

Hungerford Youth and Community Centre Priory Road
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Hungerford
youth and community

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Charity no. 1184692

Report of the Trustees for the period starting 1st April 2022 ending 31st March 2023

Charity Name: Hungerford youth and Community Centre

Registration number: 1184692

Address: Priory Road, Hungerford RG17 0AL

Board of Trustees:

Charlie Barr

Jude Hodge

Kelly Leigh

Rachael Staines

Derek Alford

Purpose of Hungerford Youth & Community Centre:

To further or benefit the residents of Hungerford and the neighbourhood, 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 cooperate 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.

Achievements and activities:

2022/23 was an excellent year for the Hungerford Youth and Community Centre (HYCC); our youth clubs and holiday camps blossomed and we could finally see the results of all our hard work. This was in no small part thanks to excellent staff members who showed incredible dedication and enthusiasm for supporting young people in our community through activities and high quality youth sessions. Also to our volunteers who helped run sessions alongside our youth workers, the sessions could not run without them and they are a testament to how much the community of Hungerford values its youth centre. We feel very fortunate to have 12 volunteers, including 4 young volunteers, across our youth sessions; they are all DBS checked and have done a basic safeguarding course.

In May 2022, we were delighted to have Rachael Staines join our board as safeguarding trustee; her professional background in secondary school safeguarding is invaluable.

We currently run:

- #ICE - a youth club for children with additional needs (age range 9 to 15 years).
- Home ed youth club – for home educated children (age range 9 to 15 years).
- '11s' - a youth club for children in school years 5 and 6.
- '15s' - a youth club for young people in years 7 and 8.
- HAF (Holiday, Activity and Food) – We now run this regularly during the Christmas, Easter and Summer Holidays. Offering FREE places to young people in receipt of school meals and at a very reduced cost for everyone else. This program is supported by West Berkshire Council.
- HYCC Days Away – day trips for children aged 9 to 18, low-income families are offered free places and at a reduced cost to everyone else.

141 young people attended our sessions regularly, aged between 9 and 15 years old; they come to our sessions because they choose to and we always include them as much as possible in deciding which activities we run and the format our sessions should take.

Young people from 11s and 15s youth clubs went on a trip to Cadbury's World, ICE young people went trampolining and on a trip to Lazer tag.

This year we also ran an art competition where the prize was to take part in a graffiti workshop; it doubled up as a useful decoration project as we now have an exciting mural in the stairwell! It was unveiled to the public in November by the Mayor of Hungerford at our 10 years celebration: ten years since our youth centre has been self-funded. We feel so proud of how far the centre has come in that time; ten years ago, it was destined to be closed down nevertheless it was saved by the dedicated work and enthusiasm of community members.

In the winter, we organised for a skating rink to be set up for one day in our MUGA court, many local people took part and had a fun time with their families and friends.

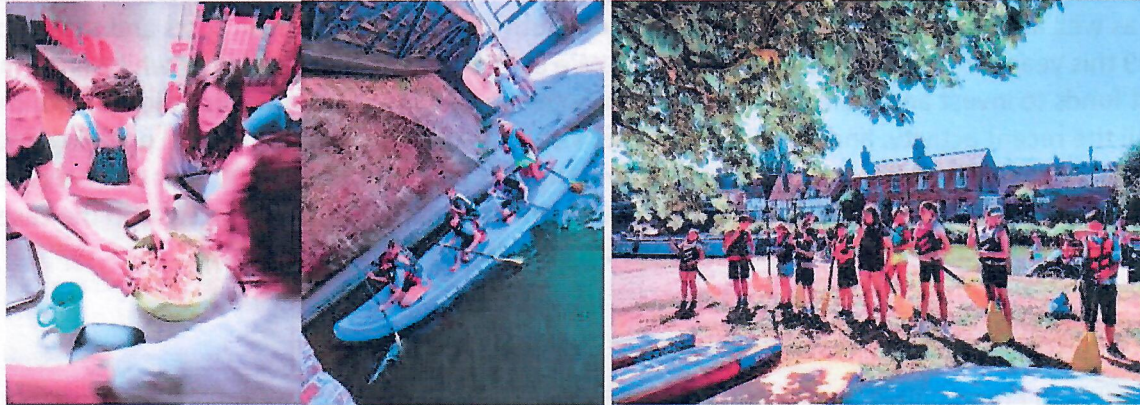
Overall, 2022/23 was an hugely positive year for HYCC, we achieved what we intended and more. We ended the period in March with an application to the National Lottery for £90,000 over five years, our fingers are crossed that we will be successful and so be able to continue our good work with young people in our rural community. The work we do is so important and is truly appreciated by its beneficiaries, expressed in the comments from family members below:

'My daughter loves coming to youth club, she has made new friends there and learnt to do new things - like knitting! She goes to youth club every week and looks forward to it each time.'

'Great place to meet other local children and socialise and have fun.'

'My son really looks forward to the youth club each week. It is the only after school activity that he attends so it is great for him to meet and mix with new people.'

