

# BLUE BOX BELPER

England & Wales · Charity number 1178483

## Details

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Other names	BLUE BOX COMMUNITY ORGANISATION (AS KNOWN PREVIOUSLY)
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2018-05-22
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO FURTHER OR BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS OF PARKS ESTATE (BELPER) AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID RESIDENTS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS. IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE OBJECTS BUT NOT OTHERWISE, THE TRUSTEES SHALL HAVE POWER: TO ESTABLISH OR SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN OR MANAGE OR CO-OPERATE WITH ANY STATUTORY AUTHORITY IN THE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF SUCH A CENTRE FOR ACTIVITIES PROMOTED BY THE CHARITY IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ABOVE OBJECTS.

**Activities:** Blue Box Belper supports residents of the Parks Estate and surrounding area to improve the quality of their lives. We are working towards rebuilding a new Community Centre, whilst also running community activities including: a monthly social gathering, delivering a quarterly newsletter, hosting community fun days, running a fortnightly craft group, supporting youth provision, and fundraising.

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Derbyshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£11,901	£8,944	-	-
2024-03-31	£27,401	£5,124	-	-
2023-03-31	£22,156	£24,451	-	-
2022-03-31	£39,273	£10,127	-	-
2021-03-31	£4,847	£8,377	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>THOMAS WYKE</b>	Chair	2018-05-14
Daniel Dreese		2023-01-09
Eleanor Wyke		2019-09-26
JOHN NELSON		2019-06-24
Mary Dwyer		2021-01-07
Sarah Thackeray		2018-05-14

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR**

**31 MARCH 2025**

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# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

### **The board of trustees**

Thomas Wyke (Chair)  
Sarah Thackeray (Treasurer)  
John Nelson  
Eleanor Wyke  
Mary Dwyer  
Daniel Dreese  
Cllr Carol Angharad (Resigned on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2024)

### **Registered office**

85 Mill Lane  
Belper  
Derbyshire  
DE56 1LH

### **Independent examiners**

Derby Community Accountancy Service  
Babington Lodge  
128 Green Lane  
Derby  
DE1 1RY

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## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To further or benefit the residents of Parks Estate (Belper) and the neighbourhood, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents. In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Blue Box Belper supports residents of the Parks Estate in Belper to improve our community. We do this through the provision and support of a range of local community activities and the running of the Alder Road Community Centre.</p> <p>Having secured the majority of the funds (including a £499,950 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund), much of the focus during the last 12 months was spent trying to secure a lease agreement for the land on which to build a new Community Centre.</p> <p>Unfortunately, and despite our best efforts the local councils failed to support our plans within the necessary timeframe that our funders required. As such we were unable to claim £580,000 worth of pledged funds that</p>

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		<p>we had secured. Subsequently, we have had to explore a Plan B for the local provision of a Community Centre. We are deeply frustrated and feel extremely let down by the local councils and are currently requesting detailed answers to understand what went wrong.</p> <p>Whilst our focus has been on the construction project, Blue Box Belper has also continued to develop and deliver a range of community activities and initiatives, to increase community engagement. These have primarily taken place from the Alder Road Community Centre. This particular facility suddenly became available to us as a venue, just at the time our plans for constructing a new Community Centre were reaching a disappointing conclusion.</p> <p>As such we have entered an initial 12 month agreement with the owners (local social housing company) to run the facility, whilst at the same time exploring how investment from the funds that we have raised could be used to improve the facility.</p> <p>In the meantime the use of the venue has enabled us to continue our current activities over the last year, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➔ Our Cuppa Cake Chat, as a fortnightly coffee morning space, continues to well attended. We're also seeing the impact of the connections made through the sessions, in what could be described as an increase in social capital.</li><li>➔ Our weekly Chair-o-bics session continues to be fully attended week on week, and due to demand another weekly session is being added.</li><li>➔ Our monthly Craft Group has continued to grow and attendees were once again involved in the traditional activities of Well-dressing and the Woollen Woods locally.</li><li>➔ Continued to support a successful detached youth provision (currently funded</li></ul>
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		<p>by the Town Council), by funding complimentary activities to further include holiday activities, such as a climbing wall, as well as the space being used for 121 mentoring.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Delivered a community newsletter three times during the year.</li> <li>➔ Distributed Welcome Packs to welcome new residents to the Parks Estate.</li> <li>➔ Supported fundraising activity within the local community.</li> </ul>
<p>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</p>	<p>Para 1.18</p>	<p>We are very pleased and proud that our community initiatives and associated activities are continuing to improve the quality of life of residents in several ways. For example, previously isolated residents are engaging with our activities, people are volunteering to help support our activities, and young people are engaging with local provision. This all builds a far greater sense of community cohesion.</p> <p>During the last 12 months, we have also completed a Values Project, to develop an agreed set of organisational values, that sit alongside our purpose. This involved a partnership with a local artist to explore with trustees, volunteers and those benefitting from our activities, what they felt Blue Box Belper's values are.</p> <p>These are the set of values by which we run the organisation by.</p> <p><b>Blue Box Belper is...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Purposeful:</b> We choose to be ambitious and reflective in everything we do, responding to opportunities and challenges with agility and creativity.</li> <li>• <b>Welcoming:</b> We seek to be inclusive, warm and compassionate to all, respecting diversity, challenging inequalities and building social cohesion by offering accessible activities across generations.</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Collaborative:</b> We partner with other organisations and individuals to help deliver our charity vision and a sustainable and accountable way.</li> <li>• <b>Responsive:</b> We actively listen to our community in order to understand needs and priorities, and where necessary act with social conscience to bring about positive change.</li> </ul>
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### Additional information

	SORP reference	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	In the last year, Blue Box Belper has received the support of over 25 volunteers that have helped in a variety of ways. This includes, but is not limited to: being trustees, sub-group members, running/coordinating community activities, designing and delivering quarterly newsletters, organising fundraising activity, and engaging in our Values Project.

### Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Our achievements during the last 12 months have been to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Secure a temporary solution for a community centre venue to ensure that we can continue our community activities.</li> <li>2. Continue to offer a wide range of community activities in the limited community spaces we have available to us. Further to this, we have seen an increase in the number of people engaging in those community activities.</li> <li>3. Support fundraising activity within the local community, including another very successful Fell Race, as well as stalls at events. These activities have helped to put us in a strong position to continue our community activities, but also have a significant amount of funds available to redevelop a community facility in the future.</li> <li>4. Develop an agreed set of organisational values, that sit alongside our purpose.</li> </ol>

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		<p>5. Begin to hold the local councils to account around their decision making process following their failure to support the construction project.</p>
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### Additional information

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>As it stands success is measured in several ways through several key themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1)</b> Ongoing development of the charity, including the development of a set of organisational values.</li><li><b>2)</b> Progress with the Construction Project is measured through key landmarks being reached. The majority of these were reached (e.g. funding and planning permission), however we failed to secure the lease agreement and therefore the project ultimately failed in our plans to construct a new Community Centre.  Despite the failure, we have been able to secure the use of a venue on the Parks Estate, that has allowed us to continue to provide a range of activities. Within the next 12 months we expect to have secured a longer term arrangement for sole use of the Alder Road Centre.</li><li><b>3)</b> Success of fundraising is measured by income secured to meet identified needs. It has been a very successful year in terms of fundraising both through grant</li></ol>
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		<p>fundraising and community fundraising. However, due to the failure of the construction project we were unable to claim £580,000 in pledged funds.</p> <p>4) Success of community activities is based on numbers attending, but also qualitative feedback. We have certainly continued to have a positive impact with a strong attendance of our activities and stories of lives being impacted in positive ways.</p> <p>5) Effectiveness of our website and social media platforms is measured by numbers engaging. For example, we currently have over 800 likes and over 900 followers on our Facebook page, which represents a 9% increase during the year.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>In the last financial year we secured £11,903, from a range of sources. These funds have been allocated to our ongoing running costs, as well as towards the community building project.</p> <p>Unfortunately we had to decline the following pledged funds from grant-giving organisations because we could not secure a lease agreement in the timeframe required: £499,950 (The National Lottery Community Fund), £50,000 (Derbyshire County Council), £15,000 (Bernard Sunley Foundation), £15,000 (Garfield Weston Foundation).</p>

### Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>Para 1.21</p>	<p>Blue Box Belper is in a very good financial position to continue to deliver its ongoing community activities. We also have a significant amount of designated funds set aside for the purposes of developing/redeveloping a community facility.</p> <p>The trustees have designated funds in the account (as of 31 March 2025) towards:</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ £3,775 for the running costs of the Alder Road Centre, including: energy costs, water costs, hiring fees, licenses and equipment costs.</li> <li>➤ £3,000 for covering community activity costs, including: a community fun day and holiday youth activities.</li> <li>➤ £2,420 for ongoing charity running costs, including: insurance, audited accounts, website, phone, printing and training.</li> <li>➤ £70,974 for the building redevelopment project.</li> <li>➤ £7,500 as reserves.</li> </ul>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>As advised by the Charity Commission, Blue Box Belper reserves policy seeks to provide sufficient monies to enable the organisation to properly finance its own termination. The Board has agreed to provide (wherever possible) an amount which equates to at least three months' running costs.</p> <p>Last year we increased our reserves, to reflect both our increased activity, and the need to have a healthier reserves ready for the running of a Community Centre.</p> <p>At 31 March 2025 the charity has unrestricted reserves of £7,500.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£7,500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There is no uncertainty about the charity continuing, since we have a strong set of trustees and volunteers, as well as a strong set of finances.

### Additional information

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<p>The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)</p>	<p>Para 1.47</p>	<p>secured funds into its account totalling £11,901, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- £1,303 grant from National Gas</li> <li>- £375 grant from Tesco Charitable Trust</li> <li>- £3,039 from local organisations and groups</li> <li>- £2,678 from community fundraising</li> <li>- £1,073 from individual donations</li> <li>- £1,593 from Interest</li> <li>- £1,840 from Gift Aid</li> </ul>
<p>A description of the principal risks facing the charity</p>	<p>Para 1.46</p>	<p>The trustees believe the main risks for the charity, alongside our measures to mitigate any impact, are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Failure to secure a long term lease for the Alder Road Community Centre. We are working towards this with the owners and our current effectiveness in running the facility and benefitting the local residents, means we are confident a resolution can be found.</li> <li>2) We have raised over £70,000 towards a community centre project, which we hope to spend on redeveloping the Alder Road Centre, but this requires a long term lease agreement being secured. If this does not happen then we will seek to spend the funds on either an alternative facility solution, or further to the benefit of the local community.</li> <li>3) Failure to secure the funds to continue our charitable activities.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The trustees continue to look ahead to ensure that the funds required to maintain our current provisions are in place. So far securing funds to support our ongoing community activities has been possible.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:

<p>Type of governing document</p>	<p>Para 1.25</p>	<p>CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 22 May 2018</p>
<p>How is the charity constituted?</p>	<p>Para 1.25</p>	<p>CIO</p>

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<p>Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees</p>	<p>Para 1.25</p>	<p>Every appointed trustee is appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity's trustees.</p> <p>Efforts are made to recruit trustees who meet the skill requirement. The overall composition of the trustee body aims to be as representative of the community as is possible.</p> <p>Due to the challenges we faced in agreeing a successor in title arrangement with Belper Town Council for the lease of land, we mutually decided to no longer have an elected councillor to be a trustee. We are currently seeking an alternative way of ensuring there is a clear point of contact between us and Belper Town Council.</p>
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### Additional information

<p>Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees</p>	<p>Para 1.51</p>	<p>Policies are made available for viewing, including the Trustee Code of Conduct document. All new trustees are given a full update on the charity's activities and plans. Indeed, we have recently reviewed and updated all of our policies.</p>
<p>The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works</p>	<p>Para 1.51</p>	<p>Blue Box Belper operates with trustees that manage the charity, supporting 4 main volunteer-run, task-focussed sub-groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Community Centre Management Committee;</li><li>b) Funding and Grant Applications;</li><li>c) Community Activities and Fundraising;</li><li>d) Media, Communication and Marketing.</li></ul> <p>As the charity develops we may seek to increase the number of trustees, and the nature of the sub-groups will adapt for the needs of the charity's activities and initiatives.</p> <p>Annual priorities and roles are set at our AGM against the charity's mission and objectives.</p>

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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Blue Box Belper is currently on a 12 month agreement with Futures Housing Group (from on 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2024) to be the sole hirer of the Alder Road Centre. We are in negotiations around a longer term lease agreement and potential redevelopment of the Centre.
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### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Blue Box Belper
Other name the charity uses	Blue Box Community Organisation
Registered charity number	1178483
Charity's principal address	85 Mill Lane, Belper, Derbyshire, DE56 1LH



### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Thomas Wyke	Chairperson		
2	Sarah Thackeray	Treasurer		
3	John Nelson	N/A		
4	Eleanor Wyke	N/A		
5	Mary Dwyer	N/A		
7	Daniel Dreese	N/A		
8	Cllr Carol Angharad	N/A	Until 8/10/2024	Belper Town Council

### Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

#### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Thomas Wyke	Sarah Thackeray
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	Treasurer
Date	27/09/2025	

# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Blue Box Belper**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 13 to 16.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended); and
- 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 you as 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Newey ACMA  
Derby Community Accountancy Service  
Babington Lodge  
128 Grteen Lane  
Derby

Date

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## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2024			Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	2025 Total
£			£	£	£	£
<b>62435</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>84712</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>84712</b>
	<b>Receipts</b>					
15250	Grants	note 1	1678	0	0	1678
4263	Fundraising		3576	0	0	3576
7319	Donations		3214	0	0	3214
287	Interest		1593	0	0	1593
282	Gift Aid		1840	0	0	1840
<b>27401</b>			<b>11901</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11901</b>
	<b>Payments</b>					
80	Room hire		1097	0	0	1097
221	Insurance		922	0	0	922
1159	Printing, stationery and website		380	0	0	380
350	Fees		350	0	0	350
1628	Sports, Youth and other activity		1457	0	0	1457
1440	Building costs		3985	0	0	3985
47	Equipment		0	0	0	0
200	Sundry		754	0	0	754
<b>5124</b>			<b>8944</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8944</b>
<b>22277</b>	<b>Net Movement of Funds</b>		<b>2957</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2957</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Transfer between funds</b>		<b>-2957</b>	<b>2957</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>84712</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>87669</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>87669</b>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

<b>2024</b>		<b>2025</b>
<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>
<u>0</u>	<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<u>0</u>
<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
	<b>Monetary assets</b>	
84712	Bank balance	87485
<u>0</u>	Cash	<u>184</u>
<b><u>84712</u></b>		<b><u>87669</u></b>
0	Less liabilities	0
<b><u><u>84712</u></u></b>	<b>Net Assets</b>	<b><u><u>87669</u></u></b>

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Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2025

#### Note 1

#### Grants

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Derbyshire County Council	0	0	0	0	2000
Duke of Devonshire Charitable Trust	0	0	0	0	5000
Ryklow Trust	0	0	0	0	7500
Belper Town Council	0	0	0	0	750
National Gas	1303	0	0	1303	0
Tesco Charitable Trust	375	0	0	375	0
	<b>1678</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1678</b>	<b>15250</b>

#### Note 2

Breakdown of income through donations , fundraising band other income in 2024/25.

Amount £	Origin	Purpose of funds
£1,073	Individual donations	Community Activities
£2,678	Community Fundraising	Community Activities
£902	Belper Early Years	Alder Road Centre running costs
£500	Derbyshire Voluntary Services	Alder Road Centre running costs
£450	St Swithuns Church	Alder Road Centre running costs
£402	Cyber 1st	Alder Road Centre running costs
£300	Belper Open Gardens	Alder Road Centre running costs
£250	Fleet Arts	Towards Craft Group
£215	Belper Quiz League	Alder Road Centre running costs
£20	Hiring Fees	Alder Road Centre running costs
£1,593	Interest	Charity running costs
£1,840	Gift Aid	Building Project
<b>£10,223</b>		

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#### Note 3

#### Designated Funds

<b>Description</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>£</b>
Alder Road Centre	Running costs of the centre	3775
Building project	Various sources	70974
Community Activities	Various sources	3000
Charity Running costs	Ongoing costs including account auditing and insurance	2220
Petty Cash	Small Expenditure	200
Reserves	From unrestricted funds, designated as reserves	7500
<b>Total in account</b>		<b><u>87669</u></b>

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## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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### Achievements and Performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Our achievements during the last 12 months have been to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Secure the vast majority of the funding to enable us to build a new Community Centre, most notably securing a £499,950 grant from the National Lottery, as well as other grants and community fundraising.</li><li>2. Support fundraising activity within the local community, including another very successful Fell Race, as well as stalls at events and we also produced a 2024 Community Calendar.</li><li>3. Securing planning permission for the construction project.</li><li>4. Continue to maintain the funds required to continue our community activities too.</li><li>5. Continue to offer a wide range of community activities in the limited community spaces we have available to us. Further to this, we have seen an increase in the number of people engaging in those community activities.</li><li>6. Continue to develop our media and communications sub group, still regularly</li></ol>

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		producing a quarterly newsletter, as well as improving our website and social media communications.
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### Additional information

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>As it stands success is measured in several ways through several key themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Ongoing development of the charity, in terms of growing our internal capacity and systems as a charity, for example producing audited accounts and growing the trusteeship. In addition, we have strengthened the sub-groups, especially bringing in expertise to the construction sub-group.</li><li>2) Progress with the Construction Project is measured through key landmarks being reached. In the last 12 months this has been about securing the planning permission, finalising the construction designs and crucially securing the majority of the funding required.</li><li>3) Success of fundraising is measured by income secured to meet identified needs. It has been a very successful year in terms of fundraising both through grant fundraising and community fundraising.</li><li>4) Success of community activities is based on</li></ol>
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		<p>numbers attending, but also qualitative feedback. We have certainly continued to have a positive impact with a strong attendance of our activities and stories of lives being impacted in positive ways.</p> <p>5) Effectiveness of our website and social media platforms is measured by numbers engaging. For example, we currently have over 750 likes and nearly 850 followers on our Facebook page, which represents a 15% increase during the year.</p>
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>We have so far secured just over £685,500 towards the construction project, of which £22,700 has already been spent on pre-construction costs) for the new building, through a range of fundraising.</p> <p>The total has included a further £22,995 being added to our account during the last financial year, as well as now having a total of £580,325 pledged including £499,950 (National Lottery), £50,000 (Derbyshire County Council), £15,000 (Bernard Sunley Foundation), £15,000 (Garfield Weston Foundation), £375 (Tesco). We also secured £4,406 of grants towards delivering specific community activities.</p> <p>A huge amount of work went into a large capital grant application to the Lottery and we are delighted they have seen the potential in our project and pledged half a million pounds towards the project. We are now working hard to secure the final lease agreement for the land, with Amber Valley Borough Council to ensure the funds can now be released and the preferred contractor can be commissioned to begin the work.</p>

