

**Thrive Leeds**

Charity number 1182938

**Annual Report and Financial Statements**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2023**

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**Prepared by West Yorkshire Community Accountancy Service CIO**

# Thrive Leeds

## Trustees' report for the year ended 31 August 2023

### Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Catherine Armstrong		
Emmanuelle Bastide-Wilson	Treasurer	
Helen Oakley Wilkins Copeland	Secretary	
Dr David Cundall	Chair	
Revd Graham Doel	Vice-Chair	Resigned 26 September 2023
Rev Nicola Robinson		Appointed 30 November 2022
Rev Simon Nicholas Jones		Appointed 5 October 2022
Rev Mark Stennett		Appointed 5 October 2022
Rev Angela Hughes		

**Charity number** 1182938 Registered in England and Wales

Registered and principal address	Bankers
Chapel Allerton Methodist Church	The Cooperative Bank
Town Street	19/20 Commercial Street
Chapel Allerton	Leeds
Leeds	LS1 6AL
LS7 4NB	

### Independent examiner

Katy Sargeant ACA

### West Yorkshire Community Accountancy Service CIO

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### Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) foundation formed on 11 April 2019 and is governed by a constitution.

### Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

Each partner church nominates two trustees. Nominated trustees serve for a term of four years. The Trustee Board may appoint up to three co-opted trustees who serve a term of three years and are appointed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

# **Thrive Leeds**

## **Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 August 2023**

### **Objectives and activities**

#### **The charity's objects**

The area of benefit is the geographical area served by the partner churches in Leeds.

The objects are specifically restricted to the following, for the public benefit:

The advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the partner churches.

To advance in life and help children, young people and their families through:

the provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.

providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

#### **The charity's main activities**

Youth work. We run two youth clubs per week during school term times. Totally Tuesday for children aged 9-12 years, and WOW for children aged 12+

Messy Church' is a monthly gathering on Sundays where children and their families meet for craft and social activities and take part in informal worship.

Work in schools. We lead assemblies in local primary schools, run groups for vulnerable children in transition from primary to secondary school and a girls' group in a high school.

An annual holiday club at the beginning of the school summer holidays. This lasts for three half-days and is for children aged 4-11 assisted by young volunteers and many adult helpers.

Meanwood Youth Partnership: Working with other local agencies – InterACT, Carr Manor Community School and C.A.T.C.H - we are the lead partner in developing a new initiative working with young people in Meanwood. Some of the areas served are in the top 1-2% of the government's 2015 indices of deprivation.

#### **Public benefit statement**

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance about public benefit.

#### **Achievements and performance**

A highlight was the young volunteers' awards event, where we celebrated the commitment and growth of young leaders during the year. It has been so encouraging to see young people giving their time, gifts and energy across our groups; for the benefit of their peers and community. It was great to join with local community organisation InterACT for the awards event and see 15 local young people, who came from different groups, but were connected by their volunteering achievement. These events will become a regular part of our rhythm at Thrive, as we see young people having the opportunity to lead and volunteer in a way that nurtures and grows the gifts that they bring.

Messy Church is a vibrant gathering involving people of all ages. We are excited to see more volunteers from the local community getting involved.

Totally Tuesday (for 9-12s) and WOW (for young people aged 12+) have fully recovered after Covid and had successful residential weekends in Autumn 2022 - these are times for exploring faith and deepening friendships while enjoying the countryside away from the stresses of school.

Our schools' work, particularly facilitating a group to empower vulnerable girls, was appreciated by the girls and well-evaluated by the school.

Holiday Club had a 'Time-Travellers' theme and about 55 children came.

## Thrive Leeds

### Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 August 2023

#### Achievements and performance continued

Our biggest development with the Meanwood Youth Project this year has been the strengthening of the after-school 'drop-in' sessions for high school students on Thursday afternoons at Stainbeck Church. These sessions are run jointly with InterACT and Carr Manor School with young leaders taking key roles in developing and delivering the activities.

Everyone is eagerly anticipating the installation of a modular building which will be used as a base for this work. Planning permission for this was finally granted in October 2023!

#### Financial review

The net receipts for the year were £30,798, including net receipts of £4,393 on unrestricted funds and net receipts of £26,405 on restricted funds after transfers.

#### Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, at the year end were £32,114.

Our policy is that we will always have in reserve an amount of money equivalent to the running costs of the charity for three months plus redundancy payments plus any other costs associated with closing the charity. This currently gives a reserves target of approximately £17k.

Thrive's reserves for this accounting year were significantly in excess of the reserves policy primarily because the actual cost of the Meanwood Project was uncertain so it was prudent to have reserves in case of an unavoidable overspend with the building costs.

Approved by the board of trustees on 8th April 2024

Signed:  (Trustee)

Name: DAVID CUNDALL

# Thrive Leeds

## Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Thrive Leeds

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the year ended 31 August 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the CIO 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 CIO's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. 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 Charities Act;
- 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:  .....

