



Chairman's Report - 2022

We started 2022 by getting back to a more normal situation after the pandemic.

We held 9 meetings in total this year with no meetings held in January, June, and December.

The Comic Relief Grant was completed early in the new financial year and it was generally agreed that the project had been a success with the original funding being topped up by Action funds. Thanks were due to Lucy Karfopoulos, the Mental Health Counsellor, who undertook the majority of the counselling in the project.

During the course of the year 2 of our Trustees (John Coates and Pat Latty) resigned. We thank both of them for their contributions to the charity during their time as Trustees. We also welcomed Paul Goodman to our meetings as a representative of the Guiseley Community Foundation.

We have tried to give more direction to our activities by building a Priority List for projects which have been identified by the Children's Centre. The list is compiled and monitored by the Secretary, and it will provide a focus for future work.

The proposed joint application with Guiseley Community Foundation and the Aireborough Rotary Club to the Tudor Trust did not come to fruition this year, however it was agreed that the principle of a joint application for other major projects should be further investigated.

In summer we again funded a holiday for a needy family at Primrose Valley near Filey. This was organised through the Mother's Union who have a caravan there, and specific funding was given by Otley Lions to fund another holiday in 2023.

Some of our projects, such as the development of outdoor space, a mud kitchen and internal decoration at Queensway School, were put on hold due to the

potential closure of the school, however now that this proposal has been cancelled we can look forward to the possibility of delivering them in 2023.

In an effort to improve the garden area at Guiseley Children's Centre, Action provided planters at the front door filled with plants provided by a local garden Centre.

We also contributed to trips organised by the Children's Centre which included a summer coach trip to the coast, and a visit to Gulliver's World during the Christmas period.

We set up a Family Emergency Support Fund, with specific funding allocated for this purpose. This can be used for individual families with specific short term requirements which they have difficulty in funding. This is monitored and organised by one of the Trustees. So far, only one family has benefitted from this fund, but it remains open on a permanent basis.

The current project that is underway at the moment is the formation of a Toy Library and it is intended to make an application to a grant giving body to fund this. Once established, the Toy Library will be administered by The Children's Centre.

Income was down this year, but many of the grant giving bodies were not offering grants. This is due to change in the near future, and hopefully we can be successful with bids in the coming year. In the meantime, thanks are due to those who did contribute to our funding 2022 including the Guisley Community Foundation, Otley & Keighley Lions Club and Burley-in-Wharfedale 050 Club. Contributions to projects and our links with Aireborough Rotary Club are also appreciated

Thanks, are again due to:-

David Ball of Community Matters for his help and general support to our group.

The staff of Aireborough Children's Centre for their continued support, input and help.

The Trustees of ACTION without whom, none of our activities would happen.

R I Banks

Chairman

ACTION (Aireborough Children's Trust In Our Neighbourhood)

Action accounts to December

Income 2022

Opening Balance Jan.'22	£	2,261.66
CAF2201202216CF Jan 2021	£	74.77
B in W O50 donation	£	100.00
Beer festival	£	1,500.00
Keighley Lions donation	£	250.00
Otley Lions donation	£	1,000.00
Lions donation	£	500.00
CAF 2208051999CF	£	38.49
Total Income	£	<u>3,463.26</u>
	£	<u><u>5,724.92</u></u>

2022

Expenditure 2022

LK counselling	£ 405.00
Family support	£ 430.00
MU Caravan	£ 500.00
Travel costs	£ 123.25
Family donation	£ 100.00
Subscription Comm. Matters	£ 25.00
Family hol expenses	£ 35.00
Tickets Gullivers World	£ 974.00
coach trip	£ 100.00
Total Expenditure	<hr/> £ 2,692.25
Balance at 7 Jan.2023	£ 3,032.67
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