

## **The Centre in Poynton (PYCC)**

### **Chairman's Report**

**7<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

We are now a committee of 7 Trustees, who work tirelessly to keep the Centre running. We can now confirm that the Centre Bar has finished its make over and we are running it as a group of Trustees. We were incredibly saddened by the very sudden death of our Bar Manager – Helen Jones. This left us with a massive deliberation as to the possible demise of one of the key areas of fund raising for the Centre. Fortunately we have been able to take this responsibility on by ourselves, with the help of volunteers.

We have to thank both our Auditors and ACRE for their valuable information in this venture.

The Centre continues to thrive, and we are virtually back to pre-Covid bookings, we are able to host a wide range of activities and social classes and events; We now offer classes for ages ranging from new born – Baby Massage to classes for the older population such as Tai Chi, W.I, Bridge, Art and Design. The future looks good for the Centre. Open Hands still provides voluntary transport for residents of Poynton for Doctors and Hospital appointments.

Men in Sheds workshop is as popular and active as ever. Sadly we must report the sad passing in July of one of the longest and core members, John Arrowsmith, an incredibly skilled master craftsman.

It is important that every Trustee has a key role and I am pleased to note that we now have a designated Funding Trustee, He is constantly applying for funding and grants, but to date has not been successful, it would appear that grants are very difficult to obtain nowadays.

As our end of year balance sheet shows, we are still able to hold our heads above the parapet. In fact there are occasions when we cannot support external requests for space.

Examples of 22/23 progression:

**New fire/Evacuation Policy and Procedure.** We are to begin a new procedure once the Centre becomes active again in September. Myself, Centre Manager and Health and Safety Trustee have written a new information leaflet which will be given to every user, which explains not only ours, but their responsibility to keep their class safe when using the building. There will be information and training events. The Trustees will also be instructed about the use of fire extinguishers, this will act as part of their personal training, an event we introduced last year (CPR training).

**The Centre garden.** Situated to the rear of the Centre building, a small dedicated team of volunteers work to reclaim the forgotten area which is on the site of the old fire station turntable, also keeping the main car park and verges beautifully maintained.

**Christmas Market.** Always the start to the Village Christmas preparations. It's a great annual event welcomed by the village, and a great place to meet up with friends

**Green Policy.** We work to encourage users to commit to follow our lead and try to save electricity. We also continue to upgrade lighting to low voltage throughout the Centre, in certain areas timed lighting sensors will be fitted

**External works.** In August our builders have completed the main gable wall, ensuring that it will now be watertight, therefore allowing the internal walls of the Centre to dry out, ready for both Halls re-decoration.

The Centre goes from strength to strength as we try to provide the Poynton area with an accessible complex suitable for a wide variety of activities and events.

Once again, my thanks to all our Trustees, we really couldn't keep this beautiful building running if it wasn't for you.

Barbara Horridge – Chair

Kevin Bell - Vice Chair

September 2023

<b>POYNTON YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE</b>
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<b>Main account</b>
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<b>Balance sheet</b>
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<b>as at 31 Mar 23</b>
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Assets	2023	2022	Liabilities	2023	2022
<b>Fixed assets:</b>			<b>Accumulated capital, b fwd:</b>	<b>£881,841.00</b>	<b>£881,841.00</b>
Land and buildings:	£881,841.00	£881,841.00			
Plant, fixtures and fittings:	£0.00	£0.00			
<b>Total fixed assets:</b>	<b>£881,841.00</b>	<b>£881,841.00</b>	<b>Accumulated capital, c fwd:</b>	<b>£881,841.00</b>	<b>£881,841.00</b>
<b>Current assets:</b>			<b>Current liabilities:</b>		
<b>Prepayments:</b>			<b>Income received in advance:</b>		
Insurance:	£1,047.17	£1,005.14	Hirings & Markets:	£3,154.00	£2,910.00
<b>Cash in hand:</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>			
<b>Balances at bank:</b>			<b>Payments not yet processed:</b>		
NatWest Bank Current a/c:	£14,287.43	£15,758.42	NatWest Bank Current a/c:	£0.00	£0.00
Vernon B S Savings a/c:	£14,764.83	£37,405.44	Vernon B S Savings a/c:	£0.00	£0.00
<b>Total current assets:</b>	<b>£30,099.43</b>	<b>£54,169.00</b>	<b>Total current liabilities:</b>	<b>£3,154.00</b>	<b>£2,910.00</b>
			<b>Reserves:</b>		
			<b>Accumulated revenue surplus, b fwd:</b>	<b>£29,127.67</b>	<b>£34,889.03</b>
			Surplus for the period, 2021-22:		£34,238.64
			Surplus for the period, 2022-23:	£34,423.08	
			Less grant to the Building Fund:	(£40,000.00)	(£40,000.00)
			<b>Accumulated revenue surplus, c fwd:</b>	<b>£23,550.75</b>	<b>£29,127.67</b>
			<b>Accumulated building fund, b fwd:</b>	<b>£22,131.33</b>	<b>£5,165.13</b>
			Deficit for the period, 2021-22:		(£23,033.80)
			Deficit for the period, 2022-23:	(£58,736.65)	
			Plus grant from the Revenue Account:	£40,000.00	£40,000.00
			<b>Accumulated building fund, c fwd:</b>	<b>£3,394.68</b>	<b>£22,131.33</b>
			<b>Total reserves, c fwd:</b>	<b>£26,945.43</b>	<b>£51,259.00</b>
<b>Sub total:</b>	<b>£30,099.43</b>	<b>£54,169.00</b>	<b>Sub total:</b>	<b>£30,099.43</b>	<b>£54,169.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£911,940.43</b>	<b>£936,010.00</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>£911,940.43</b>	<b>£936,010.00</b>

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**Hon Treasurer - D R Burton**  
 Appointed at the AGM held on 7 Jul 22

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**Chairman - Mrs B Horridge**  
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