

BLETCHLEY YOUTH CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1202081

Details

Other names BYC

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-02-24

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Activities

Objects: TO FURTHER OR BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS OF MILTON KEYNES AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY WORKING ALONGSIDE THE RESIDENTS, LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES AND SERVICES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS.

Activities: The charity provides a range of leisure and learning activities which the whole community can benefit from within our centre as well as youth clubs across MK, meal clubs, coffee mornings; Sports sessions and open access to the outdoor multi-sports play area; Martial Arts, Zumba, Boxing; Life skills training; meetings of religious and cultural groups. A venue for private parties and events.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Milton Keynes

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£198,082	£185,850	-	-
2024-03-31	£191,302	£181,571	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alan Robert Webb		2023-10-25
Bryan David Scarborough		2023-02-24
Dallas Sherwood		2023-02-24
Felicity Ann Cockbaine		2023-04-26
Lynn Anne White		2023-04-26
Michael Robert Legg		2024-07-24

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Trustees' Annual Report & Accounts for the period 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

Bletchley Youth Centre, Derwent Drive, Bletchley, MK3 7BE

Charity Registration Number: 1202081

Trustees serving during the year:

Bryan Scarborough – Chair / Treasurer
Felicity Cockbaine – Secretary
Dallas Sherwood – Trustee
Alan Webb – Trustee
Lynn White – Trustee
Mick Legg – Trustee

Welcome and Sad news

Welcome to the Annual General Meeting of the Bletchley Youth Centre CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation). Our Committee of 6 Trustees has continued to meet quarterly throughout the year to oversee the management of the Centre and the Charity as a whole.

Since the end of the financial year, we sadly lost two much-loved members of our community.

On Tuesday 8th April, our former Chair, **Gladstone McKenzie**, passed away. Gladstone gave more than 15 years of dedicated service to the charity – first as Chair and more recently as an Ex-Officio member. His energy, commitment, and belief in young people shaped the Youth Centre and made a real difference across Milton Keynes. We all feel his absence deeply and remain enormously grateful for everything he gave.

- Chair/Trustee: 2008 (est) – April 2023
- Ex-Officio member: April 2023 – April 2025

We also remember **Faiyaz Ebrahimji**, our friend and long-standing user of BYC, who passed away on Saturday 30th August after a period of illness. Faiyaz was a kind and gentle soul who will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him.



Our Mission

We exist to provide affordable leisure activities for young people and the wider Bletchley community – helping to build resilience, fitness, wellbeing, and a positive outlook on life.

What We Do

Bletchley Youth Centre is more than just a building. It's a central hub where people of all ages can take part in activities, learn new skills, and find support in a welcoming, fully accessible environment.

Open every day of the year, we aim to meet the physical, mental, and social needs of our community, with a special focus on young people. Alongside what happens at the Centre itself, we also run an outreach programme across Milton Keynes called **Youth Network**, bringing opportunities and support for young people into local neighbourhoods.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have followed the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. In practice, this means we've worked hard to make sure our programmes genuinely improve the lives of local people. Our work falls under three main objectives (set out in the table that follows), which guide both our day-to-day activities and our longer-term plans.

To deliver all this, we also welcome external groups and individuals to hire our spaces. This not only maximises community use but also generates vital income to keep the Centre running safely, accessibly, and sustainably seven days a week.

Strategic Objectives 2024–2029

Objectives	Project name	Activity	Completed & Final budget in 2024-25	Plan for 2025-26 & Agreed Budget
Objective 1A	BYC	<p>To provide, over 48 weeks a year, a programme of affordable and low cost, fully inclusive, open access leisure activities for all members of the local community delivered both in-house and by external organisations. To maintain the Centre for regular use by the community.</p> <p>To offer 24-hour open access to our outside multi-Sports facility throughout the year.</p>	<p>The Centre operated 50 weeks over the year</p> <p>End of year: 18 regular groups.</p> <p>Outside facility temporarily closed due to maintenance issues</p>	<p>Open at least 48 weeks of the year.</p> <p>Regular groups: 15 minimum.</p> <p>Weekend events: 20</p> <p>Open outdoor facility and put maintenance and extra cleaning in place.</p>
Objective 1B	Family and Culture space	<p>To provide space hire, primarily at weekends, to local individuals/families, religious and cultural groups.</p>	<p>Regular groups include:</p> <p>Religious Communities and Refugee social groups</p> <p>Weekend events: Early: 15 Late: 7</p> <p>In-house: Friday café x 37 weeks</p>	<p>To continue at current level.</p>
		Budget for Objective 1	<p>Income: £75,805</p> <p>Expenditure: £72,970</p>	<p>Income: £67,000</p> <p>Expenditure: £67,000</p>

