

# **SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT**

## **Trustees' Report and Financial Statements**

**For the year ended 31 March 2023**

Charity Number 1181573

# **SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT**

## **Contents**

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Charity Information               | 3  |
| Trustees Report                   | 4  |
| Independent Examiner's Report     | 7  |
| Statement of Financial Activities | 8  |
| Balance Sheet                     | 9  |
| Funds Analysis                    | 10 |
| Notes to the Financial Statements | 11 |

## **SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT**

### **Reference and Administrative Details**

**Year to 31 March 2023**

#### **Trustees**

Iain Anderson  
Edward Frape  
Theo Hayward  
Martin Johns  
Susan Sharps  
Melanie Whitlock

Chairman  
Secretary

#### **Registered Office**

NAYC Headquarters Office  
Kings Park Conference Centre  
Kings Park Road  
Northampton  
NN3 6LL

#### **Independent Examiner**

Ashley Painter (ACA, FCCA, MAAT)  
On behalf of  
Blencowes Accountants  
15 High Street  
Brackley  
Northamptonshire  
NN13 7DH

## **SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report and financial statements for the year to 31 March 2023.

South Northants Youth Engagement (SNYE) now into a third year of operation has built a strong foundation with a committed leadership team with adventurous plans that have continued to develop much needed youth provision. We achieved our objectives and grown our youth offer to show another successful and productive year for the charity. This annual report will present a summary of our work in delivering youth work activities, programmes and events to 4,774 young people in our area. We include starting up new projects, developing our staff and volunteer team, and partnering with local councils, schools and others.

Our youth clubs provide a safe space running a variety of fun, interesting activities and projects that engage children aged 7 to 16. We offer a range of table games and bring in qualified service providers and coaches to run craft workshops, sports sessions, awareness talks and entertainment. The young people say what they like, and we have also run a Roller Disco and themed nights. A large group also went on an organised trip to see the Northampton Knife Angel. We also welcomed our local MP Andrea Leadsom who visited our youth club in January and the Northamptonshire High Sheriff Crispin Holborow visited us in February.

Comments on Facebook regarding a Play and Activity Day:

- *'Absolutely loved today and so did the kids'*
- *'It was brilliant. Thank you so much, everything you had on was incredible and it was very busy! Loved contributing to the graffiti artist sign too and can't wait to see it on display'*

The younger age group meeting at our dedicated youth space in Southfield School and has an average weekly attendance of 12. The Friday youth club for teenagers meets at Brackley Leisure Centre and has an average weekly attendance of 43. We continued to grow our volunteer team and have 17 DBS checked, trained and supporting these youth clubs.

With local funding, we ran our first holiday clubs over the Easter, summer and half-term. All sessions were popular and well attended with children engaged in a variety of fun activities, including games, drama and multi-crafts. Parents and carers appreciated the holiday provision and gave our team very positive feedback.

After closure of youth centres in Towcester, we continued to work with partners to open a regular youth club despite challenges to secure the venue. Our established relationships with the secondary school and leisure centre helped us secure project funding from NSport to run multisport sessions combining a social time for disadvantaged young students.

Our work has expanded outside of the two towns with interest from the rural parishes and we now support a youth club in Deanshanger.

We secured an increase in funding for our free community events and this year organised our Play and Activity Days on a larger scale in four locations: Towcester, Brackley, Kings Sutton and Deanshanger. These are popular events for families and children where we provided a superb selection of fun activities and entertainment, alongside local providers and public services. All were successful and welcomed by residents with a total attendance of approximately 2,000 people in Brackley.



## **SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

We are actively involved in a project for a new purpose-built skate park planned for Brackley and managed to secure sole use of a mobile skate park owned by the local authority. A team of our volunteers were safety trained and we set up the skate park at the annual Brackley Carnival. We registered over 50 young people who accessed the park and the novices received coaching. We supported one of our young volunteers to gain a Skateboarding Coach qualification through Skateboard GB and brought in other coaches from 'Team Rubicon' and 'Learn to Skateboard' to start up regular skate park sessions at weekends. This project is bringing many children and novices alike into skateboarding and will be a direct link to the new skate park facility.

The SNYE charity is run by a Board of Trustees with representation from the local community councils, and youth sector. We employ paid staff to fulfil the roles of Coordinator, Youth Worker and Administrator. Our plan for a second youth worker is underway and this will give us dedicated youth work based in Brackley and Towcester. Our youth workers will be qualified to level 3 in youth work practice.

