

THE BEACON CENTRE

**TRUSTEES REPORT AND
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023**

The Beacon Centre is a registered CIO in England & Wales number 1181149

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CHARITY REGISTRATION NO: 1181149
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

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**The Beacon Centre
Trustee Report**

Prepared by Revd Christopher Moore (Chair of Trustees)

Charity's name: The Beacon Centre

Registration number: 1181149

Address: Beacon Centre, 131 Barrington Street, M11 4FB

Trustee names: Revd Christopher Moore, Lesley Karen Brereton, James Hill, John Thomas Smith, Jill Files, Thomasena Stockwell

Structure and details of how it is managed, including how it recruits trustees.

Apart from the first charity trustees, trustees are appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. Trustees may be unlimited charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees consider the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. A charity trustee ceases to hold office if he or she: (a) retires by notifying the CIO in writing (b) is absent without the permission of the charity trustees from all their meetings held within a period of six months and the trustees resolve that his or her office be vacated; (c) dies; (d) in the written opinion, given to the CIO, of a registered medical practitioner treating that person, has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a trustee and may remain so for more than three months; (e) is disqualified from acting as a charity trustee by virtue of sections 178-180 of the Charities Act 2011 (or any statutory re-enactment or modification of that provision). A charity trustee who has served for three consecutive terms may not be reappointed for a fourth consecutive term but may be reappointed after an interval of at least one year.

Objectives and Activities:

To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Clayton, Openshaw and the neighbouring wards without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants 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. Activities include:

Menzone

CraftAlong

Luncheon Club and Bingo

Community Grocer

Citizen's Advice

Strictly Beacon

Play Clayton

Digital Inclusion

Job Club

ESOL

Active Sessions

Blood Pressure Checks

Read Easy

Its achievements and performance, including reporting on its public benefit

MenZone

Numbers are growing (12-15 members, when all attend) and belonging to the group has made a huge difference to individuals, as well as the two volunteers. During Mental Health Week, a barber attended the session and offered free haircuts, shaves and beard trims. Six of the members have registered an interest in taking part in a PSA testing drive later in the year, funded by the Prostate Cancer Support Charity. This will go ahead if enough book a blood test.

CraftAlong

There are eight members of the group, which started in January with three initial members. It is hoped that numbers will continue to grow. The purpose of the group is to bring people together, who have a common interest in crafting activities, are keen to learn new crafting skills and desire social interaction. Several members have completed a number of projects since starting and are growing in confidence to try new things.

Luncheon Club & Bingo

Luncheon Club takes place fortnightly. The Christmas Lunch was well-attended, with over 30 members. The usual number of diners is between 20 and 27. Takeaways and free lunches for the volunteers mean that catering for 30 each time usually means that there is little to no waste. Occasionally, surplus takeaway meals have been supplied as part of free emergency food parcels. The volunteers are gaining confidence and it is expected that this will lead to more participants.

Community Grocer

Costs £3 per shop. There is no joining fee. If we have 11 attendees, we cover the cost of the FareShare order. The usual attendance is 19-22 members, out of a total of around 30. We currently have a waiting list, however, places are about to become available as a number of current memberships expire

We can supply a number of free food parcels or packs of nappies each week, usually by referral from one of the Referring Partners, although these are often accepted from other organisations, and occasionally, drop-ins.

Coffee Morning

A handful of local residents, who are not members of the Community Grocer, attend the coffee morning that runs during grocer opening hours. This is run by two students from The Manchester College SEND department, accompanied by their Job Coach, as part of their Work Experience programme. Outside of term time, this is temporarily covered by other volunteers.

Citizen's Advice

Drop-in video call advice sessions run during Community Grocer hours. We share a remote advisor with another centre, and so there is sometimes a wait to be seen.

Ad hoc Assistance

Occasionally, individuals present requesting assistance with form filling, creating of CVs, help with reporting issues such as fly tipping, or general enquiries regarding how to access various services. The Centre Manager and two volunteers are usually able to assist or signpost other agencies, subject to their availability. Use of WiFi, Chromebooks, telephone, photocopier/ scanner/ printer are provided free of charge.

Strictly Beacon

Dance lessons continue to be popular. The group decided to forgo refreshments in lieu of extra dancing time, therefore there is no expenditure. Attendees pay £3 per session.

