

DUDDON COMMUNITY SUPPORT

England & Wales · Charity number 1191000

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2020-08-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: TO RELIEVE PEOPLE WITHIN THE DUDDON PARISH BOUNDARY WHO ARE IN NEED, BY REASON OF THEIR AGE, ILL-HEALTH, DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR SOCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL THINK FIT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PRACTICAL SUPPORT, MEALS, TOGETHER WITH TELEPHONE OR PERSONAL CONTACT, TO ENCOURAGE POSITIVE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH. NOTHING IN THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL AUTHORISE AN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE CIO FOR THE PURPOSES WHICH ARE NOT CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH [SECTION 7 OF THE CHARITIES AND TRUSTEE INVESTMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005] AND [SECTION 2 OF THE CHARITIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2008].

Activities: TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO VULNERABLE PEOPLE OF ANY AGE WHO LIVE WITHIN THE DUDDON PARISH BOUNDARY. THIS MAY INCLUDE PRACTICAL SUPPORT, MEALS TOGETHER WITH TELEPHONE OR PERSONAL CONTACT, TO ENCOURAGE POSITIVE OR MENTAL HEALTH

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Disability
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WITHIN THE DUDDON PARISH BOUNDARY
- Cumbria

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£5,564	£5,183	-	-
2023-12-31	£7,201	£6,356	-	-
2022-12-31	£9,133	£9,324	-	-
2021-12-31	£7,737	£6,559	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Selwyn Wright		2020-08-24
CLIVE MOODY FCMA		2020-08-24
Janet Kathleen Sayers		2020-08-24
Kyra Ruth Parsons		2020-08-24
Nicholas Owen Lancaster		2020-09-16
Rev STEPHEN WILLIAM TUDWAY		2020-08-24
Sally Jane Rousseau		2020-08-24

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Chairman's Report

November 2024

Duddon Community Support has continued through its fourth year to provide its core services; the delivery of weekly Meals on Wheels to a group of 20+ older adults in the area, and the regular checking and maintenance of Defibrillators across the area. There have been no large changes in the organization in the last 12 months. We have maintained the same Trustees group and have similar stability across the group of volunteers. We remain indebted to Coordination Group Publications for regular grants through the Duddon Community Trust which enable us to continue.

Numbers on our Meals on Wheels delivery list have decreased slightly since my last report. A number of our clients have sadly passed away, and new deliveries continue to spring up. The Square café is still our base for the preparation of meals and thanks are due to the Parsons family for that. We have a faithful group of volunteers who assist with the cooking, but a rather perennial difficulty to attract people willing to take on a 'lead cook' role, which does place stress on the few who are willing. The second course relies on around 12 volunteer bakers who are used on a rota basis, and deliveries are made by car outside the village currently to a dozen people, by three volunteer drivers. Within Broughton there are two walking delivery rounds. Stand-by reserves are necessary some weeks.

One of our Defibrillators was used by First Responders this year, sadly to no avail. Thanks to a donation a new Defibrillator has been supplied and fitted. All defibs are publicized on the national database and 999 callers are advised on the nearest and the code for the box. We have delivered a further training session this year thanks to local First Responders. We now have four people on a rota to manually check defibs each month.

There is clearly still some appetite locally to produce an Emergency Plan although progress is slow.

It continues to be clear that there is a need in our community for DCS to provide its services for the foreseeable future.

Thanks are due to our Trustees and our Volunteers for their assistance during the year.

Selwyn Wright Chair

**Duddon Community Support
Income & Expenditure Account
12 Months ended 31.12.24**

INCOME

Meals paid for	£3564
Grant Application, April 2024 : Duddon Parish Trust	£2000
TOTAL INCOME	£5564

EXPENDITURE

Service Charge paid to Square Café	£2300	
Catering Ingredients	£2812.75	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£5112.75	
Excess income over expenditure for 2024	£451.25	
Balance At Bank	31.12.23	£1793
	31.12.24	£2244.25

In the course of 2024 DCS Meals on Wheels served 1188 meals at an average cost of £4.30 per meal.

