



New Pasture Lane Community Centre

Registered Charity No: 700442

Annual Report 2024

Notice of

Annual General Meeting

to be held at

New Pasture Lane Community Centre

on

Thursday July 11th at 1pm

All Welcome

The Agenda

- Welcome and Apologies
- Introduction
- Managers' Report
- Life Changing Testimonies
- Pantry Report
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- Achievements
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Life Changing Testimonies

When the new trustee's first took over the centre the incomings were £2,111 for that tax year. Today thanks to amazing funders, public donations and create ways to earn income the incoming for tax year 2023-24 have exceeded this amount of being £62,884.54. This has helped contribute massively to the life changing projects and allowed New Pasture Lane Community Centre to grow from strength to strength in the past 24 months.

We are so proud to have changed so many lives and collect some wonderful testimonies along the way.

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Submission Date

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Age Range

Age 56-65 years

What is your gender?

Male

How has visiting New Pasture Lane Community Centre made life better for you?

It has been such a pleasure to visit N.P.LC.C. It is run by the most professional friendly team and is such a relief when we are struggling with the current economic climate. They offer help in many ways and always welcome you with a smile

Will you be willing to recommend us?

Yes

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Jan 29, 2024 12:57

Submission Date



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Jan 29, 2024 12:57

Age Range

Age 25-35 years

What is your gender?

Female

How has visiting New Pasture Lane Community Centre made life better for you?

I goto the breakfast club on a Tuesday with some parents from school and my 2 year old daughter. The staff are so friendly and welcoming just helps getting out for a morning to such a wonderful and pleasant place to go

Suggestions if any for further improvement:

Absolutely none needed

Will you be willing to recommend us?

Yes

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Jun 11, 2024 13:26

Submission Date



Age Range

66 years +

What is your gender?

Female

Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre has improved your life?

It has given me a reason to come out of the house. I have made some really lovely friends who are now like family

What was life like before you started visiting the community centre?

The only time I left the house was to take me dog for a walk, and once a week when I went and did my shopping. Really my life was very boring

Would you recommend the community centre to others?

Yes

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Jan 29, 2024 17:28

Submission Date



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Jan 29, 2024 17:28

Age Range

Age 46-55 years

What is your gender?

Female

How has visiting New Pasture Lane Community Centre
made life better for you?

Made me feel welcome

Visiting gets me out meeting people.

Helps me feel Happier

Encourages me do try new things and join in with
activities

Helps me feel healthier

Makes sure I have nice healthy things to eat x

Offer good advice

Will you be willing to recommend us?

Yes

Pantry Report

The demand for the community pantry store is so overwhelming that we have grown 3 times in 9 months. At the start off our journey the pantry store was one shelf in the corner of the front entrance which helped around 5 families a month. This grew to 3 shelves in only 3 months which started to support 10-15 families per month. We soon realised that we had to move the pantry away from the front door for health and safety reasons of having too many people behind the front door at one time. This is where we sacrifice our small office and turned into the new pantry shop that it is today, which now provides 300 food parcels a month to families, pensioners and residents with disabilities or life limiting illnesses like cancer or dementia.

The community food pantry store allows residents to have access to low-cost food at 10 items for £3.50 and the demand for this is rising every single week, which has now provided us with a future goal of opening a social supermarket to provide the demand and for the community centre to become a social enterprise and generate its own income. June 2024 was our highest stats recorded, coming in at 1,159 people with our food projects and pantry store altogether.

We have experienced through hosting this project that it takes away the anxieties of the current rise of the weekly shopping bill. The testimonies we have received have helped us identify that it is no longer people just claiming benefits that struggle to purchase food. It is now every age range which includes the working poor and pensioners who are very much reliant upon the service.

Please see next page for testimonials.

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How many people live in your household?

Submission Date

Jun 12, 2024 17:04

Age Range

Age 36-45 Years

What is your gender?

Female

How many people live in your household?

6

Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre's
Pantry Store has improved your life?

This has helped a financially struggling family
with essentials and food we are very grateful

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry
Store?

Harder before

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

2



How many people live in your household?

Submission Date

Jun 13, 2024 01:34

Age Range

Age 46-55 years

What is your gender?

Female

How many people live in your household?

2

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Affordable food as struggling

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry
Store?

