

## ST GEORGE'S CENTRE – ANNUAL REPORT 2020

### ***Welcome***

This is our 43<sup>rd</sup> AGM and my 16<sup>th</sup> AGM as Chairman. This is a shortened report due to the restrictions imposed by the Coronavirus Pandemic which has resulted in unprecedented restrictions imposed by the Government to protect the nation. Hopefully next year we can have a more traditional AGM and welcome all of our Members to a more normal meeting process. A decision has been made by the Committee to cancel our public A.G.M. This is demonstrate good governance in the current climate

### ***Executive Committee***

No changes since the last AGM. I am really grateful for everyone's hard work. We have a Members Meeting in the morning before the Executive Committee meeting in the afternoon and this system continues to work well.

### ***Bolton CCG***

We continue to be commissioned by the Clinical Commissioning Group (the CCG) and through Paula's hard work together with Steve Bunker, our Treasurer, we have a healthy continuing dialogue with them. We continue to fight to ensure the Centre's core funding provision and to argue that we remain very cost efficient and provide a comprehensive quality service that is value for money for any commissioning body. This has thus far been recognised and we are confident that this will continue to be the case.

### ***Staffing***

No changes this year with Paula as Manager, with Philomena, Jean and Pam as Support Workers.

This is the sixteenth consecutive year that I have shouted that ALL OF OUR STAFF ARE ABSOLUTE HEROES! and I would like as always to take this opportunity on behalf of the Executive Committee to record publicly and thank them for everything that they have achieved and done this year to keep the Centre moving forward.

I must not forget to mention our dedicated band of Volunteers and helpers from the Church and those members who have felt able to put something back into the Centre by becoming Volunteers themselves. I would also like to thank all of our Tutors from Bolton Community College and indeed anybody else that contributes in some way to the continued success of the Centre.

### ***Referrals***

This year we have had 30 referrals from a variety of sources.

The referrals are spread around the Borough:

BL1	33%
BL2	29%
BL3	6%
BL4	17%
BL5	7%
BL6	2%
BL7	6%

Equal referrals of Male and Female

Age range:

18-35	13%
36-49	26%
50-60	48%
60+	13%

On average between 110 – 130 members have attended per month over this year, with daily attendance ranging from 30 to 50 people per day.

### **Activities**

All the previously noted activities set out in last year's report continue.

Additionally:

Members enjoyed a trip to Llandudno last summer supported by Philomena and Pam.

Members enjoyed a trip to the Albert Halls for the Pantomime.

There was a full day trip to Celebrate our 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary to Blackpool. 52 members enjoyed an afternoon at Ryecroft Hall with a 3 course meal and a party afternoon followed by a drive through the illuminations.

Members celebrated Halloween with a special meal of Spider Pie followed by eyeball jelly followed by fun and games of apple bobbing and musical chairs.

I Don't like Mondays group enjoyed ten pin bowling , trips to the cinema, haigh Hall, Smithills Farm and dined at many varied restaurants.

Christmas lunch followed by a carol concert was a success with over 70 members attending. Members made 54 Christmas cakes and also Christmas tree decorations from salt dough. Of course Philomena organised a tombola from donations and raised over £500.

We Received £996.00 from GMCVO (Greater Manchester Community of Voluntary Organisations) to re-introduce our walk and sketch project in the Rivington Barn area – funding to pay for 3 Monday sessions and include transport, staff costs and to subsidise lunches (members to contribute £5 as on our I Don't Like Mondays Group). Suggested months for project: July, August and September – but with Pam's amazing ability to 'stretch' project money, the £996 may well pay for more outings and enable us to continue I Don't Like Mondays at least until Autumn, 2020. This is just one small

grant of many we have received thanks to Jean for persevering in trying to apply for these grants that make a difference to what we can deliver

January is always a very long and depressing month. Staff decided to organise some activities to look forward to including a New Years buffet half way through the month.

Later on we planned Chinese New Year meal, Valentines Day Meal and St Patricks Day. All of these celebrations require planning which everybody gets involved with and also activities based around the event which all members enjoy to be involved in. We were planning Easter and St Georges Day Celebrations until Coronavirus forced us to close our doors on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Staff are supporting members on a daily basis by phone from home with a successful application for a grant from CVS to buy phones for this purpose.

### **New Healthy Living programme for 2020**

Weight management programme has started really well in January – several members motivated to lose lots of weight. One of our members is proud to announce they have lost 3 stones while on the Healthy Living programme.

