



YOUNG STAR MENTORING

ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2024

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1174301



Young people on the Camino in Spain



Training in the Peak District

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Number	1174301
Start of Financial year	1 st January 2024
End of Financial year	31 st December 2024
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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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of Young Star Mentoring on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 set out on pages 5 to 7.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act),
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the organisation and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act); and
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
2. 2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signed: *Zita Derbak*

Dated: 31.01.2025

TRUSTEES REPORT

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2024.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

To the trustees, volunteers and supporters of Young Star Mentoring. Here we are at the end of 2024 after another year. A young person said to me, "soon it will be 7 years since I've been coming to Young Star". I thought, "It can't be", but yes. What a journey for us too.

This year we had some great hiking trips, serving young people from London, Greater Manchester, and Hull. We went to the Peak District, the Lake District, Cornwall, Snowdonia, the Camino in Spain, the South Downs, and Stonehenge.

Financially we have persevered and thankfully through very kind donations and grants awarded to YSM we have been able to carry on our work in achieving our mission of "Changing Lives with Adventure." Special thanks to the "Awards for all" team and Charlie, and all those who have donated. Thank you for your support and terrific backing.

Some young people have been coming back to the charity for 7 years plus now. Some first connected at 18 and are now 25 years old. They have fully made the transition to adulthood and as a result of our mentorship are more equipped to deal with the life and have more personal tools and skills to navigate the path ahead.

We continue in our pledge to the Young Stars to be consistent, persistent, and determined in our service to them.

Special thanks to the trustees Paul and George. We are all a team, and our work is impossible without each other. Also, thanks go to Simon and Anna Hopkins for their advice and for writing the safeguarding policies. Special thanks to volunteers Anthony, Yordanka, Jason, and Katie Carsten. Sending you warmest best wishes.



Tony Lemboye

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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 2024 was £54,286. Most of this income originated from individuals and grants from organisations, charities, and churches in the United Kingdom. Total resources expended were £29,378 resulting in a surplus of £24,908.

Unrestricted year-end balance was £28,411, which is £3,743 more than last year. This is largely due to the increase of £3,562 in the value of voluntary donations.

COMMUNITY FUND

In 2023 we received a grant from the Community Fund of the National Lottery of £19,512 to enable the charity to mentor young people by taking them to the National Parks of the United Kingdom in 2024 and 2025.

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.
- A plan to take several young people on a trip to see the Normandy Beaches of the second world war.
- 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. In 2024 the charity moved the sum of £12,000 to a fixed interest account not withdrawable until early in 2025.

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 2024 are £28,411. This is more than we need for reserves but means that our programme for 2025 is assured.

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: 30th January 2025

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
RECEIPTS					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	11,465	42,603	54,068	21,365
Interest on Deposits	2b	148	0	148	0
Contributions from Mentorees	2c	0	70	70	0
TOTAL RECEIPTS		11,613	42,673	54,286	21,365
PAYMENTS					
Costs of Charitable Activities	3	789	28,589	29,378	30,616
TOTAL PAYMENTS		789	28,589	29,378	30,616
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		10,824	14,084	24,908	(9,251)
Balances Brought Forward		24,668	0	24,668	33,919
Transfer Between Funds	4	(7,081)	7,081	0	0
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD		28,411	21,165	49,576	24,668

The notes on page 7 form part of these accounts

All operations are continuing operations.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2024

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
ASSETS				
Cash Funds				
Main Bank Account	130	0	130	9,598
Working Bank Account	1,776	0	1,776	15,070
Instant access saving account	14,505	21,165	35,670	0
Fixed term deposit a/c	12,000	0	12,000	0
Cash Funds	28,411	21,165	49,576	24,668
Other Monetary Assets				
Gift Aid claimable	28	1,750	1,778	0
Interest owed on fixed term deposit	357	0	357	0
	28,796	22,915	51,711	24,668
LIABILITIES				
Independent Examiners Fee (Estimate)	600	0	600	0

The charity has no assets retained for charity's own use.

TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out on the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payment Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities which are set out on page 5 and 6.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



Name: Anthony Lemboye, Chairman and Trustee

Date: 30th January 2025

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. 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.

2. RECEIPTS

2a Voluntary Receipts

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Gift Aided donations	8,104	7,000	15,104	1,199
Grants from organisations	629	32,037	32,666	11,012
Internet Donations	1,604	0	1,604	1,160
Other Donations	320	0	320	7,994
Tax relief on Gift Aid	808	3,566	4,374	0
Total Voluntary Receipts	11,465	42,603	54,068	21,365
2b Interest on Deposits	148	0	148	0
2c Contributions from Mentorees	0	70	70	0
Total Receipts	11,613	42,673	54,286	21,365

3. PAYMENTS

Costs of Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Mentoring Client allowance	0	4,967	4,967	4,231
Mentoring Fuel	0	1,099	1,099	1,437
Mentoring Sustenance	150	3,155	3,305	3,897
Mentoring Accommodation	98	11,875	11,974	12,827
Mentoring Travel	137	1,520	1,657	1,062
Vehicle Hire	19	4,668	4,687	4,816
Mentoring general	127	1,033	1,160	566
Mentoring Equipment	80	0	80	196
Bank charges	0	0	0	10
Fundraising Costs	0	0	0	1,327
Independent Examination	0	0	0	0
Insurance	0	271	271	247
Governance	0	0	0	0
Office costs	108	0	108	0
Trustee expenses	70	0	70	0
Total	789	28,589	29,378	30,616

4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Funds as at 01/01/24 £	Income Funds £	Expense Funds £	Transfers £	Funds as at 31/12/24 £
Camino Spain /Portugal	0	13,166	9,586	6,631	10,211
Herefordshire Community fund	0	3,000	3,415	415	0
Community Fund 3.	0	19,512	13,549	0	5,963
7 stars Fund	0	600	603	3	0
Manchester Airport Community	0	960	992	32	0
Meeting Needs Fund	0	5,435	445	0	4,991
Total	0	42,673	28,589	7,081	21,165

5. TRUSTEE EXPENSES

Trustee Mr Lemboye accompanies the young people on the trips organised by the charity, in his capacity as Mentor. The charity pays for the accommodation, travel and subsistence costs incurred by Mr Lemboye whilst on charity business. The annual cost of these were £2953 in the current financial year.

Two other trustees were reimbursed for their out-of-pocket expenses for travel costs, subsistence, and subscriptions fees to the value of £52.