



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	To provide space hire, primarily at weekends, to local individuals/families, religious and cultural groups.	<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>	To continue at current level.
		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 (£10,424)
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
01/04/2024

To

Period end date
31/03/2025

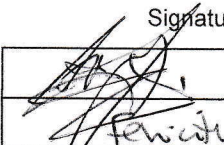
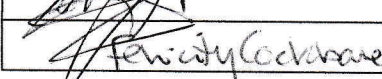
Section A Receipts and payments

	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))			
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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
	FRYAN SCARBOROUGH	24/09/25
	FELICITY COCKBURN	24/9/25



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
BLETCHLEY YOUTH CENTRE

On accounts for the year ended

31 MARCH 2025

Charity no
(if any) 1202081

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2025DD / 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

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

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.