

FUTUREHOPE HERTFORD AND WARE

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER 2023

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1186296

OFFICE ADDRESS: PIONEER HALL, 11 WARE ROAD, HERTFORD, S13 7DZ

Trustees

David Abbott

Mathew Barber

Andrea Barker

Ian Tyler

Organisational Structure

The charity has four Trustees, three paid employees (a full-time Youth Development Worker, part-time Youth Work Coordinator and a part-time Project Manager) as well as around 15 unpaid volunteers.

Objectives and Activities

The charitable object of FUTUREhope Hertford and Ware is 'to provide an effective and accessible mentoring and support service in Hertford and Ware to young people between the ages of 11 and 18 inclusive, in order to reduce anti-social behaviour, social exclusion and criminal offending; to advance their education and development and enable them to participate in society as independent, mature and responsible individuals.'

The main activities of the charity are based in the towns of Hertford and Ware through the following programmes:

- One-to-one Mentoring: meeting local young people for an hour a week, every week, for a year, to offer support, advice and someone to listen.
- A minibus that acts as a mobile youth centre, which goes out into the community to locations where young people are, as well as providing a presence at local events and galas.
- Schools Work: running educational sessions and/or group work sessions within the school setting.
- An after school Drop In youth club/cafe at our building, where young people can hang out with friends, play games, get refreshments and chat to our team of volunteers.

Achievements and Performance

2023 was a period of transition, with the new Youth Development Worker and Project Manager settling into their roles and developing the strategy and outreach for the charity.

The day-to-day work of FUTUREhope continued to progress well. Our one to one mentoring is thriving, with more referrals coming to us all the time – from schools, the local authority or self-referrals where the young person or a parent has heard of the service. We currently have 15 young people on our books, and a short waiting list.

Our mobile youth centre minibus continues to go out on Friday nights, giving young people from the towns a safe, warm place where they can get hot chocolate, play games or find someone to chat to about how their week has been.

In 2023 we ran a very successful Drug & Alcohol Education course in a local school as part of the PSHE curriculum and we are expanding this material with a new presentation about Vaping.

Furthermore, in September, we launched our new venture, a Drop In Café / Youth Club which has established itself as a great venue for young people to come after school. It runs every Wednesday from 3.30-5.30pm and attracts between 20 and 30 young people each week, with different activities including board games, table tennis, pool and a chill-out zone. They can also get complimentary drinks and snacks and engage with our team of amazing volunteers. We have had very good feedback from young people and parents in relation to this new initiative.

In June, we had a useful Team Away-day to consider the values, vision and objectives of the charity in response to, and in anticipation of, the needs of the young people from our community.

We have recently appointed a new Trustee and a new Treasurer and the upkeep of our building/hall was an ongoing process throughout this year.

Financial Review

The income and expenditure was as planned for this year. The charity continues to cover all costs for its work, with the figure for Receipts higher than that for Payments and with an increased total for grants compared to previous years. We have been able to maintain a reserve of around £15k for contingencies. The main revenue of income continues to be from local people and local churches and the charity continues to be grateful for their support in its work.

We are also active in trying to secure local and national grants to fund our outreach work, the upkeep of the building and other running costs.

Date: 12/04/2024



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	Jan 1st 2023		Dec 31st 2023

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 £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Balance brought forward	17,048	-	-	17,048	15,197
Regular donors	22,400	-	-	22,400	23,084
Churches	5,102	-	-	5,102	6,770
One-off	2,439	-	-	2,439	15,447
Grants	21,775	-	-	21,775	500
Schools	2,574	-	-	2,574	2,248
Fundraising	7,310	-	-	7,310	586
Users	1,570	-	-	1,570	2,433
Other and Gift Aid	6,988	-	-	6,988	3,453
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	87,205	-	-	87,205	69,718
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	87,205	-	-	87,205	69,718
A3 Payments					
Salaries	40,037	-	-	40,037	31,010
Pension	1,506	-	-	1,506	1,230
Payroll admin	290	-	-	290	274
Expenses/resources/staff travel	1,683	-	-	1,683	2,453
Repairs/cleaning/insurance	16,204	-	-	16,204	9,994
Training	348	-	-	348	437
Internet/mobiles	528	-	-	528	450
Stationery	262	-	-	262	659
Equipment	1,491	-	-	1,491	2,700
Utilities	2,243	-	-	2,243	1,357
Vehicle	1,891	-	-	1,891	1,308
Drop-in café	2,486	-	-	2,486	797
Other	1,740	-	-	1,740	-
Sub total	70,709	-	-	70,709	52,669
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	70,709	-	-	70,709	52,669
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,496	-	-	16,496	17,049
A5 Transfers between funds					
	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,496	-	-	16,496	17,049
Cash funds this year end					

Section B Statement of

Categories

Details

Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £

Restricted
funds
to nearest £

Endowment
funds
to nearest £

B1 Cash funds

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Total cash funds	-	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

Unrestricted
funds
to nearest £

Restricted
funds
to nearest £

Endowment
funds
to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

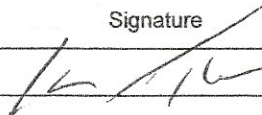
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Building		-	500,000
Vehicle		-	2,500
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	IAN TURNER	25/1/24



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Futurehope Hertford and Ware

**On accounts for the year
ended**

December 31st 2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1186296

Set out on pages

(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 31/12/2023.

**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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Don Slate

Date:

24/1/2024

Name:

DERRICK MICHAEL SLATE

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

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