First time today was just nice to be welcomed

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

Yes

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Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre's Pantry Store has improved your life?

So handy to have something like this in my community, especially with the help of free foods like fresh bread. We have been needing a shop in this community for years.

Please keep up this amazing work, we all appreciate everything you do for us all.

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry Store?

Very hard to get to the shops in bad weather, especially when you have mobility problems, and what with the cost of living and food prices, it was very hard to make ends meet. This pantry makes life easier. Looking forward to seeing the homegrown fruit and vegetables.

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

Yes

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I was going through a crisis after a marriage break up . The community centre offered me a food pantry slot , no awkward questions just a friendly smile .

I continued to use them on a weekly basis as I live life on a tiny budget. I have so much love and respect for these beautiful people who every week fill the shelves with product that make my life comfortable.

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry Store?

I had no money after a messy separation, living on toast and cereal until my benefits were sorted. I have never experienced rock bottom but I was close. They made what was an awful experience livable.

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

Over the past 9 months we have been fortunate to receive funding and food donations from East Yorkshire Council, Yorkshire Building Society, Farm foods, Tesco, CO-OP, public donations and support from ERVAS and be a member of the East Riding Food Poverty Alliance to enable us to grow and be a solution to the ever need growing need of food poverty within the area.

The use of Volunteers

New Pasture Lane Community Centre Committee is grateful for the time dedicated by its volunteers and Trustees. The whole team work hard and contribute immensely to the community centre to enable us to deliver our work to the local community.

We currently house 10 volunteers and last year we had 5.

Achievements

The achievement of the past 12 months has been incredible to fetch the community centre back to life. The Covid-19 pandemic and the community centre used as a Pre-School for 28 years, the new trustees felt it would be a hard task to fetch back a community centre full of life. With hard work and determination from the trustees and wonderful volunteers it became a reality in under 2 years.

Supporting Food Poverty

Food poverty is something we have strongly supported in our local community. When we took over as the new trustees in September 2023, we were becoming aware very quickly how much of an impact that the cost-of-living crisis was affecting every age, background of the local community. To stay in line with our charity objectives "To also assist vulnerable people through providing social wellbeing, support, guidance and designed to improve their conditions of life." The trustees agreed that we did not want to be the same as a food bank and provide people with a food package, we wanted to present them with a cooked meal and provide a warm, welcoming, and social environment where food was included to help support this every increasing problem.

In 2023 we introduced two 12-week projects that delivered a free home-made cooked lunch to individuals and fed up with 30 people in each setting. This increased by 10 people in the next projects, which fed 40 people per week. These projects have now been hosted 3 times and we just had a 4th application accepted with a different funder, so we will continue this project in September 2024 leading into 2025. These projects are life changing.

We also started a food pantry to help support food poverty, we parented with many supermarkets like Aldi, Morrisons, Fare Share and Real Aid to help have items donated and fetch donations into the community centre to keep the running costs paid and the doors open to the local community residents. At the beginning we had 1-3 people popping into to use the pantry in the beginning. Those figures soon expanded to **1,159 people a month** either using the pantry or coming to use our free meal projects. The community residents have mentioned many times over how much they rely on our services and how much they have changed their lives knowing we are here to support them. We recently upscaled our pantry shelves to a room within the community centre and now this service provides a small pantry shop with fresh, frozen, and packaged foods as well as the usual nonperishables. We are now in planning mode to open a social supermarket to help with the demand and need of the community.

50 food hampers were given out to families to help with their Christmas 2023 shopping to help with the cost-of-living crisis courtesy of funding which was obtained through East Yorkshire Council.

These hampers included what are deemed to be "luxuries" in today's cost of living crisis. Which in reality was basically what people have purchased each year for Christmas, only now the cost-of-living crisis had placed them in a predicament where the usual luxuries at Christmas were now way out of their budget and something they would have had to go without.

Other Project Reviews:

Crafty Club

Monday Morning Crafty Club has been a game changer for the local community. Crafty Club started when a volunteer called Angela Walker came into see us and made an enquire about starting one. Since then, we have built the Crafty Club a very successful community club where up to 30-40 people from the local community meet on a weekly basis to make crafts. These crafts are then made to sell in our craft sales and on Facebook Marketplace to rise donations for the community centre. The local community residents now rely upon Monday Crafty Club for means of social interaction, crafting and a free breakfast which supports mental wellbeing and provide food in the cost-of-living crisis. Angela Walker (now deputy mayoress) has been made a trustee of the community centre to reward her for all her amazing efforts.

Breakfast Tuesday

Every Tuesday morning during school term time a project called Breakfast Tuesday is hosted by Kate and the volunteers to enable the local community to have access to local fully cooked English breakfast for a low-cost price, and kids eat free. This project is also to help support parents with small children by feeding children for free and enabling them to have a cooked breakfast at an affordable price.

The project also has an opportunity to pay it forward where breakfast meals can be donated to help feed those who cannot afford to feed themselves.

A contract with Just Eat was signed in January 2024 to enable breakfast deliveries. The Breakfast Tuesday has transformed into a buffet breakfast where people pay a minimum donation of each £4.50 and help themselves to the buffet breakfast, where kids eat free. This has become possible due to Two Ridings providing the project with funding for 3 months. The kitchen staff are working hard and in line with the 5-star hygiene rating from East Yorkshire Council.

Mum & Baby Breakfast Group

Mum & Baby Breakfast Group needs to apply for its 3rd round of funding this year from Bridlington Town Council to help provide mums with children from age 0-2 years old to have a social group that they can interact with one another and eat a free breakfast for themselves and their young children. The project has become a very successful one which helps support many mums with their babies each week and helps towards feeding them the most important meal of the day.

Fitness & Fun Friday

Fitness & Fun is a project that is hosted by John. D. Slater who provides a very happy, fun, and simple way to keep fit. This provides the local community who are dealing with limited mobility issues, an opportunity to come together in a space where they can do gentle exercise in a fun atmosphere where nothing too much is expected from anyone. This project has gone strength to strength and recently the topic of a documentary video was posted throughout the social media channels. Plus, Celine now helps host the project with John to make it a little more energetic.

Financial Review

New Pasture Community Centre's revenue at the end of the 2021-2022 tax year was just over £2,000. When new trustees took over in September 2022 there has been an increase in that income in 2023-2024 to the tune of over £62,884.54 in income through grants, donations and fundraising. At the end of the financial year of March this amount totalled in which was obtained through grants,

public donations and self-efficient income which has allowed us to host the projects above so successful.

The next 12 months we have plans to grow and host more projects and continue the growth of New Pasture Lane Community Centre. To which can be presented in our 5-year growth plans for more insight and financial goals.

Other 12 Month achievements briefly:

- Partnership with Curry's/ Tech donations & Tec workshops
- Partnership with Morrisons/ Food donations
- Partnership with Real Aid/ for Free bread
- Partnership with Salvation Army for anything the community needs
- Partnership with ERVAS for the food pantry/hampers funding
- Subscription with Fareshare
- Media Partnership with Bridlington Echo
- Partnership with Tesco
- We became a food bank/pantry store.
- Secured many project grants.
- Took the income from £2, 111 to over £62,884.54 in 19 months.
- We now feed over 1,159 a month in our projects & Pantry Store.
- We were chosen out of 46 projects by DIFEY to be showcased as one of the most successful projects.
- Almost refurbished all the floors within the community centre.
- Provided the building with outdoor signs, so people can see where we are.
- Created a yard for the community to use in summer.
- Upgraded the front garden.
- Upgraded the lady's toilet seats twice.
- Welcomed new trustees.
- Abi secured £2,000 from Lord Feoffees to replace the main hall carpet (which is over 20 years old) for new flooring.
- Secured Just Eat contract for Breakfast Tuesday or any other food project we wish to do. • We started a Men's mental wellbeing club on a Monday/ It's now funded.
- Kate secured funding to make Breakfast Tuesday an even better project to help provide a lowcost breakfast for people and it's just celebrated it's first year of trading.
- Secured manager salaries for 9 months in funding to keep the community centre open full time.

The next 15 months goals:

- Apply for a full planning permission and lease for the old tennis courts land.
- Building goals – to update guttering, the radiators, and the outside wall.
- Update the hand dryers in the lady's toilet.
- Extend our community centre
- Have solar panels fitted to reduce energy costs.
- Open a social supermarket



Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

New Pasture Lane Community Centre

31st March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

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On accounts for the year
ended

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2024**

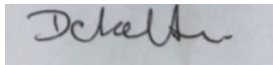
Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the **of** accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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 all 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:

- x the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- x the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or x the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Date: 23/05/2024

Debra Charlton

Signed:

Name: Debra Charlton

N/A

Address:

44 Neptune Drive

Bridlington

YO16 4EF

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 202

Total Income

Total Outgoings

Incoming resources:

Public Donations/Unrestricted Funds

Room Hire/Unrestricted Funds

Card Machine Takings/Unrestricted

Grants received/ Restricted Funds

Total incoming resources

Resources used/Outgoings

Insurance

Project spends

Light, heat, and Water

Cleaning/repairs/maintenance

Phone/Wifi

Office Equipment

Council Tax

Volunteer Training

Wages

TV Licence

Fixed assets depreciation

Gifts for Volunteers

Lunches for Volunteers

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	<u>£38,482.36</u>	£26,893.55
		Total cash at bank account on 31 ^s March 2024 = £12,574.88 (2022 - £2111.00)
	1,213.23	I confirm that these accounts represent a true and accurate representation of New Pasture Lane Community Centre.
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Managers of New Pasture Lane Community Centre

Life Changing Testimonies

When the new trustee's first took over the centre the incomings were £2,111 for that tax year. Today thanks to amazing funders, public donations and create ways to earn income the incoming for tax year 2023-24 have exceeded this amount of being £62,884.54. This has helped contribute massively to the life changing projects and allowed New Pasture Lane Community Centre to grow from strength to strength in the past 24 months.

We are so proud to have changed so many lives and collect some wonderful testimonies along the way.

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Jan 30, 2024 08:36

Submission Date

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Jan 30, 2024 08:36

Age Range

Age 56-65 years

What is your gender?

Male

How has visiting New Pasture Lane Community Centre made life better for you?

It has been such a pleasure to visit N.P.L.C.C. It is run by the most professional friendly team and is such a relief when we are struggling with the current economic climate. They offer help in many ways and always welcome you with a smile

Will you be willing to recommend us?

Yes

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Jan 29, 2024 12:57

Submission Date



Submission Date

Jan 29, 2024 12:57

Age Range

Age 25-35 years

What is your gender?

Female

How has visiting New Pasture Lane Community Centre made life better for you?

I goto the breakfast club on a Tuesday with some parents from school and my 2 year old daughter. The staff are so friendly and welcoming just helps getting out for a morning to such a wonderful and pleasant place to go

Suggestions if any for further improvement:

Absolutely none needed

Will you be willing to recommend us?

Yes

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Jun 11, 2024 13:26

Submission Date



Age Range

66 years +

What is your gender?

Female

Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre has improved your life?

It has given me a reason to come out of the house. I have made some really lovely friends who are now like family

What was life like before you started visiting the community centre?

The only time I left the house was to take me dog for a walk, and once a week when I went and did my shopping. Really my life was very boring

Would you recommend the community centre to others?

Yes

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Jan 29, 2024 17:28

Submission Date



Submission Date

Jan 29, 2024 17:28

Age Range

Age 46-55 years

What is your gender?

Female

How has visiting New Pasture Lane Community Centre
made life better for you?

Made me feel welcome

Visiting gets me out meeting people.

Helps me feel Happier

Encourages me do try new things and join in with
activities

Helps me feel healthier

Makes sure I have nice healthy things to eat x

Offer good advice

Will you be willing to recommend us?

Yes

Pantry Report

The demand for the community pantry store is so overwhelming that we have grown 3 times in 9 months. At the start off our journey the pantry store was one shelf in the corner of the front entrance which helped around 5 families a month. This grew to 3 shelves in only 3 months which started to support 10-15 families per month. We soon realised that we had to move the pantry away from the front door for health and safety reasons of having too many people behind the front door at one time. This is where we sacrifice our small office and turned into the new pantry shop that it is today, which now provides 300 food parcels a month to families, pensioners and residents with disabilities or life limiting illnesses like cancer or dementia.

The community food pantry store allows residents to have access to low-cost food at 10 items for £3.50 and the demand for this is rising every single week, which has now provided us with a future goal of opening a social supermarket to provide the demand and for the community centre to become a social enterprise and generate its own income. June 2024 was our highest stats recorded, coming in at 1,159 people with our food projects and pantry store altogether.