'Thank you so much for everything! Honestly everything you've done for the kids not over priced and not ripping parents off! I hope one day Alexis will help out, see you next summer'



Financial review:

Our main source of income is through grants. Overall our income from grants reduced from £57,681 in FY21/22 to £44,529 in FY22/23. This is mainly due to one off grants received in FY21/22 from UK Youth (£3,500) and COVID assistance from West Berkshire Council (£8,000) that were not received in FY22/23. We receive ongoing financial support from local charities, individual donors, Greenham Trust, Hungerford Town Council and Hungerford Town and Manor. In FY22/23 we received £15,000 (FY21/22 £15,000) from the National Lottery Fund for the Youth Worker project. We continue to work hard to find funders who can support our ongoing plans for the development of services which can be provided at the community centre.

The opening up of activities after the pandemic restrictions has continued and as a result income from hall hire continues to increase as the centre is used by a wide variety of community groups. This has contributed £6,544 hall hire income this year (FY21/22 £3,186) a continued improvement year on year. The employment of the HYCC Director directly contributes to this income, without their management of the bookings system this income stream would not be so successful.

Youth club sessions have gone from strength to strength this year thanks to the hard work of our youth workers and the support of volunteers. The income from these sessions was £3,716. We continued to run the holiday and food (HAF) activity program. Places on this program are funded by West Berkshire Council for children in receipt of free school meals. The West Berkshire funding for these places in FY22/23 was £7,280, with other

income from these places totalling £2,706. The HYCC staff, trustees and volunteers also continue to fundraise for HYCC ongoing running costs through a series of events. This year HYCC held a 10 year celebration event (marking 10 years of being self-funded). This along with sponsored events by staff and volunteers, as well as income from West Berkshire Charity Lottery ticket sales altogether raised £5,444.

All of the activity at the centre has led to an increase in outgoings which have increased from £46,253 in FY21/22 to £69,691 in FY22/23. The most significant outgoings are the salary costs of HYCC employees which this year was £36,462 (FY21/22 £26,767) along with rent/service charge which increased from £5,000 in FY21/22 to £6,250 in FY22/23, and this is due to increase again in FY23/24. Additional ongoing running costs of the centre of cleaning and maintenance as well as equipment costs have all increased, due to the increased activity levels as well as increase in prices. The provision of youth club supplies, session costs and trips expenses totalled £9,799 this year compared to £1,817 in FY21/22. We continue to manage our costs whilst ensuring we have sufficient funds to invest and maintain the community centre so it is a safe and welcoming environment for all users. All the recent activity, and planned future activity, at the centre requires careful planning and management of funds. We finish the year 22/23 with unrestricted cash funds of £43,400. Our reserves are maintained at £25,000 (21/22 - £25,000) to cover the equivalent of 6 months of outgoing costs in the case of unexpected hardship (in accordance with our reserves policy). This is in line with FY21/22.

Structure and governance:

Hungerford Youth and Community Centre was registered as a CIO in August 2019, its governing document is a constitution.

New trustees are usually recruited by current trustees during the year. They are asked to a first trustee meeting and an informal discussion takes place, after which the trustees decide unanimously to accept the applicant as a trustee. All trustees are expected to sign a memorandum of understanding and to be DBS checked.

The Hungerford Youth and Community Centre sits at the heart of its community and as such, it nurtures connections to the local schools, town council, police force, leisure centre and family Centre.

Signature:



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Hungerford Youth and Community Centre

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Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/04/2022

To

31/03/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
GRANTS	17,202	27,328	-	44,530	-
HALLHIRE	6,544	-	-	6,544	-
DONATIONS AND FUNDRAISING	5,856	-	-	5,856	-
YOUTH CLUB INCOME	13,745	-	-	13,745	-
EVENT INCOME	5,767	-	-	5,767	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	49,114	27,328	-	76,442	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	49,114	27,328	-	76,442	-
A3 Payments					
Service Charge	6,250	-	-	6,250	-
Cleaning	765	777	-	1,542	-
Wages	13,413	23,049	-	36,462	-
Training / DBS checks (Ucheck)	150	227	-	377	-
Phone/Internet/Website	958	-	-	958	-
Centre Maintenance	4,372	-	-	4,372	-
Youth club supplies / trips / costs	2,998	6,801	-	9,799	-
Equipment	794	-	-	794	-
Advertising	494	223	-	716	-
Insurance	478	-	-	478	-
Event costs	6,949	-	-	6,949	-
Fundraising costs	482	-	-	482	-
Policy review	511	-	-	511	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	38,615	31,076	-	69,691	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	38,615	31,076	-	69,691	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,499	- 3,748	-	6,751	-
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	32,901	35,625	-	68,526	-
Cash funds this year end	43,400	31,877	-	75,277	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		43,400	31,877	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	43,400	31,877	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	When due (optional)	Date of approval



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Hungerford Youth & Community Centre

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st March 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

11846921

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2023.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *S.Prance*

Date: 28th December 2023

Name: Sharon Prance

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

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.