

**The Welbeloved Club  
for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**

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## **The Welbeloved Club**

The Welbeloved Club (The Club) is a Registered Charity in England & Wales (no. 1190165)

### **Annual report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**

#### **Main address**

26 Ellenborough Close, Bishops Stortford, CM23 4HS

#### **Trustees**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Date of appointment</u>
Philip Deeks (Chair)	4 years	29 January 2020
Gillian Gill (Treasurer)	5 years	29 January 2020
Kat Pulford	3 years	29 January 2020
Jean Palfreman*	2 years	29 January 2020
Charlotte Richardson	3 years	29 January 2020

\*The Trustees have agreed to extend Jean Palfreman's term as a trustee

#### **Bankers**

Metro Bank, One Southampton Row, London, WC1B 5HA

#### **The Club's structure, governance and management**

The Club was established as a charity in August 2017 and registered with the Charity Commission in January 2020. The Club is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

The Club is overseen by its trustees for the benefit of its members. A new trustee must have the necessary skills, knowledge, and experience and be appointed by a resolution passed at a Trustees' meeting. The Trustees meet between 4 and 6 times a year.

Week-on-week the Club is managed by Jo Sydes (nee Gill), who set up the Club. Around the end of the period a management team was set up to deal with increasing demands of various aspects of management, including volunteer recruitment and administration.

#### **Activities and objectives**

The Club arranges a full Sunday lunch once a month for its members - elderly people who are lonely and / or socially isolated. About a hundred people come to Sawbridgeworth Memorial Hall, Herts (or are driven there and back as necessary) where the lunch is cooked, served and cleared away by volunteers. This facilitates social interaction in a comforting environment.



## **Summary of the main achievements and performance during the period**

The prior year 2020-2021 was a difficult year for Club, and one that saw us face many challenges. The global Covid-19 pandemic had a huge impact on the work we do and saw us close our doors between April 2020 - August 2021. This was a sustained period of closure and forced us to adapt how we deliver our services to members, and how the Club was funded. We were very grateful for the support of small 'digital' grants on offer, and kind donations from the local community. These allowed us to pay for mobile phones and tablets so members could stay connected with family and friends; to deliver weekly Sunday takeaway meals to our most vulnerable members; and to put together and deliver meals and small gifts on Christmas Day. Thanks to an appeal from our local newspaper, we also received over 500 'shoebox Christmas gifts', which we delivered to all of our members, other local community groups addressing loneliness and local care homes.

This year, the Club has made a good recovery from closure. The Club took proactive, sensible steps to reopen, taking into account the health and safety of both members and volunteers. Since reopening, the Club has grown in numbers, with many more members signing up. The Club has now taken steps to incorporate a waiting list, which is monitored closely, so members are not discouraged from joining. Paperwork, records and administrative tasks have improved significantly, with the installation of a volunteer management team taking care of these aspects. This has resulted in better process and compliance (mainly compliance in GDPR). Policies are reviewed and updated annually, and regular management meetings are held. Management have introduced birthday cards for members and thank you cards for volunteers, and sympathy cards to families if a member has passed away. All of these changes have resulted in positive feedback from both members and volunteers!

### **Financial review**

The Club recovered well from the Covid pandemic. Monthly lunch membership was a little slow to pick up after we were able to open the doors to paying guests once again. However, as confidence grew so did our membership and attendance.

The Club is forging some very productive relationships with local businesses. As a result, we have been rewarded with some very generous donations this year. Examples include a local secondary school raising money for us through their charity week, a local estate agents used their sponsorship of an event to raise funds for us too. Many local people and businesses have recognised the work the Club is doing to relieve social isolation and loneliness especially after Covid lockdowns and have chosen to support us in their fundraising or gift giving. A full list of donors can be found on page 6.

Our financial situation remains strong and we are exploring potential opportunities to support our members further. The Club has no debts and does not hold any funds as custodian trustee.

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Signed   
Chair Philip Deeks

Date 31/08/2023

**The Welbeloved Club**  
**Annual Accounts**  
**for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**  
**(prepared on a receipts and payments basis)**

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>		
Grants	200	6000
Donations	13511	1797
Lunch receipts	9701	3214
East Herts Lottery	320	369
Bank Interest	15	1
Other receipts	349	413
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b><u>24096</u></b>	<b><u>11793</u></b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Cost to put on lunches (incl. hall & bus)	8798	3802
PPS	741	708
Hire Charges	-	60
Advertising & Marketing	698	181
Equipment	47	1289
Training	42	148
Insurance	288	255
Admin expenses	712	1277
Christmas Cards	-	1394
Bank Charges	-	40
Subscriptions	320	
Miscellaneous	230	407
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b><u>11876</u></b>	<b><u>9561</u></b>
<b>Net receipts/(payments)</b>	<b><u>12220</u></b>	<b><u>2232</u></b>
Capital Equipment (Asset)	622	
<b>Net receipts</b>	<b><u>11598</u></b>	
Bank and cash at the start of the period	7384	5152
Bank and cash at the end of the period	<b><u>18982</u></b>	<b><u>7384</u></b>



**The Welbeloved Club**  
**Statement of assets and liabilities**  
**at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Cash assets</b>		
Current account	1217	1153
Deposit account	17736	6199
Petty cash	29	32
<b>Total cash assets</b>	<u><b>18982</b></u>	<u><b>7384</b></u>

**Other assets**

*Catering equipment at purchase price. Not depreciated annually.*

Total cost of other assets **£6844**

**Liabilities**

*None expected outside those already received.*

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the organisation by:

Signed .....  
 Treasurer Gillian Gill

Dated 31/8/23 .....

**The Welbeloved Club**  
**Notes to the accounts**  
**for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022**

**1. Receipts & payments accounts**

Receipts and payments accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the organisation during the financial year. In this context "cash" includes cash equivalents, for example, bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due.

**2. Grants & Donations**

	£
<b>Grants</b>	
<i>East Herts District Council</i>	200
<i>Jubilee Party Grant</i>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>

	£
<b>Donations</b>	
<i>MARS Autos</i>	175
<i>Phillips</i>	20
<i>Bishops Stortford Independent Readers</i>	496
<i>Harris Tobias</i>	500
<i>Hayter</i>	300
<i>Ravenscroft</i>	500
<i>Foulser</i>	100
<i>St. Michael's School</i>	242
<i>Breathe Network</i>	58
<i>Smith</i>	75
<i>The Leventhorpe School</i>	7777
<i>Talking Newspaper</i>	100
<i>Bishops Stortford Football Club</i>	500
<i>Russell Property</i>	1500
<i>Metro Cabs</i>	122
<i>CAF Donations</i>	50
<i>Winstone</i>	900
<i>Other Donations</i>	96
<b>Total</b>	<b>13511</b>

*Note – Other donations include Just Giving, Amazon Smile, Paypal giving & Giving Machine*

**Total grants and donations                      £13711**

**3. Trustee remuneration**

The Club has no employees. Currently all work for the Club is undertaken on a voluntary basis for no payment. No payments were made to any trustees during the period.