### Financial Review

		<p>Blue Box Belper is in a very good financial</p>
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<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>Para 1.21</p>	<p>position to continue to deliver its ongoing community activities, especially now that the majority of the funds for the construction project have been secured.</p> <p>The trustees have designated funds in the account (as of 31 March 2024) towards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ £73,107 for the construction project.</li><li>➤ £727 for the youth provision.</li><li>➤ £2,253 for community activities, which includes the running costs for Chair-obics (£154), Cuppa Cake Chat (£390), and Craft Group (£232), Values Project (£750), Youth Project (£727).</li><li>➤ £1,750 for ongoing annual running costs.</li><li>➤ £7,500 as reserves.</li></ul> <p>There is also £499,950 (National Lottery), £50,000 (Derbyshire County Council), £15,000 (Bernard Sunley Foundation), £15,000 (Garfield Weston Foundation), £375 (Tesco Community Grant) pledged towards the construction project, which is waiting to be transferred, once the lease agreement for the land has been secured.</p>
<p>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held</p>	<p>Para 1.22</p>	<p>As advised by the Charity Commission, Blue Box Belper reserves policy seeks to provide sufficient monies to enable the organisation to properly finance its own termination. The Board has agreed to provide (wherever possible) an amount which equates to three months' running costs.</p> <p>However, as agreed at a recent Board meeting, we are continuing to steadily increase our reserves, to reflect both our increased activity, and the need to have a healthier reserves ready for the running of a Community Centre.</p>

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		<p>At 31 March 2024 the charity has unrestricted reserves of £7,500, which is a £4,000 increase on last year's budget.</p> <p>Our agreed intention, once the new community centre is in place, is that our reserves will be at a level needed to run the new community centre for one year.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£7,500
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There is no uncertainty about the charity continuing, since we have a strong set of trustees and volunteers, as well as a strong set of finances.

### Additional information

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>In this last financial year, Blue Box Belper has secured funds into its account totalling £27,401, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- £7,500 from the Ryklow Trust</li> <li>- £5,000 from the Duke of Devonshire Trust</li> <li>- £750 from Belper Town Council</li> <li>- £2,000 from Derbyshire County Council.</li> <li>- £575 from local organisations and groups.</li> <li>- £4,550 from community fundraising.</li> <li>- £6,744 from individual donations.</li> <li>- £282 from sundry.</li> </ul>
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<p>The trustees believe the main risks for the charity, alongside our measures to mitigate any impact, are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Failure to secure the lease agreement for the land on which we have the planning permission to build the new Community Centre. The project cannot go ahead if we cannot secure a lease agreement. Not only will we not have the land, but the pledged funds of £580,325 are only to be released at the signing of the lease agreement.</li> </ol>

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		<p>2) Delays in securing the lease agreement for the land on which we have the planning permission to build the new Community Centre will see the cost of the project increase. Delays will have 2 impacts on costs:</p> <p>a) Our Quantity Surveyor estimates that for each month the project is delayed the overall cost increases by around £2,000-£3,000.</p> <p>b) There are specific timeframes in which the pledged funds have to be claimed. If we cannot agree a lease agreement in time, these funds will be lost, resulting in the project no longer being viable.</p> <p>3) Failure to secure the funds to continue our charitable activities.</p> <p>- The trustees continue to look ahead to ensure that the funds required to maintain our current provisions are in place. So far securing funds to support our ongoing community activities has been possible.</p>
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### Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:

Type of governing document	Para 1.25	CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 22 May 2018
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p>Every appointed trustee is appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity's trustees.</p> <p>Efforts are made to recruit trustees who meet the skill requirement. The overall composition of the trustee body aims to be as representative of the community as is possible.</p> <p>Belper Town Council elects a councillor to be a trustee to act as the key point of contact between us and Belper Town Council.</p>

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### Additional information

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Policies are made available for viewing, including the Trustee Code of Conduct document. All new trustees are given a full update on the charity's activities and plans. Indeed, we have recently reviewed and updated all of our policies.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>Blue Box Belper operates with trustees that manage the charity, supporting 4 main volunteer-run, task-focussed sub-groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Construction Project;</li><li>b) Funding and Grant Applications;</li><li>c) Community Activities and Fundraising;</li><li>d) Media, Communication and Marketing.</li></ul> <p>As the charity develops we may seek to increase the number of trustees, and the nature of the sub-groups will adapt for the needs of the charity's activities and initiatives, e.g. from a construction project sub-group to a Community Centre Management sub-group.</p> <p>Annual priorities and roles are set at our AGM against the charity's mission and objectives.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Upon securing the necessary funds for the construction project, Blue Box Belper will enter into a 30-year lease agreement with Amber Valley Borough Council, for the land on which the new Blue Box Community Centre will be built. Blue Box Belper will also enter an agreement with Belper Town Council for them to be the guarantor of the lease agreement and therefore the successor to the lease and the owner of the new building, should the charity prove to be financially unsustainable.

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Blue Box Belper
Other name the charity uses	Blue Box Community Organisation

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Registered charity number	1178483
Charity's principal address	85 Mill Lane, Belper, Derbyshire, DE56 1LH



### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Thomas Wyke	Chairperson		
2	Sarah Thackeray	Treasurer		
3	John Nelson	N/A		
4	Eleanor Wyke	N/A		
5	Mary Dwyer	N/A		
6	David McAra	N/A	Until 08.01.2024	
7	Daniel Dreese	N/A		
8	Cllr Carol Angharad	N/A	From 18.07.2023	Belper Town Council

### Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Thomas Wyke	Sarah Thackeray
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	Treasurer
Date	06/09/2024	

# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Blue Box Belper**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 13 to 16.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended); and
- 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 you as 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Newey ACMA  
Derby Community Accountancy Service  
Babington Lodge  
128 Grteen Lane  
Derby

Date

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## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