The charity is grant funded and will sustain current provision and expand our youth work through several key partners and funders. Core funding has sustained delivery of youth provision in the towns, and we continue to source additional finances from local and national funders. Our project funding streams enable us to run our events, programmes and holiday clubs successfully.

We are grateful to our current funders and pleased to mention them; West Northamptonshire Council (WNC), Brackley Town Council, Towcester Town Council, Town Mayors and Local Councillors, Northamptonshire Community Foundation, Northamptonshire Sport, The Brackley Round Table and Brackley United Feoffee Charity, Tesco Community Grants, and the many local people through gifts and donations.

We will continue to work with our partners and funders to increase the capacity of our youth work delivery through recruiting more youth workers and resources to support local youth projects and open new youth provision. Future projects include the Brackley Skate Park and new Youth Centres in Brackley and Towcester. We are also committed to develop the youth provision needed in the rural villages where many children and young people remain isolated and unable to access essential youth activities and services.

The SNYE charity remains steadfast in our vision; to see every young person in our local communities as active, healthy, and thriving in a supportive environment.

## **SOUTH NORTANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT**

### **TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Charity aims to have sufficient liquid reserves to continue its operations in the event of fluctuations in its cash flows. The Trustees consider that a reserve sufficient to cover 3 months normal expenditure should be established. Consequentially, the Trustees are working to establish a reserve fund of £8,000.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees monitor the risks associated with its core activities. All employees and volunteers are DBS checked and are trained to ensure all activities are conducted in a safe and inclusive manner.

Work continues on a Risk Register which will enable the Trustees to identify threats to the Charity and work to lessen their likelihood and impact.

**Signed**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Iain Anderson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Iain Anderson**  
**Chair- South Northants Youth Engagement**

**Date: 30 January 2024**

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The South Northants Youth Engagement**

We report to the trustees on our examination of the accounts of the South Northants Youth Engagement ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2023

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011,
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the Charities Act 2011, and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts and seeking explanation from the 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**

We have completed our examination; we confirm that no material matters have come to attention in connection with the examination giving us cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the forms 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

We 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.



Ashley Painter (ACA FCCA MAAT)  
For and on behalf of Blencowes  
Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditors  
15 High Street  
Brackley  
Northampton  
NN13 7DH

Date: 31 JANUARY 2024



## SOUTH NORTANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

### Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 March 2023

|                       |   | Unrestricted<br>£ | Restricted<br>£  | 2023<br>£        | 2022<br>£        |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Income</b>         |   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Grants                |   | 9,083.84          | 57,832.90        | 66,916.74        | 36,481.99        |
| Collections           |   | -                 | -                | -                | 490.13           |
| Other                 |   | 2,204.60          | -                | 2,204.60         | 1,527.15         |
|                       |   | <b>11,288.44</b>  | <b>57,832.90</b> | <b>69,121.34</b> | <b>38,499.27</b> |
| <b>Expenditure</b>    |   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Salaries              | 2 | -                 | 32,631.48        | 32,631.48        | 20,451.18        |
| Travel                |   | -                 | 2,559.00         | 2,559.00         | 2,620.61         |
| Insurance             |   | 1,900.75          | 1,000.00         | 2,900.75         | 1,182.93         |
| Payroll processing    |   | 862.80            | -                | 862.80           | 438.00           |
| Equipment             |   | 520.76            | 3,045.06         | 3,565.82         | 1,095.90         |
| Staff recruitment     |   | 10.08             | 120.96           | 131.04           | 208.60           |
| Mobile phone          |   | 276.01            | 135.15           | 411.16           | 295.60           |
| Stationery            |   | 371.36            | 169.39           | 540.75           | 119.58           |
| Training              |   | -                 | 840.00           | 840.00           | 1,425.00         |
| Hall hire             |   | 375.28            | 4,169.10         | 4,544.38         | 991.22           |
| Audit fee             |   | 750.00            | -                | 750.00           | 720.00           |
| Other expenses        |   | 4,905.95          | 1,498.48         | 6,404.43         | 1,589.80         |
|                       |   | <b>9,972.99</b>   | <b>46,168.62</b> | <b>56,141.61</b> | <b>31,138.42</b> |
| Net movement in funds |   | 1,315.45          | 11,664.28        | 12,979.73        | 7,360.85         |
| Funds b/f             |   | 7,055.21          | 20,229.37        | 27,284.58        | 19,923.73        |
| Funds c/f             |   | <b>8,370.66</b>   | <b>31,893.65</b> | <b>40,264.31</b> | <b>27,284.58</b> |



# SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

## Balance Sheet As at 31 March 2023

|                            |   | 2023<br>£        | 2022<br>£        |
|----------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>      |   |                  |                  |
| Cash at bank               |   | 42,188.96        | 30,414.52        |
| Petty Cash                 |   | 719.21           | 290.60           |
| Sundry Debtors             | 3 | 913.35           | 29.56            |
|                            |   | <b>43,821.52</b> | <b>30,734.68</b> |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b> |   |                  |                  |
| Sundry accruals            | 4 | (3,557.21)       | (3,450.10)       |
| <b>Net assets</b>          |   | <b>40,264.31</b> | <b>27,284.58</b> |
| <b>Funds</b>               |   |                  |                  |
| Unrestricted               |   | 8,370.66         | 7,055.21         |
| Restricted                 |   | 31,893.65        | 20,229.37        |
|                            |   | <b>40,264.31</b> | <b>27,284.58</b> |

## SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

### Funds Analysis As at 31 March 2023

|  | B/f<br>£         | Received<br>£    | Expenditure<br>£   | C/f<br>£         |
|--|------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>  | <b>7,055.21</b>  | <b>11,288.44</b> | <b>(9,972.99)</b>  | <b>8,370.66</b>  |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b>  |                  |                  |                    |                  |
| Maud Elkington Trust   | 1,000.00         | -                | (1,000.00)         | -                |
| West Northants/<br>Towcester Town<br>Council/ Brackley<br>Town Council | 15,816.64        | 45,212.15        | (37,008.50)        | 24,020.29        |
| National Lottery-<br>Towcester   | 1,000.00         | -                | -                  | 1,000.00         |
| National Lottery-<br>Brackley  | 950.00           | -                | (288.00)           | 662.00           |
| Feoffee  | 462.73           | -                | (260.00)           | 202.73           |
| Tesco- Skate<br>Park   | 1,000.00         | -                | (506.07)           | 493.93           |
| Towcester Town<br>Mayor  | -                | 500.00           | -                  | 500.00           |
| West Northants<br>Council-<br>Operational<br>Costs                     | -                | 3,901.05         | (3,901.05)         | -                |
| West Northants<br>Council- Summer<br>2022                              | -                | 2,375.00         | (2,375.00)         | -                |
| West Northants<br>Council- Half<br>term (Oct 2022)                     | -                | 680.00           | (440.00)           | 240.00           |
| West Northants<br>Council- Half<br>term (Feb 2023)                     | -                | 390.00           | (390.00)           | -                |
| Oxford Play<br>Association   | -                | 1,500.00         | -                  | 1,500.00         |
| N-Sport  | -                | 3,274.70         | -                  | 3,274.70         |
|  | <b>20,229.37</b> | <b>57,832.90</b> | <b>(46,168.62)</b> | <b>31,893.65</b> |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>   | <b>27,284.58</b> | <b>69,121.34</b> | <b>(56,141.61)</b> | <b>40,264.31</b> |

## **SOUTH NORTHANTS YOUTH ENGAGEMENT**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 March 2023**

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

##### **Charity Information**

The South Northants Youth Engagement is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. It is governed by a trust deed, dated 15 January 2019, and adopted by its members.

##### **Basis of preparation**

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity.

##### **Charitable funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives. Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

##### **Income**

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received. Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

##### **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from taxation as SNYE is a registered charity.

**Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

**Accrued expenses**

Accrued expenses are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measure or estimated reliably.

**2. STAFF COSTS**

|                    | <b>2023</b> | <b>2022</b> |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                    | <b>£</b>    | <b>£</b>    |
| Salaries and wages | 32,631.48   | 20,451.18   |

Eligible employees are enrolled into the NEST pension scheme (defined contribution). The charity's contributions during the year were £417.99 (2022- nil)

No Trustee received any remuneration, or claimed any expenses, during the current or preceding year.

The average number of employees during the year was 3 (2022: 3).

**3. SUNDRY DEBTORS**

|                  | <b>2023</b>   | <b>2022</b>  |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|
|                  | <b>£</b>      | <b>£</b>     |
| Sundry Debtors   | 383.41        | -            |
| Prepaid expenses | 529.94        | 29.56        |
|                  | <b>913.35</b> | <b>29.56</b> |

**4. SUNDRY ACCRUALS**

|                  | <b>2023</b>     | <b>2022</b>     |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                  | <b>£</b>        | <b>£</b>        |
| Salaries         | 2,757.21        | 2,669.56        |
| Audit Fee        | 750.00          | 720.00          |
| Accrued expenses | 50.00           | 60.54           |
|                  | <b>3,557.21</b> | <b>3,450.10</b> |