Name: Katy Sargeant ACA

15/4/2024

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**Thrive Leeds**  
**Receipts and payments account**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2023**

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Grants	(2)	35,947	32,556	68,503	58,062
Individual donations		8,115	-	8,115	2,092
Subscriptions from clubs and activities		5,553	-	5,553	5,008
Other income		11	-	11	666
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>49,626</b>	<b>32,556</b>	<b>82,182</b>	<b>65,828</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
Salaries and on costs		36,039	-	36,039	30,136
Sessional staff		-	-	-	200
Events and activities		4,686	6,151	10,837	5,531
Training and development		657	-	657	1,037
Equipment and resources		-	-	-	954
Other admin and governance costs		41	-	41	235
Phone, IT and internet		252	-	252	246
Office expenses		993	-	993	160
Premises costs		1,638	-	1,638	1,690
Travel expenses		125	-	125	301
Insurance		442	-	442	332
Independent examination		360	-	360	360
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>45,233</b>	<b>6,151</b>	<b>51,384</b>	<b>41,182</b>
<b>Net receipts / (payments)</b>		<b>4,393</b>	<b>26,405</b>	<b>30,798</b>	<b>24,646</b>
<b>Fund balances brought forward</b>		<b>27,721</b>	<b>23,797</b>	<b>51,518</b>	<b>26,872</b>
<b>Fund balances carried forward</b>	(3)	<b>32,114</b>	<b>50,202</b>	<b>82,316</b>	<b>51,518</b>

**Thrive Leeds**  
**Statement of assets and liabilities**  
**as at 31 August 2023**

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>				
Cash at bank	32,104	50,202	82,306	51,518
Cash in hand	10	-	10	-
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<u>32,114</u>	<u>50,202</u>	<u>82,316</u>	<u>51,518</u>

**Debtors and prepayments**

	2023
	£
Debtors	464
Prepayments	442
	<u>906</u>

**Liabilities**

	2023
	£
Accruals	1,123
Pension creditor	202
	<u>1,325</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 8th April 2024

Signed: [Signature] (Trustee)

Name: DAVID CUNDALL



# **Thrive Leeds**

## **Notes to the accounts**

### **for the year ended 31 August 2023**

#### **1 Accounting policies**

##### **Basis of accounting**

The trustees have taken advantage of section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and have prepared the accounts on a receipts and payments basis.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

##### **Taxation**

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

**Thrive Leeds**  
**Notes to the accounts continued**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2023**

<b>2 Grants and donations</b>	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Chapel Allerton Baptist Church	12,835	-	12,835	14,000
Chapel Allerton Methodist Church	4,000	4,000	8,000	4,000
Charles and Elsie Sykes Foundation	-	2,000	2,000	-
INTERACT Church	-	3,215	3,215	-
Magic Little Grant	500	-	500	-
Methodist Youth Activities	5,000	-	5,000	8,000
The Shepherd Building Group	-	1,000	1,000	-
St Matthew's Church	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
Stainbeck United Reformed Church	5,100	15,000	20,100	2,400
The Cooperative Community Fund	-	1,792	1,792	400
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP)	4,000	-	4,000	-
Yorkshire West District Advance Fund	-	5,000	5,000	-
Benefact Trust	-	-	-	3,000
Leeds City Council (MICE)	-	-	-	412
Leeds North and East Methodist Circuit	-	-	-	5,000
Leeds Older People Forum	-	-	-	2,500
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	10,000
W W Spooner Charitable Trust	-	-	-	4,000
Other grants and donations	512	549	1,061	350
	<u>35,947</u>	<u>32,556</u>	<u>68,503</u>	<u>58,062</u>

<b>3 Restricted funds</b>	Balance b/f £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance c/f £
Meanwood Youth Project	23,797	31,606	6,151	-	49,252
Transition work	-	850	-	-	850
Residentials	-	100	-	-	100
	<u>23,797</u>	<u>32,556</u>	<u>6,151</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,202</u>

**Fund name**

Meanwood Youth Project

**Purpose of restriction**

Funding from a variety of sources to create a modular building which will be sited in the grounds of Stainbeck United Reformed Church to act as a base for work with young people in the area.

Transition work

Transition work - supporting young people in local schools moving from Year 6 to Year 7, through small group work and mentoring.

Residentials

Residentials - weekend away activity breaks for our regular youth groups.

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**Notes to the accounts continued**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2023**

**4 Related party transactions**

**Donations from trustees and related parties**

**Trustee expenses**

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

**Trustee remuneration and benefits**

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

**Details of remuneration and benefits**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Richard Hamlin	-	200
	<u>-</u>	<u>200</u>

**Legal authority for the payment**

The legal authority for the payment is via a provision within the charity's governing document.