We have experienced through hosting this project that it takes away the anxieties of the current rise of the weekly shopping bill. The testimonies we have received have helped us identify that it is no longer people just claiming benefits that struggle to purchase food. It is now every age range which includes the working poor and pensioners who are very much reliant upon the service.

Please see next page for testimonials.

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How many people live in your household?

Submission Date

Jun 12, 2024 17:04

Age Range

Age 36-45 Years

What is your gender?

Female

How many people live in your household?

6

Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre's
Pantry Store has improved your life?

This has helped a financially struggling family
with essentials and food we are very grateful

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry
Store?

Harder before

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

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How many people live in your household?

Submission Date

Jun 13, 2024 01:34

Age Range

Age 46-55 years

What is your gender?

Female

How many people live in your household?

2

Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre's
Pantry Store has improved your life?

Affordable food as struggling

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry
Store?

First time today was just nice to be welcomed

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

Yes

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How many people live in your household?

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Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre's Pantry Store has improved your life?

So handy to have something like this in my community, especially with the help of free foods like fresh bread. We have been needing a shop in this community for years.

Please keep up this amazing work, we all appreciate everything you do for us all.

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry Store?

Very hard to get to the shops in bad weather, especially when you have mobility problems, and what with the cost of living and food prices, it was very hard to make ends meet. This pantry makes life easier. Looking forward to seeing the homegrown fruit and vegetables.

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

Yes

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How many people live in your household?

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Can you share how New Pasture Lane Community Centre's Pantry Store has improved your life?

I was going through a crisis after a marriage break up . The community centre offered me a food pantry slot , no awkward questions just a friendly smile .

I continued to use them on a weekly basis as I live life on a tiny budget. I have so much love and respect for these beautiful people who every week fill the shelves with product that make my life comfortable.

What was life like before you started visiting the Pantry Store?

I had no money after a messy separation, living on toast and cereal until my benefits were sorted. I have never experienced rock bottom but I was close. They made what was an awful experience livable.

Would you recommend the pantry store to others?

Over the past 9 months we have been fortunate to receive funding and food donations from East Yorkshire Council, Yorkshire Building Society, Farm foods, Tesco, CO-OP, public donations and support from ERVAS and be a member of the East Riding Food Poverty Alliance to enable us to grow and be a solution to the ever need growing need of food poverty within the area.

The use of Volunteers

New Pasture Lane Community Centre Committee is grateful for the time dedicated by its volunteers and Trustees. The whole team work hard and contribute immensely to the community centre to enable us to deliver our work to the local community.

We currently house 10 volunteers and last year we had 5.

Achievements

The achievement of the past 12 months has been incredible to fetch the community centre back to life. The Covid-19 pandemic and the community centre used as a Pre-School for 28 years, the new trustees felt it would be a hard task to fetch back a community centre full of life. With hard work and determination from the trustees and wonderful volunteers it became a reality in under 2 years.

Supporting Food Poverty

Food poverty is something we have strongly supported in our local community. When we took over as the new trustees in September 2023, we were becoming aware very quickly how much of an impact that the cost-of-living crisis was affecting every age, background of the local community. To stay in line with our charity objectives "To also assist vulnerable people through providing social wellbeing, support, guidance and designed to improve their conditions of life." The trustees agreed that we did not want to be the same as a food bank and provide people with a food package, we wanted to present them with a cooked meal and provide a warm, welcoming, and social environment where food was included to help support this every increasing problem.

In 2023 we introduced two 12-week projects that delivered a free home-made cooked lunch to individuals and fed up with 30 people in each setting. This increased by 10 people in the next projects, which fed 40 people per week. These projects have now been hosted 3 times and we just had a 4th application accepted with a different funder, so we will continue this project in September 2024 leading into 2025. These projects are life changing.

