



Report and Accounts

1st October 2023 – 30th September 2024

Registered in England and Wales. Charity No: 1179483

Impact Thame

Report of the Trustees

12 months ending 30th September 2024

Reference and administrative details

Impact Thame is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees. It is governed by its Constitution which was adopted on registration on 8th August 2018 and amended on 16 May 2023 and on 29 Sep 2023.

Charity registration number 1179483

Principal office Black Horse Cottage, Manor Road,
Towersey, THAME, OX9 3QR

Trustees

Susan Margaret Cival
Catherine Enticknap
Rev Patrick Joel Harris
Mark Powys-Smith

Governance

The Trustees oversee the charity and normally meet every two months with extra meetings if needed.

New trustees are recruited by direct invitation from the existing trustees and are identified either by trustees or by referral. In extending invitations to individuals, account is taken of the skills, present and required, and to provide appropriate representation from churches in the area. The chair of trustees is nominated by the trustees of the CIO who may at any point revoke such appointment.

Induction of trustees includes provision of information on the requirements of being a charity trustee as well as the governing documents and relevant guidelines from the Charity Commission. New trustees are encouraged to reflect on the role of the charity and talk to those already involved, especially among the other Trustees and the Leadership Team.

Having mostly had personal contact with Impact Thame, new trustees are often aware of our objectives and the work we undertake. As such, the induction of new trustees is minimal. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external events where this will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purpose

To promote the Christian faith to children, young people and families in the area of Thame and its surrounding villages in particular but not exclusively by a combination of teaching, performing arts, music, physical activities and crafts in a way which promotes the Christian faith and encourages churches to work together to promote unity.

Public Benefit

The trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the 2006 Act to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission, including the specific guidance on advancement of religion, in all their decisions.

Achievements and performance

There has been considerable behind-the-scenes administrative activity during the past year. We have personalised our bookings system for both children and team and refined policies to fit the current need. With the new logo and website in place we are building momentum each year and reaching those who can benefit from our work.

On 31st October 2023 Impact Thame ran our first Lighten Up Party since before Covid, in St Mary's Church Thame. Team from across the town and surrounding villages came together to put on a very successful event for one hundred children, and many of their parents stayed to enjoy the evening.

We ran a Zoom Launch in March to gain momentum for our first Holiday Club since Covid. Here we laid out our plans to those who were supportive of getting plans off the ground for a Holiday Club to run from 29th-31st July based around three venues: St Mary's Church Thame, Thame Barns Centre and the Thame Cricket field.

The result of the increasing momentum behind Impact Thame is that 35 team members from across the churches came together to run our Holiday Club and give 70 children three fun-filled mornings (9.00-12.30). We ran all-together sessions based around Bible stories, where the children could learn, be involved, play games, sing, dance and have fun together. These themes were supported by crafts, reflections, a "chill zone", sports and more, using an Olympic Theme as a backdrop to our teaching. We supported two children with Additional Needs who needed 1-2-1 care.

Financial review

The CIO had a deficit for the year of £1,610 (2023: £1,282 deficit) as the trustees continued their policy of using accumulated reserves to subsidise events in the first year.

Total income amounted to £3,631 (2023: £959). Donation income has started to grow, with gift income of £1,169 (2023: £411). In addition, the trustees were grateful for grants received from local churches of £1,258 (2023: £315).

There was total expenditure of £5,241 (2023: £2,241). The principal expenditure was for event expenses required to run Lighten Up Party and the Holiday Club. There was no expenditure on fundraising.

At 30th September 2024 the General Fund stood at £22,888 (2023: £24,498), which will be used to fund activities planned for 2024/25.

Reserves policy

The charity aims to apply income directly to its charitable purposes, whilst retaining sufficient available reserves to cover immediate operating expenses. The trustees consider it appropriate to carry reserves equivalent to eight to ten months' operating expenditure.

Factors considered include the need to cover fluctuations in gift income and critical expenditure requirements to set up and prepare for annual events. The funds give the trustees scope to commit expenditure in advance of the voluntary income that those events generate.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this trustees' report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Susan M Civval, Trustee

15th November 2024

Impact Thame

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

1st October
2023

To

30th September
2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Gifts and donations	£ 1,169	£ -	£ -	£ 1,169	£ 411
Grants	£ 1,258	£ -	£ -	£ 1,258	£ 315
Bank interest	£ 1,089	£ -	£ -	£ 1,089	£ 233
Sales	£ 115	£ -	£ -	£ 115	£ -
		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Sub total(Gross income for AR)	£ 3,631	£ -	£ -	£ 3,631	£ 959
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Sub total	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Total receipts	£ 3,631	£ -	£ -	£ 3,631	£ 959
A3 Payments					
Activities	£ 4,296	£ -	£ -	£ 4,296	£ 1,176
Administration and support	£ 678	£ -	£ -	£ 678	£ 193
Advertising and Promotion	£ 108	£ -	£ -	£ 108	£ 872
Insurance	£ 131	£ -	£ -	£ 131	£ -
Governance	£ 28	£ -	£ -	£ 28	£ -
		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Sub total	£ 5,241	£ -	£ -	£ 5,241	£ 2,241
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Sub total	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Total payments	£ 5,241	£ -	£ -	£ 5,241	£ 2,241
Net of receipts/(payments)	-£ 1,610	£ -	£ -	-£ 1,610	-£ 1,282
A5 Transfers between funds	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
A6 Cash funds last year end	£ 24,498	£ -	£ -	£ 24,498	£ 25,780
Cash funds this year end	£ 22,888	£ -	£ -	£ 22,888	£ 24,498

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Accounts	£ 1,844	£ -	£ -
	CCLA Deposit Fund	£ 21,044	£ -	£ -
		£ -	£ -	£ -
	Total cash funds	£ 22,888	£ -	£ -
	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
		S M Cival		

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Impact Thame

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Impact Thame (the Charity) for the 12 months ended 30 September 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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:

Gordon M Taylor ACMA Retired
1, Cheshire Road, THAME, OX9 3LQ

6th November 2024