Objectives	Project name	Activity	Completed & Final budget in 2024-25	Plan for 2025-26 & Agreed Budget
Objective 2	Youth Network	<p>Annually, to deliver:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7+ regular term-time youth clubs • 3 year-round subject specific clubs • Easter and Summer holiday projects <p>All for children and young people from the age of 7 to 20 years at the Centre and at satellite centres across Milton Keynes.</p>	<p>11 clubs per week during term-time</p> <p>15 days during holidays</p> <p>1050 children & young people attended</p>	<p>12 clubs per week during term-time</p> <p>3 clubs throughout the year</p> <p>80 days during holidays</p> <p>Over 1000 children and young people attending</p>
		Budget for Objective 2	<p>Income: £134,917</p> <p>Expenditure: £133,518</p>	<p>Income: £79,793</p> <p>Expenditure: £78,602</p>
Objective 3	The Centre	<p>To create a fully inclusive, sustainable, fit for purpose, state of the art centre for community leisure time use through Annual Capital Improvement projects set out each year of the 5-year plan.</p>	<p>New building access system installed</p>	<p>Solar panels to finally be signed up to the National Grid.</p> <p>New extended lease in place.</p> <p>New heating system sourced and fundraised for.</p> <p>Progress on stage.</p>
		Budget for Objective 3	<p>Income: £1,979</p> <p>Expenditure: £1,979</p>	<p>Income: £15,000</p> <p>Expenditure: £15,000</p>

Highlights of the Year

Objective 1A: Leisure, Culture and Learning

The Centre continues to be well-used by groups offering affordable and low-cost activities for young people and adults alike – from Zumba and Tai Chi to boxing, karate, and creative arts programmes. Our Young Carers and Arts for Health groups, as well as partners like Macintyre and Next Steps Education, all bring huge value to the community.

In-House Activities

Over winter 2023 and into July 2024, we ran a special programme offering exercise sessions for older residents alongside our **Warm Hub Cafe**. This was made possible thanks to funding from **West Bletchley Council, Milton Keynes City Council, and Bletchley Clubs**.

Our outdoor Multi-Sports facility was open for most of the year, with a brief closure due to anti-social behaviour. We're pleased to report that new management measures are now in place, ensuring the area is once again safe and welcoming for all.

REGULAR USERS – to April 2025

	Organisation	Activity	Audience
1	Keep Kids Off the Streets (KKOS)	Boxing sessions for all ages, once a week during term-time.	Open to all
2	Exstress Fitness	Delivers a Zumba session and a Fit4Tap session . Weekly daytime.	Open to all
3	MK U3A	Tai Chi for beginners classes weekly. U3A membership required. Weekly daytime.	Open to all U3A members
4	Milton Keynes Kyokushinkai Club (MKKC)	Offers Martial Arts training for all ages, 3 times a week.	Open to all

5	Next Steps Education	Offers weekly, term-time, supplementary educational programmes for children and young people.	Open to all
6	Onthetalent	Performing arts project for young people started in December 23 and has continued weekly, also offers holiday provisions under the HAF scheme.	Open to all
7	NHS local surgery	Chair Exercise Class. Weekly daytime sessions.	Open to all
8	Paint a smile with Rachel Harding (PASWRH)	Arts for Health class, weekly sessions.	Open to all
9	Local Resident	Weekly Badminton session.	Apply to join
10	Macintyre No Limits	Lifeskills learning for young people with learning difficulties	Specific group
11	Macintyre Milton Keynes	Lifeskills training for adults with learning difficulties	Specific group

Objective 1B – Cultural groups, community events and family parties

The Centre is available for private hire for children's parties and larger events and is used by local prayer groups of all denominations.

REGULAR/REPEATING USER GROUPS

	Organisation	Activity	Audience
12	Anjuman e Imadi Milton Keynes (Ael)	Muslim cultural group. One-off bookings throughout the year.	Ael community
13	Agape Christlife	Christian cultural community. Weekly church service.	Open to all
14	IADC	Muslim cultural community. Meet twice a week.	Open to all

15	UK Welcomes Refugees / UK Welcomes Hong Kongers	Refugee community social. Monthly get togethers.	Refugee community
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ONE-OFF EVENTS – April 24-March 25

Type	Number
Early event up to 6pm (children’s parties, community events)	7
Mid up to 10pm (meetings, cultural events)	5
Late up to 12 midnight (adult parties, wakes, events)	9

Objective 2. Youth Network Youth Projects

Our youth project has delivered projects in the **Centre** as well as in venues **across Milton Keynes**. We wish to thank all who have provided the funding.

