends.

GOING CONCERN

The Trustees consider Young Star Mentoring as a going concern and are committed to the charity's growth and development.

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

Young Star Mentoring has no employees and so is run entirely by volunteers:

- The chief executive gives his time freely to the charity.
- The trustees give their time in meetings, preparation of accounts and minutes of meetings.
- The charity makes use of mature and qualified volunteers who care for, and mentor, the young people on the Camino Trail and the training trips.

FUTURE STRATEGIC PLANS

- Continue to take more young people on the Camino Trail in Spain once or twice a year.
- Organise training trips on National Parks in the United Kingdom.
- Mentor individual young people.

INVESTMENT POWERS

The Constitution authorises the trustees to make and hold investments using the general funds of the charity, but no such investments are presently held.

REVIEW AND MANAGEMENT OF RISKS

The Trustees conduct reviews of the major risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces.

RESERVES

Usable reserves on the 31st of December 2023 are around £24,700 meaning that our programme for 2024 is assured.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

EXAMINATION OF ACCOUNTS

As the charities income for the year was below the threshold when an independent examination is required, the trustees agreed that we would not present the accounts for independent examination.

RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards.

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates.
- Prepare the financial statement on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The trustees are also responsible for:

- Keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the charity and to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and regulations.
- Safeguarding the charity's assets.
- Taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud.

This report was approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



Name: Anthony Lemboye, Chairman and Trustee

Date: 23rd January 2024



YOUNG STAR MENTORING
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts	2	7,903	13,463	21,365	23,941
TOTAL RECEIPTS		7,903	13,463	21,365	23,941
PAYMENTS					
Costs of Charitable Activities	3	6,929	23,688	30,616	21,955
TOTAL PAYMENTS		6,929	23,688	30,616	21,955
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		974	(10,225)	(9,251)	1,986
Balances Brought Forward		26,189	7,730	33,919	31,933
Transfer Between Funds	4	(2,495)	2,495	0	0
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD		24,668	0	24,668	33,919



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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
ASSETS					
Cash Funds					
Main Bank Account		9,598	0	9,598	7,026
Working Bank Account		15,070	0	15,070	26,892
Lemboye Camino Account		0	0	0	0
		24,668	0	24,668	33,919

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



Name: Anthony Lemboye, Chairman and Trustee

Date: 23rd January 2024



YOUNG STAR MENTORING NOTES ON ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

2. RECEIPTS

Voluntary Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Gift Aided donations	1,199	0	1,199	1,579
Grants from organisations	4,550	6,463	11,013	11,145
Justgiving Donations	1,160	0	1,160	2,803
Other Donations	994	7,000	7,994	6,633
Tax relief on Gift Aid	0	0	0	1,781
Contributions fr Mentorees	0	0	0	0
Total	7,903	13,463	21,365	23,941

3. PAYMENTS

Costs of Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Mentoring Client allowance	0	4,231	4,231	6,053
Mentoring Fuel	606	830	1,437	833
Mentoring Sustenance	1,210	2,687	3,896	2,692
Mentoring Accomodation	1,644	11,183	12,827	5,808
Mentoring Travel	120	943	1,062	1,786
Vehicle Hire	1,384	3,432	4,816	1,556
Mentoring general	330	236	566	2,040
Mentoring Equipment	50	146	196	0
Bank charges	10	0	10	4
Fundraising Costs	1,327	0	1,327	575
Independant Examination (2021)	0	0	0	360
Insurance	247	0	247	247
Governance	0	0	0	0
Office costs	0	0	0	0
Trustee expenses	0	0	0	0
Total	6,929	23,688	30,616	21,955

4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	B/F Balance 2022 £	Income Funds £	Expense Funds £	Transfers £	Total C/F 2023 £
Community Fund No 2	7,730	0	9,164	1,434	0
Camino Spain/ Portugal	0	7,500	8,120	620	0
Meeting Needs Scotland	0	4,900	4,238	(662)	0
Skelton Grant N Wales	0	1,063	2,166	1,104	0
Total	7,730	7,500	17,284	2,054	0