

# APOLLO YOUTH CLUB

England & Wales · Charity number 290271

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2012-07-18

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** (A) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC RESIDENT IN READING AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD THEREOF (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS 'THE AREA OF BENEFIT') IN THE ART, HISTORY AND CULTURE OF PEOPLE OF AFRICAN AND CARIBBEAN ORIGIN. (B) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT ESPECIALLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH LEISURE-TIME ACTIVITIES, SO AS TO DEVELOP THEIR PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL CAPACITIES THAT THEY MAY GROW IN FULL MATURITY AS INDIVIDUALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY. FOR FURTHER OBJECTS SEE CLAUSE 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION.

**Activities:** To advance the education of the public resident in Reading and the neighbourhood in the art, history and culture of people of African and Caribbean origin.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** READING AND THE NEIGHBOURHOOD THEREOF
- Reading

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£73,445	£81,448	-	-
2024-03-31	£71,344	£82,321	-	-
2023-03-31	£65,694	£64,217	-	-
2022-03-31	£61,209	£56,079	-	-
2021-03-31	£53,076	£46,898	-	-

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## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Aaron Grandison		2020-06-30
Phyllis Angela White		2022-01-07
Sharon Titus		2020-06-07

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**APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**

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# Accounts

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**APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**  
**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**Reference and Administrative details**

Charity Name: Apollo Youth Club

Charity registration number: 290271

**Charity's address**

The principal address of the charity is:

Apollo Youth Club

MAPP Community Centre, 22 Mount Pleasant,

Reading, Berkshire, RG1 2TD

**Current Trustees**

Jackie Daniel, Aaron Grandison, Sharon Titus, Phyllis White, Anderson Connell

**Structure, Governance and Management**

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**Organizational Structure**

It is governed by a committed and dedicated group of individuals who make up the Trustees. The Trustees deals with all matters connected with financing, staffing and the internal administration of Apollo.

**Objectives and Activities**

The main objectives of the Charity are to advance the education of the public resident in Reading and neighbourhood thereof in the art, history, and culture of people of African and Caribbean origin.

To advance the education of young people in the area of benefit especially but not exclusively through leisure-time activities, to develop their physical and mental capacities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

#### **Achievements and Performance**

Apollo conducts a number of activities in pursuance of our charitable aims. We consider these activities provide benefit to our current users and the wider community.

We have kept After School Club running on days when staff have been off sick or there has been heavy rain which causes a problem because of the roof. The water does not run off as it should. Staff and volunteers have come together to make it work. We have had maintenance work carried out on the roof which has minimised the problem.

We continue to provide term time and holiday club for children offering a safe and welcoming space after school, supervised play and creative activities, healthy snack and opportunities for social development. Attendance at the clubs is increasing. We provide a quality service which is reflected in our Ofsted reports.

We are working with the Wraparound team which has funding to help the local authorities fund schools and community groups wanting to provide breakfast clubs and after school clubs. We have been encouraged to apply for funding for which we have completed the application.

Staffing remains a significant problem. We continue to struggle to recruit staff. We advertise on different platforms with limited success. We are 'lucky' in that our current staff members and volunteers will do whatever is necessary when needed. We are working with the Department of Work and Pensions to help with our recruitment. We are hopeful this will prove to be successful.

In July 2024, we purchased a minibus, one of our priorities last year. This has made a significant difference in that we have saved much needed funds which would otherwise have been spent on minibus hires. Fund raising is not easy, it continues to be a challenge. We need volunteers with that particular skill set to take the lead. In the current cost of living crisis, it is difficult to focus peoples' attention on this.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

The Charity website has now been rebuilt, primarily by a volunteer. This is a huge step forward. It has up to date information about the club and its activities. Application forms for parents and carers wishing to join After School club or book a place at the holiday club is now available online. There is still work to be done, but we have taken a step forward. Work has continued on the website to make access easier. New information has been added, and work continues to make the site user friendly with useful information and videos.