The other activities of DCS are the provision, maintenance and training in the use of Defibrillators; together with working with partners towards the provision of an Emergency Plan for the area. They are conducted by volunteers and there is no cost to DCS.

Our Treasurer, Clive Moody, passed away earlier this year. I have been Acting Treasurer for the last 3 months. We are searching for a suitably qualified Treasurer to take over.

Selwyn Wright LL.B

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**DUDDON COMMUNITY SUPPORT (DCS)
CHARITY No. 1191000**

**Annual General Meeting: 7th December 2023
The Square Cafe, Broughton in Furness**

**Secretary's Report
2023**

1. Annual Compliance Statement (Annual Return) has been filed with the Charity Commission, enclosing as Appendices.

- a. Accounts for year to 31st December 2022
- b. Annual Report from Trustees.
- c. Annual Report from the chairman.

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2. Trustees

- a. Details of each of the 7 Trustees have been maintained on-line throughout the year – specifically other Trusteeships.
- b. There has been one resignation and a new appointment of a Trustee during the year. This was at the AGM on 13th December 2022 in respect of the Vicar who moved to a new Parish. Please see minutes of that meeting for the specific details.

3. Safeguarding

- a. A Safeguarding Policy imposing duties on Trustees and Volunteers has been adopted and is now in force and monitored.
- b. The policy is subject to continual review.
- c. There has been a potential safeguarding concern relating to a client who receives community meals. Whilst not requiring direct intervention by DCS, a 'watching brief' is being maintained. The client is currently supported by carers in their own home and has family assistance.

4. Disclosure + Barring Service checks (DBS....formerly CRB) on ALL Trustees and volunteers are still in force and valid.

5. Defibrillators

- a. As Agreed at the 2021 AGM, the Charity has taken on responsibility for checking and maintaining 8 of the 9 Community Defibrillators in the Duddon Parish Council area.
- b. Each of these has been registered on "The Circuit" (a national database) and is checked at least monthly as required.
- c. One defibrillator has been replaced with a new model, the replaced unit has been repaired and will now be held as a spare.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. The Charity has continued to fulfil its functions through its third year with a steady effort from all the volunteers involved. There have been no changes in membership of the Trustees Board, although we do now have a new Secretary and a new Safeguarding Officer. My thanks to all of them for their efforts this year, in particular to the Treasurer, without whom it would be hard to carry on. The volunteer group has similarly maintained its core group with some additions and one or two losses.
2. On the Meals on Wheels front we deliver to an average of just under 30 clients per week, which has been a very stable group with few changes. Two of those are vegetarian which does make additional demands on the cooks. Catering businesses in the area are very loth to get involved because of the serious staffing issues that they all have. We have relied entirely on The Square Café and a nucleus of three regular cooks, supplemented by over a dozen volunteer bakers who are on a rota. I do not intend to duplicate the Treasurer's statistics, save to add that we rely as heavily as ever on donations, in the lack of which we would have serious fundraising to do. Huge thanks are due to all of the cooks, bakers and delivery staff – about 25 people in all.
3. The Charity is also heavily involved in the checking and maintenance of the eight public Defibrillators in our extended area, covering a good chunk of the Lake District and out to the coast. We are fortunate that there has been no incident involving their need but the First Responders and the Health Service are grateful for our work. Several public training sessions have been held locally and about 30 people have received that training from Local Responders.
4. Due to ill health the local work on a Resilience (or Emergency) Plan has not been finalized although it is close to that point. We have however received a grant which enabled a 'collar' to be fitted in the electric system in the Victory Hall so that a large generator can be attached in a crisis. North West Electricity have agreed that our Hall will be loaned such a generator in that event.
5. The one big change which has happened this year is the change in ownership of the Square Café. The new owner is happy for DCS to continue to use the café on Thursdays to produce meals for the foreseeable future.
6. The original intention when meals started to be produced in 2020 was to ease the stress of Covid and Lockdown. It remains clear that there is still a need in our local community which our organization is able to respond to.