We also started a food pantry to help support food poverty, we parented with many supermarkets like Aldi, Morrisons, Fare Share and Real Aid to help have items donated and fetch donations into the community centre to keep the running costs paid and the doors open to the local community residents. At the beginning we had 1-3 people popping into to use the pantry in the beginning. Those figures soon expanded to **1,159 people a month** either using the pantry or coming to use our free meal projects. The community residents have mentioned many times over how much they rely on our services and how much they have changed their lives knowing we are here to support them. We recently upscaled our pantry shelves to a room within the community centre and now this service provides a small pantry shop with fresh, frozen, and packaged foods as well as the usual nonperishables. We are now in planning mode to open a social supermarket to help with the demand and need of the community.

50 food hampers were given out to families to help with their Christmas 2023 shopping to help with the cost-of-living crisis courtesy of funding which was obtained through East Yorkshire Council.

These hampers included what are deemed to be "luxuries" in today's cost of living crisis. Which in reality was basically what people have purchased each year for Christmas, only now the cost-of-living crisis had placed them in a predicament where the usual luxuries at Christmas were now way out of their budget and something they would have had to go without.

Other Project Reviews:

Crafty Club

Monday Morning Crafty Club has been a game changer for the local community. Crafty Club started when a volunteer called Angela Walker came into see us and made an enquire about starting one. Since then, we have built the Crafty Club a very successful community club where up to 30-40 people from the local community meet on a weekly basis to make crafts. These crafts are then made to sell in our craft sales and on Facebook Marketplace to rise donations for the community centre. The local community residents now rely upon Monday Crafty Club for means of social interaction, crafting and a free breakfast which supports mental wellbeing and provide food in the cost-of-living crisis. Angela Walker (now deputy mayoress) has been made a trustee of the community centre to reward her for all her amazing efforts.

Breakfast Tuesday

Every Tuesday morning during school term time a project called Breakfast Tuesday is hosted by Kate and the volunteers to enable the local community to have access to local fully cooked English breakfast for a low-cost price, and kids eat free. This project is also to help support parents with small children by feeding children for free and enabling them to have a cooked breakfast at an affordable price.

The project also has an opportunity to pay it forward where breakfast meals can be donated to help feed those who cannot afford to feed themselves.

A contract with Just Eat was signed in January 2024 to enable breakfast deliveries. The Breakfast Tuesday has transformed into a buffet breakfast where people pay a minimum donation of each £4.50 and help themselves to the buffet breakfast, where kids eat free. This has become possible due to Two Ridings providing the project with funding for 3 months. The kitchen staff are working hard and in line with the 5-star hygiene rating from East Yorkshire Council.

Mum & Baby Breakfast Group

Mum & Baby Breakfast Group needs to apply for its 3rd round of funding this year from Bridlington Town Council to help provide mums with children from age 0-2 years old to have a social group that they can interact with one another and eat a free breakfast for themselves and their young children. The project has become a very successful one which helps support many mums with their babies each week and helps towards feeding them the most important meal of the day.

Fitness & Fun Friday

Fitness & Fun is a project that is hosted by John. D. Slater who provides a very happy, fun, and simple way to keep fit. This provides the local community who are dealing with limited mobility issues, an opportunity to come together in a space where they can do gentle exercise in a fun atmosphere where nothing too much is expected from anyone. This project has gone strength to strength and recently the topic of a documentary video was posted throughout the social media channels. Plus, Celine now helps host the project with John to make it a little more energetic.

Financial Review

New Pasture Community Centre's revenue at the end of the 2021-2022 tax year was just over £2,000. When new trustees took over in September 2022 there has been an increase in that income in 2023-2024 to the tune of over £62,884.54 in income through grants, donations and fundraising. At the end of the financial year of March this amount totalled in which was obtained through grants,

public donations and self-efficient income which has allowed us to host the projects above so successful.

The next 12 months we have plans to grow and host more projects and continue the growth of New Pasture Lane Community Centre. To which can be presented in our 5-year growth plans for more insight and financial goals.