Name of club/Activity	Age of children	Venue/Day/Time	Funded by	Impact
Cooking Project x 10 weeks	11+	Bletchley Youth Centre, Sept–Nov 2024 & Jan–Mar 2025	Bletchley Clubs	Two courses with 10 young people each. All gained a Level 1 food hygiene qualification and skills for cooking on a budget.
Newton Leys Mixed Group	7-14 years	Newton Leys Pavilion, Tues 5–7pm (term-time)	B&FSTC	Around 25 children attend weekly for arts, sports, games, and a hot evening meal.
York House Mixed Group	7-14 years	York House, Stony Stratford, Wed 5.30–7.30pm (term-time)	Stony Stratford Town Council	20–25 young people take part weekly in games, gardening, and sports.

Name of club/Activity	Age of children	Venue/Day/Time	Funded by	Impact
Bletchley Youth Centre Meal Club	7-18 years	BYC, Wed 3.30–5.30pm (all year)	Bletchley Youth Centre	Up to 30 children and young people enjoy a healthy evening meal each week.
Wednesday Basketball	11+	Sir Herbert Leon Academy, Wed 5.30–6.30pm (all year)	People's Health Trust Grant	Over 40 young people attend weekly basketball sessions.
BYC Wednesday Sports	11+	Bletchley Youth Centre, Wed 6–8pm (started Summer 2024)	Bletchley Clubs (to Dec 2024), National Lottery Community Fund	Sports sessions including football and basketball. Young people help manage the project.
Bletchley Youth Centre Juniors	7-12 years	BYC, Thurs 5–6.30pm (term-time)	Bletchley Youth Centre / John Lewis	Up to 30 children attend weekly junior youth club sessions.
Bletchley Youth Centre Seniors	Year 7 (11 years) – 18 years	BYC, Thurs 7–9pm (term-time)	National Lottery Community Fund	Up to 30 young people attend weekly senior sessions.
Lakes Football Project	Year 7 (11 years) to 20 years.	Leon Astro Pitch, Fri 5–7pm (all year)	People's Health Trust / Bletchley Clubs	Well attended football project with up to 70 attending weekly. Young people help manage the project.
Lakes Mixed Meal Club	7-18 years	Lakes Community Centre, Fri 4–6.30pm (term-time)	B&FSTC	Up to 25 young people attend weekly for a meal and activities, mainly juniors.

Name of club/Activity	Age of children	Venue/Day/Time	Funded by	Impact
Broughton Youth Club	11-18 years	Broughton Fields Primary School, Fri 6.30–8.30pm (term-time, started Sept 2024)	BBCC	Well attended youth club with sports, indoor games and snacks, using excellent school facilities.
Newport Pagnell Juniors	7-12 years	Newport Pagnell Youth Club, Fri 5.30–7.30pm (term-time)	Newport Pagnell Town Council	Long-running club with 25–30 children attending weekly.
Newport Pagnell Senior	Year 7 (11 years) – 18 years	Newport Pagnell Youth Club, Fri 7.30–9pm (term-time)	Newport Pagnell Town Council	Up to 40 young people attend each week in a well-equipped facility.
Easter Holiday 2024	7-14 years	Bletchley Youth Centre / Newton Leys Pavilion	MKCC HAF (FSM) / WBC (non-FSM)	Over 4 days, 68 young people took part in centre days and trips, including Howe Park Wood and Caldecotte Xperience.
Summer Holiday 2024	7-14 years	Bletchley Youth Centre / Newton Leys Pavilion	MKCC HAF scheme (FSM)	16-day programme with 175 places. Mix of centre days and trips to Climb Quest, Salcey Forest, Caldecotte and Whipsnade Zoo.

Objective 3: The Centre

During 24/25, we've also been able to make some important improvements to our building and facilities — and we're grateful to the organisations that made this possible:

- **Santander** staff teams redecorated the whole Centre and improved our garden across two visits.
- **Men in Sheds (Kiln Farm)** created new plant boxes for the Centre's entrance.
- **Mears Group** awarded us a £500 grant for much-needed sports equipment.

- **Milton Keynes Community Foundation** funded our new access system, allowing each group to manage entry securely for its members.

Governance

This has been our second year as a CIO, and the committee is now well-established, meeting quarterly to oversee programmes, health and safety, compliance, and finances.