S Wright Chair

**DUDDON COMMUNITY SUPPORT (DCS)
CHARITY No. 1191000**

**Treasurers Report
2023**

- i) The Annual Compliance Statement (Annual Return) has been filed with the Charity Commission enclosing;
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 - Annual Report from the Trustees

- ii) The annual report for the 12 months year ending 31st December 2022 was tabled.

Points to note included that 1428 meals were provided, 400 of which were in the lat quarter. Each meal had an average cost of £4.76, £3 of which was recouped as a contribution from the recipient. In the last quarter of 2022, the average meal cost £4.40, compared with £5.30 in the previous quarter to 30th September (the reason being that the purchase of ingredients in December was low)

The donation from the Square Café coffee morning of £391.50 is held in respect of defibrillator consumables, which were previously privately funded.

A donation of £2500 was received to enable the purchase of a fridge and freezer to enable DCS to offer resilience assistance in the event of any future emergency. This item, along with a microwave is now in place.

An application is to be made ti CGP Trust Fund for further funds which will be required to fund operations with effect from 1st March.

Action: Selwyn Wright (action subsequently completed)

The report was formally proposed and accepted.

Duddon Community Support
Income & Expenditure Account
12 months ended 31 December 2023

	£	£	£
<u>INCOME</u>			
Donations - Other	1100		
- By overpayment	233		
Grant Application DPC Trust Fund	2000		
Meals Paid for	3862		
Interest Earned	6		
TOTAL INCOME		7201	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Service Charge paid to caterers	2430		
Catering Ingredients	3866		
Bank Charges	60		
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		6356	
Excess Income over expenditure (This Year)		845	
Excess income (01/01/2023)		955	
TOTAL FUNDS			1800
<u>REPRESENTED BY:</u>			
Balance at bank - current A/C	1793		
Cash/Cheques cleared by bank	72		
Accruals/Creditors (Inv. Tysons – Sept)	(65)		
			1800

Interesting facts / Notes to the Accounts

1. During the 3 months, 336 meals were supplied and paid at an average cost of £3.20 per meal, £3.00 of this is recouped from the client.
2. In the year to 31/12/24, 1287 meals were supplied at an average cost of 4.90 per meal
3. The average drain on our funds per week is £70.20 – between 13 week operation

Accruals as at 31/12/2024

Tysons – December £65

Client Adjustment

Client paying £50 per month instead of £13. Over 3 months the excess has been treated as a donation.

Clive Moody
Treasurer

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**Duddon Community Support
Income & Expenditure Account
12 months ended 31st December 2022**

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<u>INCOME</u>		
Donations - Square Cafe coffee morning	391.50	
- Other	2500.00	
		2891.50
Grant Application DPC Trust Fund		2000.00
Meals Paid for	4240.00	
Interest Earned	1.94	
		4241.94
TOTAL INCOME		9133.44
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Service Charge paid to caterers	2550.00	
Catering Ingredients	4243.19	
Bank Charges	90.75	
D.B.S checks	9.75	
Capital Spend out of Donations	2429.99	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		9323.88
Excess Expenditure over income (This Year)		(190.24)
Excess income (01.01.2022)		1178.83
TOTAL FUNDS		988.59
<u>REPRESENTED BY:</u>		
Balance at bank - current A/C	581.85	
- ringfenced	391.50	
Cash/Cheques to be Banked	199.24	
Accruals/Creditors (Inv. Tysons – Dec)	(184.00)	
		988.59

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3. The Donation from The Square Café coffee morning (£391.50) is held in respect of Defibrillator Consumables, so far privately funded.
4. The £2500.00 donation was given to enable the purchase of a fridge & freezer to enable DCS to offer resilience in the event of another Storm Arwen.
5. An application has been made to the CGP Trust Fund for further funds which will be required to fund operations with effect from 1st March 2023.

Clive Moody
Treasurer

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EE REPORT **12 Months to 31st December 2021**

TRUSTEES REPORT

DUDDON COMMUNITY SUPPORT

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1191000

THE OLD SWILLSHOP

9 NEW STREET

BROUGHTON IN FURNESS

CUMBRIA LA20 6JD

FINANCIAL FACTS.

Dcs supplied 1504 meals in the 12 months. Each one had an average cost of £4.36 (£4.38 over the last 3 months) from which we re-couped £3 from the client.