The after-school club operated on 5 afternoons per week during term time. We supported approximately 17 children daily 4 to 11 years. Feedback from children and parents has been positive, with many valuing the safe environment and the consistency of care provided. The trustees believe the charity has continued to meet a clear local need and deliver needed benefit to its users.

We mentioned last year we are working in partnership with a new charity being set up to support / mentor young people. This has not progressed as we had anticipated for a number of reasons, lack of time and other issues being prioritised. We have decided to return to this at a later date as we see this as an important idea to support young people, particularly in these challenging times. We want to offer support to divert young people to more positive initiatives.

The state of the building continues to present challenges. This impacts on hires, which reduces money available to help with the refurbishment. We receive no assistance from the local authority; therefore, we have to fund work to the building ourselves. As with other organizations at this time, it is difficult to source volunteers.

The regular activities supported by the club such as salsa classes, the Friday Art Group continue. The building is also being hired for social events, such as birthday parties.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

These are challenging times for our community, and the wider community locally and nationally. The cost-of-living crisis has 'hit' most people. We are seeing this daily with families struggling to pay bills, having to cut the number of days at After School Club. If help is needed, just ask.

Apollo can be contacted if you require help and or support. If we cannot help, we will try to put you in touch with someone who can.

Mental health and wellbeing continue to be important in these challenging times. If you know of someone who may need support, reach out to them.

We would like to express our warmest thanks and appreciation for our former trustees. Their many years of commitment to Apollo is truly commendable.

#### **Future Plans**

Our future remains the same- to continue to raise funds to help the project to continue and grow, and to explore additional funding opportunities to improve financial sustainability.

Our priorities remain to secure funding for a part time administrative worker. We cannot rely solely on volunteers as someone is needed to deal with queries quickly and research information.

The trustees aim to maintain the quality and consistency of the after-school provision and review activities to ensure they continue to meet the needs of children and families.

We are exploring ways in which we can change the way we operate, while continuing to serve the community in a way that meets their needs.

We are considering offering workshops covering a variety of topics including safeguarding & preparing your child for 'big' school.

We will continue to work towards fund raising, through events such as cultural markets. We will also work with local Black businesses to encourage staff to volunteer their specialist skills and knowledge, to help with fundraising, to sponsor specific projects and give regular donations while raising their profile among the community.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

If you have any ideas about fundraising or know someone with marketing skills, please ask them to contact us.

We aim to recruit additional volunteers/trustees where possible.

### **Financial Review**

#### **Results for the year**

The Charity made a deficit of £1,003 which was a pleasing improvement on last year.

The environment for Apollo remains particularly challenging and there is additional uncertainty following the dissolution of The MAPP Partnership on 29 April 2025.

The Trustees would like to thank the staff for an outstanding contribution in difficult circumstances.

#### **Restricted Funds**

There have been no movement in the restricted funds which remain at £16,000.

#### **Investment Policy**

There are no investments held. Any surplus monies at the end of the financial year are held in bank accounts to cover future deficits or other funding needs.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees have a duty to identify, assess and manage risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems, procedures and controls have been established to mitigate and safeguard the Trustees and charity.

#### **Public Benefit Statement**

Trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity continues to meet the required public benefit test through its objectives and activities.

**Apollo Youth Club**

**Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.

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**Jackie Daniel, Chairperson**

**Date: 9 February 2026**



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name <b>APOLLO YOUTH CLUB</b>	No (if any) 290271
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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	56,028	-	-	56,028	59,810
Donations	7,000	-	-	7,000	3,297
Fund raising activities	9,390	-	-	9,390	7,487
Sundry	415	-	-	415	137
Bank interest	612	-	-	612	613
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>73,445</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>73,445</b>	<b>71,344</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>73,445</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>73,445</b>	<b>71,344</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Staff costs	34,166	-	-	34,166	31,540
Shared costs	13,815	-	-	13,815	10,283
Mini bus related costs	13,050	-	-	13,050	20,829
Food costs	635	-	-	635	3,325
Insurance	3,139	-	-	3,139	1,040
Other expenses	9,096	-	-	9,096	15,237
Training	547	-	-	547	67
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>74,448</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,448</b>	<b>82,321</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b>					
Mini Bus	7,000			7,000	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>81,448</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>81,448</b>	<b>82,321</b>
<b>Net of (payments)/receipts</b>	<b>- 8,003</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 8,003</b>	<b>- 10,977</b>
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	27,289	16,000	-	43,289	54,266
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>19,286</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>35,286</b>	<b>43,289</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	19,211	16,000	-
	Petty cash	75		-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>19,286</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>				

