

BLAYDON YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE CIO

Financial Statements

For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

Registered Charity No. 1186251

Blaydon Youth and Community Centre CIO
Members of the Management Committee
and Professional Advisors
For the year ended 31 December 2022

The Management Committee have pleasure in presenting their report and the un-audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity No	1186251
Principal Office	Blaydon Youth and Community Centre Shibdon Road Blaydon Tyne & Wear NE21 5QE
Accountant	Mark Thompson MAAT 42 Lesbury Road Heaton Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 5LB
Bankers	Lloyds Front Street Whickham NE21 5QE
Trustees	Maria Hall Victor Connaughton Dorothy Burnett

2022 Report

About us

'Blaydon Youth Club' was established in 1957 before becoming the operator of the Blaydon Youth and Community Centre in 2014. Blaydon Youth Club became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation in and formally changed its name to 'Blaydon Youth & Community Centre CIO' in 2019. We are still driven to achieve our mission to "Become an enabling hub for the Blaydon community, through promoting and providing quality activities and services that will contribute to local peoples' physical, social, economic and emotional well-being."

Our venue now provides a safe and inclusive space for all members of the community to socialise, learn, and keep fit and healthy. The Centre benefits people with a café and social area, three multi-purpose rooms, a very large sports hall, a large outdoor/sensory garden area, and an on-site child day-care facility.

Beneficiaries are residents from the surrounding 10%, 20%, and 30% most deprived neighbourhoods (IMD, 2019) in England, and although our focus is residents of Blaydon and the surrounding neighbourhoods, anyone, whatever their circumstances, is welcome to visit the Centre and benefit from use of its facilities, services and activities. Our Beneficiaries are aged between 6 months and 89 years old, including those who are neurodiverse, disabled people, and young families. We are committed to and pride ourselves on good accessibility, affordability, variation and inclusivity of activities on offer, with prices kept as low as possible whilst ensuring financial sustainability of the venue. Grants are secured to help make use of the facility more affordable.

We love to get feedback about the charity activities and the impact it has had on our community;
"JUST WOW – thanks to everyone who worked so hard and organised the pop up cinema, and cooked, 'hot chocolate' making tonight a wonderful build-up of Christmas HUGE THANKS ALL" Social media comment from an attendee of the film show.

"The holiday activities have been excellent - it was great to see the kids grow in confidence so quickly, learn new skills and have fun – thank you!" Kate.

"The Centre has given me opportunities to meet people. As I've got older, I have fewer friends which causes me to be isolated" Sue

To fulfil the charitable objects and purpose, listening to, and understanding the views and needs of residents is essential. Trustees are keen that activities and priorities are regularly reviewed to ensure this public benefit is maximised.

Our Charitable Objects and Purpose

The charity's objects are set out in our governing document and are

- to further or benefit the residents of Blaydon and surrounding wards of Gateshead, without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions in the provision of services 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 youth and community centre and to maintain or manage such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.

Our charity vision, mission and aims

The new chief officer was appointed in December 2020 and before work could begin on a new charity three-year strategy, the COVID19 pandemic closed the Centre and delayed the preparation and adoption of a new strategy. This will be resolved in 2023 when a new strategy, along with other improvements will begin thanks to funding from The National Lottery Community Fund Reaching Communities programme.

Performance & Achievement: A review of delivery in 2022

2022 proved to be a challenging period with the global pandemic still impacting our communities and limiting the Centres' operations. As the year progressed, we were delighted to be able to gradually re-open the Centre to full operations, welcoming former and new beneficiaries and groups.

Our approach to delivering more for residents

Our local residents want a diverse range of high-quality services and activities that are accessible, affordable and enjoyable. In 2022, the charity achieved this in three ways where delivery is;

- By our own staff and volunteers. Examples include OFSTED registered Childcare, Afterschool and Breakfast Clubs, Holiday clubs, Walk & Talk groups, SEN health & wellbeing sessions.
- In partnership with other groups and organisations. Examples include 'Walk & Talk' sessions with 'Tees Valley Health & Wellbeing', Over 55's Yoga with GOPA and Rose Yoga, and fun family activities with Circurama.
- By a hosted group or organisation who hire and deliver independently. Examples include Little kickers, Rugby tots, Blaydon Youth & Community FC, Ability Sport & Social NE, Active Futures, Ryton Netball, and the Blaydon Races.

