



# Westfield Community Association Yeovil

Trustees Annual Report  
and  
Financial Statement  
for the Year ended 31 August 2023

Charity Number 1195615

# Reference and Administration details

## Charity Principal Address

49 Stiby Road  
Yeovil, Somerset  
BA21 3EQ

### Names of the Charity Trustees

| Trustee name            | Office (if any) | Appointed/ Resigned |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 Steven Robert Harding | Chair           |                     |
| 2 Dinah Mary Davies     |                 |                     |
| 3 Michael James Chant   |                 |                     |
| 4 Peter James Chapman   |                 |                     |
| 5 John Ernle Clark      |                 |                     |
| 6 Claire Dawn Mallinson |                 |                     |

## 2 Structure, Governance and Management

Westfield Community Association registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on the 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021, (Reg. No.1195615) and is governed by a Constitution.

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Constitution and give their time voluntarily.

## 3 Objectives and Activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document are as follows: -**

1. The promotion for the benefit of the public of regeneration in the Westfield Area of Yeovil, Somerset by all or any of the following means:
  - A. The Maintenance, improvement, or provision of public amenities.
  - B. The provision of recreational facilities for the public at large or those who by reason of their youth, age, infirmity, or disablement, financial hardship, or social and economic circumstances, have need of such facilities.
  - C. The protection or conservation of the environment
  - D. The promotion of public safety and prevention of crime
  - E. Such other means as may from time to time be determined subject to prior written consent of the charity commissioners for England and Wales and
2. To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Westfield without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious, or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisation in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and other leisure time occupations with the objects of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants. The "Area of benefit" is Westfield (Yeovil), defined as the area bounded by Preston Road, Larkhill Road, Thorne Lane and Ilchester Road.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects**

- environmental improvements (identification of and work on 46 'plots' for bulb, tree and flower planting)
- cultural awareness (e.g., links with Somerset Library which include plans for new activities for the vulnerable, young, parents, elderly etc),
- joint fundraising with St Peter's Church for maintaining the new Community Centre,
- support for residents affected by drug, gang and other anti-social behaviour,
- traffic safety reporting and support,
- various fundraising activities,
- organisation of seasonal community fetes,
- police liaison,
- periodic publication of a newsletter,
- litter picking projects,

- liaison with and involvement of local schools,
- liaison with Yeovil College – e.g., historical community research projects.
- We have ambitious plans to develop a Community Garden, or 'Pocket Park', for which we would very much welcome your practical or other support.

## 4 Achievements and Performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Whilst all the objectives and activities undertaken for public benefit listed in section 3 above have been actioned on a regular basis throughout the year, and progress has been made with embedding awareness of WCA's existence and impact amongst a wider element of both residential and organisational sectors of the community, the Association has been particularly pleased to have been given further external recognition:

In September 2022 we were shortlisted for and invited to the Radio Somerset 'Make a Difference' awards which recognise those who make life better for others.

During March 2023, significant contributions were made to the Keep Britain Tidy Big Litter Pick.

The colourful and successful Coronation Party in May 2023 attracted many residents, including the Town Mayor.

Two volunteers were invited to the King's first Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace in May 2023, which they attended as representatives of the entire association.

Through the opportunities presented by our ever-improving community garden, various groups benefited from sharing time, experience, interests and skills – not least, in addition to our regular volunteers, Able2Achieve and Somerset Wildlife Trust. Meanwhile, Brownies and Rainbows enhanced their weekly meetings by taking responsibility for some of the garden's raised beds.

Practical as well as social efforts to address initial anti-social behaviour in the garden began to have positive effects.

Links with our local Co-operative Society Pioneer Team led to ongoing involvement in our retail outlet's provision of 'awards', which contributed to funds required for ongoing activities as well as enhanced awareness amongst co-op members of the association's role in the community.

Once again, throughout the year the community association has been represented on the management committee of the St Peters Community Centre, indicating our commitment and support of this invaluable resource within our local community.

Committee Report

Westfield Community Association Yeovil  
 Receipts and Payments Accounts  
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|                                   | Unrestricted Fund | Restricted Funds | Total       |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                   |                   |                  |             |
| Grants and Donations              | 0                 | 2600             | 2600        |
| Fund Raising                      | 551               | 114              | 665         |
| Other Income                      | 26                | 0                | 26          |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>             | <b>577</b>        | <b>2714</b>      | <b>3291</b> |
| <b>Payments</b>                   |                   |                  |             |
| Bank Fees                         | 0                 | 0                | 0           |
| Bookkeeping/ Examination          | 0                 | 0                | 0           |
| Insurance                         | 0                 | 445              | 445         |
| Stationery and advertising        | 12                | 0                | 12          |
| Refreshments                      | 17                | 60               | 77          |
| Project – Street Party            | 0                 | 1069             | 1069        |
| Sundry Expenses                   | 154               | 0                | 154         |
| Service Providers                 | 0                 | 0                | 0           |
| Comm gdn repairs & renewals       | 0                 | 1738             | 1738        |
| Website costs                     | 100               | 0                | 100         |
| Pocket Park Equipment             | 0                 | 0                | 0           |
| Donations (out)                   | 350               | 0                | 350         |
| <b>Total Payments</b>             | <b>633</b>        | <b>3312</b>      | <b>3945</b> |
| <b>Net Receipts Less Payments</b> | <b>-56</b>        | <b>-598</b>      | <b>-654</b> |

**Summary of Funds**

|                                  | Balance<br>B/F 1.9.2022 | Receipts    | Payments    | Balance<br>C/F 31.08.2023 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| <b><u>Unrestricted Funds</u></b> |                         |             |             |                           |
| General Funds                    | 1689                    | 577         | 633         | 1633                      |
| <b><u>Restricted Funds</u></b>   |                         |             |             |                           |
| Community Garden Fund            | 5538                    | 2714        | 3312        | 4940                      |
|                                  | <b>7227</b>             | <b>3291</b> | <b>3945</b> | <b>6573</b>               |

**Balances Represented By :-**

The Co-op Bank Account -65266931

Balance as per statement 31 August 2023

**£6573.86**