

# ANNUAL REPORT

1ST APRIL 2020  
TO  
31ST MARCH 2021



**“To provide young people in the South Whitehaven area with support, guidance, and positive activities, to help them to reach their potential and become valued members of the community”.**

# BACKGROUND

South Whitehaven Youth Partnership (SWYP) is a new youth work charity providing neighbourhood youth provision to children and young people aged 8-19 years. SWYP launched on 1st April 2020, despite being a new organisation we are quickly becoming a main provider of youth work within Copeland, working with 388 children and young people in the South Whitehaven area.

SWYP delivers high-quality youth work for children and young people living in Mirehouse, Woodhouse and surrounding areas, this is delivered through youth clubs, detached youth work, one-to-one support, and school holiday programmes. During 2020-21 SWYP had to quickly adapt provision to meet the needs to support young people within the community and deal with the Covid pandemic, during this time, the youth work team:

- Engaged with young people using digital youth clubs via Zoom
- Delivered Detached Youth Work
- Developed a 'Youth Club in a Bag' initiative
- Face-to-face youth clubs and outdoor youth club sessions.





# TRUSTEE REPORT

I am writing this report on behalf of my Trustee colleagues whose details are listed below. We are the founding Trustees of the project which we launched in April 2020 in the early stages of the pandemic and the first of the 3 national lockdowns we would experience in our first 18 months of operation. The SWYP project replaced the youth work delivery formerly provided by Mirehouse Residents' Group. We should pay tribute to Janet and Roger from that group for their co-operation, good sense and transparency in working with us on the handover to the new project.



One of our first key tasks as Trustees was to appoint a Project Manager and we are agreed that the appointment of Jacq Cardy to that role has been vital to our success, development and solid foundations in the difficult working environment of our first year and a half. Jacq has been a dynamic and committed leader bringing an innovative response to the pandemic conditions, such as Youth Club In a Bag and Digital Youth Club, while still covering all the necessary nuts and bolts functions to get the project operational. She has then gone on to produce a really exciting and attractive timetabled offer for our Mirehouse and Woodhouse centres when the lockdown lifted alongside a brilliant Summer Programme. Jacq brings experience and a professional youth worker's rigour to the role which ensures good quality delivery which the community can trust.

Jacq has also done a really good job in recruiting an excellent team of 6 part-time youth workers around her who have shown they are dedicated to the work, build good relationships with young people and are committed to developing the work and activities they provide. Youth work is not easy; it is a demanding role and the biggest rewards of the job are in the feedback from young people and seeing the progress they make and the enjoyment they have in the activities provided. We think the South Whitehaven communities can be proud of the youth work team in place. We know young people value and appreciate the project though our regular monitoring of activity and

particularly because of the numbers participating on more than 10 occasions which are really pleasing in a young project such as this.

To establish and sustain any youth work project a necessity is adequate funding. The Trustees are very grateful to our key funders with whom we have really good working relationships. Currently they are all local: Copeland Community Fund, Cumbria Community Foundation, Frances C Scott, Sellafield Ltd., Well Whitehaven, Cumbria County Council Local Area Committee. The young people and parents/carers of the Mirehouse and Woodhouse communities are well served by these funders. We should all note that there is no funding for youth work coming from central government – Westminster – into either of the Local Authorities and therefore not into these communities. Although much is said of the need to support and help young people and the increased pressures under which they grow up and the many risks they might face and the growth in mental health difficulties and so on, projects such as this one must apply for funds and compete with other needy projects roughly every 3 years to cover staff costs, other overheads and activities for young people. No part of the funding costs are guaranteed; everything must be found.

Despite this Trustees are confident that SWYP can be sustained over many years. This view is based on the resilience and initiative shown after starting in such difficult circumstances; the overwhelmingly positive response from young people, parents and carers and the range of delivery at such an early stage. More than that it is because of the clear need young people in the area have for safe places to go and good things to do out of school time and where those who need it can get extra help.

#### TRUSTEES:

Elton Bowman, - works in Children Services Social Care Early Help Team;  
Jo Osborne- (Secretary), works in Cumbria County Council COVID 19 Business Support;

Mandy Taylor- (Treasurer), is West Cumbria Youth Development Officer (Copeland Youth Network);

Suzanne Wilson- is a Research Fellow, University of Central Lancs.,

We should note the help and support given by Paul Rowe, from the Phoenix Youth Project and Leanne Cherry, a project manager from Sellafield, through the initial set-up and throughout the first year of delivery.

