

# WHALEY BRIDGE MECHANICS INSTITUTION

England & Wales · Charity number 520533

## Details

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Other names	MECHANICS INSTITUTE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1970-08-18
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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Address	Whaley Bridge Town Council 27 Market Street Whaley Bridge High Peak SK23 7AA
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Website	<a href="http://www.whaleybridge.com">www.whaleybridge.com</a>

## Activities

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**Objects:** A PUBLIC LIBRARY, READING AND RECREATION ROOMS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE BENEFICIAL AREA.

**Activities:** Local organisations use the facilities for fund raising-raising events, meetings, etc. and the Town Council uses the building to provide services to the community. The facilities are also used for parties, receptions, music rehearsals, drama classes, lectures and continues to be used as a venue for children's birthday parties.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** THE URBAN DISTRICT OF WHALEY BRIDGE
- Cheshire East
- Cheshire West & Chester
- Derbyshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£30,254	£24,253	-	-
2024-03-31	£26,141	£44,841	-	-
2023-03-31	£25,829	£32,385	-	-
2022-03-31	£23,489	£28,656	-	-
2021-03-31	£27,690	£20,955	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Whaley Bridge Town Council		1947-05-30

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# Accounts

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## Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

Whaley Bridge Town Council, as a corporate body, is the Trustee of the Mechanics Institution, which is a Charity registered in England No 520533 providing community facilities. The Secretary to the Trustee is Mr Andrew Fox.

The Trustee met on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 to approve the Report and Accounts. The accounts have been audited and approved by Leathley & Co Accountants, independent accountants of Market Street, Whaley Bridge. The signed minutes of the Trustee meetings are kept in a separate file and are available for public inspection when requested, along with the annual report and accounts.

The Mechanics Institute was built in 1876 for the benefit of the community and now provides a large hall, a meeting room and reading room which are available for hire at competitive rates.

### Income and Expenditure

The total income for the year was £30,254, an increase of £4,113 on the previous year. We have managed to significantly increase the revenue taken for this year. Despite this we do see a large drop in the amount of money raised from Coffee mornings with £91 compared to the £734 made last year. The regular bookings have seen a large increase which equates for much of the increase in revenue. The rent for the Council's use of the building including the office is still a vital income for the charity.

Local organisations use the facilities for Coffee mornings and other fund-raising events.

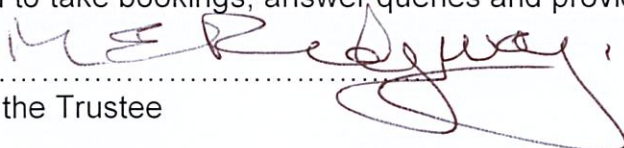
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Derbyshire County Council pays rent for the basement together with an annual service charge to provide Library Services to the Town. This library charge and use of the building by the Town Council were again a very reliable source of income over the financial year.

The total expenditure for the year was £24,253 a big decrease on the previous year mainly due to the new boiler installed at the Mechanics which was £8,240. We can already see a significant effect with the gas bills decreasing. The repairs and maintenance spend of £933 compared to last year's £3,173 is very low with no major expenses. The salaries have decreased as the previous year's account contained an additional salary payment which was reflected as it is a receipts and payment account. The price of gas is still a major financial pressure on the Charity however, this year £6,346 was spent on gas and electric compared to £9,711 last year. This is a big saving mainly thanks to a cheaper gas rate and a much more efficient boiler. This has led to a profit for the year of £6,001, which is a very welcome profit after a significant deficit in the previous financial year. We have the upcoming Mechanics Accessibility works which will mean a serious reduction in income but after this work is completed it is anticipated that the Mechanics can start to replenish the reserves which are now quite low.

### Secretary to the Trustee

The secretary to the Trustee, Andrew Fox, is available on weekday mornings between 10.00am and 12.00pm to take bookings, answer queries and provide information.