Our **purpose** remains clear:

To benefit the residents of Milton Keynes by working together with local people, authorities, voluntary groups, and other organisations to provide education, recreation, and leisure opportunities that improve quality of life.

A Heartfelt Thanks to All!

We wish to extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who has worked with us and for us; to those who have made use of our facilities and projects; and to all who have supported us with their time, energy, or resources. Your contributions have enabled us to achieve so much this year.

Financial Review

We would like to thank everyone who makes the work of the Charity possible — both in managing a high-quality community facility for the benefit of all members and in delivering projects within and beyond the Centre.

The accounts are presented on a *Receipts and Payments* basis, meaning all income and expenditure during the year is included. It should be noted that some grant income is ring-fenced for future years.

Income and Expenditure

Income and expenditure exceeded the original budget due to additional funds received during the year, totalling £64,000. A portion of these funds will be carried forward into 2025/26 (see note above).

This included contributions from:

John Lewis – funding towards Junior club at BYC (£1,000)

Broughton & Brooklands Community Connectors to run a youth club from September 2024 (£4698),

MKCC Bletchley Clubs – series of youth projects and the Warm Hub (£12,771)

CAYAC, Lakes Estate Community Group – equipment donation for the Lakes Meal Club (£168.40)
The Mears Foundation – equipment for the youth centre (£500)
MKCC - HAF Holiday Clubs (£14,677)
People’s Health Trust – Football & Basketball at Leon Leisure Centre (£10424)
Community Lottery – Wednesday Sports and Thursday Senior Club at Bletchley Youth Centre from September 2024 – August 2026 (£19,976)

Business Reserve Account

The Business Reserve Account currently holds **£51,404**, comprising:

- £16,000 – General Reserve
- £21,625 – Funds carried forward to future years
- £13,778 – Capital fund for future renovations (carried forward from the unincorporated charity)

Reserves Policy

The Trustees reviewed the Reserves Policy in January 2025, considering the appropriate level of reserves to maintain a balance between:

- Keeping hire charges affordable
- Ensuring prudent financial management and planning
- Providing for contingencies

The Trustees believe it is essential to maintain sufficient reserves to protect the Charity against income fluctuations, insolvency risk, or serious disruption to operations.

For 2024/25, the reserves target has been set at **£20,000**, to be achieved by 2025/26.

Financial Statements follow:



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Bletchley Youth Centre

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/04/2024		31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	3,760	-	-	3,760	5,000
Grants	37,916	40,823	-	78,739	53,956
Parish Contracts	42,713	-	-	42,713	43,262
Centre hire income	68,734	-	-	68,734	54,540
T/F Assets	-	-	-	-	26,241
MKCFC utilities	3,093	-	-	3,093	3,558
Bank Interest received	774	-	-	774	487
Other	270	-	-	270	4,258
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	157,259	40,823	-	198,082	191,302
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	157,259	40,823	-	198,082	191,302
A3 Payments					
General Operations running costs	41,334	-	-	41,334	44,181
Salaries and Social Security Costs	54,006	7,206	-	61,212	24,254
Youth Project salaries & freelance	37,159	7,702	-	44,861	58,742
Youth activities expenses	28,149	7,390	-	35,539	29,787
Equipment	713	-	-	713	667
Capital improvements	1,979	-	-	1,979	23,940
Other petty cash expenses	212	-	-	212	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	163,552	22,297	-	185,850	181,571
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	163,552	22,297	-	185,850	181,571
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,294	18,526	-	12,232	9,731
A5 Transfers between funds - (Prior year adjustment)	42,177	-	-	42,177	8,912
A6 Cash funds last year end	819	-	-	819	-
Cash funds this year end	36,702	18,526	-	55,228	819

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Reserve & Capital Account	32,878	18,526	-
	Cash at bank - Current Account	3,777		-
	Petty cash	47	-	-
	Total cash funds	36,702	18,526	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

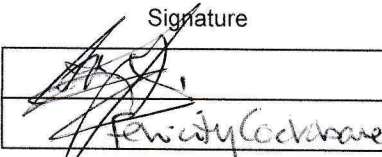
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
 Felicity Cochrane	BRYAN SCARBOROUGH FELICITY COCHRANE	24/09/25 24/9/25



Report to the trustees

Charity Name BLETCHLEY YOUTH CENTRE
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**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 MARCH 2025	Charity no (if any)	1202081
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2025^{DD / MM / YYYY}.

**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 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.

Signed: Nana Opoku Barfi

Date: 16 September 2025

Name: Nana Opoku Barfi

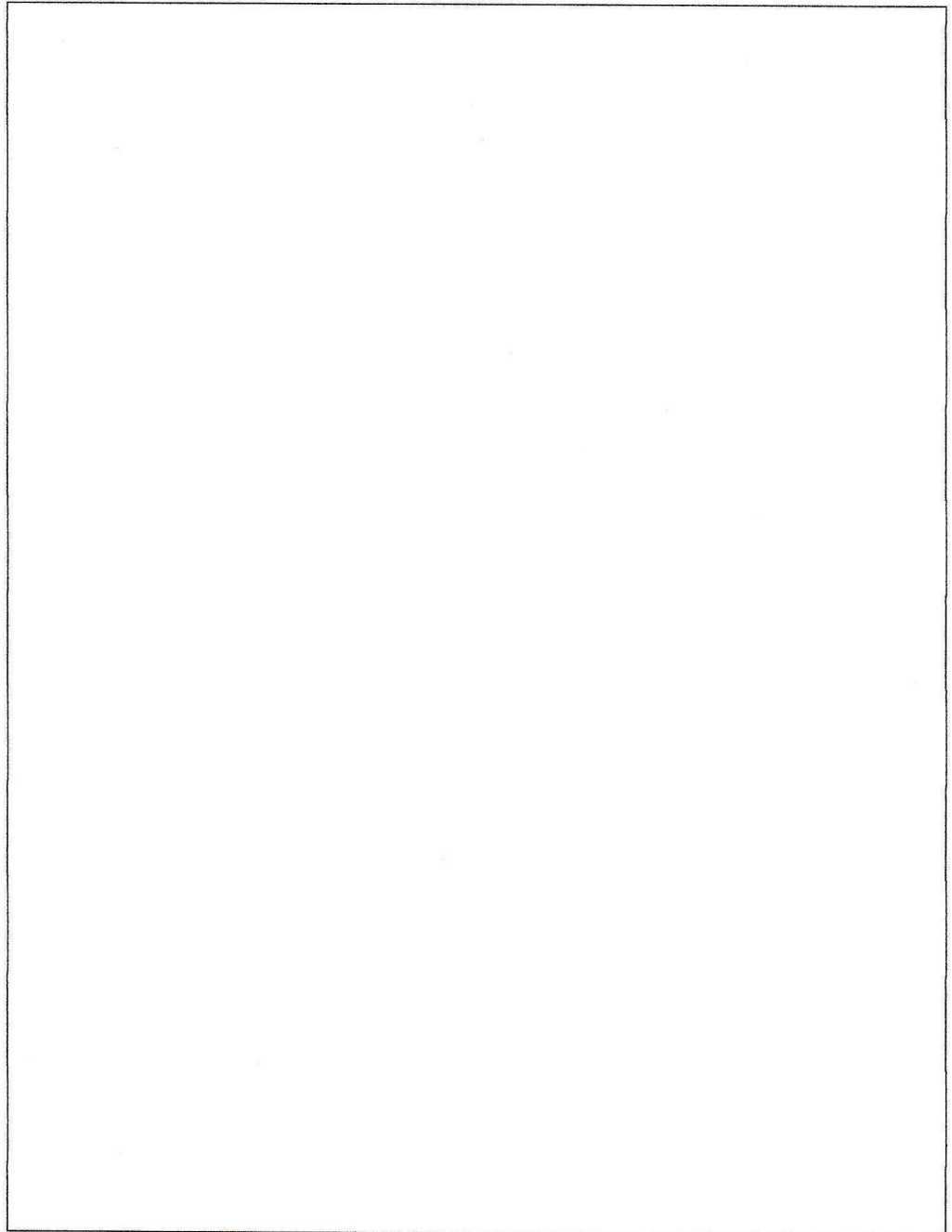
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qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fellow – Certified Public Accountants Association (FCPA) 2. Member – Association of Independent Charity Examiners (MCIE) |
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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

Bletchley Youth Centre, Derwent Drive, Bletchley, MK3 7BE

Registration Number: 1202081

Trustees serving during the year:

Gladstone McKenzie – Chair/Trustee – (resigned April 2023)

Bryan Scarborough – Acting Chair / Treasurer

Felicity Cockbaine – Secretary

Dallas Sherwood – Trustee

Alan Webb – Trustee

Lynn White – Trustee

Welcome

Welcome to the first Annual General Meeting of the new Bletchley Youth Centre CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) which was set up in February 2023. The Committee, made up of 5 Trustees, has been meeting on a quarterly basis throughout the year to oversee the management of the Centre and the Charity as a whole. In April 2023 Gladstone McKenzie stepped down as Trustee but remains an Ex-Officio Member of the Committee.

