



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2025		31	12	2025

### Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Young Men's Christian Association Brightlingsea

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 250547

Charity's principal address

55 High Street

Brightlingsea

Essex

Postcode

CO7 0AQ

#### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Alan Dingwall	Chairman		
2	Philip Chapman	Secretary		
3	Brian Lambert	Treasurer		
4	Joyce House	Volunteer		
5	Peter Ball	Volunteer		
6	Marion Rawlins	Volunteer		
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#### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document  
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Model Constitution YMCA

How the charity is constituted  
(eg. trust, association, company)

Association

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

We have a close relationship with Colchester and Chelmsford YMCAs collectively Essex YMCA.

## Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To make available to the people of Brightlingsea and surrounding area a place for recreation and meetings to further their wellbeing and social interaction with like-minded people.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

‘The trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to the Charity Commission’s public benefit guidance and consider the activities and events held at the hall over the past year meet the charitable aims and test for public benefit’.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Maintenance of the emergency lighting and smoke detectors continued to be done as well as regular running of the water in the toilets and kitchen, with temperature checks for the hot water taps.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

We continue to host the following groups  
Saturday Club for all ages who have special needs.  
Little City for the social development of young children.  
Workers Education Association, a leading education charity that believes every adult should have access to education and its benefits right on their doorstep.  
A pre-school organisation who hire our annex.

The NHS regularly use our hall for ongoing vaccination sessions.

Scottish Dancing group to encourage physical and social wellbeing.  
Yoga groups.

U3A group meet, an interest group who have researched and documented several features of the town including the YMCA.  
A youth karate group moved to our hall during 2024

Brightlingsea Town Council has written our hall into their emergency plan to be an evacuation and rest centre.

We have additional glass recycling banks located by Tendring District Council

## Section E

## Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

We aim to keep in reserve £12000 as this is the minimum needed to keep the hall functioning.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

**Signature(s)**

**Full name(s)**

**Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)**

**Date**