

## **Ladybarn Community Hub Annual Report. 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024-31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

By Chair of Trustees: Charlotte Coull

### **Aims of Ladybarn Community Hub**

Ladybarn Community Hub seeks to provide a space for the local community that is warm, welcoming, and safe. This space is inclusive, working with the diverse and mobile population of Ladybarn that includes everyone from retirees, students, and professionals at all stages of their careers. We aim to provide activities and groups that appeal to as many people as possible, bringing the community together and creating cohesion and unity.

We aim to maintain and develop the building and surrounding grounds and gardens as a community asset for these groups to use. This includes investing in the building as needed to keep it safe and secure, as well as maintaining a welcoming atmosphere.

None of this would be possible without our volunteers. The Hub continues to host volunteers from a range of backgrounds who facilitate our activities and help care for the building and community who use it.

### **Staff, volunteers, trustees**

In late August 2024 the Hub took on Hannah Jewell as the new manager and continued on to employ a new volunteer coordinator and a building and facilities manager. This brings the staff total to four, with staff hours at 2.4 FTE. The Hub is operating with 38 volunteers, who have contributed 2278 hours of volunteering as of the start of April 2025. Additionally, the board of trustees presently has seven members.

### **Community Activities (a selection)**

We offer 11 in-house activities and groups across a range of interests. These include:

*Garden Group:* this group has continued to grow, with new members joining and new additions to the Hub's garden space being made. We now have a nature pond and a compost bed system set up. The community orchard continues to thrive.

*Thursday Lunch Club:* our ever-popular Thursday Lunch Club continues to run, providing a hot meal, dessert, and post meal games for an average of 28 attendees.

*LGBTQ+ coffee morning:* this continues to be a popular and valuable group, with a core group of about 10 attendees.

This year we have introduced several new groups and activities, including Monday Crafternoon, a Thursday evening drumming circle, and a games club. We hope to continue expanding the activities we offer and are always on the lookout for new groups and ideas that may suit the community.

### **The building**

The redecoration works planned in the year 2023 to 2024 have taken place; the hall, a focal point for so many of the hub's activities, has been repainted and new lights have been installed, creating a fresh and vibrant space that is ready to use.

Additionally, the Hub has continued to maintain the building, replacing the fascias, and making the small meeting room space more usable by resituating the electric box.

**Finances/funding**

The Hub continues to operate using a combination of grant income and income gained from room rentals. Maintaining room rental income gives us a consistent and predictable income to reinvest in the building and salaries of our staff, and grant money from various sources allows us to run ongoing activities such as Wellbeing Wednesday and make one off purchases to benefit both the Hub staff and community; an example of this would be funding from the MCC Food Insecurity Grant and MCC Neighbourhood Investment Fund that enabled the purchase of a dishwasher and slow cooker.

**LADYBARN COMMUNITY HUB**

**Registered Charity No: 1179426**

**ACCOUNTS &**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**for the year ended 31 March 2025**

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<b>Expenditure</b>		
Staff Wage costs	52134.10	
Employers Pension	1118.55	
Employee Settlement & Legal Fees		
Payroll Processing Fees	312.00	
Sundry Expenses	479.08	
Refreshments & Lunches	126.42	
Older Peoples Expenses/Wellbeing (Food/cook/prizes/trips etc) less donations	778.59	
South Asian Lunches less donations		
Ladybarn Choir		
Staff & Volunteer DBS Checks		
Kitchen Equipment	349.36	
Staff & Volunteer Expenses	598.06	
Premises Costs (Water & Rates)	3296.32	
Advertising & Marketing Promotion Costs		
Business Insurance	1534.03	
Light & Heat	8007.51	
Waste Collection	1482.89	
PPM Contracts (Security & Alarms)	3583.24	
PAT Testing & Fire Extinguisher Services	426.00	
Printing	938.40	
Stationery & Postage	553.75	
Office Sundry ( Furniture & Tables)	407.84	
Telephone	2205.90	
Computer Software	212.40	
IT Support & Backup	2911.73	
Property Repairs	3357.36	
Cleaning Wages & Materials	7646.87	
Accountancy Fees	788.00	
Consultancy Fees	540.00	
Expired Grants	-1950.49	
Building Survey & Consultancy Report		
Subscriptions	1318.36	
Insurance Claim	-559.02	
Depreciation	42.00	
<b>Total Operating Costs</b>		92639.25
<b>Surplus of Expenditure over Income for the Year</b>		<u><u>-1050.69</u></u>