Play Clayton

Free active play sessions, delivered by staff from the Water Adventure Centre, Droylsden. They have around 30 children on their books and attendance is usually 20+ per week. We receive income for room hire, regardless of how many attend. Some of the children often carry out a litter pick on the car park and along the front of the centre.

Digital Inclusion

Service providers from MAES were originally intended to offer digital inclusion sessions. However, the service was sporadic and unreliable, inadequately advertised and unavailable outside term time. There is the possibility of providing digital inclusion courses in collaboration with the NHS, with the hope of promoting general digital skills and use of devices, with help in using the NHS App. No start date is currently anticipated.

Job Club

Similarly to digital inclusion, Job Club was unsuccessful for the same reasons. One Manchester withdrew the service with one week's notice. The Growth Company provided a

service for several months but the provision ended abruptly at the end of 2022, when the representative left with no notice, and without replacement. There are a handful of possible service providers to be explored. There have been very few enquiries about this type of service, however, it is probably worthwhile to try once more.

ESOL

There have been a small number of enquiries about ESOL activities and formal courses. The Manchester Settlement has an extremely popular and successful program of activities, and contacts at the New Roundhouse will be useful in exploring the possibility of providing similar services at The Beacon Centre.

Active Sessions

Following the replacement of the flooring in the main hall, we now offer several different types of active session on Mondays and Tuesdays, and a children's session on Saturday mornings. One session is a seated activity, that is particularly suitable for people with mobility issues, difficulty standing, and wheelchair users. MCR Active have offered some possible funding opportunities and will support if necessary, with applications.

Blood Pressure Checks in the Community

In collaboration with Nuffield Health, The Beacon Centre is now a venue for ad hoc blood pressure checking. This is a free service, available to centre users.

Read Easy

Read Easy UK is entirely voluntary organisation that provides a free coaching program for adults who are learning to read. The Beacon Centre has been approved as a venue for Read Easy coaching sessions.

Serious Incidents

There has been one safeguarding disclosure. The reported disclosure which took place in August 2022 was referred to Social Services who clarified that the disclosure referred to an historic incident which was dealt with by Social Services and the Police. The mother of the child who made the disclosure declined further support and no further action was required on the part of the Beacon Centre. The Centre Manager, as the Safeguarding Officer followed due process and was commended by the social worker.

A financial review including any debts and details of your reserves policy (if applicable)

For the year ended 30 April 2023 Beacon Centre received revenue based grant income from a number of funders for the activities and operational costs carried out and borne by the centre. These grants enabled the centre to fully commence its core activities. The building was acquired on a long-term lease but required extensive rebuilding and refurbishment and a complete fit-out. Grants were received from Sport England to carry out this work. These grants are shown in the balance sheet as deferred income and are released into the profit and loss account over the period of the

useful life of the respective fixed assets (see note 1 in the financial statements). The trustees believe this is the correct approach.

Expenditure reflects a full year of operations and is reflective of the continued need to collectively apply for grants to support the operation and its core activities and values.

Reserves Policy

Reserves are required to bridge the gap between the spending and receiving of income and to cover unplanned emergency repairs and other expenditure. The trustees consider that the level of unrestricted reserves as of 30 April 2023 in excess of £25,000 would enable the charity to continue as a going concern for the next financial year.

Details of any funds held as a custodian trustee: None.

No trustees receive any remuneration, payments, or benefits from the charity.

 29/10/23

REV C.J. MOORE
CHAIR OF TRUSTEES



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	THE BEACON CENTRE		
On accounts for the year ended	30 APRIL 2023	Charity no (if any)	1181149
Set out on pages	8 -10		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/04/2023.

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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

29/10/2023

Name:

DERECK MZUNGU

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

ACCA CERTIFIED ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN (1617544)

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Section B**Disclosure**

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.