2023		Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	2024 Total £
Total £		£	£	£	£
<b>64730</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62435</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62435</b>
	<b>Receipts</b>				
7496	Grants <span style="float: right;">note 1</span>	15250	0	0	15250
3122	Fundraising	4550	0	0	4550
11287	Donations	7319	0	0	7319
250	Sundry	282	0	0	282
<b>22156</b>		<b>27401</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27401</b>
	<b>Payments</b>				
953	Room hire	80	0	0	80
361	Insurance	221	0	0	221
1294	Printing, stationery and website	1159	0	0	1159
408	Fees	350	0	0	350
3901	Sports, Youth and other activity	1628	0	0	1628
283	Outings, refreshments and transport	0	0	0	0
0	Training	0	0	0	0
17252	Building costs	1440	0	0	1440
0	Equipment	47	0	0	47
0	Sundry	200	0	0	200
<b>24451</b>		<b>5124</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5124</b>
<b>-2295</b>	<b>Net Movement of Funds</b>	<b>22277</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22277</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Transfer between funds</b>	<b>-22277</b>	<b>22277</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>62435</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>84712</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>84712</b>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

<b>2023</b>		<b>2024</b>
<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>
<u>0</u>	<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<u>0</u>
<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
	<b>Monetary assets</b>	
62435	Bank balance	84712
<u>0</u>	Cash	<u>0</u>
<b><u>62435</u></b>		<b><u>84712</u></b>
0	Less liabilities	0
<b><u><u>62435</u></u></b>	<b>Net Assets</b>	<b><u><u>84712</u></u></b>

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Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024

#### Note 1

##### Grants

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Derbyshire County Council	0	2000	0	2000	0
Hope for Belper	0	0	0	0	4017
Belper Town Council	0	0	0	0	2054
Duke of Devonshire Charitable Trust	0	5000	0	5000	0
Fleet Arts	0	0	0	0	300
Ryklow Trust	0	7500	0	7500	0
Belper Town Council	0	750	0	750	0
Tesco Community Grants	0	0	0	0	1125
	<b>0</b>	<b>15250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15250</b>	<b>7496</b>

#### Note 2

##### Designated Funds

Description	Source	£
Building project	Various sources	73459
Chair - obics Room hire	Room hire	154
Craft Group	Room hire and activities	232
Cuppa Cake Chat	Room hire and activities	390
Values Project	Delivery costs	750
Youth Project	Expansion of our youth provision	727
Communications	Website, Newsletters, Welcome Packs etc	500
Running costs	Ongoing costs including account auditing and insurance	1000
Reserves	From unrestricted funds, designated as reserves	7500
<b>Total in account</b>		<b>84712</b>

##### Amounts pledged to the charity

	£
National Lottery Community Fund	499950
Derbyshire County Council	50000
Bernard Sunley Foundation	15000
Garfield Weston Foundation	15000
Tesco Community Grant	375
	<b>580325</b>

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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#### Note 3

Breakdown of income through grants or donations by organisations in 2023/24

<b>Grant Amount</b>	<b>Origin</b>	<b>Purpose of funds</b>
<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
£2,000.00	Derbyshire County Council	Activities
£5,000	Duke of Devonshire Charitable Trust	Construction Project
£7,500.00	Ryklow Trust	Construction Project
£750.00	Belper Town Council	Values Project

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England & Wales - Charity number 1178483

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR**

**31 MARCH 2023**

**Charity Number 1178483**

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### Structure, Governance and Management

#### Description of charity's trusts:

Type of governing document	Para 1.25	CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 22 May 2018
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p>Every appointed trustee is appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity's trustees.</p> <p>Efforts are made to recruit trustees who meet the skill requirement. The overall composition of the trustee body aims to be as representative of the community as is possible.</p> <p>Belper Town Council elects a councillor to be a trustee to act as the key point of contact between us and Belper Town Council.</p>

#### Additional information

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Policies are made available for viewing, including the Trustee Code of Conduct document. All new trustees are given a full update on the charity's activities and plans. Indeed, we have recently reviewed and updated all of our policies.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>Blue Box Belper operates with trustees that manage the charity, supporting 4 main volunteer-run, task-focussed sub-groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Construction Project;</li> <li>b) Funding and Grant Applications;</li> </ul>

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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Upon securing the necessary funds for the construction project, Blue Box Belper will enter into a 30-year lease agreement with Amber Valley Borough Council, for the land on which the new Blue Box Community Centre will be built. Blue Box Belper will also enter an agreement with Belper Town Council for them to become the successor to the lease and the building, should the charity prove to be financially unsustainable.

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Blue Box Belper
Other name the charity uses	Blue Box Community Organisation
Registered charity number	1178483
Charity's principal address	85 Mill Lane, Belper, Derbyshire, DE56 1LH

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Thomas Wyke	Chairperson		
2	Sarah Thackeray	Treasurer		
3	John Nelson	N/A		
4	Eleanor Wyke	N/A		
5	Cllr Mary Dwyer	N/A		Belper Town Council
6	David McAra	N/A		

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## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT



YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

7	Daniel Dreese	N/A	09/01/2023	
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### Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Thomas Wyke	Sarah Thackeray
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairperson	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	31/07/2023	

# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Blue Box Belper**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 12 to 15.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended); and
- 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 you as 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Newey ACMA  
Derby Community Accountancy Service  
Babington Lodge  
128 Grteen Lane  
Derby

Date

# BLUE BOX BELPER

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2022					2023
Total		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total
£		Fund	Fund	Fund	£
		£	£	£	£
<b>35584</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>64730</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>64730</b>
	<b>Receipts</b>				
31522	Grants	note 1 0	7496	0	7496
7251	Fundraising	3122	0	0	3122
500	Donations	11287	0	0	11287
0	Sundry	250	0	0	250
<b>39273</b>		<b>14660</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22156</b>
	<b>Payments</b>				
80	Room hire	953	0	0	953
324	Insurance	361	0	0	361
2922	Printing, stationery and website	1294	0	0	1294
230	Fees	408	0	0	408
2531	Sports, Youth and other activity	3901	0	0	3901
0	Outings, refreshments and transport	283	0	0	283
0	Training	0	0	0	0
4012	Building costs	17252	0	0	17252
28	Sundry	0	0	0	0
<b>10127</b>		<b>24451</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24451</b>
<b>29146</b>	<b>Net Movement of Funds</b>	<b>-9792</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-2295</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Transfer between funds</b>	<b>9792</b>	<b>-9792</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>64730</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62435</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62435</b>

**BLUE BOX BELPER**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

<b>2022</b>		<b>2023</b>
<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>
<u>0</u>	<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<u>0</u>
<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
	<b>Monetary assets</b>	
64569	Bank balance	62435
<u>161</u>	Cash	<u>0</u>
<b><u>64730</u></b>		<b><u>62435</u></b>
0	Less liabilities	0
<u><b>64730</b></u>	<b>Net Assets</b>	<u><b>62435</b></u>