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Chair of the Trustee



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Secretary to the Trustee

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WHALEY BRIDGE MECHANICS INSTITUTION  
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**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- (a) examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
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**BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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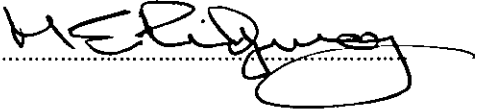
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**Profit and Loss Account**  
**For The Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Turnover</b>				
Clerks office		5,720		4,333
Coffee mornings		91		734
Concessionary use		2,575		2,076
Council meetings		1,022		941
Library rent and service charges		5,926		6,072
Miscellaneous and other bookings		53		-
Regular bookings		14,484		11,374
		<u>29,871</u>		<u>25,530</u>
<b>Other Income</b>				
Bank interest receivable		383		611
		<u>30,254</u>		<u>26,141</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
General wages	15,036		21,284	
Rates	110		105	
Light and heat	6,346		9,711	
Water rates	748		673	
Cleaning	394		338	
Boiler replacement	-		8,240	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	-		143	
Repairs and renewals	933		3,173	
Advertising and marketing costs	96		94	
Professional fees	-		419	
Bank charges	71		72	
Sundry expenses	-		86	
Trade refuse	519		503	
		<u>24,253</u>		<u>44,841</u>
<b>NET PROFIT</b>		<u><u>6,001</u></u>		<u><u>(18,700)</u></u>

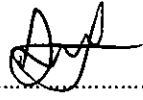
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**As At 31 March 2025**

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		25,161		19,160	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<u>25,161</u>		<u>19,160</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			<u>25,161</u>		<u>19,160</u>
<b>PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES</b>			6,500		6,500
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<u>18,661</u>		<u>12,660</u>
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b>					
Balance at 1 April 2024			12,660		31,360
Profit/(Loss) for the period/year			<u>6,001</u>		<u>(18,700)</u>
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>			<u>18,661</u>		<u>12,660</u>

The above statement represents fairly the financial position of the authority as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 and reflects its Income and Expenditure during the year.

Signed:   
Chairman .....

Date: 15/1/2026

Signed:  
Responsible  
Financial  
Officer  .....

Date: 15/1/2026

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The Mechanics Institute was built in 1876 for the benefit of the community and now provides a large hall, a meeting room and reading room which are available for hire at competitive rates.

### Income and Expenditure

The total income for the year was £26,141, an increase of £312 on the previous year. We have managed to produce a very similar year to last with marginal increases in the revenue taken. We see another large increase in the amount of money raised from Coffee mornings with £734 compared to the £394 made last year. The regular bookings have seen a slight increase while the coffee morning bookings are still below where they could be. The rent for the Council's use of the building including the office is still a vital income for the charity.

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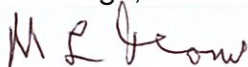
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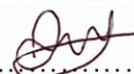
The total expenditure for the year was £44,841 an increase on the previous year mainly due to the new boiler installed at the Mechanics. This is a significant cost of £8,240 however, it is hoped that it will have a very positive effect on reducing the gas bills which are not helped by our very inefficient old boiler. The repairs and maintenance spend of £3,173 compared to last year's £2,358 is only a comparatively small increase. The spend in this financial year is very high due to the boiler and the increased salaries which is due to one of last year's salary payments being included in this year's receipts and payments account. The price of gas is still putting major financial pressure on the Charity. This year £9,711 was spent on gas and electric compared to £13,334 last year which is a good improvement and will improve again with the new boiler and a new cheaper gas rate. This has led to a deficit for the year of £18,700, which is an exceptional amount however, the investment should produce a profit over the next few financial years as the boiler makes us significant savings. This has been taken from the general reserves of the Charity, which do need replenishing.

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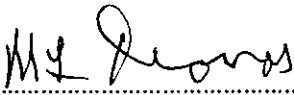
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**Profit and Loss Account**  
**For The Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Turnover</b>				
Clerks office		4,333		5,265
Coffee mornings		734		394
Concessionary use		2,076		1,916
Council meetings		941		1,074
Library rent and service charges		6,072		5,926
Regular bookings		11,374		10,962
		25,530		25,537
<b>Other Income</b>				
Bank interest receivable		611		292
		26,141		25,829
<b>Expenditure</b>				
General wages	21,284		14,474	
Rates	105		195	
Light and heat	9,711		13,334	
Water rates	673		619	
Cleaning	338		597	
Boiler replacement	8,240		-	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	143		119	
Repairs and renewals	3,173		2,358	
Advertising and marketing costs	94		129	
Professional fees	419		-	
Bank charges	72		72	
Sundry expenses	86		-	
Trade refuse	503		488	
		44,841		32,385
<b>NET LOSS</b>		(18,700)		(6,556)

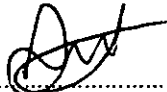
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**As At 31 March 2024**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		19,160		37,860	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			19,160		37,860
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			19,160		37,860
<b>PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES</b>			6,500		6,500
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			12,660		31,360
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b>					
Balance at 1 April 2023			31,360		37,916
Profit/(Loss) for the period/year			(18,700)		(6,556)
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>			12,660		31,360

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Chairman .....

