



PRIORY POOLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Registered Charity No 1208293

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Priory Pools Community Centre is a registered charity (number 1208293) operated as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It was formed in 2023 and is governed by the Objectives and Activities set out in its Constitution, adopted on 15th May 2024. It became a charity on 16th May 2024. Its address is Lyttelton Road, Warwick, CV34 5EP.

Trustees

The charity has no paid staff and is administered by a Trustee Board elected in March 2024 which comprises 5 Trustees:-

Chairperson:	Amanda Burford
Secretary:	Janette Eslick
Treasurer:	Vivienne Bosworth
Trustee:	Simon Pargeter
Trustee:	Rev Canon Angus Aagaard (from 12 th September 2024)

Advisors during the year

Architect:	Tim Adams Architects Ltd, Lutterworth
Project Manager:	Terry Plant, Plant 3 Properties, Rugby
Business Plan:	Marcos Campos, The Gap Community Centre, Warwick

Objectives and Activities

The objects of Priory Pools Community Centre (PPCC) are:

To further or benefit the residents of Packmores area of Warwick 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 objective 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.

The main activities of PPCC during the year were the planning and design of the new community centre, and fundraising for the new centre including grant applications and events. The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake to fulfil their public benefit obligations.

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Achievements

PPCC has made strong progress this year towards the establishment of a new Community Centre for Warwick.

With the support of the Gap Community Centre, a Business Plan was written and presented to the Warwick District Council Cabinet. This was accepted with unanimous support, and a £250k grant from WDC was secured. This enabled us to progress the plans for the building and submit the planning application in August 2024, with planning permission being granted in December 2024.

The charity is now finalising the appointment of the full design team who will develop the detailed design to allow us to go out to tender to contractors during the latter part of 2025, subject to sufficient funds being raised, with the ambition to start the build during 2026 and open in 2027.

There have been significant fundraising achievements, with further large grants being secured from the Warwickshire County Council Social Fabric Fund, the King Henry VIII Endowed Trust, the Thomas Oken Charity, and the Warwick & Budbrooke Churches Community Outreach Pool. These, combined with a number of smaller grants and fundraising events, mean that PPCC has now secured £1.6m towards the build costs in the region of £2m. These funds, along with the balance of the WDC grant, will be paid to PPCC by the grant providers later in the project when the build is underway, so do not as yet show in the accounts.

PPCC has also been supporting the planning and fundraising of a community mural on a railway underpass leading to the community centre site which will enhance the local environment in advance of the community centre construction, and will be completed in May 2025.

Financial Matters

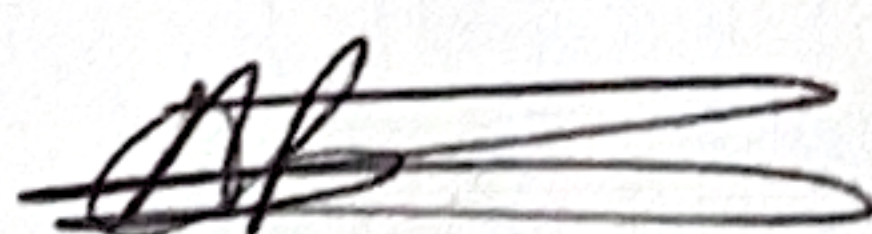
Throughout the year the PPCC operated a current account with Lloyds Bank, Warwick Branch, 12 Swan Street, Warwick CV34 4BJ for the holding of cash reserves. The Independent Examiner of the PPCC accounts is Mr Paul Underwood, of 5 Brooke Close, Warwick CV34 6PE.

The accounts are prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis. The cash reserves at the year-end were all restricted funds, with £164,756 for the Community Centre Build Fund, and £11,514 for the Community Mural Fund.

No trustee, committee member or persons known to be connected with them received remuneration or benefit directly or indirectly from the Charity during the year.

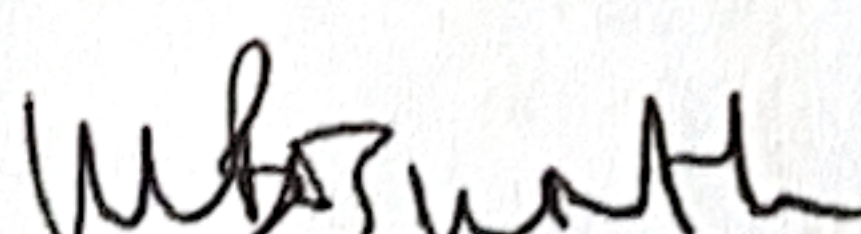
The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.



Amanda Burford
Chairperson

Date: 7 July 2025



Vivienne Bosworth
Treasurer

Date: 7th July 2025

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Accounts for year ended 31 March 2025

Receipts & Payments

		y/e 31 Mar 25
	notes	£
Receipts		
Grants - Community Centre	1	162,807
Grants - Mural	2	11,515
Donations		195
Fundraising	3	4,414
Total Receipts		178,931
Payments		
Administration		(230)
Fundraising		(2,431)
Total Payments		(2,660)
Net receipts less payments during year		176,271
Opening fund balances 1 April 2024		-
Fund balances as at 31 March 2025		176,271

Notes

- 1) Grants towards the build of the new Priory Pools Community Centre - restricted funds
- 2) Grants towards a new community mural - restricted funds
- 3) Fundraising towards the new build - primarily from a Market Takeover Day

Statement of Assets And Liabilities at 31 March 2025

Monetary Net Assets (Cash Bank etc.)

	£
Current Account LLOYDS	176,271
	176,271

Summary of Movement on Individual Funds

	01-Apr-24	Receipts	Payments	31 Mar 25
	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds				
Priory Pools Community Centre build	-	167,416	(2,660)	164,756
Mural	-	11,515	-	11,515
TOTAL FUNDS	0	178,931	(2,660)	176,271

* Accounts prepared on a cash basis: income and expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is received/paid.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees, Priory Pools Community Centre

Charity Number: 1208293

Accounts for year ended 31 March 2025

I report on the attached financial accounts of Priory Pools Community Centre, ("the Charity"), for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner

The Charity's trustees, (the "Trustees"), are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an independent examination of the accounts is required under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011, ("the Charities Act"). The Trustees do not consider that a formal audit of the accounts is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the Charity's accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- If applicable, report to the Trustees on any particular matters that have been identified.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

I have conducted this examination in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. The examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. I also considered any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and sought explanations from the Trustees to understand these, where applicable. The examination process does not involve reviewing the level of detailed evidence required in an audit. Consequently, this report does not constitute an opinion as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view of the charity's financial position. The examination is limited to those matters set out in the Independent Examiner's statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

In conducting this review, no matter has come to my attention that gives me reasonable cause to believe the Trustees have not met the following requirements in any material respect;

1. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, and
2. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act.

In conducting this review, I have not discovered any other matters to which the Trustees' attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts.

Signed:



Name: Paul Underwood, FCA
Address: 5 Brooke Close, Warwick, CV34 6PE
Date: