

Beyond the Margin CIO

Trustees' annual report for the year ended 31 March 2024

Full name Beyond the Margin

Organisation type Charitable incorporated organisation

Registered charity number 1194443

Principal address TFD Youth Centre, Broadstone Way, Bradford, BD4 9BU

Trustees

Rita Adigun

Thomas Kendal

Mark Howorth

Helen Eluned Syrop

Tanya Murphy

Governance and management

The charity is operated under the rules of its CIO Association adopted 12/05/21.

Trustees are voted in at a committee meeting and agree to serve and adopt all Beyond the Margin policies.

Objectives and activities

1. The prevention or relief of poverty in yorkshire by providing items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.
2. To provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

I am pleased to present the third Trustees' Annual Report for Beyond the Margin Charity, covering the period ending March 2024. As the newly appointed Chair, this marks my first report in this role, and I am proud to share the progress and impact of our work over the past year.

This report reflects our unwavering commitment to empowering individuals and igniting potential through education, therapeutic support, and creative initiatives. At the heart of our mission is the belief that every person deserves the opportunity to thrive. We provide community-based interventions that build skills, enhance resilience, improve well-being, and raise aspirations, all within a nurturing, safe space where healing and transformation can take place.

Our vision at Beyond the Margin Charity is to ignite the potential in every individual we work with, enabling them to achieve their fullest potential, free from the barriers of inequality, trauma, and adversity.

In our third year of operation, we are proud of the progress we've made in reaching some of the most disadvantaged children and adults in our community. With the expansion of our Board of Trustees, we have strengthened our governance, developed a long-term strategy, and refined the scope and impact of our projects, ensuring we can continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve.

Beyond the Margin CIO Summary of the main achievements during the period

This year, many of our creative education programs and youth work initiatives have evolved into more focused, targeted interventions. Thanks to the ongoing support of our funders, we have been able to maintain a regular girls' group project, providing consistent and supportive role models for young females in our community. These projects have proven to be powerful tools for empowerment, allowing participants to explore and nurture their talents, and contributing to a more holistic approach to education and personal development.

Our targeted work with young people has expanded significantly, with our team delivering weekly dramatherapy interventions in two local primary schools and one high school. These sessions specifically support students who have experienced high levels of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and/or significant trauma. Demand for this service has been consistently high, with a waiting list since its inception, and this continues today. In addition to benefiting the individuals directly involved, this project has had a positive impact on the schools they attend and their wider family networks, fostering long-term, meaningful change and healing from trauma.

Our new partnership with NHS CORE20+5 has expanded our reach to parents, families, and adults through our mental health project, *Head, Heart, Holme*. This initiative is designed to support the mental health and well-being of parents, offering both community-based group work and one-on-one formal dramatherapy sessions. The project has helped parents manage their own mental health needs, enabling them to better support their children, many of whom are also facing mental health challenges. Through these efforts, we are creating a more supportive environment for families, empowering parents to build resilience and better navigate the complex mental health challenges they face.

Our approach has always prioritised the quality of our interventions over the sheer volume of individuals reached. We are deeply committed to delivering trauma-informed therapeutic support, focusing on long-term healing rather than short-term fixes. The individuals we work with face complex and often overwhelming challenges, and we recognise that a brief, short-term intervention can only provide a temporary solution - essentially a "plaster" on wounds that have been shaped by years of adversity and trauma.

Our primary commitment remains to engage with the most vulnerable populations over an extended period of time, offering consistent support rather than transient interventions. This year, we have further developed a therapeutic model in which 12 weeks is considered the minimum intervention time, not the maximum. Thanks to the generous and flexible support of our funders, we have been able to provide in-depth, long-term care for our clients, some interventions lasting as long as 40 weeks. We understand that meaningful healing requires sustained, intensive therapeutic work to help individuals overcome severe trauma and adversity.

By maintaining this long-term, trauma-informed approach, we are able to deliver high-quality, effective support that truly makes a lasting difference in the lives of those we serve. Our focus is on providing sustained care that not only addresses immediate needs but fosters genuine, long-term recovery and well-being.

In addition to our therapeutic initiatives this year, we have launched new projects to address the immediate needs of food and fuel poverty, as well as combat social isolation among adults. Through our warm space initiatives, coffee mornings, and community meals, we have been able to provide crucial support to those most in need. These services have proven to be a lifeline for many members of our community, offering not only practical assistance but also a sense of connection and solidarity.

Future Hopes and Expansion Plans

Looking ahead, Beyond the Margin Charity is excited about the prospect of expanding our impact through the development of new projects. New funding opportunities with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and the NHS will enable

us to extend our creative therapy work in schools, reaching more children who are experiencing severe adversity and trauma. This will further strengthen our commitment to providing therapeutic support in educational settings, where we can make a tangible difference in the lives of young people facing significant challenges.

