

Registered Charity No. 1184212

**NETHERTHONG COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th June 2025**

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The trustees are pleased to present their report and accounts for the year ended 30th June 2025

TRUSTEES REPORT

CHARITY'S DETAILS AND TRUSTEES

Trustees: the trustees during the period and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Janet Clapham – resigned June 2025

Judith Roberts - re-elected 17 September 2021
(Elected secretary - March 2023)

Frances Turner - elected 25 October 2022
(Elected vice chair August 2023)

Helen Smith (treasurer)– elected 31 January 2023

Ann Halmshaw – elected 31 January 2023

Julie Hall – resigned January 2025

Steve Fennel – resigned 7 July 2024

Lisa Allison – elected 24 July 2024

Treasurer Helen Smith

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Bankers: Co-operative Bank

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure and Governance

Netherthong Community Partnership is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, which was registered with the Charity Commission on 2nd July 2019. It is governed by the Foundation Model Constitution which was adopted on 28th June 2019.

Recruitment and appointment of new Trustees

- (1) Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.
- (2) In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives

The objects of Netherthong Community Partnership are:

To further or benefit the residents of the village of Netherthong and surrounding areas, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents 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 for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power:

To establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.

Significant activities

During the year, the Trustees have met in person on 3 occasions. The Trustees and a few volunteers have continued to promote and develop the church for community use and organise fundraising events with the support of the local community.

A number of events have been held during the year and have attracted local people with varying amounts of support. These include a monthly 'soup and sandwich' event, which has proved to be very popular and successful, a quarterly 'bacon and books' event, a monthly 'knit and natter' afternoon and a monthly games afternoon.

Our annual Christmas Market continues to be highly successful and well attended, attracting a wide range of local craft/artisan and produce stalls. Trustees also organised for a local brass band to play at the event, which was highly appreciated.

The community space has been booked several times for private events including local meetings, family events and children's parties. Local fitness classes and a children's rugby class now use the community space weekly and have attracted a wider local demographic using the space. Kirklees

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College also started a weekly crafting class which has proved highly popular with the local community. Regular bookings such as art classes and the village beaver and cub group have also continued.

Within the community space, Trustees hosted an afternoon tea, including chocolate making and entertainment which was very well received. The Trustees have also held two charity curry nights at the local curry house which have been well supported by the community.

The Trustees would like to extend their thanks to all the volunteers who have helped in any way with events and the volunteer gardening events.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that when planning the activities of the charity they have regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During the year, the Trustees have been working to improve the community space and grounds. Volunteer days were held in Autumn 2024 and Spring 2025 to enhance the look of the grounds. This involved cutting back overhanging growth from trees were allowed and foliage from bushes, weeding and sweeping of outside paths. Part of the area around the building was lined and pebbled to help prevent weeds and create a pleasant look to the space.

A professional gardener continues to trim the outside areas on a fortnightly basis during Spring to Autumn. The local cub group planted bulbs at the entrance to enhance the look of the area in Spring, and a local resident volunteered to maintain the planters at the entrance to the community space.

The Trustees employed a specialist company to cut back growth on trees with TPOs impacting the building/pathways, following permissions granted by the local council. They also removed some non-protected trees that were diseased or dangerous to the public.

Work on updating the community space online presence has been undertaken to improve the look and feel of the page and there has been a significant improvement in online 'traffic' and online followers because of this. A local volunteer also repaired the notice board in the entrance to the grounds, so details of events and news can be placed here for those who do not have access to the internet.

The Trustees continue to work with the diocese to obtain necessary permissions to renovate areas of the community space which remains a slow process. Trustees are continuing to address this and apply for grants to assist with this work.

The Trustees appointed a company specialising in Grade 2 listed buildings to clear the guttering which had caused water ingress. This company also repointed areas of the building on instruction by the Trustees to further reduce damp issues within the community space. The Trustees have been advised by a local tradesperson, who assessed the building internally, to allow the internal walls time to fully dry out prior to commencing any major work with internal replastering and redecorating. This continues to be monitored, and grants applied for to help cover the extensive costs entailed with this work.

Local volunteers worked to repair the locking mechanism of the front door which had jammed. Following this, the door has become much easier to use for all who use the community space, which is a positive and much needed improvement.

The trustees applied for a grant from the local parish council to enable the purchase of a Christmas tree and lights in the church grounds for the benefit of the local community. This was successful the tree was enjoyed by all.

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A number of Trustees attended an online training workshop to advise on the correct running of a charitable organisation and the role of a Trustee. It was a positive experience for those who attended and highlighted the governance of the NCP is as it should be.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

None of the trustees received any payment for duties or personal expenses. Expenses for goods bought for events or projects were repaid.

Net receipts for the year were £17998.04. Expenditure for the year was £20543.76. Funds at year end were £15,624.77

Reserves policy

The charity has not adopted a formal reserves policy as it considers that there are no actual or foreseeable circumstances when such a reserve would be needed.

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Signed on behalf of the board of trustees:

Signed: *F.E Turner*

Name: Frances Turner – vice-chair Netherthong Community Partnership

Date: 1/8/2025

ACCOUNTS

SECTION A RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £
Receipts				
Donations and grants		2750		2750
Grounds appeal	3101			3101
Room hire	4823			4823
Fundraising	4239			4239
Total receipts	14894	2750		17644
Payments				
Grounds costs	4548			4548
Room hire costs	4261			4261
Licences	347			347
Community Welfare	-0	765		765
General	787			787
Fund raising costs	666			666
Insurance	340			340
Maintenance	8452	377		8829
Total Payments	19401	1142		20544
Net receipts/(payments)	4507	1608		2900
Cash funds last year end	18170			18170
Cash funds this year end	13663	1608		15271

SECTION B ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
Cash funds	Bank current account	9,513	1,608
	Cash in hand	423	
	Grounds appeal account	1,895	
	Room hire account	1,832	
	Total cash funds	13,663	1,608

**Signed by one or two
trustees on behalf of all the
trustees**

Signature

Print Name

Frances Turner
Judith Roberts