

COFFEE AND COPING

England & Wales · Charity number 1211144

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2024-11-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO ARE:(A) TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM BECOMING SOCIALLY EXCLUDED, RELIEVING THE NEEDS OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED AND ASSISTING THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY.(B) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS CLAUSE 'SOCIALLY EXCLUDED' MEANS BEING EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY, OR PARTS OF SOCIETY, AS A RESULT OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS: UNEMPLOYMENT; FINANCIAL HARDSHIP; YOUTH OR OLD AGE; ILL HEALTH (PHYSICAL OR MENTAL); SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR DEPENDENCY INCLUDING ALCOHOL AND DRUGS; DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF SEX, RACE, DISABILITY, ETHNIC ORIGIN, RELIGION, BELIEF, CREED, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER RE-ASSIGNMENT; POOR EDUCATIONAL OR SKILLS ATTAINMENT; RELATIONSHIP AND FAMILY BREAKDOWN; POOR HOUSING (THAT IS HOUSING THAT DOES NOT MEET BASIC HABITABLE STANDARDS; CRIME (EITHER AS A VICTIM OF CRIME OR AS AN OFFENDER REHABILITATING INTO SOCIETY).

Activities: We provide drop-ins and other events to promote community and give lonely people somewhere safe to talk.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£14,999	£9,776	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Lee Robinson	Chair	2024-06-10
George Hersant-Lisher		2024-06-20
Laura Drane		2024-06-10

Accounts



Coffee & Coping Charity

Annual Report & Accounts 2024/25

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Chair & CEO's Report

It is with great pride that we present the first Annual Report and Accounts for Coffee & Coping. Although we are a newly established charity, our first year has demonstrated the value of creating welcoming community spaces where people feel accepted, supported and connected.

Coffee & Coping was established to tackle loneliness, reduce isolation and provide practical support for people experiencing difficult circumstances. We believe that meaningful conversation, compassion without judgement and strong community relationships can make a significant difference to people's lives.

We realised this was necessary from the people we spoke to during the production of our podcast 50 and Coping? This highlighted that a lot of problems in society could be supported by strong community bonds being reintroduced.

Throughout the year we have developed welcoming community groups, built partnerships with local organisations and provided opportunities for people of all backgrounds to connect in a safe environment. Our volunteers have given their time generously, enabling the charity to grow whilst maintaining the personal approach that sits at the heart of everything we do.

As trustees, we are encouraged by the progress made during our first year. Our CEO is as passionate as he was on day one and is leading by example in all the groups he has established. Whilst much remains to be achieved, the foundations have been firmly established for sustainable growth and increased community impact in future years.

The trustees wish to thank every volunteer, supporter, donor and partner organisation who has contributed to the charity's success during its first year.

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Trustees' Annual Report

Our Charitable Purpose

Coffee & Coping exists to relieve loneliness and social isolation by creating welcoming community spaces where people can build supportive relationships, access practical help and improve their wellbeing.

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

During the year the charity delivered services directly benefiting individuals experiencing loneliness, poor mental wellbeing, financial hardship and social isolation.

Activities During the Year

During the reporting period the charity delivered a range of community initiatives including:

- Weekly Coffee & Coping community drop-in sessions.
- Hope in Action support meetings.
- Men's Communication Collective discussion groups.
- Signposting to specialist agencies and statutory services.
- One-to-one community support where appropriate.
- Partnership working with local organisations to improve access to support.

Achievements

The trustees are pleased with the progress achieved during the charity's first year. Community engagement has continued to grow, partnerships have strengthened and awareness of the charity has increased throughout the local area.

The charity remains committed to developing services which respond directly to the needs of the local community whilst maintaining sound governance and responsible financial management.

Plans for 2025/26

The trustees intend to:

- Continue expanding community support groups.
 - Strengthen partnerships with statutory and voluntary organisations.
 - Make sure there are women only focused groups to match the men's.
 - Increase volunteer recruitment and development.
 - Secure sustainable funding through grants and fundraising.
 - Continue developing services that reduce loneliness and improve community wellbeing.
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Financial Review

The trustees are pleased to report a positive financial position during the charity's first reporting period.

Financial Summary £

Total Income	14,999.08
Total Expenditure	9,778.78
Net Surplus	5,220.30
Closing Funds	5,220.30

The surplus generated during the year places the charity in a stable financial position and provides a sound foundation for future development.

Income was received through grants, fundraising activities, donations and other charitable income.

Expenditure reflected the direct delivery of charitable activities together with the necessary administrative costs required to operate the charity responsibly.

The trustees continually monitor income and expenditure to ensure that resources are used efficiently and solely in furtherance of the charity's charitable objectives.

Reserves

The trustees consider the current level of unrestricted reserves to be appropriate for a charity at this stage of development and will continue reviewing the reserves policy as the organisation grows.

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Statement of Financial Activities

Income

- Grants
- Donations
- Fundraising Income
- Other Income

Total Income: £14,999.08

Expenditure

- Charitable Activities
- Fundraising Costs
- Premises and Running Costs
- Administration
- Other Operating Costs

Total Expenditure: £9,778.78

Net Surplus: £5,220.30

Closing Funds: £5,220.30

Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the applicable guidance issued by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that proper accounting records are maintained and that the financial statements give a true and fair summary of the charity's financial activities.

Trustee Approval

This Annual Report and Accounts was approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf.

Chair of Trustees:  LEE ROBINSON

Date: 26/6/2026

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