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<b>B3 Investment assets</b>				

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<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Donated office furniture	Unrestricted	-	
	Donated computer equipment	Unrestricted	-	
	Laptop	Unrestricted	-	
	Lenovo Tablet	Unrestricted	-	
	Mini Bus	Unrestricted	7,000	

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Shared costs	Unrestricted	-	
	Other	Unrestricted	-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jackie Daniel		09/02/2026

## **Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts**

### **Report to the Trustees of Apollo Youth Club (Charity no. 290271) On the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025**

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

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

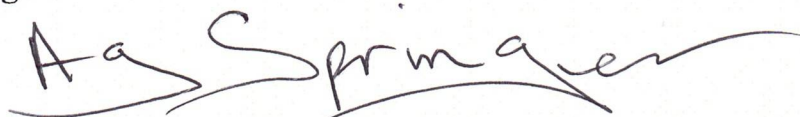
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:**

**Date: 9 February 2026**



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**Former Trustees who served during the financial year**

David Archibald, Hazel Daniel, Joe Williams, and Donna Claudia Strough

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##### **Financial Review**

###### **Results for the year**

The Charity made a deficit of £10,977 due to an increase in costs. The key increases in costs were shared costs, building maintenance, mini-bus hire, and wages. The environment for Apollo remains particularly challenging.

The Trustees would like to thank the staff for an outstanding contribution in difficult times.

###### **Restricted Funds**

There have been no movement in the restricted funds which remain at £16,000.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

#### **Investment Policy**

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#### **Risk Management**

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#### **Public Benefit Statement**

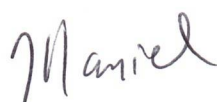
Trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity continues to meet the required public benefit test through its objectives and activities.

#### **Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.



**Jackie Daniel, Chairperson**

**Date:** 27 February 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
APOLLO YOUTH CLUB

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 01/04/2023 To 31/03/2024

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	59,810	-	-	59,810	59,503
Donations	3,297	-	-	3,297	-
Fund raising activities	7,487	-	-	7,487	5,154
Sundry	137	-	-	137	880
Bank interest	613	-	-	613	157
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>71,344</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>71,344</b>	<b>65,694</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>71,344</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>71,344</b>	<b>65,694</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Staff costs	31,540	-	-	31,540	28,112
Shared costs	10,283	-	-	10,283	6,511
Mini bus related costs	20,829	-	-	20,829	18,608
Food costs	3,325	-	-	3,325	2,000
Insurance	1,040	-	-	1,040	1,702
Other expenses	15,237	-	-	15,237	7,002
Training	67	-	-	67	282
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>82,321</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>82,321</b>	<b>64,217</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>82,321</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>82,321</b>	<b>64,217</b>
<b>Net of (payments)/receipts</b>	<b>- 10,977</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 10,977</b>	<b>1,477</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>38,266</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,266</b>	<b>52,789</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>27,289</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>43,289</b>	<b>54,266</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	26,670	16,000	-
	Petty cash	619	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>27,289</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

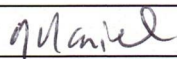
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<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Donated office furniture	Unrestricted	-	
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	Laptop	Unrestricted	-	
	Lenovo Tablet	Unrestricted	-	

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Shared costs	Unrestricted	1,618	
	Other	Unrestricted	1,030	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jackie Daniel	27/02/2025

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#### **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:

