

Trustee report

1 Nov 22- 31 Dec 23

Tees Valley Buddies

Charity number:

109-111 Parliament Road, Middlesbrough, TS1 4JE

Trustees:

Chair: Chelle Waddington-Smyth

Kim May

During November 22 - Dec 23, Tees Valley Buddies continued to provide regular activities that promote peer support and lived experience with neurodivergence. A weekly walk and talk was highly attended along with a card and board games group. Occasional wellbeing sessions were trialled to promote improved mental health among neurodivergent adults.

February 23 Annemarie Head resigned as CEO proceeded by Chelle Waddington.

Until Aug 23 the charity could not gain access to the organisation's bank account. Efforts to provide improved structure were prioritised alongside the refocus of the support provided to build a community and create a welcoming space for neurodivergent people.

This saw an increase in membership, friendships developed and more regular attendance within activities. It also allowed more interest in volunteering from those that saw the value and benefit from the support the charity provides.

A total of £288 was received through donations including Middlesbrough lottery and Amazon Smile.

Some funds were used for volunteer expenses and group activities such as the celebration of 3 years as a charity where members and volunteers played a game of Crazy golf and had a sunday dinner. Other group activities included wellbeing sessions and board games.

The aim of the year was to provide an accommodating structure for our neurodivergent volunteers and build upon the peer support and sense of community that is vital for the success of the charity.

Incoming	Outgoing	Date	Type		
	24.96	12/12/22			DS
	194	20/12/22		leaflets	
	30.94	10/1/23		expenses	AH
	7.84	16/1/23		exenses	AH
	22	18/1/23		expenses	DS
	366.67	25/1/23		expenses	CW
11.93		31/1/23		Amazon smile	
5		24/4/23		Amazon smile	
21.61		19/5/23		Amazon smile	
6		5/9/23		Lottery	
200		11/9/23		Donation	
10		13/9/23		Lottery	
10		10/10/23		Lottery	
	55.22	16/10/23		Group activies	
12.5		14/11/23		Lottery	
	41.3	4/12/23		Group activies	
	69.5	4/12/23		Group activies	
10		12/12/23		Lottery	
	20.25	12/12/23		Group activies	
	2.18	12/12/23		Group activies	
	188.14	20/12/23		Expenses	CW
287.04	1023				