

Popley Fields Community Association

AGM

Annual report 2024

As we close out another year at Popley Fields, it has been a much busier year for us, we have had a lot more bookings, most of our weekends have seen private functions such as birthday parties, Community Nepalese gatherings,, sporting events such as wrestling and boxing, these events have been really well attended by the local community and those from further afield.

We have held our usual fundraising events for Easter, Halloween and Christmas.

Easter was a fun afternoon of Easter crafts for children, bouncy castle, tombola and raffle. We also served refreshments with cupcakes, strawberry Eton mess, tea, coffee and squash. This event was supported by our usual families, and everyone had a great time.

In the summer holidays we held a funday with bouncy castles, crafts, giant connect 4 games, water play, quiet corner road map and cars. And we served refreshments of hot dogs, tea, coffee and squash. This was a lovely few hours and well attended by the local community.

In October we held our Halloween family disco for 2 hours, we had music, tombola, coloring pictures and 4 fancy dress competitions for various ages including adults. We had hot dogs, cupcakes and squash for the children and a bar for the adults should they wish to use it. We were overwhelmed by the number that attended as we had 150 people turn up for the event.

We were now fast approaching our next event, which was a fun Christmas afternoon of Christmas crafts for the children, tombola, raffle and a Christmas jumper competition, refreshments of cupcakes, tea, coffee and squash. The afternoon finished with Christmas Carols led by the New Testament Church of God. This was a lovely afternoon again attended by the usual families that support us, as well as some new ones.

The Popley Fields Food Pantry has now been running for 2 and a half years. We have around 250 members signed up for it. We have between 40-50 families who use us each week. On each visit the members pay £5, and they get 9 items of food, 2 blue and 7 red.

We set up a community café on Friday mornings in February 10.15am-12.15pm. We have a regular number each week, where they can get a bacon roll/sandwich and a tea or coffee for £2.00. Thank you to Lynda, Grace and Natalie who run it each week for us.

Financially we seem to be in a better place than in previous years, even with the continued rising costs of living. Bookings/lettings are more stable, and we are up on the previous year's total for them.

We secured funding from the Strengthening Communities Fund to have a community coordinator start with us in October to look at the centre's social media/marketing by bringing in a new website, looking at the current timetable and groups to see how to improve the use of the centre and new activities to increase income and footfall for the centre. This is shown to be very positive for the short time she has been with us.

Thank you to Sesan, our treasurer who always has done a good job looking after the association's finances. A budget will be set in place for the next year.

Thank you to all our current trustees for their continued support and dedication throughout the year.

Thank you to our volunteers for all the help and time you give to the centre, we value your support and help.

Thank you to the community development team at BDBC for all their support throughout the year.

We would also like to say thank you to Tracey and her staff for looking after the centre this year.

Tracey has again proved to be a dedicated and competent manager this year

POPLEY FIELDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	2024		2023	
Fixed Assets	£	£	£	£
Premises		72,762		71,619
Equipment				
Computer Equipment		-		-
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		72,762		71,619
 Current Assets	£	£	£	£
Debtors		6,097		4,667
Pre-Payments		3,452		3,529
Cash at Bank - Deposit Account		50,393		49,161
Cash at Bank - Current Account		19,692		19,121
Cash in Hand - Petty Cash		1,514		642
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		81,148		77,120
 Current Liabilities				
Creditors		1,611		1,482
Accruals		-		-
 TOTAL ASSETS		<u>152,299</u>		<u>147,257</u>

Represented By:

Accumulated Funds

As at 1st January 2024	147,257	143,965
Profit for Year	5,042	3,292
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I have examined the books and records of Popley Fields Community Association for the 12 months to December 31st 2024 and confirm the accounts are in accordance therewith.

D Gibbs FMAAT
Accountant
January 17th 2025

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Income and Expenditure Account For The Year Ended 31st December 2024

	2024		2023	
<u>INCOME</u>	£	£	£	£
Lettings		83,937		78,780
Donations		-		-
Food Pantry		30,530		45,722
Bar		8,892		1,918
Fundraising		646		632
Youth Activities		-		-
Photocopier		-		-
Membership Adult		-		-
Vending		-		-
Café		803		-
Interest		928		710
Popley Festival		-		-
Grants - Capital		-		-
Grants - Revenue		16,074		-
Other		-		30
TOTAL INCOME		<u>141,810</u>		<u>127,792</u>

EXPENDITURE

Salaries Staff	38,544	36,667	
Employer Pension	635	635	
Staff Training/Travel	315	42	
Staff Costs	98		
Premises Maintenance	14,218	11,573	
Cleaning	1,607	1,335	
Building Works			
Utilities	12,877	10,854	
Water	1,373	1,264	
Insurance	1,743	1,611	
Telephone	2,455	2,253	
Postage, Printing & Stationery	1,155	998	
Advertising	181	50	
Subscriptions	1,522	-	
Licences	2,394	3,006	
Equipment - maintenance/hire	505	2,035	
Outreach Work	867	36	
Bar	4,157	1,037	
Fundraising	816	602	
Café	241		
Vending			
Kitchen Equipment	154	4	
Youth Activities	-	-	
Food Pantry	31,148	33,825	
Popley Festival			
Travel	28		
Audit & Accountancy fees	2,053	2,285	
Professional Fees	2,387		Community/social media exp
Bank Charges	237	141	
Depreciation	15,057	14,247	
Miscellaneous Expenses			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>136,767</u>	<u>124,500</u>	

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