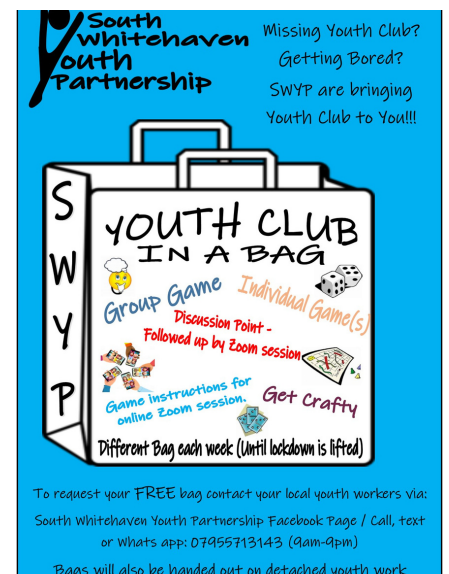
**Mike Priestley – Chairman South Whitehaven Youth Partnership.**

# YOUTH WORK JOURNEY

The youth work journey for 2020-21 took a different path than planned, launching with online **DIGITAL YOUTH CLUBS** in April. As we had no previous engagement with young people, we used Facebook and local contacts with parents to build up to 9 online digital youth work sessions per week, concentrating on fun interactive sessions and building relationships. This worked well until June, when the weather improved, and lockdown restriction were lifted. Numbers dropped and we quickly had to think of an alternative plan, which is when the **YOUTH CLUB IN A BAG** was launched. This was a huge success, we were building better relationships with young people aged 11+ across South Whitehaven. We maintained weekly contact with young people through this and **DETACHED YOUTH WORK. GIRLS GANG** moved from online session to outdoor face-to-face and their first project was to make up a Youth Club Bag as part of their **#IWILL SOCIAL ACTION** project.

Over the summer we continued with online **ONE-2-ONE** support, **YOUTH CLUB IN A BAG**, **DETACHED YOUTH WORK** and we also delivered **FIT. FUN. FED**, an outdoor programme for children and young people aged 8-12 years. This was a great way to make more contact with potential junior members, we delivered team games, sport and provided all participants with a healthy packed lunch. This was our delivery plan which brought us all the way to September, when we started our first face-to-face youth club sessions.

**YOUTH CLUB** sessions were 45 minutes per session to allow up to maximum 15 children and young people, as per the Covid guidelines. This ran across 4 sessions per evening in **MIREHOUSE** and **WOODHOUSE**, to ensure all those that wanted to attend were able to do so. This ran up to October



half term, where young people enjoyed small Halloween parties and decorating chocolate apples.

November saw a return of **DIGITAL YOUTH CLUBS**, this enabled us to maintain contact with young people, the sessions were still focused around fun, but we also introduced the **GIVE'N'GET** programme, where young people gain points to cash in for a rewards. As we were in lockdown, the rewards were Amazon vouchers – young people gained points by taking part in workshops.

Alongside the **DIGITAL YOUTH CLUBS**, we also deliver **VULNERABLE SUPPORT SESSIONS**. These sessions were aimed at those, we felt were most vulnerable and needed to maintain weekly contact. During these sessions we were able to build a stronger relationship with young people, the sessions were aimed around emotions and how to deal with different emotions such as bereavement, sadness and anger. From these sessions we identify young people that needed additional **ONE-2-ONE** support and in partnership with the local secondary school, we were able to go into school and deliver individual support sessions.

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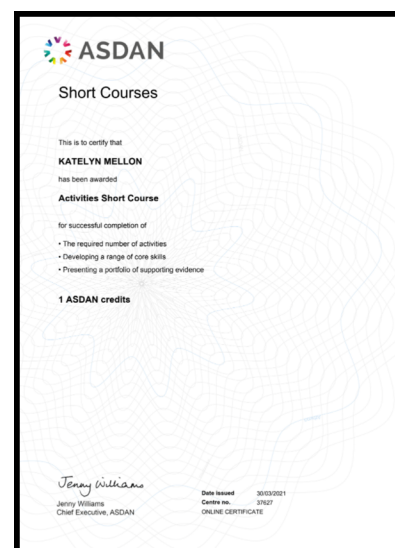
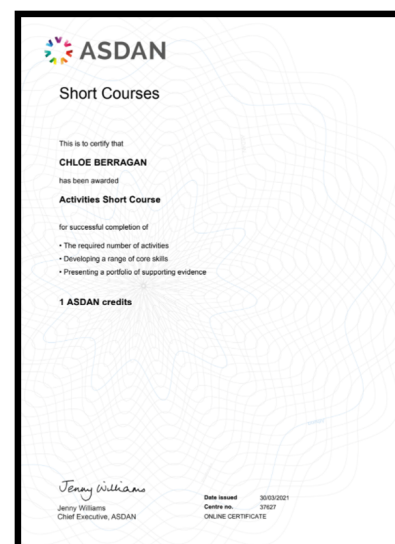