Our work with adults will continue to expand, with a particular focus on developing informal peer support networks to run alongside our formal therapy groups, ensuring that service users always have a continued source of support even after their formal therapy has ended or been paused. By empowering service users to support one another, we aim to create a ripple effect that not only positively impacts their own lives but also strengthens their communities. These peer-led initiatives will provide an additional layer of support, fostering a sense of ownership and shared resilience among those we serve.

With the continued support of our funders and the dedication of our team, we aspire to make a lasting and positive difference in the lives of an even greater number of individuals. Our focus will remain on fostering resilience, improving well-being, and helping people realise their full potential. We are enthusiastic about the journey ahead and the chance to create meaningful, long-lasting change for those who need it most.

As we reflect on another year of growth and impact, Beyond the Margin Charity remains deeply committed to our mission of igniting potential, empowering individuals and fostering long-term positive change. Over the past year, we have made significant strides in supporting children, adults, and families who face the greatest challenges, providing therapeutic interventions, creative education, and community-based initiatives that promote healing, resilience, and well-being.

With the continued support of our funders; Clarion Housing, Bradford City Community Foundation, NHS CORE20+5, BD4+ Community partnership and Bradford Council. We are poised to expand our reach and deepen our impact in the years ahead.


The rest of the Board of trustees and I are inspired by the progress we have made and the many individuals we have had the privilege of supporting. Not forgetting the incredible resilience of the individuals we serve, whose strength and determination continue to inspire and drive us forward. As we move forward, we remain committed in our belief that everyone deserves the opportunity to thrive, free from the constraints of trauma, adversity, and inequality. We look forward to continuing this journey of growth, collaboration, and empowerment, and to making an even greater difference in the lives of the people and communities we serve.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all those who have played a role in supporting and sustaining our mission. Thank you for your unwavering commitment and generosity.

The charity's policy on reserves

Our charity is committed to responsible financial management. We are gradually building our reserves to ensure the long-term sustainability of our operations. While our current reserves are modest, we aim to increase them over time to provide a financial buffer against unforeseen circumstances. This will enable us to continue delivering our vital services to the community.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  _____ Date 20/12/2024
Mark Howorth, Chair

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Charity number 1194443

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st March 2024



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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Income :				
Grants	-	67,876	67,876	22,740
	-	67,876	67,876	22,740
Resources expended:				
Activity costs	-	2,122	2,122	383
Insurance	327		327	-
Equipment	-	3,607	3,607	401
Project delivery	-		-	14,593
Marketing	-	597	597	-
Meetings	-	50	50	26
Professional fees	425	425	850	
Room hire	-	455	455	1,400
Sundries	284	126	410	-
Training	-	-	-	528
Travel expenses	-	-	-	428
Trips	-	75	75	693
Wages	2,013	27,290	29,303	-
Total expenses	3,048	34,747	37,795	18,452
Operating surplus/(deficit)	(3,048)	33,129	30,081	4,288
Transfer between funds	11,034	(11,034)	-	-
Total funds brought forward	-	4,288	4,288	-
Total funds carried forward	7,986	26,383	34,369	4,288

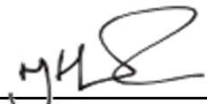
The notes on pages 3 form part of these financial statements.

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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank and in hand	34,369	4,288
Total current assets	34,369	4,288
Represented by funds		
Unrestricted funds	7,986	-
Restricted funds	26,383	4,288
	34,369	4,288

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Signed: 

Date: 20/12/2024

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis. The income did not exceed £250,000 and the charity is not a registered company.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis i.e. they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Resources expended

These have been analysed using a natural classification.

Going Concern

The charity is operating on a going concern basis.

2. Related parties

There were no related parties within the year.

3. Fund Analysis

	B/F	Income	Expenditu	Transfers	C/F
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted	-	-	(3,048)	11,034	7,986
Restricted					
Clarion Resilliance	-	10,000	(458)	-	9,542
BD4+ IYPSN	-	25,000	(7,275)	(3,156)	14,569
ABCD	-	2,499	(2,271)	(228)	-
Community Cafe	1,288	9,977	(8,986)	(2,279)	-
Drama Therapy	3,000	7,000	(6,770)	(1,960)	1,270
Sassy Girls	-	13,400	(8,987)	(3,411)	1,002
Total	<u>4,288</u>	<u>67,876</u>	<u>(37,795)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,369</u>

4. Staff

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gross wages	28,805	-
Tax and Social Security	122	-
Employer Pension	375	-
	<u>29,303</u>	<u>-</u>

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

I report on the accounts of Beyond the Margin for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 2 to 3.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act) but that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, 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 the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes considerations of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees 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 view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Shelley-Marie Rudling FMAAT AATQB for and on behalf of:
Community360

Winsley's House, High Street, Colchester, Essex



Date 10/01/2025