## Income &amp; Expenditure Account

Year Ended 31 March 2025

£

£

£

## Income

MCC Core Funding Grants  
MLCO

39000.00

39000.00

## Room Hires

49239.50

## Sundry Donations

3349.06

	Grants B/fwd	Direct Expenses	Grants	Carried Forward
<b>Restricted Funding &amp; Grants</b>				
Co op Community Fund	0.00			0.00
WG Edwards Heating Grant	0.00			0.00
NIF Mural Grant	0.00			0.00
NIF Alarm System Grant	0.00			0.00
Co op Gardening Project Grant	0.00			0.00
We Love MCR Community Grant	0.00			0.00
OPeNs Grant	0.00			0.00
NHS Covid Community Engagement	0.00			0.00
GMMH Wellbeing - Gardening	0.00			0.00
Lunch Group Fees Collected	1311.81	1311.81		0.00
MACC Volunteer Expenses Grant	0.00			0.00
GMMHW Grant	0.00			0.00
Awards for all Grant	0.00			0.00
We Love MCR - Flower arranging course	0.00			0.00
BUZZ NHS - Kingswood Park Grant	57.00	57.00		0.00
NIF - Litter Pick Equipment	-12.73	-12.73		0.00
Bollyfit	280.00	280.00		0.00
Soundup choir grant	240.00	240.00		0.00
Nif LGBTQ grant	1020.00			1020.00
Internation women's day grant	-26.27	-26.27		0.00
Morrisons decorating grant	5282.10	5282.10		0.00
	8151.91	7131.91	0.00	1020.00
<b>Funding &amp; Grants in the Year</b>				
NIF Builidings grant		1641.69	-3800.00	2158.31
NIF Lawnmower grant		229.99	-229.99	0.00
Nif LGBTQ grant		350.62	-500.00	149.38
Duchy of Lancaster		700.00	-1138.00	438.00
Food Insecurity Fund		59.98	-1177.00	1117.02
Winter warmer funding		666.00	-666.00	0.00
Hubbub Foundation		1990.27	-5500.00	3509.73
Outreach		6635.34	-24000.00	17364.66
	8151.91	19405.80	-37010.99	25757.10
<b>Net Income for the year</b>				91588.56

**Balance Sheet**  
**31 March 2025**

	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Office Equipment at Cost	407.59	
Additions in the Year	<u>407.59</u>	
Depreciation b/f	127.59	
Depreciation for the year	<u>42.00</u>	<u>169.59</u>
		238.00
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Balance	30068.80	
Savings Account	20000.00	
Trade Debtors	7075.00	
Petty Cash	<u>723.26</u>	
	<u>57867.06</u>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Sundry Creditor	231.04	
Accrued Expenses	<u>475.00</u>	
	<u>706.04</u>	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>57161.02</u>
		57399.02
<b>Less : Restricted Funding &amp; Grants</b>		25757.10
		<u>31641.92</u>
<b>Reprersented by :</b>		
Revenue Reserves brought forward		32692.61
Surplus of Expenditure for the year		-1050.69
		<u>31641.92</u>

**Ladybarn Community Hub**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For the period ended 31 March 2025**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Accounting Principles**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 with applicable Accounting Standards.

**Depreciation**

Depreciation has been calculated to write off the net book values of fixed assets over their expected economic lives at the following annual rates.

Equipment & Fixtures	20% on reducing balance
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**2. INCOME**

Turnover for the year was £91,588 (2024 £87,119) and represents the unrestricted funding grants and donations received from various sources and during the year.

**3. CORPORATION TAX**

Corporation tax is charged in the accounts in the period to which it relates.

The amount of corporate tax due on non-mutual trading activities for the year was £ nil.

**4. CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the charity's activities were acquired or discontinued during the year.

**5. TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the financial period detailed herewith.





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Ladybarn Community Hub

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 March 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1179426

Set out on pages

3 to 5

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2025**.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:

K Holt

Date:

11/12/2025

Name:

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(if any):

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<b>Section B</b>	<b>Disclosure</b>
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**