



Lordshill Youth Project

Registered Charity: 1177775

Annual Report and Accounts

1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022

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Charity Information

Trustees:	Mr I Stickland (Chair) Mr D Saxton Mrs B Bray Mrs C Stickland
Registered address:	Zoe Braithwaite Centre Fraser Close Southampton SO16 8GP
Independent examiner:	Dawn Bell (MAAT)
Bankers:	HSBC Bank Plc 55 Above Bar Street Southampton SO14 7DZ

Trustees Report for the period ended 31 March 2022

Charitable Objects:

The purpose of the charity is to act as a resource for young people living in the Lordshill area by providing advice, assistance and organising programmes of physical, educational and other activities as a means of:

- advancing in life and helping young people by developing their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals;
- advancing education;
- relieving unemployment;
- providing recreational and leisure time activities in the interest of social welfare designed to improve their conditions of life.

This is achieved by actively seeking the help and advice of those who work with young people, seeking the views of and working with young people and encouraging their participation in the project and by actively seeking to promote equal opportunities by ensuring that all young people irrespective of age, gender, sexuality, national or ethnic origin, HIV status, ability or socio-economic background have equal opportunity to access the project.

The main activities of the project are:

- provision of detached youth work sessions;
- provision of youth club services;
- signposting and advice on life skills and sexual health;
- workshops such as sexual health, bullying, drugs and alcohol misuse;
- partnering similar organisations.

In the previous year, due to the risks of the Covid-19 pandemic, some activities were reduced to meet Government Regulations introduced to control the spread of Covid-19. As restrictions eased, the project was able to resume its activities. Throughout the 2021/2022 financial year, the project was able to offer both detached and centre based youth services for young people in the Lordshill area.

Governance and management:

The Lordshill Youth Project CIO is a charitable incorporated organisation.

The project is governed by its constitution and is managed by the Trustees. There must be a minimum of three charity trustees and no more than twelve. It is the duty of each charity trustee to act in good faith to further the purposes of the charity.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration or other benefits for their contribution.

The trustees normally meet monthly to discuss and make decisions on the management of the project. Additional volunteers are invited to attend management meetings, enabling the trustees to draw on a wider base of knowledge and experience.

The Lordshill Youth Project has a Service Level Agreement in place with Youth Options to provide youth service delivery and support for the young people of Lordshill.

The Lordshill Youth Project also has an agreement in place with Lordshill Church to provide a cleaner for the Youth Centre. Both organisations are represented at the monthly management meetings.

Financial Review:

The main costs incurred were in relation to the delivery of youth services in line with the charitable objects of the project.

The main source of funds during the year was the Big Lottery (Covid Support) Grant. This grant was received in March 2021 and fully utilised during the 2021/2022 financial year.

During the year, funding was also received from Southampton City Council.

Achievements and Performance for the year:

The Lordshill Youth Project (LYP) has delivered detached and centre-based youth work sessions to young people in the Lordshill area of Southampton. Work has focussed on reducing antisocial behaviour, building positive relationships with young people and relieving food poverty in the area.

Staff teams have worked hard to inform young people on the effects of anti-social behaviour for themselves and others as well as providing young people with alternative and more positive opportunities. This has empowered young people to make more informed decisions about their own behaviour and actions.

Additional staffing utilising accredited volunteers has led to closer working with young people at Youth club sessions. This has enabled young people to gain additional life skills.

Holiday club activities with food have been run at selected half and end-of-term holidays. This has supported young people living in food poverty. There have also been workshops on nutrition and food preparation at many youth club evening sessions. This has given young people basic skills in cooking and meal planning.

The Youth Support Workers have engaged with the young people of Lordshill by providing discussion opportunities, information, advice and guidance on a range of issues, including education and training, sexual health, sport and leisure, alcohol and drugs, culture, health, crime and relationships. They have also signposted young people to existing youth provision in the area, including specialist advice, local youth groups, sports clubs or activities. This year staff have continued to support young people with keeping safe during the Covid-19 pandemic, ensuring that they are also aware of the current government guidelines.