December saw the return of face-to-face **YOUTH CLUB** sessions, which we aimed to make fun and magical for the Christmas season. All **YOUTH CLUBS** were involved in a **SOCIAL ACTION** project to make Christmas gifts for older adults who were alone for Christmas, this was a partnership project with Councillor Emma Williams and CAAS.

Members of the **JUNIOR YOUTH CLUBS** made calendars and wrote out Christmas Cards, while **SENIOR YOUTH CLUB** members choose gifts to put in each bag which included a selection of male/female gifts, a box of crackers, rum butter and a wordsearch book. The groups made a total of 100 bags which were distributed to Copeland residents on Christmas day, to the local church and community members identified by young people and staff.



January saw a third return of **DIGITAL YOUTH CLUB** sessions and **SUPPORT GROUPS**, during this time we focussed the **SENIOR YOUTH CLUB** sessions around the **YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND**, giving young people a 'YDF Promise' to cash in at a later date, as many lockdown restrictions were still in place. February saw the return of a one-off **YOUTH CLUB IN A BAG** – which contained pancake ingredients for young people to make their own at home. The online provision stayed in place until the end of March, meaning the year ended the same way it started, however with one big difference, we started the year knowing zero young people in the local area, we had not engaged or ran any youth work provision. Fast forward to March 2021 and we have worked with 388 children and young people. This is an achievement that we are all very proud of.





# SWYP STATISTICS

The demand for a youth provision that meets the needs of young people is vital within this area of South Whitehaven, this was highlighted during 2020-21, during a global pandemic when engagement was a potential issue, South Whitehaven Youth Partnership:

510

## YOUTH CLUB IN A BAG

Number of Youth Club bags given to young people aged 11+ years

388

## CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Attended SWYP and engaged with youth workers.

12

## ACCREDITED OUTCOMES

ASDAN Awards achieved by young people through the YDF.

32

## DETACHED YOUTH WORK

Number of detached youth work session delivered across South Whitehaven

187

## YOUTH CLUB SESSIONS

Number of face-to-face youth club sessions delivered in Woodhouse and Mirehouse

155

## DIGITAL YOUTH CLUBS

Number of online youth club sessions delivered via Zoom.

24

## FIT. FUN.FED

Delivered over the summer holidays with 94 participants taking part.

37

## RECORDED OUTCOMES

Through Workshops and Case Studied, focussed around the individuals learning and development.

# WITH THANKS ...

## SWYP YOUTH WORK TEAM



Jacq Cardy  
Project Manager



Adrienne Bell  
Lead Youth Worker



Shannon Rush  
Youth Worker



Kelly Bell  
Youth Worker



Toni Anne Wardle  
Apprentice Youth Worker

## FUNDERS





# South Whitehaven Youth Partnership Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

## Notes To Accounts

- 1 Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis. No accruals are made for income due but not received or expenditure due but not paid

2021

2020

## Income

### 2 Grants Received

#### Restricted Grants

Copeland Community Fund	NOTE 1	£	11,905.69
Francis C Scott Charitable Trust		£	17,500.00
Cumbria Community Foundation #iwill		£	5,000.00
Cumbria Community Foundation LLWR Grassroots and CYPF		£	8,000.00
Sellafield Ltd (Mirehouse Residents Group)		£	11,000.00
Cumbria County Council - ASDAN Event SEE NOTE		£	227.00
Cumbria County Council (Youth Club in a Bag)		£	2,500.00
Well Whitehaven		£	3,234.29
West Cumbria Community Action Trust		£	1,601.72
Cumbria Community Foundation Covid-19		£	1,038.00
Sellafield Ltd - Spons & Dons		£	3,402.96
Sellafield Ltd - Year 1 New fund		£	22,000.00
		£	87,409.66
		£	-

### 3 Donations

Mirehouse Residents Group	£	150.00
Private Donation	£	50.00
North Copeland Youth Partnership	£	11,000.00