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Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# BLUE BOX BELPER

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023

#### Note 1

##### Grants

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Derbyshire County Council	0	0	0	0	2748
Hope for Belper	0	4017	0	4017	1213
Belper Town Council	0	2054	0	2054	20000
Open Gate	0	0	0	0	6500
Fleet Arts	0	300	0	300	300
Lubrizol	0	0	0	0	500
Active Derbyshire	0	0	0	0	260
Tesco Community Grants	0	1125	0	1125	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>31522</b>

#### Note 2

##### Designated Funds

Description	Source	£
Chair - obics Room hire	Derbyshire County Council/Get Active Derbyshire	110
Craft Group - room hire	Fleet Arts	77
Cuppa Cake Chat - room hire	Hope for Belper	404
Youth Project	Hope for Belper	1209
Running costs -auditing and insurance	Fundraising	650
Construction Project	Community fundraising and charitable grants	56485
Reserves	Fundraising	3500
<b>Total in account</b>		<b>62435</b>

##### Amounts pledged to the charity

	£
Derbyshire County Council	56000
Bernard Sunley Foundation	15000
Garfield Weston Foundation	15000
Tesco Community Grant	375
	<b>86375</b>

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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#### Note 3

Breakdown of income through grants or donations by organisations in 2022/23

<b>Grant Amount</b>	<b>Origin</b>	<b>Purpose of funds</b>
£2,053.90	Belper Town Council	Construction Project
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£300.00	Fleet Arts	Craft Group
£897.93	Local organisations	Construction Project
£4,017.28	Hope for Belper	Youth Activities (£3639.78) Cuppa Cake Chat (£377.50)

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England & Wales - Charity number 1178483

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# Accounts

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**BLUE BOX BELPER**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR**

**31 MARCH 2023**

**Charity Number 1178483**

# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

### **The board of trustees**

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## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To further or benefit the residents of Parks Estate (Belper) and the neighbourhood, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents. In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Blue Box Belper supports residents of the Parks Estate and surrounding area to improve the quality of their lives.</p> <p>Our current priority is working towards rebuilding a new Community Centre, and so far, we have secured just over £164,000 (of which £21,250 has already been spent on pre-construction costs) for the new building, through a range of fundraising.</p> <p>Whilst much of our focus has been on the construction project, Blue Box Belper has also been developing and delivering a range of community activities and initiatives, to increase community engagement ahead of the new Community Centre.</p> <p>Indeed, over the last year's we have: ➔ Continued to support a successful detached</p>

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### Additional information

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Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	In the last year, Blue Box Belper has received the support of 25 volunteers that have helped in a variety of ways. This includes, but is not limited to: being trustees, sub-group members, running/coordinating community activities, designing and delivering quarterly newsletters, and organising fundraising activity.

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		<p>that the funds required to maintain our current provisions are in place. So far securing funds to support our ongoing community activities has been possible.</p> <p>3) Economic uncertainty and rising costs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The price of construction materials have increased significantly and this will have an impact on the final cost of the construction project. We will need to secure an updated cost from the preferred contractor, once the new planning permission is secured.</li> </ul>
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### Structure, Governance and Management

#### Description of charity's trusts:

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### Reference and Administrative details

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Other name the charity uses	Blue Box Community Organisation
Registered charity number	1178483
Charity's principal address	85 Mill Lane, Belper, Derbyshire, DE56 1LH

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Thomas Wyke	Chairperson		
2	Sarah Thackeray	Treasurer		
3	John Nelson	N/A		
4	Eleanor Wyke	N/A		
5	Cllr Mary Dwyer	N/A		Belper Town Council
6	David McAra	N/A		

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7	Daniel Dreese	N/A	09/01/2023	
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### Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Thomas Wyke	Sarah Thackeray
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairperson	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	31/07/2023	

# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Blue Box Belper**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 12 to 15.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended); and
- 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 you as 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Newey ACMA  
Derby Community Accountancy Service  
Babington Lodge  
128 Grteen Lane  
Derby

Date

# BLUE BOX BELPER

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2022					2023
Total		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total
£		Fund	Fund	Fund	£
		£	£	£	
<b>35584</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>64730</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>64730</b>
	<b>Receipts</b>				
31522	Grants	note 1 0	7496	0	7496
7251	Fundraising	3122	0	0	3122
500	Donations	11287	0	0	11287
0	Sundry	250	0	0	250
<b>39273</b>		<b>14660</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22156</b>
	<b>Payments</b>				
80	Room hire	953	0	0	953
324	Insurance	361	0	0	361
2922	Printing, stationery and website	1294	0	0	1294
230	Fees	408	0	0	408
2531	Sports, Youth and other activity	3901	0	0	3901
0	Outings, refreshments and transport	283	0	0	283
0	Training	0	0	0	0
4012	Building costs	17252	0	0	17252
28	Sundry	0	0	0	0
<b>10127</b>		<b>24451</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24451</b>
<b>29146</b>	<b>Net Movement of Funds</b>	<b>-9792</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-2295</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Transfer between funds</b>	<b>9792</b>	<b>-9792</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>64730</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62435</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62435</b>

**BLUE BOX BELPER**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

<b>2022</b>		<b>2023</b>
<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>
<u>0</u>	<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<u>0</u>
<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
	<b>Monetary assets</b>	
64569	Bank balance	62435
<u>161</u>	Cash	<u>0</u>
<b><u>64730</u></b>		<b><u>62435</u></b>
0	Less liabilities	0
<u><u>64730</u></u>	<b>Net Assets</b>	<u><u>62435</u></u>

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023

#### Note 1

##### Grants

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	2023	2022
				£	£
Derbyshire County Council	0	0	0	0	2748
Hope for Belper	0	4017	0	4017	1213
Belper Town Council	0	2054	0	2054	20000
Open Gate	0	0	0	0	6500
Fleet Arts	0	300	0	300	300
Lubrizol	0	0	0	0	500
Active Derbyshire	0	0	0	0	260
Tesco Community Grants	0	1125	0	1125	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7496</b>	<b>31522</b>

#### Note 2

##### Designated Funds

Description	Source	£
Chair - obics Room hire	Derbyshire County Council/Get Active Derbyshire	110
Craft Group - room hire	Fleet Arts	77
Cuppa Cake Chat - room hire	Hope for Belper	404
Youth Project	Hope for Belper	1209
Running costs -auditing and insurance	Fundraising	650
Construction Project	Community fundraising and charitable grants	56485
Reserves	Fundraising	3500
<b>Total in account</b>		<b>62435</b>