Ensuring Childcare & Young People get a great start in life

A new Childcare Manager was recruited early 2022, only a week before an OFSTED inspection which resulted in our desired 'GOOD' rating for childcare provisions. A great achievement by our dedicated staff and community support. We currently have places for approximately 20 children aged 2-5 years old, and this year featured trips to Bill Quay Farm, Derwent Walk, Saltwell Park, South Shields, plus many different activities to assist with the children's learning in key development areas.

Our term time After School Club is regular engaging at least 20 young people per evening aged from 3-11 years old. As with our pre-school childcare, the children participate in activities such as Arts & Crafts, Sports, Baking, Messy play, Outdoor learning and free-play. We are seeing increased demand for this provision and we expect to grow attendance to 30 young people per evening in mid-2023.

Supporting working age and older people keep healthy, active and connected

Activities for older people later in life continues to grow each year. For example, our 'Walk & Talk' social walking group was set-up as a direct response to the evident increase in isolation and loneliness faced by many older people as a result of the restrictions imposed during the global pandemic. The group meet at the Centre each Thursday morning and undertake a leisurely walk, utilising plethora of nature walks right on our doorstep. This group is constantly very well attended with an average of 25 people taking part each week, all aged between 35 and 89 years old.

"After my husband passed away just before lockdown I was in a very bad place. My family don't live beside me, so I decided to join the walking group. Best decision I have made. We a very friendly group, made lots of friends and have lots of outings together. Even had a holiday abroad which I never thought would happen."
Margaret

Bringing residents together through large community events

The Christmas Market gets better each year. Over 30 stalls were greeted by over 500 residents and Santa's grotto proved hugely popular with families from our local community. A new partnership with 'Dance Fusion Extreme', a Northeast based dance organisation, also engaged over 400 attendees to their annual Dance competition. These events received brilliant feedback and we are hoping to develop our larger community events over the next 3 years.

A cosy community cafe and welcoming warm space for all

More people are visiting the updated café area because of improved quality and variety of refreshments alongside the opportunity to meet fellow residents in our warm and welcoming social area. A key priority was to improve provision of affordable, healthy, and fresh food and drink options to our beneficiaries. This is partly thanks to an Awards for All grant from the National Lottery Community Fund that improved café equipment. To help vulnerable people after the pandemic and during the cost-of-living crisis we were proud to welcome people to our official 'Warm Space' offering a safe, friendly local place for residents; grabbing a hot drink and meet familiar and new residents. We were delighted to be awarded a 5* food hygiene rating this year.

Funding Support:

All our work was achieved, thanks to our team, partners and supporters. We thank our dedicated staff, and wonderful community – all were fantastic in what has been a very testing period. We also thank our funders for the year: The National Lottery Community Trust, Gateshead Council, and Rise North East.

Plans for 2023 and beyond

Trustees, staff and volunteers are committed to making continuous improvements in order to help maximise public benefits and grow the charity's impact in the community. In order to assist us to do so, we have successfully secured funding support from The National Lottery Community Trust via their 'Reaching Communities' fund which will provide us with extra staffing capacity, allow us to analyse and strengthen our Governance, and develop a new, suitable and exciting 3 year development plan. This will ensure that BYCC continues to offer high quality support and activities based upon our communities changing needs, growing our community benefit each year.

Our plans for 2023 include;

1. Securing a better venue for childcare to benefit children and parents.
2. Strengthening the charity with improved governance, strategy and finance.
3. Developing a new three-year strategy in conjunction with our local community
4. Continuing the Holiday Activity Programme #BrightenTheDay
5. Securing significant grant funding to develop services, increase capacity and activities

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial review:

BYCC operates on a not-for-profit basis. Any monies raised over and above our immediate operating costs are held within our Reserves, Buildings and Maintenance, and/or Childcare Contingency operating Fund. These funds are held against future building repair expenditure, replacement of minibuses, and to cover the costs of winding up the charity in a worst-case scenario.

Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Trustees have reviewed and considered relevant information, including the annual budget and future cash flows in making their assessment. In particular, in response to the Covid-19 pandemic and its aftermath, the Trustees have revised their forecasts to take into account the impact on the business of possible scenarios brought on by the impact of Covid-19, alongside the measures that they can take to mitigate the impact. Based on these assessments, given the measures that could be undertaken to mitigate the current adverse conditions, and the current resources available, the Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

BYCC continues to be extremely appreciative to all funders for their generous support, full details of which are given on page X. At each Board meeting, Trustees receive a full financial and funding report and regularly review cash flow and the grant income stream. It is the intention of BYCC to continue to adapt its services within the resources available.

Reserves Policy

BYCC has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed, allocated, or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be between 4 and 6 months of the expenditure. As of December 2022, the reserves were £108,000 which represents four and a half months running costs. The trustees are aware of our current position and will continue to work towards restoring this policy with a planned operational surplus.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure

The charity is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and is governed under its Articles of Association.

Trustees

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Articles of Association. Trustees are elected at the AGM and the board includes a local councillor from the Winlaton and High Spen wards of Gateshead MBC, and other individuals chosen and approved by the members having expertise in relation to the affairs of the charity, being experts of legal, charitable or community service matters. Induction is provided to all new Trustees. Day to day operations are delegated to the staff team, led by the Chief Executive Officer.

Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to operations and finances of the charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate the exposure to the major risks.

Trustees responsibilities in relation to the financial statement

The charity Trustees are responsible for preparing a Trustees' Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Company law requires the charity Trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and the group and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:-

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Report to the
trustees of

Blaydon Youth and Community Centre CIO

On accounts for
the year ended

31 December 2022

Charity no 1186251

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and
examiner**

The trustees of the organisation are responsible for the preparation of accounts; they consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 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
independent
examiner's
statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

**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 respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:

- proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act); and
- accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; 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: 7 June 2023

Name:

Mark Thompson MAAT

Address:

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Blaydon Youth and Community Centre CIO
Statement Of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2022

		Unrestricted Funds 2022	Restricted Funds 2022	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Incoming Resources	Notes				
Voluntary Income	2	9245	101472	110717	68452
HMRC Job Retention Scheme				0	12729
Room Hire		53786		53786	35880
Canteen		32376		32376	4626
Investment Income	4	20		20	8
Project Income	3	158050		158050	145907
Insurance Claim				0	7356
Total Incoming Resources		253477	101472	354949	274958
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities					
Projects & Activities (See notes)	5	7589	17914	25503	13450
Canteen		11563		11563	3061
Cost of generating funds					
Maintenance & Premises	6	18847	3985	22832	20867
Salary Costs	8	144005	54541	198546	177436
Training		1118	2433	3551	696
Administration	7	18414		18414	26410
Depreciation	9	3776		3776	4368
Total Resources Expended		205313	78873	284186	246287
Net income (expenditure) for the year		48164	22599	70763	28671
Net Movement Between Funds		0	0	0	0
Total Funds as at 1 January 2022		141019	0	141019	112348
Total Funds as at 31 December 2022		189183	22599	211782	141019

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	10		15106		9197
Currents Assets					
Debtors					
Cash at bank and in hand		196676		131822	
Current Liabilities					
Net Current Assets			196676		131822
Net Assets			211782		141019
Funds	11				
Restricted Funds			22600		0
General Funds			1182		61530
Designated Funds			188000		79489
			<u>211782</u>		<u>141019</u>

Approved by the Committee on

and signed on their behalf:

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Blaydon Youth and Community Centre CIO

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006

Blaydon Youth Club meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Grant receivable and local authority fees

Grants received are accounted for on a receivable basis and credited to income. Any grants restricted to future accounting periods are deferred and recognised in those accounting periods.