Through tackling anti-social behaviour and educating young people, the project supported young people to feel safer in the Lordshill area whilst also developing other personal skills.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on:

and signed on its behalf by



Mr Ian Stickland (Trustee)



Mr Darryl Saxton (Trustee)

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Lordshill Youth Project for the period ended 31 March 2022.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the trustees of the charity, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Dawn Bell (MAAT) (Independent examiner)

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the period ended 31 March 2022**

		2022	2022	2022	2021
	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Incoming resources from generated funds		3,002	14,712	17,714	59,900
Total Incoming resources		3,002	14,712	17,714	59,900
Delivery of youth services	2	16,049	21,070	37,119	20,118
Charitable activities		58	3,677	3,735	3,003
Youth Centre costs		64	7,426	7,490	4,594
Office expenses		-	833	833	1,570
Other expenses		-	81	81	183
Telephone and internet costs		63	336	399	610
Total resources used		16,234	33,423	49,657	30,078
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources		(13,232)	(18,711)	(31,943)	29,822
Funds at 1 April 2021		19,402	29,201	48,603	18,781
Funds at 31 March 2022		6,170	10,490	16,660	48,603

The notes on pages 8 to 9 form part of these accounts.

**Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2022**

	Notes	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Current Assets					
Debtors		1,170	-	1,170	540
Cash at bank		11,318	12,111	23,429	53,201
Prepayments		-	-	-	367
		12,488	12,111	24,599	54,108
Less Current Liabilities					
Creditors		6,318	1,621	7,939	5,505
Net Assets		6,170	10,490	16,660	48,603
Financed by:					
Restricted funds	4	-	10,490	10,490	29,201
Unrestricted funds		6,170	-	6,170	19,402
Total Trust Funds		6,170	10,490	16,660	48,603

The notes on pages 8 to 9 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on:

and signed on its behalf by:



Ian Stickland (Chairperson)



Mr Darryl Saxton (Trustee)

**Notes to the accounts
for the period ended 31 March 2022**

1. Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

Incoming resources have been recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity became entitled to the resources, the trustees were virtually certain they will receive the resources and the monetary value could be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure and liabilities have been recognised when the charity had a legal or constructive obligation.

2. Staff Costs

The average number of full-time equivalent youth workers during the year under review was 1.4 (2021: 0.75) and the total cost of youth service delivery for the period under review amounted to £37,119 (2021: £20,118).

Youth services were delivered by staff who were employed by Youth Options and the associated costs of the delivery of the service were charged to the project.

3. Trustees' Expenses

The trustees received no remuneration or expenses for acting as trustees.

4. Restricted Funds

The movement in restricted funds during the period were:

	1 Apr 2021	Receipts	Payments	31 Mar 2022
	£	£	£	£
Big Lottery Community Fund Covid 19 Funding	27,861	-	27,861	-
Southampton City Council Community Chest (Counselling & Wellbeing)	1,340	-	-	1,340
Southampton City Council Community Chest (Tackling Food Poverty)	-	2,392	1,157	1,235
Southampton City Council Youth Fund	-	8,300	2,013	6,287
Southampton City Council Holiday Activities And Food Programme	-	4,020	2,392	1,628
	29,201	14,712	33,423	10,490

In March 2021, The Big Lottery Community Fund, acknowledging the economic challenges brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic awarded a grant of £28,918 to the project. The purpose of the grant was to enable the project to continue its vital work in 2021/2022 and meet its charitable objectives.

The Southampton City Council Community Chest award of £2,500 was granted to the Lordshill Youth Project to provide counselling services to the young people of Lordshill. The award initially covered the period February 2020 to February 2021. Due to the delaying impact of COVID-19 during the 2020/2021 financial year, the duration of the award was extended in agreement with Southampton City Council.

The Southampton City Council Community Chest award of £2,392 was granted to the Lordshill Youth Project to complete the kitchen improvements at the Zoe Braithwaite Youth Centre and support the use of the kitchen to relieve food poverty among the young people of Lordshill.

In January 2022, Southampton City Council awarded a Youth Fund grant to the project amounting to £8,300, towards the running costs of the project up to 31 March 2023.

The award from Southampton City Council under the Holiday Activities and Food Programme, was to provide holiday club activities for young people, to include provision of food. The aim of the programme was to tackle food poverty issues that affected 'free school meal' entitled young people during the school holidays. The project ran centre-based school holiday activity sessions including provision of food for young people in the Lordshill area and will continue to do so until the funding is fully expended.

5. Related party transactions

There were no transactions with related parties during the year under review. Transactions with Youth Options and Lordshill Church, the projects partner organisations, were undertaken on an arms-length basis.