



Registered charity number: 1175291

# Annual Report of the Charity's activities and accounts

For the year 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023  
to  
30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Donnington Partnership  
Charity No. 1175291

Charity activities for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September  
2024

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# **Donnington Partnership Charitable Trust**

## **Charity No. 1175291**

Charity name: Donnington Partnership CIO

Registered charity number: 1175291

Charity's principal address: Donnington Community Hub, St Matthews Road, Donnington Wood, Telford TF2 7PR

### Names of the trustees:

Rose Gregory, Trustee chair

Jane Hassall, Trustee

Heather Cooper Trustee

Sharon Watkins, Trustee

Mas Sowak Trustee

Ian Harvey Trustee

Liz Rees Trustee

### Structure, governance and management

Donnington Partnership is a registered charity with 6 trustees who have overall responsibility for the Partnership's business. Trustees are elected each year at the Donnington Partnership Annual General Meeting.

The organisation was established in 1997, became a registered charity on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011, changed to a CIO in 2017 and is governed by a constitution dated 2017.

### Charity objectives and activities:

The Charity's objects are to promote such charitable purposes for the benefit of the inhabitants of Donnington Telford and Wrekin as the trustees shall determine, including the advancement of education, relief of poverty and the preservation and protection of good health.

The charity works closely with a locally organisations who meet with the trustees to help address local issues and help to meet the charity's objects through the following ways:

1. The Charity runs a community centre which provides social, learning and training opportunities to the public and local residents.
2. The charity provides a volunteer managed community café; a successful community café with a team of volunteers, three employed positions. The cafe provides affordable healthy meals in the community hub daily and a meal delivery service to vulnerable individuals and older people's clubs in the local area. The café volunteers receive valuable skills and confidence-building training along with work-based experience and it has supported many people back into employment through this route. The café also provides a meal delivery service, a buffet catering service and hosts food taster promotion events for the local community to try different types of food.
3. The charity provided a volunteer-led tool lending library; put this year we have closed this down due to lack of use, and all the tools have been transferred to the community orchard garden. The Charity also looks after the local community Orchard with 3 volunteers.
4. Organises other ad-hoc provision/ facilities as and when need arises, which is directed by the needs of local groups.

5. Throughout the year the Donnington Partnership also host several meetings and or events that are aimed to encourage and stimulate community engagement and involvement; a community engagement meeting is organised every 6 months, which is an open public meeting for all residents and people working in and around Donnington to attend.
6. The Charity has a fortnightly youth club run by volunteers, and all try to encourage other members of the community to take part.
7. The charity seeks and applies to external funding bodies, where appropriate, to support its charitable aims. It has a strong history of being very successful in obtaining grant funding and working with partner agencies to deliver projects and activities that have helped to address issues, provided improvements to services and facilities in the community and strengthened local community engagement.

## Chairs Report 2024

The Centre is getting busier, and room hire has picked up, I would like to thank the Staff for all their hard work, and Richard for his work in getting in grants to support the local community.

We have had a busy year, we have started a veterans lunch every Thursday, held a Christmas fayre, bingo sessions that families can attend. We have received some money to run a cooking club and make a cookbook. We were broken into in January nothing was taken but a lot of damage was done. The volunteer coordinator role funding came to an end and so we lost Rose, we wish her luck in her new job.

The orchard volunteer has built a greenhouse and cleared more space for soft fruit, later in the year we ran some pruning sessions and started laying matting for wheelchair use.

The kitchen has hired another cook to help with demand.

The Youth club hired 2 buses for children and Parents to go Barmouth for the day and we hope this may become an annual event if we can get the funding. We also held children's activities during the holidays.

We attended the Donnington & Muxton Parish Council Christmas Lights switch on, this was very successful for fund raising, and advertising the events and courses taken place at the hub.

The Centre Manager secured some funding to run a warm hub over the winter months, this has proved very popular with lots of people attending the centre.

He has also got some money for a community fridge where people can get free food this started in early 2024, there is also funding for a cooking course to show people how to cook some of the items that are in the community fridge.

The centre manager managed to get some more funding to employ an assistant centre manager for 12 months she will start in September and the contract ends September 2025

The centre now has 4 charging points for electric cars, which we hope will help residents, These have now been registered and should be advertised on the national ev charging point list.

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Treasurers Report for Financial Year Ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

The financial statements for this year show an operating deficit from last year, due to spending the grant money.

**Receipts**

Overall receipts for the year were £150.799.