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**Signed:**

**Date: 27 February 2025**



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**APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**

England & Wales - Charity number 290271

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# Accounts

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**APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**  
**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**Reference and Administrative details**

Charity Name: Apollo Youth Club

Charity registration number: 290271

**Charity's address**

The principal address of the charity is:

Apollo Youth Club

MAPP Community Centre, 22 Mount Pleasant,

Reading, Berkshire, RG1 2TD

**Trustees**

The trustees who served during the year are as follows:

Jackie Daniel

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**Structure, Governance and Management**

Apollo Youth Club was formed in 1972 and is registered as a Charity with the Charity Commission.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

#### **Organizational Structure**

It is governed by a committed and dedicated group of individuals who make up the Trustees. The Trustees deals with all matters connected with financing, staffing and the internal administration of Apollo.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The main objectives of the Charity are to advance the education of the public resident in Reading and neighbourhood thereof in the art, history, and culture of people of African and Caribbean origin.

To advance the education of young people in the area of benefit especially but not exclusively through leisure-time activities, to develop their physical and mental capacities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

Apollo conducts a number of activities in pursuance of our charitable aims. We consider these activities provide benefit to our current users and the wider community.

We have kept After School Club running on days when the hire bus has broken down, staff have been off sick or there has been heavy rain which causes a problem because of the roof. The water does not run off as it should. Staff and volunteers have come together to make it work.

We celebrated Black History Month.

We continue to provide term time and holiday club for children, attendance at the clubs is increasing. In term time we average 23 children per day, and holiday clubs average 24 children per day. We provide a quality service which is reflected in our Ofsted reports.

Staffing remains a significant problem. We struggle to recruit staff. We advertise on different platforms with limited success. We are 'lucky' in that our current staff members and volunteers will do whatever is necessary when needed.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

One of our priorities last year was to fundraise for a minibus. This remains a priority, but progress has been slow. Fund raising is not easy, we need volunteers with that skill set to take the lead for us. In the current cost of living crisis, it is difficult to focus peoples' attention on this.

The Charity website has now been rebuilt, primarily by a volunteer. This is a huge step forward. It has up to date information about the club and its activities. Application forms for parents and carers wishing to join After School club or book a place at the holiday club is now available online. There is still work to be done, but we have taken a step forward. Thank you to Esther for giving her time and being patient with the many changes that were requested.

We mentioned last year we are working in partnership with a new charity being set up to support / mentor young people. This has not progressed as we had anticipated for a number of reasons, lack of time and other issues being prioritised.

The state of the building continues to present challenges. This impacts on hires, which reduces money available to help with the refurbishment. We receive no assistance from the local authority; therefore, we must fund work to the building ourselves. As with other organizations currently, it is difficult to source volunteers.

The regular activities supported by the club such as salsa classes, the Friday Art Group continue. The building is also being hired for social events, such as birthday parties.

We held a cultural market which was successful. Those who attended said it is something that should be held again. The event was supported by local entrepreneurs and some from outside Reading. Local artists, authors, crafts people, and makers of skin care products had their wares on display. Those attending supported by purchasing the products on display.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

These are challenging times for our community, and the wider community locally and nationally. The cost-of-living crisis has 'hit' most people. We are seeing this daily with families struggling to pay bills, having to cut the number of days at After School Club. If help is needed, just ask.

Apollo can be contacted if you require help and or support. If we cannot help, we will try to put you in touch with someone who can.

Mental health and wellbeing continue to be important in these challenging times. If you know of someone who may need support, reach out to them.

#### **Future Plans**

##### **To continue to raise funds to help the project to continue and grow.**

One of our priorities is to secure funding for a part time administrative worker. We cannot rely solely on volunteers as someone is needed to deal with queries quickly and research information.

We are exploring ways in which we can change the way we operate, while continuing to serve the community in a way that meets their needs.

We are considering offering workshops covering a variety of topics including safeguarding & preparing your child for 'big' school.

