

Misbourne Area Youth

MISBOURNE AREA YOUTH

Charity Registration No: 1182783

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

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The Trustees present their Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2024

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity's Name:	Misbourne Area Youth Also known as MAY
Registered Charity Number:	1182783
Correspondence address:	c/o Foxgloves, Honor End Lane, Prestwood Bucks HP16 9HG
Trustees:	Brenda Barker Michael Bennett Gillian Medford Colin Veysey
Management Committee Members:	Gillian Medford (Chair) Colin Veysey (Vice Chairman) Brenda Barker Mike Bennett (Treasurer) Christine Davy (Safeguarding/First Aid) Barbara Rowett (Secretary)

Structure, Governance and Management

MAY is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation – Foundation Model governed by a Constitution dated 18 March 2019 and registered with the Charities Commission on 3 April 2019. The affairs of the charity are managed by the charity trustees elected at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Constitution

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the charity are:

- To help and educate the young people of the Prestwood & Great Missenden area so as to develop their physical, mental and social capacities, that they may grow as individuals and responsible members of society, and that their life opportunities may be enhanced.

The charity aims to achieve the above objectives by promoting and supporting youth activities.

Achievements and Performance

1. For the first 6 months of the financial year (April – October 23), the weekly after-school Youth Cafe sessions continued to run at the Misbourne school. This work was funded by a grant from The Rothschild Foundation which covered the cost of a service level agreement covering services of a professional youth worker for the 2023/24 financial year. This work was again supported by MAY Trustees as well as MAY volunteers.

Unfortunately, in October 2023, the Misbourne School elected to withdraw the use of its facilities during the after-school period, explaining that it needed to reconsider the arrangement. Although attempts were made to work with the school to identify a suitable alternative time slot, by the end of this reporting period, no progress had been made.

2. Work continued on the Youth Needs Survey, with interim findings being fed back to the Buckinghamshire Council - Missenden's Community Board (MCB) who had funded the research. A Focus Group update meeting attended by interest parties, contributors and representatives of local (youth focussed) community groups took place in May 2023. The interim results were shared with attendees.

The Youth Survey report was finalised in November 2023 and results made available to The MCB and via the Misbourne Area Youth website.

3. In light of the interim survey findings and Focus Group feedback, but ahead of the finalisation of the Youth Survey report, MAY was invited by the MCB to put together grant applications for funding for two mini-projects; one for a pilot scheme aimed at making use of the Great Missenden Library for a "drop-in" youth cafe whilst the second was to formulate a "Freshers" style event/booklet at which young people of the area could receive information detailing local clubs/activities.

Whilst MAY was open to these suggestions, and continued to liaise with representatives of the MCB, it was reluctant to seek funding for "one-off" style events that involve capital expenditure but do not have the ongoing local authority & community backing to develop them into ventures that the young people of the area can rely on. Discussions with the MCB representatives continued along with work with local businesses and organisations regarding the develop a "Youth Hub" in Great Missenden, which can be accessed by the young people of "The Missendens" area.

4. Regular MAY Management Committee meetings continue to take place to throughout the year, dealing with financial and administrative issues relating to the charity. These were attended by Trustees as well as Management Committee members, representatives from the Parish Council and local authority staff, as appropriate.

Reserves Policy

Although MAY doesn't have any property to maintain, so eliminating the need to hold funds in reserve to meet any unexpected related costs, MAY's continuing aim in these uncertain times is to ensure that there are sufficient funds in reserve to maintain a youth provision in the area for a year in advance, to provide continuity.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees, along with the Management Committee, have ensured the preparation of the Trustees' Annual Report, the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended March 31st 2024, and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st March 2024 which adequately distinguishes any Restricted Funds.

In the same way, the Trustees have ensured the keeping of proper accounting records, safeguarding the assets of the charity and have taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Accounting Policy

The Receipts and Payments account and the Statement of Assets and Liabilities have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and have been checked by an independent examiner.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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Gillian Medford (Chair & Trustee)

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Brenda Barker (Trustee)

.....15th December 2024.....Date

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Trustees of Misbourne Area Youth (MAY) on the accounts of the year ended 31st March 2024.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of the Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations 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

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with accounting records and comply the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed



Date

5th November 2024

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Receipts and Payments Account

1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

1. Receipts

Grants

Rothschild Foundation
Sweet Charity
Bucks Council for Youth Survey
Bucks Council for Radio Event

Total Receipts

Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	2023-24 Total Funds	2022-2023 Total Funds
	6,000	6,000	5,000
1,460		1,460	55
			6,040
			1,000
1,460	6,000	7,460	12,095

2. Payments:

Action4Youth subscription
Youth Café
Radio Event
Insurance
Volunteers expenses
Telephone & Internet
Hire of Village Hall for special meeting
Website hosting
Youth Survey
Hire of Community Centre
Sundries

Total Payments

Restricted Fund Payments	Unrestricted Fund Payments	2023-2024	2022-2023
	110	110	100
57	3,151	3,208	5,029
	234	234	943
	70	70	216
			50
			17
			70
			7,500
	150	150	65
57	3,715	3,772	13,990

Net of payments/receipts

Cash funds last year end

Cash funds this year end

1,403	2,285	3,688	-1,895
-1,403	8,136	6,733	8,628
0	10,421	10,421	6,733

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Statement of Asset and Liabilities

As at 31st March 2024

Cash Funds

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 31 st March 2024	Total Funds 31 st March 2023
Bank deposit account				
Bank current account	0	10,421	10,421	6,733
Totals	0	10421	10,421	6,733

Assets Retained for the Charity's Own Use As at 31/03/2024

None

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

..... Gillian Medford (Trustee)

..... Colin Veysey (Trustee)

23/9/24.....Date