Our Mission Statement

To deliver affordable leisure time activities for young people and the Bletchley community to build resilience, fitness, good physical and mental health, a positive mental attitude and a sense of wellbeing.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit

Bletchley Youth Centre is a central hub for the whole community where individuals can take part in leisure-time activities, learn new skills and come together in groups to support each other. In order to effectively carry out its purposes, the Charity provides a safe, well maintained, fully accessible, welcoming environment, suitable for multiple use. Open every day throughout the year it aims to meet the physical, mental and spiritual needs of all members of the community with a particular focus on young people. We also deliver an outreach youth programme across Milton Keynes.

Our offer includes 4 distinct projects which have formed the Strategic Objectives for the next 5 years:

Strategic Objectives 2024–2029

Objectives	Project name	Activity
Objective 1	BYC	To provide, over 48 weeks a year, a programme of affordable and low cost, fully inclusive, accessible leisure activities for all members of the local community delivered both in-house and by external organisations. To offer 24-hour open access to our outside multi-Sports facility throughout the year.
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Objective 3	Family and Culture space	To provide room hire, to local charities, individuals/families, religious and cultural groups.
Objective 4	The Centre	To create a fully inclusive, sustainable, fit for purpose, state of the art centre for community leisure time use through Annual Capital Improvement projects set out each year of the 5-year plan.

In order to carry out such a range of activities and programmes, we welcome in external groups to hire spaces, which maximise opportunities for the community whilst supporting the Centre to maintain sustainability. Any income generated is used by the trustees to create a properly maintained and fully accessible facility that is safe for all to use, fit for purpose and in operation 7 days a week.

Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they are aware of and have regard to the charity commission’s public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant. The above sets out how the organisation carries out its purposes and below is a statement as to the benefits achieved during the year.

Summary of the main achievements in the first year of the new CIO.

Two special resolutions were put to the AGM on 22nd October 2022; to incorporate the existing 54 year old charity into a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and to bring Youth Network into the charity as a youth project by transferring its assets and staff. Both were agreed unanimously.

Although the new charity was incorporated on 23rd February 2023, we waited until 1st April 2023 to transfer funds into the new CIO and Youth Network was also merged into Bletchley Youth Centre on the same date.

Following an extensive review of our provisions, both within and outside of the Centre, prior to our major capital grant from FCC Community Foundation as well as our application to the Charity Commission 2022, we have been able to start the new organisation in a significantly improved venue.

Highlights of the year

Project 1. BYC

We wish to thank the Bletchley Youth Centre Regular user groups who enable us to collectively deliver activities which benefit local residents. This includes the following:

- Milton Keynes Kyokushinkai Club offers **Martial Arts** training for all ages, 3 times a week.
- Keeping Kids off the Street delivers **Boxing sessions** for all ages, once a week during term-time.
- Exstress Fitness delivers **Zumba** every week.
- MK U3A runs **Tai Chi** for beginners classes weekly.
- Wellbeing **Yoga** runs in blocks of 12 sessions.
- **Next Steps Education** offers weekly, term-time, supplementary educational programmes for children and young people.
- **Onthetalent** performing arts project for young people started in December 23 and has continued weekly, also offers holiday provisions under the HAF scheme.
- In the last few months of this year we have been lucky to include **Health organisations** as part of our offer to the community, using mediums of **Arts and Exercise**.
- We were very sad to say goodbye to **Young Carers** who had been delivering a monthly session for a number of years but had to move on due to their numbers rising significantly and our being unable to provide a suitable space at the time/day required.

We have been able to deliver, for the elderly within the community, a Warm hub through the winter of 22/23 until June and then a new Friday morning café with chair exercises started up again in January 2024. Funded through grants from **West Bletchley Council, Milton Keynes City Council and Bletchley Clubs**.

The outdoor Multi-Sports facility has been open throughout the year with external access via the gate in the football fields. (Funded in previous year by FCC Communities Foundation).