We will continue to work towards fund raising, through events such as cultural markets. We will also work with local Black businesses to encourage staff to volunteer their specialist skills and knowledge, to help with fundraising, to sponsor specific projects and give regular donations while raising their profile among the community.

If you have any ideas about fundraising or know someone with marketing skills, please ask them to contact us.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

### **Financial Review**

#### **Results for the year**

The Charity made a surplus of £1,477 after a substantial increase in mini-bus hire costs. The Trustees would like to thank the staff for an outstanding contribution in what still remains challenging times.

#### **Restricted Funds**

There have been no movement in the restricted funds which remain at £16,000.

#### **Investment Policy**

There are no investments held. Any surplus monies at the end of the financial year are held in bank accounts to cover future deficits or other funding needs.

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees have a duty to identify, assess and manage risks to which the charity is exposed. Where appropriate, systems, procedures and controls have been established to mitigate and safeguard the Trustees and charity.

#### **Public Benefit Statement**

Trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity continues to meet the required public benefit test through its objectives and activities.

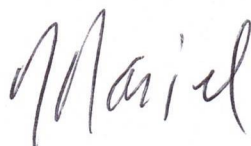
#### **Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.

**Jackie Daniel, Chairperson**

**Date:** 31 January 2024





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
APOLLO YOUTH CLUB

No (if any)  
290271

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2022	To	Period end date 31/03/2023
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	59,503	-	-	59,503	53,532
Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Fund raising activities	5,154	-	-	5,154	4,135
Sundry	880	-	-	880	-
Bank interest	157	-	-	157	4
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Furlough	-	-	-	-	3,538
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>65,694</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65,694</b>	<b>61,209</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>65,694</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65,694</b>	<b>61,209</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Staff costs	28,112	-	-	28,112	31,004
Shared costs	6,511	-	-	6,511	8,290
Mini bus related costs	18,608	-	-	18,608	5,814
Food costs	2,000	-	-	2,000	1,070
Insurance	1,702	-	-	1,702	1,976
Other expenses	7,002	-	-	7,002	7,874
Training	282	-	-	282	51
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>64,217</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64,217</b>	<b>56,079</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b>					
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>64,217</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>64,217</b>	<b>56,079</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>1,477</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,477</b>	<b>5,130</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>36,789</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,789</b>	<b>47,659</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>38,266</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,266</b>	<b>52,789</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	37,975	16,000	-
	Petty cash	291	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>38,266</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>
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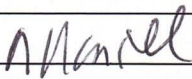
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<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>				

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>				

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Donated office furniture	Unrestricted	-	
	Donated computer equipment	Unrestricted	-	
	Minibus	Unrestricted	-	
	Lenovo tablet	Unrestricted	-	
	Laptop	Unrestricted	-	

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Shared costs	Unrestricted	1,878	
	Other	Unrestricted	424	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jackie Daniel	31/01/2024

## **Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts**

### **Report to the Trustees of Apollo Youth Club (Charity no. 290271) On the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2023.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:  Date: 31 January 2024

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# Accounts

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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

#### **Organizational Structure**

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#### **Objectives and Activities**

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To advance the education of young people in the area of benefit especially but not exclusively through leisure-time activities, to develop their physical and mental capacities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

Apollo conducts a number of activities in pursuance of our charitable aims. We consider these activities provide benefit to our current users and the wider community.

This year Apollo celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. An enormous thank you to all, from the original founders to those involved today. It is a significant achievement. This is a time of reflection from where we started to where we are now. When we started in the 1970s there were wars of liberation on the African continent. There was a raising of consciousness about the need to get active, to make our voices heard, to stand up and be counted. We at Apollo disseminated news that we felt was important for the community to know. We started the Saturday School, Homework Club, Cultural week, a history project for schools, Black History Calendar, and various other activities.

To mark this occasion the committee organised a gathering to celebrate, to reminisce, and to look to the future. Thank you to those who started this, to those who continue the work and the supporters who make it possible for us to continue.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

We continue to provide term time and holiday club for children, although we are still recovering from the impact of Covid, attendance at the clubs is increasing.