##### Amounts pledged to the charity

	£
Derbyshire County Council	56000
Bernard Sunley Foundation	15000
Garfield Weston Foundation	15000
Tesco Community Grant	375
	<b>86375</b>

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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#### Note 3

Breakdown of income through grants or donations by organisations in 2022/23

<b>Grant Amount</b>	<b>Origin</b>	<b>Purpose of funds</b>
£2,053.90	Belper Town Council	Construction Project
£1,125	Tesco Community Grants	Construction Project
£300.00	Fleet Arts	Craft Group
£897.93	Local organisations	Construction Project
£4,017.28	Hope for Belper	Youth Activities (£3639.78) Cuppa Cake Chat (£377.50)

**BLUE BOX BELPER**

England & Wales - Charity number 1178483

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# Accounts

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**BLUE BOX BELPER**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR**

**31 MARCH 2021**

**Charity Number 1178483**

# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

### **The board of trustees**

Thomas Wyke (Chair)  
Jonathan Ward (Vice Chair)  
Sarah Thackeray (Treasurer)  
John Nelson  
Cllr Jyoti Wilkinson (resigned 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020)  
Eleanor Wyke  
Cllr Marty Dwyer (appointed 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021)

### **Registered office**

85 Mill Lane  
Belper  
Derbyshire  
DE56 1LH

### **Independent examiners**

Derby Community Accountancy Service  
Babington Lodge  
128 Green Lane  
Derby  
DE1 1RY

# BLUE BOX BELPER

## TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To further or benefit the residents of Parks Estate (Belper) and the neighbourhood, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents. In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Blue Box Belper supports residents of the Parks Estate and surrounding area to improve the quality of their lives.</p> <p>Our current priority is working towards rebuilding a new Community Centre, and so far, we have secured just over £72,000 (of which £1,118 has already been spent) for the new building, through a range of fundraising, received planning permission and agreed in principle to a 30-year lease for the land with the Borough Council.</p> <p>Whilst much of our focus has been on the construction project, Blue Box Belper has also been developing and delivering a range of community activities and initiatives, to increase community engagement ahead of the new Community Centre.</p>

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		<p>The Coronavirus Pandemic, and its associated social restrictions, have meant that our community activities have been much limited this year. Despite these limitations, we have still been able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➔ oversee a successful detached youth provision.</li><li>➔ deliver a community newsletter twice during the year.</li><li>➔ develop a Welcome Pack to welcome new residents to the Parks Estate.</li><li>➔ support fundraising activity within the local community.</li><li>➔ offer practical support to isolated older residents we know through our usual monthly social gatherings.</li><li>➔ complete some further consultation in the community through a questionnaire, gathering information about the proposed community centre, and researching the impact and needs following the pandemic.</li></ul>
<p>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</p>	<p>Para 1.18</p>	<p>Our community initiatives and associated activities are improving the quality of life of residents in several ways. For example, previously isolated residents are engaging with our activities, people are volunteering to help support our activities, and young people are engaging with our provision during a time when young people are facing additional challenges and in need of specific support during the pandemic. This all builds a far greater sense of community cohesion and is decreasing anti-social behaviour too.</p> <p>In addition, we are beginning to better understand the needs of residents following our recent community consultation project.</p> <p>Ultimately, it is through the new Community Centre that we will be able to achieve the greatest public benefit, and so we continue to work hard towards delivering that aim.</p>

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### Additional information

	SORP reference	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	In the last year, Blue Box Belper has received the support of 23 volunteers that have helped in a variety of ways. This includes, but is not limited to: being trustees, sub-group members, designing and delivering quarterly newsletters, and fundraising activity.

### Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Our achievements during the Coronavirus Pandemic and its associated social restrictions have been to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Oversee a successful detached youth provision, despite the challenges of running the provision during the pandemic.</li><li>2. Continue to produce our regular newsletter, though due to a lack of community activities and restrictions on the delivery of newsletters, we produced and delivered a newsletter twice during the year.</li><li>3. Develop a Welcome Pack to welcome new residents to the Parks Estate. This has involved partnering with residents and local council to help produce useful information (e.g. local walks, signposting of services etc), an artistic map of the area, and much more.</li><li>4. Support fundraising activity within the local community, as restrictions have allowed. For example, a local resident was able to run a car boot sale for Blue Box Belper.</li><li>5. Offer practical support to isolated older residents, whom we know through our usual monthly social gatherings. This involved food shopping, doorstep chats, delivery of cakes and cards, and more ad hoc requests for support.</li><li>6. Complete some further consultation in the community through a questionnaire, gathering information about the proposed community centre, and researching the impact and needs following the pandemic. This was completed through a physical survey (with an online version available too) and promoted through</li></ol>

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		our social media and website. This has so far been completed by over 70 residences.
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### Additional information

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>As it stands success is measured in several ways through several key themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Ongoing development of the charity, in terms of growing our internal capacity and systems as a charity, for example producing audited accounts and growing the trusteeship.</li><li>2) Progress with the Construction Project is measured through key landmarks being reached, e.g. the lease agreement, planning permission.</li><li>3) Success of fundraising is measured by income secured to meet identified needs. It has been a challenging year to fundraise, as outlined below.</li><li>4) Success of community activities is based on numbers attending, but also qualitative feedback. We have certainly continued to have a positive impact (as outlined above), but this has been different due to the pandemic.</li><li>5) Effectiveness of our website and social media platforms is measured by numbers engaging. For example, we currently have 500 likes and 560 followers on our Facebook page, which</li></ol>
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		represents around a 60% increase during the year.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>We have so far secured around £71,500 towards the construction project, which has included a further £18,000 during the year. We also secured £280 of grants towards delivering specific community activities, with most funds already having been secured to support our more limited ongoing community activities held during this last year.</p> <p>It has been a challenging time to secure funding during the pandemic, especially for capital projects, with many funders shifting their focus to supporting communities as the battle and recover from the effects of the pandemic and supporting charities financially hit by its impact too. In addition, community fundraising has been very hard, as people are unable to meet in their usual ways. With the government's restrictions now lifting we are re-assessing how we can secure the necessary funds and trying to work alongside others that might be able to advise and help us reach our target.</p>

### Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>Blue Box Belper is in a good financial position to continue to deliver its ongoing community activities, however we will need to explore other funding options to continue our youth provision. We are also continuing to work towards the fundraising target for the construction project.</p> <p>The trustees have designated funds in the account (as of 31 March 2021) towards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ £30,011 for the construction project.</li><li>➤ £2,480 for the youth provision</li><li>➤ £660 for ongoing annual running costs</li></ul>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ £272 remaining for Welcome Packs and Newsletters</li> <li>➤ £2,000 as reserves.</li> </ul> <p>There is also £20,000 (Belper Town Council), £6,000 (Derbyshire County Council) and £15,000 (Bernard Sunley Foundation) pledged towards the construction project, which is waiting to be transferred.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>As advised by the Charity Commission, Blue Box Belper reserves policy seeks to provide sufficient monies to enable the organisation to properly finance its own termination. The Board has agreed to provide (wherever possible) an amount which equates to three months' running costs. At 31 March 2021 the charity has unrestricted reserves of £2,000.</p> <p>Our agreed intention, once the new community centre is in place, is that our reserves will be at a level needed to run the new community centre for one year.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£2,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There is no uncertainty about the charity continuing.

### Additional information

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>In this last financial year, Blue Box Belper has secured funds (£4,846.59), including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- £2,500 (Open Gate Trust) for the Construction Project</li> <li>- £2,067.42 (this included some fundraising activities, and some donations from residents and local organisations)</li> <li>- £279.17 (Belper Town Council – printing for</li> </ul>
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		Welcome Packs)
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	<p>The trustees believe the main risks for the charity, alongside our measures to mitigate any impact are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Failure to secure the funds for the construction project.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This Spring the trustees reviewed our fundraising strategy and have requested the pledged £20,000 from Belper Town Council in order for us to develop Building Regulation-compliant technical designs and construction drawings, as well as necessary surveys, in order for the project to be tendered. This will enable us to apply to larger funding bodies, most notably the Lottery's Reaching Communities Fund.</li> <li>- The trustees are also exploring additional funding scenarios to ensure we can secure the funds required for the construction project and reach specific targets (e.g. 50% of the funds) in order to access additional funding opportunities with certain grant-giving bodies.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2) Failure to secure the funds to continue our charitable activities.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The trustees continue to look ahead to assess that the funds required to maintain our current provisions are in place. For example, we are in the process of securing additional funding to ensure the youth provision can continue beyond September 2021.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3) Impact of Covid-19             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Covid could have an ongoing impact on the delivery of our provision and securing of required funds. The trustees will continue to meet regularly and assess how Covid is impacting our work. In addition, we will assess the results of our Consultation Project and ensure that the charity is meeting the changing needs of the community we serve.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

### Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:

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		Belper Town Council for them to become the successor to the lease, should the building prove to be financially unsustainable.
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Other name the charity uses	Blue Box Community Organisation
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Charity's principal address	85 Mill Lane, Belper, Derbyshire, DE56 1LH

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity



	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
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2	Jonathan Ward	Vice Chair		
3	Sarah Thackeray	Treasurer		
4	John Nelson	N/A		
5	Cllr Jyoti Wilkinson	N/A	until 29/11/20	Belper Town Council
6	Eleanor Wyke	N/A		
7	Cllr Mary Dwyer	N/A	from 04/01/21	Belper Town Council

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**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

**Declarations**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Thomas Wyke	Sarah Thackeray
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairperson	Treasurer
<b>Date</b>	10/07/2021	

# **BLUE BOX BELPER**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT**

**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 13 to 16.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 of the 1993 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended); and
- 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 you as 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 connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Newey ACMA  
Derby Community Accountancy Service  
Babington Lodge  
128 Grteen Lane  
Derby

Date

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## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

2020					2021	
Total		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	
£		Fund	Fund	Fund	£	
18884	Opening Balance	2030	36885	200	39115	
<b>Receipts</b>						
14379	Grants	note 1	0	2779	0	2779
6198	Fundraising		37	0	0	37
2086	Donations		1595	0	0	1595
0	Sundry		436	0	0	436
<b>22663</b>			<b>2067</b>	<b>2779</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4847</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
417	Room hire		0	0	0	0
317	Insurance		317	0	0	317
338	Printing, stationery and website		301	0	0	301
1258	Fees		250	0	0	250
0	Sports & Youth activity		0	7414	0	7414
96	Outings and refreshments		0	0	0	0
0	Training		96	0	0	96
0	Travel expenses		0	0	0	0
7	Sundry		0	0	0	0
<b>2432</b>			<b>963</b>	<b>7414</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8377</b>
<b>20230</b>	<b>Net Movement of Funds</b>		<b>1104</b>	<b>-4635</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-3530</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Transfer between funds</b>		<b>-973</b>	<b>1173</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>39115</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>		<b>2161</b>	<b>33423</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35584</b>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

<b>2020</b>		<b>2021</b>
£		£
<u>0</u>	<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<u>0</u>
<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
	<b>Monetary assets</b>	
38953	Bank balance	35423
<u>161</u>	Cash	<u>161</u>
<b><u>39115</u></b>		<b><u>35584</u></b>
0	Less liabilities	0
<b><u><u>39115</u></u></b>	<b>Net Assets</b>	<b><u><u>35584</u></u></b>

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Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2021

#### Note 1

##### Grants

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Derbyshire County Council	0	0	0	0	10379
Morrisons	0	0	0	0	1000
WF Southall Trust	0	0	0	0	3000
Belper Town Council	0	279	0	279	0
Open Gate	0	2500	0	2500	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>2779</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2779</b>	<b>14379</b>

#### Note 2

##### Restricted Funds

	Closing Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer Between Funds	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
Fleet Arts	200	0	0	-200	0
	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-200</b>	<b>0</b>

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2021**

**Note 3**

Designated Funds

Construction Project

	£
Morrisons Foundation	1000
WF Southall Trust	3000
Belper Town Council	5000
Golden Giving	1000
Open Gate	2500
Individual gift	3000
	<hr/> <b>15500</b> <hr/>
Construction project funds raised by various means	<hr/> <b>14511</b> <hr/>
 <u>Derbyshire County Council and Belper Town Council</u>	
Newsletters	206
Welcome Packs	66
	<hr/> <b>272</b> <hr/>
Ongoing annual running costs (insurance, accounts, website)	<hr/> <b>660</b> <hr/>
Detached Youth Project - Derbyshire County Council	<b>2480</b>
<b>Total Designated Funds</b>	<hr/> <b>33423</b> <hr/>