Project 2. Youth Network

Our youth project has delivered projects in the **Centre**. We wish to thank all who have provided the funding. Projects include:

- Wednesday night Meal Club has provided an evening healthy meal and a place for up to 30 children and young people to go every Wednesday throughout the year. Funded by **West Bletchley Council & Local Giving**.
- Thursday Junior Youth Club for 25+ children aged 7-11 years during term-time.
- Thursday Senior Club for 25+ young people, Year 7 and above, during term-time. The club received donations from **Cllr Mick Legg and Cllr Lauren Townsend during 2023/24**.
- Over 30 young people from Bletchley Youth Centre took part in the West Bletchley 2023 carnival with a Disney theme.
- **Summer Holiday Project** over 8 days during August 2023 for 45 young people per day, incorporating 4 centre-based days and 4 trips out by coach. The 'Welcome' boards at the front of the building were produced by the young people during the project. Funded through the **MKCC HAF scheme** for young people in receipt of free school meals and **West Bletchley Council** for all young people who live in the area and/or attend our clubs.

And an **Outreach Programme** across Milton Keynes, with thanks to those who have provided funding:

- Tuesday evening club for children and young people on **Newton Leys** in the Pavilion, during term-time welcomes 20-25 young people aged 7-14 years. Contracted by **Bletchley & Fenny Town Council**.
- Wednesday **Basketball session** at **Leon Sports Hall** for up to 25 young people aged 10 and over. Runs throughout the year and is funded for 2 years by the **Health Lottery**.
- Wednesday evening club at **York House Centre in Stony Stratford** for 25 young people aged 7-14 years. Contracted by **York House Centre**.
- Friday evening Healthy Meal Club at **Lakes Estate Community Centre** for 25 young people 7-18 years is contracted by **B&FSTC**.
- Friday Junior Club at **Newport Pagnell Youth Club** for 35+ young people, aged 7-11 years, during term-time.
- Friday Senior Club at **Newport Pagnell Youth Club** for 30+ young people aged 11 and over, during term-time. Both contracted by **Newport Pagnell Town Council**.
- Friday Community Football Project at **Leon Leisure Centre on the Astro pitch**. 47 sessions per year for up to 60 young people aged 11+. Funded by the **Health Lottery & Bletchley Clubs**.
- **Summer Holiday Project** over 8 days during August 2023 for 45 young people per day, incorporating 4 centre-based days at Newton Leys Pavilion and 8 trips out. Funded through the **MKCC HAF scheme** for young people in receipt of free

school meals and **Bletchley & Fenny Stratford Town Council** for all young people who live in the area and/or attend our clubs.

Project 3. Family & Culture Space

We are honoured to have provided a base for Macintyre No Limits and Macintyre MK over the last few years for their wonderful Life Skills programmes for individuals with learning and physical disabilities.

- Macintyre No Limits creates **Life skills training** for young people with learning and physical disabilities, multiple sessions, during term-time.
- Macintyre MK delivers **social support** for adults with learning and physical disabilities, once a week throughout the year.

We are also happy that local Religious and Cultural groups base their sessions at the Centre for prayers, festivals, ongoing meetings and community get togethers. This includes:

- Ael
- IADC
- Agape Christlife
- UK Refugees

Through the year we have welcomed one-off groups for festivals and events

- Bollywood Social Club
- Friends of the Caribbean
- Sri Tamil Gathering
- Bletchley Youth Centre Reunion

The Centre has provided a venue for 18 private events by local family and friends, including children's parties.

Project 4. The Centre

During 23/24, with time and funding supplied, we have been able to deliver the following improvements to the Centre. With enormous thanks to the organisations who have enabled this to happen:

- Teams of **Santander staff** who have decorated the whole of the Centre and improved the garden.
- **Men in Sheds, Kiln Farm**, who have made safe the back garden by building a railing to avoid trips over the flower beds, for putting up the Welcome board produced by the young people during the Summer 2023 project.
- The **David Family Foundation** for donating a DVD player and DVD's and for providing a grant of £3,500 which was used to replace the upstairs lounge carpet tiles with a quality vinyl flooring making the hall more versatile, comfortable and

hygienic. With remaining funds we were able to purchase padded seating for our elderly members.

- **Local Giving** provided a grant of £500 towards equipment for all users of the Centre to use. We now have in place both facilities and equipment for all to take part in football, basketball, tennis, table tennis, badminton, table football & snooker. With both the outdoor multi sports facility and the indoor sports hall with a sprung floor, there are options throughout the year.
- **Table Tennis England via MKCC** has donated an outdoor table tennis table has been installed on the Multi sports area.
- **MKCC Carbon Offset Fund has funded our solar panel project** which we would not have achieved without the active help of **West Bletchley Council, particularly the previous Clerk Helen Hupton and Janet Arnall.**

Governance

The first meeting of the new CIO was held on 26th April 2023. We created a planning document to guide us through the process of change including closing the old BYC charity, Tupe across all staff and projects to BYC from YNMK, closing YNMK and creating the foundations for the new organisation.