One of our priorities has been to fund raise for a new minibus as our current one is too costly to fix. Fundraising is particularly difficult currently, but we continue to explore fundraising activities including applying for grants.

The Charity website which is not fit for purpose is finally being rebuilt. A local company has offered to do this at no cost. The work has started. This is good news as going forward, parents, and or carers, can use the website for bookings. We are exploring the possibility of the site being used for bookings for fundraising events and hires.

We are working in partnership with a new charity being set up to support / mentor young people. This is an exciting development as we have contacts and experience of this work.

The new charity will help Apollo to develop their social media presence, which is not strong, as it should be, help with funding applications, and assist each other. If you or someone you know would like to volunteer to assist us with our social media work, please contact us.

The building needs urgent refurbishment. As we said last year, the local authority continues to face financial challenges as do we. We are exploring other options including volunteers to paint and paint being donated by companies. We have started to contact organizations who could help with volunteers and materials.

The regular activities supported by the club such as salsa classes, the Friday Art Group continue. It is good to see usage of the centre returning to pre COVID levels.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

These are challenging times for our community, and the wider community locally and nationally. Having begun the recovery from COVID, one of the challenges now is an economic one which will/is affecting individuals as well as small organizations such as Apollo.

Apollo can be contacted if you require help and or support. If we cannot help, we will try to put you in touch with someone who can.

Mental health and wellbeing are so important in these challenging times. If you know of someone who may need support, reach out to them.

#### **Future Plans**

##### **To continue to raise funds to help the project to continue and grow.**

Last year we talked about starting a project for young people out of school. This has not progressed as we would have liked. We will refocus on getting this project started.

We are exploring working in partnership with more local groups to provide additional activities or services for the community.

We will continue to work towards fund raising, through events such as cultural markets. We will also work with local Black businesses to encourage staff to volunteer their specialist skills and knowledge, to help with fundraising, to sponsor specific projects and give regular donations while raising their profile among the community.

We are considering starting cultural markets once a month as a way of raising funds and supporting Black businesses.

## **Apollo Youth Club**

### **Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

### **Financial Review**

#### **Results for the Year**

Notwithstanding the challenges, we faced, it has been an encouraging year with fee income rising to £53, 532 (2020/21: £21,760, Covid impacted) in what is still a difficult environment to operate in, and the country recovering from the impact of Covid. An operating surplus of £5,130 is a pleasing outcome, and a tribute to the outstanding effort by all involved. Thank you.

#### **Restricted Funds**

The Trustees have decided it would be prudent to maintain a reserve of £15,000 as a staff contingency fund. £4,000 received from the Berkshire Community Fund grant was transferred to the unrestricted fund, and £1,000 of the £2,000 received from Early Charity grant, was used to purchase computer equipment.

We are extremely humbled and grateful to these two organisations for awarding these grants.

#### **Investment Policy**

There are no investments held. Any surplus monies at the end of the financial year are held in bank accounts to cover future deficits or other funding needs.

#### **Risk management**

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

#### **Public Benefit Statement**

Trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity continues to meet the required public benefit test through its objectives and activities.

**Apollo Youth Club**

**Trustees Annual Report (continued)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.



**Jackie Daniel**

**Chairperson**

**Date:** 28 November 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
**APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**

No (if any)  
290271

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## Receipts and payments accounts