The weekly drain on our funds is approximately £40.80 (calculated over the last 3 months.

An application to a DPC TRUST FUND for a further grant of £1200 was made on the 1st October 2021 and received in the last quarter of 2021.

Duddon Community Support raises its income through donations, applications to local trust funds, and fund raising evets, such as coffee mornings etc. Its main expenditure is on food ingredients for meals and the service charge paid to local café, restaurants who prepare the meals. In the first year of operation a surplus of income over expenditure was achieved of £1178 which was represented by the balance held at the bank.

PERSONS WHO WERE TRUSTEES OF THE CHARITY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR 2021I

ALAN SELWYN WRIGHT - CHAIRMAN

CLIVE MOODY- TREASURER

STEPHEN WILLIAM TUDWAY - SECRETARY

SALLY JANE ROUSSEAU - OPERATIONS MANAGER

KYRA RUTH PARSONS

NICHOLAS OWEN LANCASTER

JANET KATHLEEN SAYERS

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EE REPORT **12 Months to 31st December 2021**

THE AIMS OF THE ORGANISATION

To provide assistance to vulnerable people of any age who live within the Duddon Parish boundary. This may include practical support meals , together with telephone or personal contact to encourage positive physical and mental health.

The charity was born out of a need which became apparent during the early stage of the pandemic . At present we are delivering a hot 3 course meal once a week to 35 people. There is no restriction on vulnerability, which may be by age , infirmity, isolation or immobility.

We were caught out by storm Arwen when much of the local area was cut off by reason of power, water or telephone outage for 7-10 days. We were able to open a local café which provided hot meals at minimum cost to those who could get to Broughton. Through volunteers we contacted , and where necessary visited and fed, outlying vulnerable ; in extreme cases we organised first responders to render medical assistance where necessary.

OUR FUTURE PLANS

Broughton and The Duddon Valley frequently suffers disruption to travel, electricity , water or telephone communication and this is likely to continue with the type of climate change that the UK is experiencing, Future plans are based on resilience, and plans are underway to build a new kitchen at The Victory Hall from which to operate weekly and more importantly in time of an emergency.

The charity will fund the purchase of adequate ready meals to provide one per day , for 7 days to current clientele of 35 people. More and longer could be accommodated if required

THE STRUCTURE OF OUR ORGANISATION

Duddon Community Support is a registered charity with 7 trustees -each with a particular area of expertise. It has 9 volunteers who act as deliverers. It has no paid employees. We charge £3 for a 3 course hot meal, not everybody pays, Each meal costs DCS approximately £4.50 to produce,

At present the meals are produced each week in a local café which cooks by gas and so far has been able to stay open even with other outages,

New Trustees are always welcome, subject to clearance.

Duddon Community Support

EE REPORT

12 Months to 31st December 2021

The trustees recognise their liability for clear policies concerning - Child protection, Safeguarding vulnerable adults, equal opportunities and disability access.to public buildings.

Duddon Community Support
Income & Expenditure Account
12 Months to 31st December 2021

	£	£
<u>INCOME</u>		
Donations - In memory of John Rousseau	933.50	
- Other	24.00	
Grant Application DPC Trust Fund	2400.00	
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		3357.50
Meals Paid for	4379.93	
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		4379.93
TOTAL INCOME		<hr/> 7737.43 <hr/>
 <u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Service Charge paid to caterers	2600.00	
Catering Ingredients	3805.10	
Bank Charges	81.50	
Other Consumables purchased	-----	
D.B.S checks	72.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<hr/> 6558.60 <hr/>
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		<hr/> 1 178.83 <hr/>
 <u>REPRESENTED BY:</u>		
Balance at bank	1149.21	
Cash/Cheques to be Banked	29.61	
Creditor to be paid	-----	
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		1178.83 <hr/>

INTERESTING FOOTNOTES:

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2. The weekly DRAIN on our funds is approximately £40.80 (Calculated over last 3 months).

3. An application to a DPC Trust Fund for a further grant of £1200 was made on the 1st October 2021 & received in the last quarter of 2021.