The new charity was set up with the following Objects:

To benefit the residents of Milton Keynes and the neighbourhood by working alongside the residents, local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance informal education and to provide facilities and services in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

The first year, as well as continuing to welcome new groups into our improved Centre, has also been challenging. We have spent many months setting up new financial systems and budgets, reviewing staffing roles and rates of pay, informing all stakeholders of the changes, setting up a new Committee of Trustees to add to those already in place. Most of this laborious work is now complete and we have started to plan the way ahead, building on what we already have; partnerships with so many providers who support the community, alongside our inhouse team of staff including administrators, youth leaders and sports facilitators.

Financial Review

Income & expenditure exceeded the budget set at the beginning of the year due to unanticipated grants received. This included: the David Family Foundation (£3,500), Local Giving (£500), MKCC Carbon Offset Fund (£23,940) and holiday projects; MKCC (£16,832) & WBC (£3,640), B&FSTC (£3,640), Cllrs Legg & Townsend (£1,000).

The Business Reserve Account, after transfers, currently holds £42,419 which is made up of £16,000 Reserve, £6,900 unrestricted funds c/f from YNMK & the remaining £19,519 ring fenced for stage renovations carried forward from the unincorporated charity.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees last reviewed the Reserves Policy in January 2024 and in so doing, considered the level of reserve held in order to strike a balance between keeping hire charges to a minimum, alongside the requirement for prudent planning and management, and provision for contingencies. The Trustees feel that it is appropriate within reserves that there should be adequate funds to cover income fluctuation in order to protect the charity from the risk of insolvency or serious disruption.

In 2023/24 a reserves target of £20,000 has been set to be reached by 2025/26.

Financial Statements follow:



BLETCHLEY YOUTH CENTRE 1202081

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01 APRIL 2023	To	31 MARCH 2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grants					
David Family Foundation, local giving	4,000			4,000	
MKCC Grants; Carbon Offset Fund; etc	43,533			43,533	
Parish Council Grants	43,262			43,262	
Centre income	54,540			54,540	
T/F of Assets from BYC charity	8,343			8,343	
T/F of Assets from YNMK	17,898			17,898	
Cllr donations	1,000			1,000	
Health Lottery Fund (Youth Projects)		10,423		10,423	
MKCFC - utilities	3,558			3,558	
Bank interest received - Bus.Reserve a/c	487			487	
Other	4,258			4,258	
	-			-	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	180,879	10,423	-	191,302	
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	
Total receipts	180,879	10,423	-	191,302	
A3 Payments					
General Operations running costs	44,181			44,181	
Salaries and Social Security costs	24,254			24,254	
Youth Project salaries & freelance	54,957	3,785		58,742	
Youth activities expenses	23,508	6,279		29,787	
Equipment	667			667	
Capital improvements; Solar panels & batteries	23,940			23,940	
	-			-	
Sub total	171,507	10,064	-	181,571	
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Purchase of equipments	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	
Total payments	171,507	10,064	-	181,571	
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,372	359	-	9,731	
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	6,289	8,912	
A6 Cash funds last year end					
Cash funds this year end	6,749	359	6,289	819	

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Reserve account balance	36,130	-	-
	Owed to reserve account	6,289		
	Unreconciled amount	-		
	Cash at bank - Current account	331	-	-
	Petty cash	351	-	-
	Total cash funds		42,399	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Agreement Error	Agreement Error	Agreement Error
Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets - Cash funds represented by:

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Specific funds (ring fenced)	-	-	-
Reserves	-		
General Fund	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

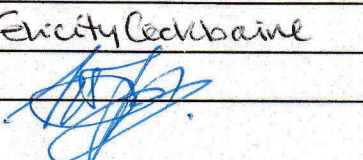
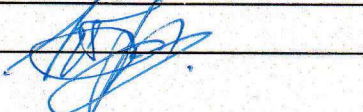
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	FELICITY COCKBAINE	24.7.24
	BRYAN GARBOROFF	24/07/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	Charity Name BLETCHLEY YOUTH CENTRE		
On accounts for the year ended	31 MARCH 2024	Charity no (if any)	1202081
Set out on pages	1-2 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2024 DD / MM / YYYY.

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

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [CPAA and ACIE]

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination 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.

Signed: *Nana Opoku Barfi* Date: 27 May 2024

Name: Nana Opoku Barfi

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

1. Fellow – Certified Public Accountants Association (FCPA)
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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