<b>For the period from</b>	Period start date 01/04/2021	<b>To</b>	Period end date 31/03/2022
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	53,532		-	53,532	21,760
Donations			-	-	180
Fund raising activities	4,135		-	4,135	4,045
Sundry			-	-	10
Bank interest	4		-	4	-
Grants			-	-	6,000
Furlough	3,538		-	3,538	21,081
			-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>61,209</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,209</b>	<b>53,076</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>61,209</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,209</b>	<b>53,076</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Staff costs	31,004		-	31,004	32,131
Shared costs	8,290		-	8,290	8,070
Mini bus related costs	5,814		-	5,814	302
Food costs	1,070		-	1,070	881
Insurance	1,976		-	1,976	2,198
Other expenses	6,874	1,000	-	7,874	3,063
Training	51		-	51	253
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>55,079</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56,079</b>	<b>46,898</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b>					
Minibus	-			-	
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>55,079</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56,079</b>	<b>46,898</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>6,130</b>	<b>- 1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,130</b>	<b>6,178</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>- 4,000</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>26,659</b>	<b>21,000</b>		<b>47,659</b>	<b>41,481</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>36,789</b>	<b>16,000</b>		<b>52,789</b>	<b>47,659</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	36,764	16,000	#
	Petty cash	25	-	
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>36,789</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>-</b>

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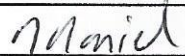
	Details	OK Unrestricted funds to nearest £	OK Restricted funds to nearest £	OK Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>				

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>				

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Donated office furniture	Unrestricted	-	
	Donated computer equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
	Minibus	Unrestricted	-	
	Lenovo tablet	Unrestricted	-	
	Laptop	Unrestricted	-	

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Shared costs	Unrestricted	3,164	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Jackie Daniel	28/11/2022

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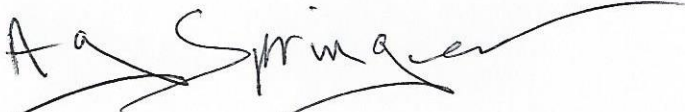
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## **APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**

### **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021**

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To advance the education of young people in the area of benefit especially but not exclusively through leisure-time activities, so as to develop their physical and mental capacities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.

##### **Achievements and Performance**

As with everyone, we have had to cope with the impact of COVID 19 and the new variants. We have had staff at the After School Club who have tested positive or who have been in contact with someone who has tested positive. We have had to rely on volunteers, members of the Management Committee and the commitment of those staff who were able to continue to work. The pressure on staff has been immense. They have had to ensure the COVID protocols were strictly enforced to minimize the risk to all. Parents were not allowed to enter the building. Children were taken out to them. All surfaces were and are constantly cleaned and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) were and still are being worn. We have come through an incredibly difficult period. Thank you to all who have helped especially staff who stepped up and did what was needed, even helping outside their working hours.

Understandably, some parents were hesitant to send their children to the After School Club even though they had returned to school. Slowly our numbers are increasing. This has had a financial impact on the Club. Consequently, we have lost significant sums of money. Again, we are exploring ways of sourcing extra funding.

On a more positive note, we have been successful in securing some small grants from two local charities, The Earley Charity and Berkshire Foundation, and we are most grateful for their assistance. The grants were to help to improve our IT systems. We have purchased a laptop, tablet, and mobile phone. We are also waiting for the engineers to start work to provide us with Wi-Fi downstairs in the building.

## **APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**

### **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021**

##### **Achievements and Performance (continued)**

Our website is old and not fit for purpose. We have had conversations with several small companies to get estimates and to find out how quickly this can be done. We have found these can be costly and people are busy. One of our committee member's works in this field, therefore, he has taken the lead on this which has been very helpful.

Urgent work is needed to improve our social media presence. We are looking for volunteers to help with this.

We have had several requests for bookings, which is an important source of income. Slowly we are moving forward. It will take time to reach where we were previously.

We are working on promoting the Centre as a venue for children's parties. Work is needed on the building to make it more attractive for hires.

The state of the building is an ongoing problem. As we are all aware, local authorities have significant financial challenges due to the impact of COVID 19, and funding is scarce. MAPP continues to meet with Reading Borough Council to consider what support they can offer.

Our minibus is not currently working. We have had to hire vehicles. We are exploring funding opportunities to purchase a new or nearly new bus. If you have any ideas that might assist, do contact us. A functioning minibus is vital to our children centred activities.

Going forward, we are looking to recruit fresh staff for the After School Club as someone has left. This is being advertised on social media and RVA website.

The Art Group has continued after a hiatus due to COVID. The members are older people. It is good to see them return.

