



ANNUAL REPORT

**Heart of the Community
For the Year Ended 30th June 2023**

**"Where Calne's Community
is central to our ethos"**

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Who we are

Heart of the Community, a charitable Incorporated Organisation, and operates from Coleman's Farm Community Centre, 15-16 Angell Close, Calne, SN11 8PF.

During the year the following Trustees served between the start of the accounting period and the approval of these accounts are noted with the dates of appointment and/or resignation where these fall within the same period:

April Cooper	Appointed	25 th November 2022
Julie Godwin		
Natasha Ramage		
Ian Wakeham		
Mary Wakeham		

Bankers:

HSBC
Canal Walk
Swindon

Our accounts were independently examined by:

Iwona Warzecha

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Aims and objectives

Heart of the Community exists to alleviate the symptoms of poverty and social isolation that often result in mental health distress through the provision of providing a daily hot meal, a meeting place to chat and form friendships, and providing a range of activities on a daily basis to learn new skills and have fun together.

The majority of our guests have been referred to us by Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living (Community Connectors) to ensure that services are being provided specifically to those in our community who are in need in accordance with our primary target guests. The process of referral is a two-way process, with the trustees' referring guests who need additional support to Community Connectors.

How are the objectives met?

Heart of the Community provides a warm, safe non-judgemental environment that empowers people of diverse ages and backgrounds. Guests are encouraged and motivated to be the best version of themselves that they can be.

The provision of daily hot meals and activities ensures that guests are nourished physically and emotionally, enriching people's lives and enabling them to form friendships.

At its conception in 2021, Heart of the Community provided meals for an average of 3 to 4 people daily, this rose to 7-10 people in 2022. By the end of the financial year, Heart of the Community regularly saw 10 to 20 people each day, most of whom stayed for the full day.

As our daily and varied activities expand, this figure continues to grow. When these figures are extrapolated to annual figures, Heart of the Community is expecting to serve between 4,000 and 4,500 meals during the next 12 months excluding specials.



W, says that if she didn't have the Centre to come to, she would be at home struggling with her anxiety and depression.

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How were we funded?

Heart of the Community are grateful for the financial support through grants and donations that enabled the organisation to carry out its activities. The Charity was successful in securing a grant from the Lottery Fund enabling it to secure the hire of the premises for the year, while smaller grants ensured that we were able to purchase ingredients for our food and materials for activities.

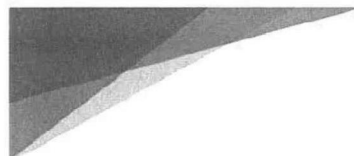
Heart of the Community also worked in collaboration with national and local businesses together with community groups to facilitate events such as:

- ✓ Christmas Lunch – the opportunity for our regular guests to come together to enjoy a traditional meal with their friends. This allowed them to put aside their mental health issues for a couple of hours and enjoy themselves, courtesy of Virgin Media
- ✓ A Coronation Tea Party, allowing guests with mental health issues to enjoy the Coronation Day Afternoon Tea with their friends Courtesy of the One Stop shop and Calne Lions



Calne Civic Awards

It was humbling to hear that Heart of the Community had been nominated for the Calne Civic Awards in 2023 and was awarded a certificate in recognition of its work in supporting the community of Calne.



B, moved to Calne in 2019, she stayed in her home for 3 years counting cars before being introduced to Heart of the Community.

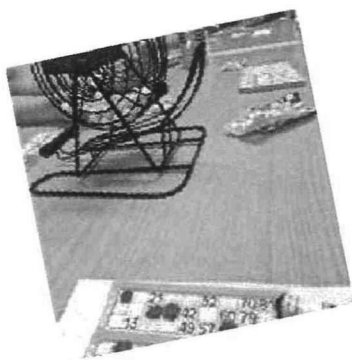
B, loves our food, and says she has never felt so loved.