Other 12 Month achievements briefly:

- Partnership with Curry's/ Tech donations & Tec workshops
- Partnership with Morrisons/ Food donations
- Partnership with Real Aid/ for Free bread
- Partnership with Salvation Army for anything the community needs
- Partnership with ERVAS for the food pantry/hampers funding
- Subscription with Fareshare
- Media Partnership with Bridlington Echo
- Partnership with Tesco
- We became a food bank/pantry store.
- Secured many project grants.
- Took the income from £2, 111 to over £62,884.54 in 19 months.
- We now feed over 1,159 a month in our projects & Pantry Store.
- We were chosen out of 46 projects by DIFEY to be showcased as one of the most successful projects.
- Almost refurbished all the floors within the community centre.
- Provided the building with outdoor signs, so people can see where we are.
- Created a yard for the community to use in summer.
- Upgraded the front garden.
- Upgraded the lady's toilet seats twice.
- Welcomed new trustees.
- Abi secured £2,000 from Lord Feoffees to replace the main hall carpet (which is over 20 years old) for new flooring.
- Secured Just Eat contract for Breakfast Tuesday or any other food project we wish to do. • We started a Men's mental wellbeing club on a Monday/ It's now funded.
- Kate secured funding to make Breakfast Tuesday an even better project to help provide a lowcost breakfast for people and it's just celebrated it's first year of trading.
- Secured manager salaries for 9 months in funding to keep the community centre open full time.

The next 15 months goals:

- Apply for a full planning permission and lease for the old tennis courts land.
- Building goals – to update guttering, the radiators, and the outside wall.
- Update the hand dryers in the lady's toilet.
- Extend our community centre
- Have solar panels fitted to reduce energy costs.
- Open a social supermarket



Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

New Pasture Lane Community Centre

31st March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

700442

On accounts for the year
ended

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2024**

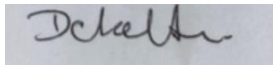
Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the **of** accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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 all 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:

- x the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- x the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or x the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Date: 23/05/2024

Debra Charlton

Signed:

Name: Debra Charlton

N/A

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Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 202

	Total Income	Total Outgoings
	<u>62, 8 38 . 65</u>	<u>4 6, 6 15 . 27</u>
Incoming resources:		
	2024	2023
Public Donations/Unrestricted Funds		
Room Hire/Unrestricted Funds	3,801.35	
Card Machine	632.00	
Takings/Unrestricted	138.98	1,75.37
	19,783.96	647.86
		1,449
Grants received/ Restricted Funds	<u>£24,356.29</u>	36,210.13

		£38,482.36
Total incoming resources		
Resources used/Outgoings		
		1,213.23
	450.00	
Insurance	17,071.83	19,958.51
Project spends	3,350.42	2,452
	1,017.80	1,698
Light, heat, and Water	186.00	715.79
Cleaning/repairs/maintenance	0	225.24
Phone/Wifi		68.78
Office Equipment		
Council Tax	-	
	0	54.00
Volunteer Training		-
		0.00
Wages	169.50	
	1,025	464
TV Licence		
Fixed assets	-	44
depreciation	100	
Gifts for Volunteers		
Lunches for Volunteers	<u>£19, 721. 72</u>	<u>£26,893.55</u>

Total cash at bank account on 31^s March 2024 =
£12,574.88 (2022 - £2111.00)

I confirm that these accounts represent a true and
accurate representation of New Pasture Lane
Community Centre.

Balance Sheet For the year ended 31 March 2024		2024		2024		2024		2024		2023		2023	
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
Fixed Assets													
Tangible Assets		-	£2,500.00	£2,500.00	-	£500.00	£500.00	-	£500.00	£500.00	-	£500.00	£500.00
Investments		-	149	149	-	0	0	-	0	0	-	0	0
		-	£2,649.00	£2,649.00	-	£500.00	£500.00	-	£500.00	£500.00	-	£500.00	£500.00
Total Fixed Assets													
Current Assets													
Debitors		£4,572	19,783.96	£24,356	2272.23	36210.13	38482.36						
Cash in bank		1,937.04	12,095.32	14,032.36	3562.58	19,783.96	23346.54						
Cash in Hand/Donations/Card Payments		138.98	-	£139	2,272.23	36,210.13	38,482.36						
				£38,528	8107.04	92204.22	100311.26						
Total current assets													
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year													
Net current assets (liabilities)		8,110.48											
Total assets less current liabilities		£5,461.48											
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year													
		8,110.48											
Funds of the charity													
Unrestricted funds													
General Unrestricted Funds		4,572	-	4,572	2096.86	36,210	38306.99						
Designated Funds		-	-	2096.86	-	-	4,093						
Restricted Funds				55,994		-							
				62,663		36,210	42399.99						
Total Funds		4,572.00	-	62,663	2096.86	36,210	42399.99						

