

Bells Lane Community Association
(Registered charity, number 1195948)
Financial statements
for the period ended 30 September 2023

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**Bells Lane Community Association
Trustees' annual report
for the period ended 30 September 2023**

Full name Bells Lane Community Association

Organisation type Charitable incorporated organisation.

Registered charity number 1195948

Principal address
194 Amesbury Circus
Cinderhill
Nottingham
NG8 6DD

Trustees
Natasha Elaine Bryan
Sam Banton from 01/03/2023
Janet Holmes, until 15/01/2024

Independent examiner
John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41
Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management
The charity is operated under the rules of its constitution adopted 28 September 2021

Trustees are appointed at the AGM.

Objectives and activities

To further the benefit of the residents of the Bells Lane area of Nottingham and the neighbourhood without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the residents. In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: To establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

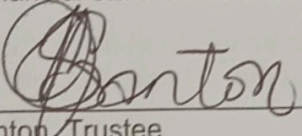
Bells Lane Community Association
Receipts & payments account
for the period ended 30 September 2023

| 2022 | | Note | 2023 |
|--------------|---|------|--------------|
| £ | | | £ |
| | Receipts | | |
| 8282 | Rents and room hire | | 24105 |
| 2439 | Grants | 2 | 9996 |
| - | Sundry receipts | | 300 |
| <u>10721</u> | Total receipts | | <u>34401</u> |
| | Payments | | |
| 250 | Refunds | | 250 |
| 1715 | Sundry payments | | 1857 |
| 3908 | Equipment, repairs & renewals | | 1792 |
| 25 | Travel costs | | - |
| 2105 | Cleaning | | 3377 |
| 117 | Office costs | | - |
| 320 | Security | | - |
| 10 | Refreshments | | - |
| - | Gardening | | 700 |
| - | Utilities | | 638 |
| - | Insurance | | 755 |
| - | Unidentified | | 2977 |
| - | Payroll | | 3036 |
| <u>8450</u> | Total payments | | <u>15382</u> |
| 2271 | Net receipts/(payments) | | 19019 |
| - | Cash funds at start of this period | | 2271 |
| <u>2271</u> | Cash funds at end of this period | | <u>21290</u> |

Bells Lane Community Association
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 30 September 2023

| 2022 | | 2023 |
|-------------|--|--------------|
| £ | | £ |
| | Cash assets | |
| 1096 | Bank accounts | 20990 |
| 1175 | Cash in hand | 300 |
| <u>2271</u> | | <u>21290</u> |
| | | |
| | Assets retained for the charity's own use | |
| | General equipment. | |
| | | |
| | Liabilities | |
| - | Professional fees | (564) |
| <u>-</u> | | <u>(564)</u> |

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed 
 Sam Banton, Trustee

Dated

29/08/24

Notes to the Accounts

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants & donations

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| | £ |
| Nottingham City Council | 9996 |
| | <u>9996</u> |

3. Premises & staff

The premises are provided by the local authority.

4. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

Bells Lane Community Association

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit
We hired out the Community Centre to organisations which work with local children and young people, such as: Girl Guides, Brownies, Rainbows, a nursery, a youth club for teenagers, a Kung Fu group, and an after school club. And we hired out the Centre to the NHS to help local people who are have cardiac problems. In addition, we also hired out the Centre to other community organisations, local churches, and also local people for parties and other functions. The Community Association also directly organised a number of special events for the community.

Cllr Chapman provided funding from Nottingham City Council £4,862.80, specifically for the payment of the salary of the Administrator. The outstanding balance was carried forward into the current financial year, to be used for the same purpose.

We are very grateful to Cllr Chapman, and staff at Nottingham City Council for their continued support throughout the financial year. We also greatly appreciate the benefit to our community of the work carried out by the organisations which use the Centre.

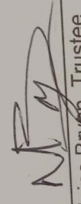
The charity's policy on reserves

We are pleased to have been able to continue to increase our income through the hiring of our facilities by community groups and members of the public.

We do not currently have a policy on reserves, because until now our priority has been to continue to increase our income, mainly through room hire.

We held no funds for third parties, other than from time to time, deposits from members of the public for the hire rooms. These were refunded after the satisfactory completion of each event.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  Date _____
Natasha Elaine Bryan, Trustee

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Bells Lane Community Association
for the period ended 30 September 2023**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Bells Lane Community Association (the charity) for the period ended 30 September 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity, 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 charity'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 qualified statement

I have completed my examination. I have been unable to verify the closing petty cash balance and attention is drawn to the unidentified expenses added to reconcile the statements to the assumed closing cash balance. Advice and guidance has been given to Trustees to improve the record keeping. I confirm that no other matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed _____ Date _____
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE
Employee of Community Accounting Plus