Date: 15/1/25

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### Income and Expenditure

The total income for the year was £ 25,829, an increase of £2,340 on the previous year. Considering we did not receive the large £8,000 Covid grant again this year, we have significantly increased the revenue now classes are able to run at the Mechanics again. We see large increases in the amount of money raised from Coffee mornings and children parties with over double the £162.00 made last year. The regular bookings again doubled on last year with £10,962 compared to £5,426. The amount earned from regular bookings is similar to pre-pandemic levels however, the coffee morning bookings are still way below the amount before Covid. The rent for the Council's use of the building including the office is still a vital income for the charity.

Local organisations use the facilities for Coffee mornings and other fund-raising events.


The Darby and Joan Club and Citizens Advice Bureau met throughout this year providing income under concessionary use. This is still lower than previous years however, a new concessionary use of the Horwich End WI should increase this further.

Derbyshire County Council pay rent for the basement together with an annual service charge to provide Library Services to the Town. This library charge and use of the building by the Town Council were again a very reliable source of income over the financial year.

The total expenditure for the year was £32,385 an increase on the previous year mainly due to the increasing cost of gas at the Mechanics. The repairs and maintenance spend of £2,358 compared to last year's £6,472 has decreased due to significant work on the roof being carried out last financial year. The spend in this financial year is a much more reasonable amount on repairs and maintenance, with the biggest item being a replacement window in the Main Hall at a cost of £640. The main issue is the increased price of gas which has put major financial pressure on the Charity. This year £13,334 was spent on gas and electric compared to £5,807 last year. This has led to a deficit for the year of £6,556, despite the decreased maintenance cost and increased income. This has been taken from the general reserves of the Charity.

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	<b>2023</b>		<b>2022</b>	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Turnover</b>				
Clerks office		5,265		3,350
Coffee mornings		394		162
Concessionary use		1,916		672
Council meetings		1,074		431
Library rent and service charges		5,926		5,431
Regular bookings		10,962		5,426
		25,537		15,472
<b>Other Operating Income</b>				
Other coronavirus grant income	-		8,000	
		-		8,000
		25,537		23,472
<b>Other Income</b>				
Bank interest receivable		292		17
		25,829		23,489
<b>Expenditure</b>				
General wages	14,474		14,634	
Rates	195		99	
Light and heat	13,334		5,807	
Water rates	619		612	
Cleaning	597		122	
Computer software, consumables and maintenance	119		-	
Repairs and renewals	2,358		6,472	
Advertising and marketing costs	129		92	
Professional fees	-		270	
Bank charges	72		72	
Trade refuse	488		476	
		32,385		28,656
<b>NET LOSS</b>		(6,556)		(5,167)

**Whaley Bridge Mechanics Institution**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**As At 31 March 2023**

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		37,860		44,416	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			37,860		44,416
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			37,860		44,416
<b>PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES</b>			6,500		6,500
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			31,360		37,916
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b>					
Balance at 1 April 2022			37,916		43,083
Profit/(Loss) for the period/year			(6,556)		(5,167)
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>			31,360		37,916

**Whaley Bridge Mechanics Institution  
Notes to the Accounts  
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Signed:  
Chairman ..... 

Date: 11/01/2024

Signed:  
Responsible  
Financial  
Officer ..... 

Date: 11/01/2024

**WHALEY BRIDGE MECHANICS INSTITUTION**

England & Wales - Charity number 520533

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# Accounts

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# WHALEY BRIDGE MECHANICS INSTITUTE

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**Registered Charity No. 520533. Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge,  
High Peak, SK23 7AA**

**Secretary to Trustee: Mr A Fox Tel: 01663 733068  
COMMUNITY WEBSITE: [www.whaleybridge.com](http://www.whaleybridge.com)**

## **Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

Whaley Bridge Town Council, as a corporate body, is the Trustee of the Mechanics Institution, which is a Charity registered in England No 520533 providing community facilities. The Secretary to the Trustee is Mr Andrew Fox.

The Trustee met on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022 to approve the Report and Accounts. The accounts have been audited and approved by Leathley & Co Accountants, independent accountants of Market Street, Whaley Bridge. The signed minutes of the Trustee meetings are kept in a separate file and are available for public inspection when requested, along with the annual report and accounts.