THE BEACON CENTRE
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 April 2023

INCOME	NOTE	2023	2022
Grant Income		35,020	19,000
Donations		178	0
Room Hire		8,828	0
Deferred income release	1	<u>23,307</u>	<u>21,437</u>
GROSS PROFIT		67,333	40,437
Operating expenses		48,331	15,084
Depreciation	2	22,543	4,526
Net (Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities		-3,541	20,827
Profit brought forward		31,321	10,494
Profit carried forward	8	<u>27,780</u>	<u>31,321</u>

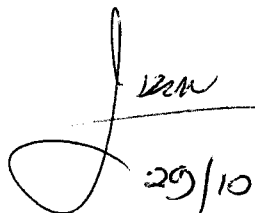
The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

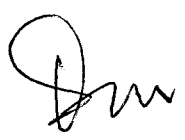
THE BEACON CENTRE
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 APRIL 2023

	NOTE	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Aseets			
Leasehold property	3	347,854	340,242
Kitchen Equipment	3	28,608	26,005
Computer Equipment		524	0
Fixtures and fittings	3	4,669	870
		<u>381,655</u>	<u>367,117</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors		1,155	0
Bank	4	42,433	26,374
		<u>43,588</u>	<u>26,374</u>
Total assets		<u>425,243</u>	<u>393,491</u>
Current liabilities			
HMRC	5	442	136
Pension Creditors	5	121	55
Trade Creditors		2,600	0
Deferred income 1 year	5	21,274	19,359
Total Current Liabilities		<u>24,438</u>	<u>19,550</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		400,804	373,941
Long term liabilities			
Deferred income more than 1 year	6	373,025	342,620
Net assets		<u>27,780</u>	<u>31,321</u>
Profit and Loss account	7	27,780	31,321
Total funds		<u>27,780</u>	<u>31,321</u>

Signed


Treasurer JAMES HILL
29/10/23

Signed


Independent Examiner DERECK MZUNGU.
29/10/23

THE BEACON CENTRE
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

1 Deferred income

	£	£	£	1 yr	> 1 yr
				£	£
B/F	361,980	19,359	342,621	17,609	325,012
GRANTS LEASEHOLD 4%	42,251	1,438	40,813	1,633	39,181
GRANTS KITCHEN 20%	10,078	2,016	8,062	1,612	6,450
GRANTS FIXTURES & FITTINGS	3,298	495	2,803	420	2,383
	<u>417,606</u>	<u>23,307</u>	<u>394,299</u>	<u>21,274</u>	<u>373,025</u>

2 Depreciation

Depreciation is provided against tangible fixed assets on the straight line method as follows:

Leasehold property	4%
Kitchen equipment	20%
Computer equipment	33%
Office equipment	20%
Fixtures & Fittings	15%

3 FIXED ASSETS

	LEASEHOLD	KITCHEN	COMP EQ	F&F	OFFICE EQ
Rate	4%	20%	33.30%	15%	20%
Opening bal 01 May 22	£ 342,720.30	£ 28,136.74	£ -	£ 891.00	£ -
Additions	£ 22,031.90	£ 10,077.62	£ 538.99	£ 4,433.63	£ -
Disposals	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Closing bal 30 Apr 23	<u>£ 364,752.20</u>	<u>£ 38,214.36</u>	<u>£ 538.99</u>	<u>£ 5,324.63</u>	<u>£ 408,830.18</u>

Depreciation

Opening bal 01 May 22	£ 2,478.77	£ 2,131.25	£ -	£ 21.45	£ -
Additions	£ 14,419.79	£ 7,474.91	£ 14.96	£ 634.20	£ -
Disposals	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Closing bal 30 Apr 23	<u>£ 16,898.56</u>	<u>£ 9,606.16</u>	<u>£ 14.96</u>	<u>£ 655.65</u>	<u>£ 27,175.33</u>

NBV 30 Apr 2023

NBV 01 May 2022

£ 347,853.64	£ 28,608.20	£ 524.03	£ 4,668.98	£ -	£ 381,654.85
£ 340,241.53	£ 26,005.49	£ -	£ 869.55	£ -	£ 367,116.57

4 Current Assets

2023

2022

Trade debtors	1,155	£ -
Cash at bank	<u>42,433</u>	<u>25,374</u>
	<u>43,588</u>	<u>25,374</u>

5 Creditors - due within 1 year

2023

2022

Trade and tax creditors	3,164	191
Deferred income	<u>21,274</u>	<u>19,359</u>
	<u>24,438</u>	<u>19,550</u>

6 Creditors - due over 1 year

2023

2022

Deferred income	<u>400,804</u>	<u>342,620</u>
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7 Operating profit

2023

2022

Operating profit is stated after charging

Depreciation	<u>22,543</u>	<u>4,526</u>
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8 Reconciliation of movements in funds

2023

2022

(Loss)/Profit for the year	-3,541	20,827
Opening balance	31,321	10,494
Closing funds	<u>27,780</u>	<u>31,321</u>