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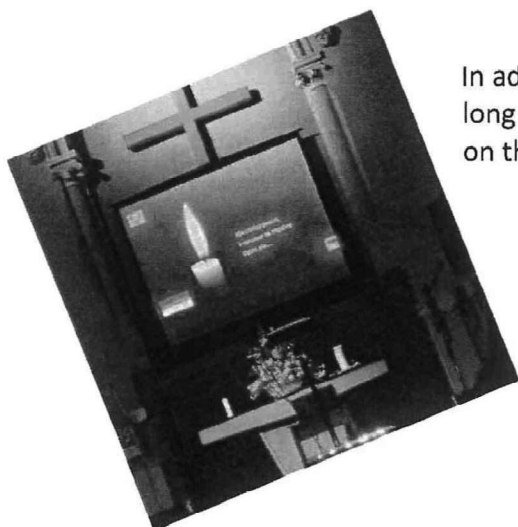
Activities and Events



During the week Heart of the Community enjoys a variety of activities from an hour-long Singing for fun session, where there is much toe-tapping and movement, to knitting and crocheting, and family fun. The charity is always listening for new ideas for activities that may be of interest to the community.

SN11 – Calne Welcomes Ukrainians

The Ukrainian Project, started in May 2022 took on a life of its own, growing from regular Saturday Coffee mornings to three celebrations in the year – Ukrainian Independence Day, Christmas and Easter.



In addition to the celebrations, an hour-long vigil was held to remember their loved ones at home on the eve of the anniversary of the Russian Invasion.



Heart of the Community is looking forward to continuing this initiative in 2023/2024.

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Wreath Making

One of the numerous events held by Heart of the Community was a wreath-making evening in November.

15 people sat around the table, creatively making their own wreaths to decorate their homes.



Passing of HM Queen Elizabeth

Heart of the Community volunteers and guests also wanted to pay their respect to the late Queen Elizabeth and laid some flowers in the Town Community Garden.

Many of our guests, having connections with the armed forces felt that this was the least they could do for their Colonel in Chief.

L, was going through a particular difficult Summer.

She messaged Heart of the Community to say that without our love and support she didn't think she could have got through her difficult time without us.

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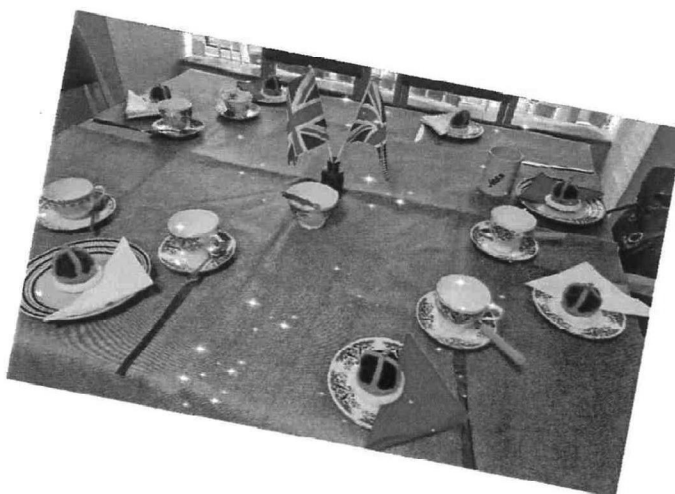
Christmas



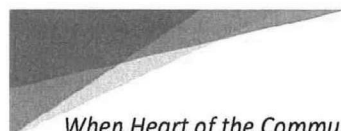
In December Heart of the Community provided a 3-course meal to 37 people who would not have attended any other festive parties. Coleman's Farm was the venue for numerous guests with anxiety and mobility issues to come together in a relaxed setting and enjoy the company of what has become their friends.

Coronation of King Charles III

For many, the Coronation of the Monarch was the first time they had enjoyed the pomp and ceremony of such an event. For some of our guests, it provided the opportunity to discuss the differences between the ceremony of the King and his mother before him. It also allowed Heart of the Community to mark the occasion with Afternoon Tea, enjoyed by 40 people.



The "royal crowns" were crochet by one of the volunteers of Heart of the Community, and those attending the Tea were encouraged to take them home as a Royal Memento.



When Heart of the Community is closed at weekends, L has no reason to get up.

For L, Heart of the Community provides her with a purpose in life.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), Financial Reporting Standard 102 and the Charities Act 2011. Heart of the Community is a registered CIO charity, no. 1194894, and meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102.

Going Concern

The Trustees have assessed the going concern basis in the production of these financial statements.

Despite the continuing cost-of-living crisis within the UK partly fuelled by the energy crisis, inflation and high interest rates, all of which have resulted in a greater demand for our work and services, the Trustees are confident that there are sufficient funds to continue our vital work, and therefore the Charity remains a going concern.