1.3 Donations & Other Income

All income is accounted for when it is received.

1.4 Funds

Restricted funds comprise funds subject to specific restrictions imposed by donors and funders. The purpose and uses of the restricted reserves are set out in note 12 to the accounts. Unrestricted funds comprise funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Management Committee.

1.5 Expenditure

All is included on the accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for expenditure. All costs have been directly attributed to one of the functional categories of resources expended in the SOFA. The charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly expenditure is shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Computer Equipment	33% on a reducing balance basis
Fixtures & Fittings	20% on a reducing balance basis
Motor Vehicles	25% on a reducing balance basis

1.7 Charity Registration

Blaydon Youth and Community Centre CIO was registered with the Charity Commission in November 2019. Assets were transferred from the previous charity Blaydon Youth Club, which had the charity registration number 520735.

2 Grant Income

Restricted Funds

National Lottery Community Trust	45200
National Lottery Awards for All	9950
Gateshead Council HAF Programme	4554
Gateshead Council – COVID Champions Round 2	6530
Gateshead Council Easter HAF Programme	6882
Gateshead Council Digital Maturity Assessment/Fund	5000
Community Foundation (Crechemobile Fund)	
RISE Together Fund	6836
Gateshead Council Summer HAF Programme	9640
Gateshead Council Warmer Spaces Grant	500

	Gateshead Council Christmas HAF	6379
	Total Restricted Funds	101471
	Unrestricted Funds	
	Gateshead Council Business Support Fund	4000
	Other Donations & Grants	5245
	Total Unrestricted Funds	9245
3	Project Income	
	After School & Breakfast Clubs	158050
		158050
4	Investment Income	
	Bank Interest Receivable	20
5	Other Activities	
	Minibus	2444
	Events & External Provider Costs	17914
	Childcare Costs	5145
		25503
6	Maintenance & Premises	
	Electricity, Gas and Water	15375
	Maintenance & Repairs	5393
	Cleaning Materials & Cleaning	2064
		22832
7	Administration	
	Insurance	4621
	Telephone & Broadband	2557
	Licences, IT Support & DBS	2857
	Legal & HR	3720
	Accountancy	675
	Payroll	818
	Postage & Stationery	993
	Other General Admin	2173
		18414
8	Employees	
	Salary Costs	187546
	Redundancy Costs	11000
	Total Employee Costs	198546
	The average no. of employees was 14 for the year	
	No expenses were paid to trustees in the year.	
9	Net Income (expenditure) for the year is arrived at after debiting (crediting)	
	Depreciation	3776

10 Tangible Fixed Assets

		2022		
	Fixtures & Fittings	Computer Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
Cost				
At 1 January 2022	29277	2824	34141	66242
Additions	9685			9685
Disposals				
At 31 December 2022	38962	2824	34141	75927
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2022	22125	2824	32096	57045
Charge for the year	3367		409	3776
Disposals				
At 31 December 2022	25492	2824	32505	60821
Net Book Value 31 December 2022	13470	0	1636	15106
Net Book Value 31 December 2021	7152	0	2045	9197

11 Fund Year End Balances

Restricted Funds	Balance Jan-22	Income	Expend	Balance Dec-22
National Lottery Community Trust		45200	22600	22600
National Lottery Awards for All		9950	9950	0
Gateshead Council HAF Programme		4554	4554	0
Gateshead Council – COVID Champions Round 2		6530	6530	0
Gateshead Council Easter HAF Programme		6882	6882	0
Gateshead Council Digital Maturity Assessment/Fund		5000	5000	0
RISE Together Fund		6836	6836	0
Gateshead Council Summer HAF Programme		9640	9640	0
Gateshead Council Warmer Spaces Grant		500	500	0
Gateshead Council Christmas HAF		6379	6379	0
Total		101471	78871	22600
Designated Funds	Balance Dec-23			
Future contingency/reserve fund:	108000			
Building Fund	60000			
Childcare operations contingency fund	20000			
Total	188000			