



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st February 2023
Period end date

Period start date To 31st January 2024

Charity name: NEW FRIENDS FOR YOU

Charity registration number: 1186686

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To promote social inclusion for the public benefit by preventing people resident in Chorley and the surrounding area from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of those people who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society. For the purpose of this clause "socially excluded" means being excluded from society, or parts of society, as a result of one or more of the following factors: old age. ill health (physical or mental), disability or bereavement
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Befriending, Talking Tables & After Loss Club and outings to bring lonely people together in a social setting. All these activities were for the public benefit of the people of Chorley and surrounding area.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees confirm that they have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Volunteer befrienders give up at least one hour of their time each week to visit or telephone lonely and isolated people. The volunteer table leaders host our Talking Tables which bring together lonely people in a social setting. One of our volunteers occasionally helps our Founder to run our After Loss Club for people who are bereaved.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>When we started the Talking Tables scheme in 2021 the number of tables in local cafes was 5. By the end of 2022 the number of tables increased to 16 and at the end of 2023 these had increased to 23. Lonely people attend these tables and make lasting friendships, even having outings and holidays together. This has changed many lives for the better by bringing isolated people back into the community and living life again.</p> <p>Our After Loss Club for those who have been bereaved has increased from 2 sessions each week to 3, supporting more than 50 people.</p> <p>We continue to support over 100 befriended people whilst many having decided our support is no longer needed. We arranged several afternoon teas and a Christmas party for the befriended people and their volunteers. Many of these people are disabled and very rarely leave their homes and they all enjoyed their outings. Several dinners were also arranged for the members of our After Loss Club as well as many parties and celebrations for the people who attend the Talking Tables.</p> <p>All these activities contributed to the mental health and general wellbeing of the people we support.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	With all of our charitable activities we have achieved our objectives of alleviating loneliness in the elderly.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We secured sufficient funds to enable us to achieve our objectives. Funds were raised mainly through grants and donations.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the end of our financial year we were holding £18,382 of restricted funds and £4,829 of unrestricted funds, which includes £3178 in our Reserves Account.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We aim to hold sufficient in reserves to cover up to 3 months' running expenses to bridge any possible delays in receiving promised grant monies or managing payments for the general running of our charity.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£3,178
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	We have no uncertainty about the charity continuing as a going concern as we have grant funding from the National Lottery for the next 3 years' running expenses for which we are very grateful.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Donations and fundraising £1,827 Council grants £7,000 Other grants £26,368
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	We do not consider that the charity is facing any financial risks at the present time.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	New trustees are appointed by the existing trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	Trustee training is currently done on line.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We have 5 trustees who make decisions concerning annual expenditure and future plans for the charity. The day to day running of the charity is managed by our Chair and Founder, together with our employed office manager and volunteers helpers.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	We do not have any related parties, but we have a strong association with Chorley Council, which not only refers people to us who need our services but is very supportive with funding and advice and the free use of office space in a local community centre.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	NEW FRIENDS FOR YOU
Other name the charity uses	FRIENDS FOR YOU
Registered charity number	1186686

Charity's principal address	43 Kensington Drive, Horwich, Bolton BL6 6AE

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	Marjorie Hayward	Chair		
2	Brenda Oakes	Treasurer		
3	Catherine Mould			
4	Sally Calley			
5	Paul Lengden		1/2/23 - 4/7/23	
6	Keith Singleton		7/9/23 - 31/1/24	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	M Hayward	BJ Oakes
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Full name(s)	Marjorie Hayward	Brenda Jane Oakes
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Founder Chair of Trustees	Trustee
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Date	7/3/2024
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Charity Name
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No (if any)
1180486

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

Period start date
01/02/2023

To

Period end date
31/01/2024

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					
DONATIONS & FUNDRAISING	1,827	-		1,827	1,078
CHORLEY COUNCIL - grant		1,500		1,500	5,000
DUCHY OF LANCASTER		1,000		1,000	-
YAPP - grant		3,000		3,000	-
BARCHESTER - grant		2,000		2,000	
CHORLEY COUNCIL - GRANT		5,000		5,000	
McCARTHY STONE - grant		4,000		4,000	
LOCAL GIVING (Magic Little Grants)		500		500	
NFU MUTUAL - award to M. Hayward	3,221			3,221	
LANCS COUNTY COUNCIL - grant		500		500	
NATIONAL LOTTERY - grant		8,018		8,018	
NATIONAL LOTTERY - grant		7,850		7,850	-
RECEIVED FROM TT MEMBERS	385			385	-
REFUND OF ERROR PAYMENT	52			52	-
AR)	5,485	33,368	-	38,853	6,078
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
		-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	5,485	33,368	-	38,853	6,078
A3 Payments					
CATERING & OUTINGS	897	6,982	-	7,879	8,496
SALARY		10,599	-	10,599	10,647
TRAVEL	90	1,531	-	1,621	1,030
INSURANCE		196	-	196	196
BEFRIENDING NETWORKS		75		75	75
POSTAGE & STATIONERY	50	498		548	410
DBS CHECKS		414		414	347
COMPUTER SOFTWARE	50	60		110	110
PRINTING & DESIGN		583		583	254
TRAINING		421		421	408
TELEPHONE		79		79	144
Sundries				-	22
Computer & installation				-	665
ERROR PAYMENT	52	-	-	52	
Sub total	1,139	21,438	-	22,577	22,805
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,139	21,438	-	22,577	22,805
Net of receipts/(payments)	4,346	11,930	-	16,276	16,727
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	483	6,452	-	6,935	23,662
Cash funds this year end	4,829	18,382	-	23,211	6,935
CCXX R1 accounts (SS)					19/02/2024

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	CHORLEY COUNCIL - AFTER LOSS	-	457	-
	CHORLEY COUNCIL - DBS	-	282	-
	McCARTHY STONE - RUNNING EXPENSES		1,775	
	NATIONAL LOTTERY - RUNNING EXPENSES		8,018	
	NATIONAL LOTTERY - EVALUATION		7,850	
	RESERVES FUND	3,178		
	BALANCE CASH	1,651		
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,829	18,382	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
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B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
CCXX R2 accounts (SS)		2		19/02/2024

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	M Hayward	M. Hayward	7/3/24
	BJ Oakes	BJ Oakes	7/3/24



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

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**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 JANUARY 2024

**Charity no
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/01/2024.

**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:

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- 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:

Date:

28/3/24

Name:

PAUL NEWSHAM

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
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