The Mechanics Institute was built in 1876 for the benefit of the community and now provides a large hall and a meeting room which are available for hire at competitive rates. The reading room has not been provided in the financial year due to the pandemic.

### **Income and Expenditure**

The total income for the year was £ 27,662, an increase of £1,154 on the previous year. This was only possible due to a large coronavirus grant of £21,170 due to classes being unable to go ahead in large parts of the financial year. We also saw a large decrease in the amount of money raised from Coffee mornings and children parties with no bookings being made for either due to the pandemic. The regular bookings only brought in £1,016 so the grant money received has been a huge help to the Charity. There has also been a decrease in income from other sources such as for Council meetings as the Council meetings were being done virtually for much of the financial year. Local organisations use the facilities for Coffee mornings and other fund raising events.

The Darby and Joan Club, Volunteer Centre and Citizens Advice Bureau did not meet at all during the financial year due to the pandemic and no income was provided under concessionary use.

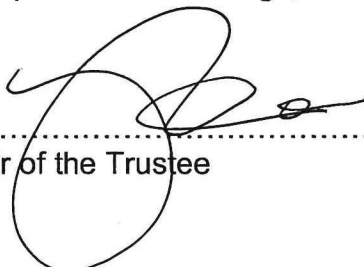
Derbyshire County Council pay rent for the basement together with an annual service charge to provide Library Services to the Town. This library charge and the rent of the Town Council office was the only reliable sources of income over the financial year.

The total expenditure for the year was £20,955 a decrease on the previous year due to the building having a lot less users so repairs and maintenance as well as gas and electric costs were reduced. The opportunity was also taken to spend a significant amount of money on redecorating the Mechanics while the building was not being used.


The surplus for the year was £6,735 and this has been added to the general reserves of the Charity.

### **Secretary to the Trustee**

The secretary to the Trustee, Andrew Fox, is available on weekday mornings between 10.00am and 12.00pm to take bookings, answer queries and provide information.



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Chair of the Trustee



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Secretary to the Trustee

**WHALEY BRIDGE MECHANICS INSTITUTION  
ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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**Whaley Bridge Mechanics Institution  
Business Details  
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**Proprietor**

The Mechanics Institute

**Accountants**

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**Whaley Bridge Mechanics Institution  
Accountant's Report  
For The Year Ended 31 March 2021**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WHALEY BRIDGE MECHANICS INSTITUTION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020**

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- (a) examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- (b) to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- (c) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act;
  - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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**Whaley Bridge Mechanics Institution  
Profit and Loss Account  
For The Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Turnover</b>				
Clerks office		2,513		3,350
Coffee mornings		-		760
Concessionary use		-		3,303
Council meetings		-		542
Dances and receptions		-		390
Library rent and service charges		2,963		5,317
Regular bookings		1,016		12,846
		<u>6,492</u>		<u>26,508</u>
<b>Other Operating Income</b>				
Other coronavirus grant income	21,170		-	
		<u>21,170</u>		<u>-</u>
		<u>27,662</u>		<u>26,508</u>
<b>Other Income</b>				
Bank interest receivable		28		113
		<u>27,690</u>		<u>26,621</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
General wages	14,362		13,233	
Rent	-		383	
Light and heat	3,116		3,764	
Water rates	611		634	
Cleaning	148		50	
Repairs and renewals	1,964		2,956	
Trade literature	14		663	
Bank charges	72		72	
Sundry expenses	207		-	
Health and safety	-		516	
Trade refuse	461		452	
		<u>20,955</u>		<u>22,723</u>
<b>NET PROFIT</b>		<u><u>6,735</u></u>		<u><u>3,898</u></u>

**Whaley Bridge Mechanics Institution**  
**Balance Sheet**  
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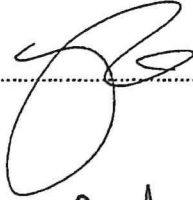
	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		49,582		42,847	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<u>49,582</u>		<u>42,847</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			<u>49,582</u>		<u>42,847</u>
<b>PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES</b>			6,500		6,500
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<u>43,082</u>		<u>36,347</u>
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b>					
Balance at 1 April 2020			36,347		32,449
Profit/(Loss) for the period/year			<u>6,735</u>		<u>3,898</u>
<b>Balance Carried Forward</b>			<u>43,082</u>		<u>36,347</u>

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Chairman .....



24/1/22  
Date: .....

Signed:  
Responsible  
Financial  
Officer .....



24/1/2022  
Date: .....