- a) The partnership received several grants during this financial year.
- b) The Community Café received income of £68.810 during this financial year.
- c) Grants
  - Severn Trent        £20,000
  - Warm Hub            £10,000
  - Community Fridge £ 8,090

**Payments**

Total payments for the year were £135.517

Café expenditure totalled £69.569 The café did make profit this year due the purchasing of new equipment.

**Cash Reserves**

As of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024, the balance of the current account stood at £56,970.41. In addition to this there is a further £28,599.20 held in an instant savings account, and £20,500 into a 32day account.

Mas Sowak  
Treasurer



## Section A Receipts and payments

### A1 Receipts

Café Income  
hunger kids  
Interest  
environment  
supporting people grant  
lunch club  
community fridge  
mini bus grant  
couch to 5k  
beactive/sport england  
fundraising/grant  
severn trent grant  
Community Hub  
warm hub  
C & YP

Sub total(Gross income for AR)

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

Sub total

Total receipts

### A3 Payments

hunger kids  
fund raising  
warm hub  
Café Expenditure  
beactive/sport england  
couch to 5k  
supporting people  
lunch club  
severn trent grant  
community fridge  
C & YP  
mini bus  
Community Hub  
environment



Sub total

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

Sub total

Total payments

Net of receipts/(payments)

A5 Transfers between funds

A6 Cash funds last year end

Cash funds this year end

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

Categories

B1 Cash funds

B2 Other monetary assets

B3 Investment assets


B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use


B5 Liabilities

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

Charity Name  
 Donnington Partnership CIO  
 Receipts and payments accounts  
 For the period from

Period start date  
 01/10/23

Unrestricted funds  
 to the nearest 

Restricted funds  
 to the nearest 

			68810
		-	
			255
		-	
		-	
			3926
			8090
			2740
			1587
			2731
			20000
	25521		
			10000
			4074
		-	
-			
	25521		122213
-		-	
-		-	
-		-	
	25521		122213
		-	
			3638
			10000
			69569
			4545
			430
			2067
			150
			9165
			1245
			4592
			99
	29348		
			669

-		
	29348	106169
-		
-		
-		
	29348	106169
	-3827	16044
-	-	-
	-3827	16044

Details

Current Account  
Business Account

Total cash funds  
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Details

Details

Details



Cooking Range S/N 25005561	
Dishwasher	S/N BD1068271211
Wall Bench	900x650
Refridgerator	S/N 10076467
Upright Freezer	S/N 10080821
large selection of kitchen equipment and kitchen units	
*	

Details

Signature

No (if any)  
1175291

To Period end date  
30/09/2024

Endowment funds to the nearest 	Total funds to the nearest 
	68810
-	255
	3065
-	3926
	8090
	2740
-	1587
-	2731
-	20000
-	25521
	10000
	4074
-	-
-	150799
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	150799
	-
	3638
	10000
	69569
	4545
	430
	2067
	150
	9165
-	1245
-	4592
	99
	29348
	669

-	135517
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-	-
-	-
-	-

-	135517
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-	15282
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-	-
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-	15282
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Unrestricted funds  
to nearest

2779

Restricted funds  
to nearest

55876

49209

2779

105085

Agreement Error  
Unrestricted funds  
to nearest

-

Agreement Error  
Restricted funds  
to nearest

-

-

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

-

-

Fund to which asset belongs

Cost (optional)

Restricted  
Restricted  
Restricted  
Restricted  
Restricted  
Restricted

Fund to which liability relates

Amount due (optional)

-

-

-


-

-

Print Name



CC16a

Last year  
to the nearest 

45160  
150  
255  
3065

-

2740  
1797  
13125

32456  
10000  
5704

-

114452

-

-

-

114452

348  
2257  
9745  
61239  
7862  
2349  
4537

4517  
1832  
39543  
130

134359

-


-

134359

-19907

-

-19907


Endowment funds  
to nearest 

-

-

-

-

OK  
Endowment funds  
to nearest 

-

-

Current value (optional)

-

-

Current value (optional)

-

When due (optional)

Date of approval



# 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  
Donnington Partnership Charitable Trust

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

30 September 2024

**Charity no  
(if any)**

**Set out on pages**

(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 **30 / 09 / 2024**

**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:**

03 JUNE 2025

**Name:**

Jayne Edwards

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

**Address:**

11 Church Walk, Donnington, Telford, Shropshire. TF2 8ET

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.**

Records were kept to a satisfactory level with no reason for question.