£ 11,200.00 £ -

### 4 Other Income

£ -  
£ - £ -

## Expenditure

### 5 Rent, Supplies & Services

Rent - St Peters Community Hall	2021	£	4,170.00
Room Hire - Mirehouse Community Centre		£	1,253.00
Insurance		£	555.80
Stationary		£	186.31
Postage		£	58.73
Telephone & Internet Costs		£	292.80
Bank Charges		£	90.00
Music Licence		£	-
COVID Expenditure		£	516.43
Sellafield Spons & Dons		£	2,915.01
Cumbria CF Covid-19		£	1,038.00
Misc	NOTE 2	£	33.44
		£	11,109.52
		£	-

### 6 Youth Work Program

Youth Development Fund	£	14.97
Give'n'Get	£	594.40
#iwill	£	1,284.15

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Mirehouse Junior Youth Club	£	137.69	
Mirehouse 13+ Youth Club	£	83.50	
Woodhouse Junior Youth Club	£	196.76	
Woodhouse 13+ Youth Club	£	46.50	
ASDAN Celebration Event	£	-	
Youth Club in a Bag	£	2,664.08	
Winter Meals Programme	£	152.67	
Fit.Fun.Fed - WCCAT	£	1,211.48	
Fit.Fun.Fed - Well Whitehaven	£	1,343.55	
Youth Club General	£	935.06	
	£	8,664.81	£ -

### 7 Staffing

Staff Wages	£	51,937.21	
Pension Contributions	£	1,592.11	
CPSL Payroll	£	309.60	
Staff & Volunteer Training & expenses	£	82.98	
Ucheck - DBS Staff & Volunteers	NOTE 3	£	182.40
		£	54,104.30
		£	-

## Current Status

### 9 Funds at 31st March 2021

Restricted Grants Unspent amounted To			
For Staffing	NOTE 4	£	8,241.46
For Youth Work Program		£	4,559.86
For Rent, Supplies & Services		£	1,015.72
Soundwave-Parton Delivery	NOTE 5	£	3,000.00
		£	16,817.04
		£	-

### General Funds

General - Own Funds	£	4,884.58	
Reserves	£	3,029.41	
	£	7,913.99	£ -
Total Funds unspent		£	24,731.03
		£	-

### 10 Additional Notes

**NOTE 1** - One payment received from Copeland Community Fund - awaiting second payment of £11,905.68

**NOTE 2** - Miscellaneous payments include Health and Safety poster and accident book.

**NOTE 3** - Ucheck - DBS online website - money transferred into a wallet to use to pay for staff, volunteers and trustees DBS checks - remaining balance £147.14

**NOTE 4** - This includes the £22000 received from Sellafield for the YDF project, less carried forward as awaiting final payment from CCF.

**NOTE 5** - As part of the donation from NCYP, SWYP completed the targets set to ensure the overall targets for Copeland Youth Network were met. When the funds were received Soundwave started the process of setting up a youth club in Parton - SWYP felt that some of the funds we received should be donated back to Soundwave to help set up youth provision in Parton.



# South Whitehaven Youth Partnership Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

## Statement of Receipts & Payments and Balance Sheet

2021

2020

### Receipts

Grants	£ 87,409.66	£ -
Donation	£ 11,200.00	£ -
Other Income	£ -	£ -
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£ 98,609.66</b>	<b>£ -</b>

### Payments

Supplies & Services	£ 11,109.52	£ -
Youth Work Program	£ 8,664.81	£ -
Staffing	£ 54,104.30	£ -
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£ 73,878.63</b>	<b>£ -</b>

Net Excess Of Receipts Over Payments	£ 24,731.03	
Funds Brought Forward	£ -	
<b>Funds Carried Forward</b>	<b>£ 24,731.03</b>	<b>£ -</b>

Represented By		
Unity Trust Bank	£ 24,583.15	
Ucheck -DBS	£ 147.14	
Charity Aid Foundation	£ -	
cash in hand	£ 0.74	
	<b>£ 24,731.03</b>	<b>£ -</b>

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Organisation name	South Whitehaven Youth Partnership
Address	St Peters Community Hall, Lakeland Avenue, Whitehaven, Cumbria. CA28 9PR
Account Year	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2020 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021

**Respective responsibilities of committee and examiner**

The committee consider that an audit is not required for this year and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission, and
- to 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the organisation 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 treasurer 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 committee have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements; 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:**

4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Name:**

Alan Stubbs FCMA

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

Chartered Management Accountant

**Address:**

C/o Cumbria CVS, Shaddongate Resource Centre, Shaddongate, Carlisle. CA2 5TY

Disclosure

None

Recommendations

None