Salsa classes have restarted. There are three classes a week. Previous users have all returned.

Mental health at work and wellness are very much being talked about. COVID 19 has highlighted the importance of this. To help staff we have informed them that designated members of the Management Committee are available to speak to/ offer support, if needed.

## **APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**

### **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021**

#### **Achievements and Performance (continued)**

This has been a challenging year for all. It feels as though some sense of normality, the 'new' normal, is returning.

#### **Future Plans**

We would like to start education classes for young people out of school. We are in discussions with the MAPP Executive to consider a joint project.

Finally, thank you all for your continuing support.

#### **Financial Review**

##### **Results for the Year**

The outturn for the year was heavily impacted by the COVID 19 pandemic, which curtailed activities. Nevertheless, to end the year with a small surplus of £178, before restricted grants, is truly remarkable. Considerable credit is due to the staff involved.

Government related payments were received to the sum of £21,081 and are shown as other income.

The future remains uncertain with the presence of COVID 19. We will have to be prepared to be adaptable in managing this risk.

##### **Restricted Funds**

These represent grants which have been received under the condition that the related expenditure is used for a specific purpose. Also included, is a contingency fund to meet the After School Club's obligations in respect of redundancy payments due to employees, should Apollo cease operations.

##### **Investment Policy**

There are no investments held. Any surplus monies at the end of the financial year are held in bank accounts to cover future deficits or other funding needs.

## **APOLLO YOUTH CLUB**

### **TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT (continued)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2021**

##### **Risk management**

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

##### **Public Benefit Statement**

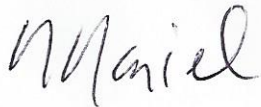
Trustees have complied with their duty to have regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

The Trustees are satisfied that the charity continues to meet the required public benefit test through its objectives and activities.

##### **Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.



**Jackie Daniel**

**Chairperson**

**Date:** 25 January 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
APOLLO YOUTH CLUB

No (if any)  
290271

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2020	To	Period end date 31/03/2021
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Fees	21,760	-	-	21,760	47,024
Donations	180	-	-	180	50
Fund raising activities	4,045	-	-	4,045	10,976
Sundry	10	-	-	10	350
Bank interest	-	-	-	-	82
Grants	-	6,000	-	6,000	-
Other Income	21,081	-	-	21,081	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>47,076</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,076</b>	<b>58,482</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>47,076</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>53,076</b>	<b>58,482</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Staff costs	32,131	-	-	32,131	36,516
Shared costs	8,070	-	-	8,070	10,650
Mini bus related costs	302	-	-	302	1,531
Food costs	881	-	-	881	1,498
Insurance	2,198	-	-	2,198	2,701
Other expenses	3,063	-	-	3,063	5,939
Training	253	-	-	253	659
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>46,898</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,898</b>	<b>59,494</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b>					
Minibus	-	-	-	-	3,500
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,500</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>46,898</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,898</b>	<b>62,994</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,178</b>	<b>4,512</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>- 14,233</b>	<b>14,233</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>40,714</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41,481</b>	<b>45,993</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>26,659</b>	<b>21,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>47,659</b>	<b>41,481</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Cash at bank	26,640	21,000	#
	Petty cash	19	-	
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>26,659</b>	<b>21,000</b>	<b>-</b>

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

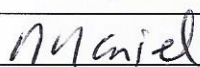
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<b>Unrestricted funds</b> to nearest £	<b>Restricted funds</b> to nearest £	<b>Endowment funds</b> to nearest £

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>			

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Minibus	Unrestricted	-	-
Donated office furniture	Unrestricted	-	-
Donated computer equipment	Unrestricted	-	-

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			
Shared costs	Unrestricted	2,193	2,073
Other costs	Unrestricted	-	960

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Jackie Daniel	25/01/2022

## **Independent Examiner's Report on the Accounts**

### **Report to the Trustees of Apollo Youth Club (Charity no. 290271) On the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2021.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:  Date: 25 January 2022

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