



Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date		Period end date			
	21	11 To	2019	31	03	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity
name

The Grub and Gab Club Incorporating Coventry Open Christmas

Other
names
charity
is
known
by

Coventry Open Christmas

Register
ed
charity
number
(if any)

1186500

Charity's
principal
address

72 Ivybridge Road

Coventry

Postcode

CV3 5PH

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Tim Halliwell			
2	Natasha Leese			
3	Sylvia Wileman			
4	Wayne Davies			
5	Mathew Scott			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser Name Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adapted November 2019
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIC Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are reappointed each year in July at the AGM

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

We are open to anyone in Coventry who needs help from us regardless of their circumstances.

The Charity is run day to day by the trustees and we also seek the views of the volunteers to help this run smoothly.

We have a safeguarding adults/childrens policy in place and this is managed by our safeguarding officer. DSB checks are to be completed on each trustee along with reference checks before anyone is allowed to be a trustee.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To Provide Food, Warmth and Shelter to anyone who finds need.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Main activities for the charity are:

Each Saturday to operate an open kitchen where anyone can receive a hot meal and a bag of shopping. This will continue all year on each Saturday going forward into 2022.

At Christmas when all other local services are closed we then provide a 24 hour shelter where we aim to:

Provide a bed for anyone who needs it.

Provide a safe space for anyone who needs finds themselves vulnerable or having to leave their home in an emergency.

Provide food for anyone who finds themselves hungry at Christmas.

Operate as a food bank over the Christmas week to support families in need.

These activities are to benefit anyone from the local area regardless of their circumstances no questions asked.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

We have 42 volunteers that make this charity work and the success that it is. We are so grateful for the countless hours theses volunteers give to the homeless and vulnerable of Coventry each week.

Without theses volunteers we would not be able to provide all theses services for free.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

s with most organisations it was a difficult start to year and we were unable to offer our normal Saturday until late July of 2021, due to the Covid pandemic, to comply with the government regulations.

During the months of March - July 2020 we did a COVID Relief programme where we offered food parcels to anyone local who was in desperate need or could leave thier homes this was supported by a grant received by the Heart of England. We did over 50 food parcels during this time.

We successfully relaunched our Saturday service and starting serving fully breakfast for those in need in April 2021. Parrel to this we currently run a small food bank from donated food again to help those in need in our local community.

Both of these are now well established, and running successfully with a great attendance of our guests.

With the breakfast we would serve on average of 85 breakfasts each week, to the local community for those in need. At times we peak to provide in excess of over 100 meals.

We do subscribe to the "Fareshare" scheme to help with food donations to provide to our guests.

Currently we operate on a six week rota basis of volunteers, although we are looking to expand to a 8 week shift rotation as we build on group of volunteers. We currently have 42 volunteers on file.

The Coventry Open Christmas was a great success last year and we were able to open our doors for 5 days over the festive period between 8:00 – 22:00hrs. We do hope to return to our normal 24hr open policy this coming Christmas.

This was our 30th year of offering our services for those in need with our "open door" policy where all are welcome.

For the evening meals we provided a full roast with all the trimmings for on average 80 meals each day.

We were also offering a full breakfast and snacks throughout the day.

Each day we provided entertainment for our guest such as local musician and a close up magician which were hugely successful.

Along side this we had volunteers offer hairdressing and foot spasWe are all looking forward to giving our services throughout this year.

All our volunteers give their time for free and no one has any financial gain, or reward for their services.

However we did employ a chef this year on a self employed basis, along with a security guard.

We are looking to grow our services in the forthcoming year and restrictions allowing be able to offer the Christmas shelter with a 24hr opening. As well as growing our volunteer group.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Cash in the bank as of March 2020 was £6866.89 in unrestricted funds. The main risk would be if we were unsuccessful in future grants. The above funds would keep the charity going for 6 months if no further money was to be received.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Our main source of funds for the charity is grants and also raising funds on socail meda platforms i.e facebook and just giving.

Financial Costs of the Charity are:

Rent for the Saturday Kitchen

Rent for Christmas Building

Storage Fees

Fareshare Food Programme

Volunteer Expenses for fuel costs

Food supplies each week to serve food in

We mainly raise our funds by grant-making. Last year we managed to successfully gain grants from groups including The National Lottery, and Sainsbury's group, to help us provide our services. WE also fundraiser using social media platforms i.e Facebook, Paypal and just giving.

The Money has been spent on the above mainly core costs of building rent and storage rent. We also have to buy catering equipment each week for the Saturday kitchen. We have also run a weekend emergency fuel poverty scheme so anyone on the weekends who needs gas and electric we will support in a short term top up to allow then to seek further help on a Monday to date we have done. 5 Electric top ups and 5 Gas tops ups. An application form is filled in each time we give £15 for gas and £15 for electric each time.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Natasha Leese

Full name(s)

Natasah Jane Leese

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Secretary

Date

23/01/2022

INCOME and EXPENDITURE

The Grub and Gad Club
(Incorporating Open Christmas)

1st APRIL 2020 - MARCH 31st 2021

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Summary

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
	£ : p		
April 2020	- 4,000 : 00	April 2020	- 3,541 " 77
May	- 0 : 00	May	- 1,248 " 06
June	- 461 " 00	June	- 357 " 36
July	- 20 " 00	July	- 538 " 09
August	- 50 " 00	August	- 538 " 09
September	- 50 " 00	September	- 428 " 43
October	- 50 " 00	October	- 669 " 79
November	- 100 " 00	November	- 373 " 70
December	- 5,757 " 41	December	- 3,217 " 90
January 2021	- 1,462 " 68	January 2021	- 1,387 " 87
February	- 834 " 28	February	- 394 " 50
March	- 284 " 85	March	- 378 " 67
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	£ 13,070 " 22		£ 13,074 " 23
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Total EXPENDITURE		£ 13,074 - 23	
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Balance Sheet.

Current Assets.

at April 1st 2020.

Barclays Bank	£ 6,818 - 98
Cash in hand	123 - 47

£ 6,942 - 45

at March 31st 2021

Barclays bank	£ 6,866 - 89
Cash in hand.	75 - 56

£ 6,942 - 45