Normal activities such as Art and Craft groups, Cookery group, Tai Chi and Aerobics continue to be popular.

We received an ‘on the spot’ check from environmental health which has rated us with 5 stars.

In January Breakdown Bolton delivered a course over 5 weeks. Again members absolutely loved the work they did. This time it was based around Time machines and clock faces. Members gain so much confidence in these groups.

### ***Counselling:***

Monday Counselling still provides a valuable service to the general public of Bolton. The Counselling service is well organised by Philomena and delivered by our excellent team of Counsellors. They give their time freely and have delivered 1271 sessions to the general public of Bolton. We would like to thank them all for their efforts in making this service a success and delivering some very positive outcomes for their clients.

### ***Bereavements.***

Very sadly, as there seems to be every year, there is a long list of bereavements to note:

- Gordon Eckstein
- Margaret Smith  
(who were both dedicated volunteers and good friends to the Centre)
- Michael Heaton ( a dedicated member since we opened in 1977)
- Billy Briggs (an original member)

- Gary Aldred (another long-standing member)
- Geoff Hargreaves (my predecessor as Chairman of the Executive Committee, a role he held for many years).

We remember them all – they will be sadly missed but not forgotten.

***Conclusion***

This is our 43<sup>rd</sup> AGM and held in very unusual circumstances. Despite the difficulties we will come through this National Emergency and the Centre will survive and continue to support the Members whose need for that support is probably greater than ever.

The Centre will re-open when guidance concludes that it is safe to do so

“Stay Safe”

Thank you.

Jeremy Barker – Chairman

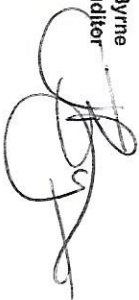
Income and Expenditure statement for the year ended 31 March 2020

	Mar-19	Mar-20	Mar-19	Mar-20
<b>Income</b>			<b>Expenditure</b>	
Funding	114,218.24	115,149.12	Cash/chq facility	-
Donations	3,660.68	1,016.05	Cleaning	215.27
Interest	195.09	303.09	Equipment	592.94
Food	20,683.66	21,100.71	Food	8,307.49
Student Placement	-	-	Insurance	3,270.60
Sundries	320.28	440.00	Health & Wellbeing	4,340.25
Social Fund	-	1,954.00	Ambition of Ageing	-
Calendars/Holiday Fund	-	-	Refurbishment	2,664.00
Counselling	23,413.73	19,537.28	Rent	36,188.00
CVS/Health & Wellbeing funding	-	4,499.18	Social Fund	11.99
			Stationery	189.71
			Sundry	1,113.66
			Telephone	1,671.16
			Therapeutic Earnings	-
			Training	53.20
			Travel	20.00
			Tutor Fees	1,580.00
			Volunteers Expenses	3,326.10
			Wages/Payroll	102,933.19
			Consultancy Fees	-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>162,491.68</b>	<b>163,999.43</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>166,477.56</b>
Opening Balances	158,366.21	154,380.33		
Net Income	3,985.88	2,074.94		
<b>Total Balances</b>	<b>154,380.33</b>	<b>152,305.39</b>		

Steve Bunker  
Hon. Treasurer



Jenni Byrne  
Hon. Auditor



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## **St.George's Day Centre (Bolton) Limited**

### **Financial Year Ended 31 March 2020**

I have pleasure in reporting the Centre's results for the financial year ended 31 March 2020.

A detailed analysis of the Profit & Loss statement is attached which needs little further comment. Thanks again to Paula who has provided the detailed breakdown.

Following a £4000 fall in our reserves last year, we managed to reduce this to a £2,000 fall this year. Thanks to a couple of reasons – a £1000 increase from our CCG funding being the main one, coupled with a nice £2000 grant from the LGBT Foundation which hadn't been fully utilised at the time of writing. With regards to our other costs, as usual, they remain under excellent control and this is thanks to everybody at the Centre.

The overall position remains very stable but we have little room for error. Your management team is actively looking for extra funding so that we can afford to employ more staff to support Paula & Phil.

The CCG continue to hold quarterly meetings to ensure that their money is being well spent and their reports in this regard are very favourable.

In summary, 2019/20 was a very steady year for the Centre financially as we managed to retain our level of reserves.

Hon.Treasurer, Steve Bunker

May 2020

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