Income

Income is recognised in the Financial Statements when received and banked under the Receipts and Payments basis.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised in the Financial Statements when payments are made under the Receipts and Payments basis.

Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore meet the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

Assets

There are no assets owned by the Charity except for Cash held at the bank.

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The Charity's reserves policy is to hold 6 months of total annual expenditure at the end of each financial year as unrestricted funds to allow for sufficient time to seek and be successful in additional funding.

At the year end, reserves held were £5,516 which equate to 32% (3months) of total costs of £17,508.

Restricted

- **Rent**

Funds have been received from TFL (National Lottery) and designated solely for the payment of the rent and service charges of the building we operate from.

At the year end, reserves held were £6,459. The reserves transfer within the Financial Statements represents rent paid from the Unrestricted Fund.

- **Ukraine Fund**

Funds are used to support and provide meeting opportunities and events for Ukrainians who have come to Calne as a result of the current war in their country, in order to create and maintain a Ukrainian self-support community and wider integration into the town.

- **Jubilee Fund**

Funds were provided by Calne Lions and OneStop (Calne) to enable our guests to celebrate the Jubilee.

- **Christmas Fund**

Funds were provided by Virgin Media / O2 via Tesco vouchers, to be fund the Christmas meal

- **King's Coronation Fund**

Funds were provided by Calne Lions and Groundwork (on behalf of OneStop) to fund the celebration of the King's Coronation

Fund	B/fwd	Income	Expenditure	Transfer to Unrestricted	C/fwd
Rent	0	9840	-9663	6282	6459
Ukrainian	550	0	-592	42	0
Jubilee	0	261	-264	3	0
Christmas	0	600	-600	0	0
Coronation	0	450	-456	6	0
	550	11151	-11576	6334	6459

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Acknowledgement

The Trustees acknowledge that without the support of the volunteer team (none of whom are paid), it would not have been possible to achieve the community engagement and the fulfilment of its aims and objectives.

Agreed and signed on behalf of the Trustees on 1st September 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Wakeham', written over a horizontal dotted line.

Ian Wakeham



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Heart of the Community

On accounts for the year ended

30th June 2023

Charity no

1194894

Set out on pages

3-11

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30th June 2023.

**Responsibilities
and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's
statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) 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 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 no concerns and 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Iwona Warzecha

Date:

7th September 2023

Name:

Iwona Warzecha

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

MAAT

Address:

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Income and Expenditure
Period Ended 30th June 2023

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL 2023 £	2022 £
INCOME				
Income from Public Funds				
Grants and Trusts				5,530
TFL		9,840	9,840	10,000
Smaller Grants		711	711	
	-	10,551	10,551	15,530
Large Donations	168	600	768	
Fundraising	612		612	1005.87
Regular Giving	2,166		2,166	1,420
Donations for Meals	2,516		2,516	2,099
	5,461	600	6,061	4,525
Total Income	5,461	11,151	16,613	20,055
EXPENDITURE				
<i>Core Activities</i>				
Rent		9,663	9,663	9,260
Meals & Refreshments	2,612		2,612	1,338
Activities	163		163	365
Sundries	1,172		1,172	1,960
	3,947	9,663	13,610	12,923
<i>Special Events</i>				
Ukrainian Gatherings		592	592	0
Jubilee Celebration		264	264	0
King's Coronation		457	457	0
Christmas Dinner		600	600	720
Other	-		-	93
	-	1,913	1,913	813
<i>Administrative Expenditure</i>				
Safeguarding	0		0	252
Bank Charges	61		61	45
Transport	1,408		1,408	1,115
Promotion	516		516	481
	1,985	-	1,985	1,892
<i>Governance</i>				
Trustee Training & Development			-	600
Total Expenditure	5,932	11,576	17,508	16,228
Net Income over Expenditure	-471	-425	-895	3,827

Heart of the Community
Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Cash at Bank			11,976	12,871
Reserves				
	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	TOTAL £	2,022 £
Brought Forward	12,321	550	12,871	9,044
Net Income over expenditure	-471	-425	-895	3,827
Transfers	-6,334	6,334	0	0
Carried Forward	5,516	6,459	11,976	12,871

For detailed analysis of Restricted Funds, please see page 8 of this report