

# **Accounts with Annual Report**

# for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to **31<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

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# **Charity Details**

**Registered Charity Number:** 1164577

Charity's Contact Address: 1, The Barnfield, Jerrard Close, Honiton. EX14 1DX

## Trustees

Karissa Marker (Chair) Catherine Taylor (Treasurer) Luke Harvey-Ingram Jo Harvey-Ingram Angela Marker Jo O'Donoghue

#### Governance

- Honiton Youth Club is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), foundation model, registered with the Charity Commission on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015.
- Trustees are appointed by the existing Trustees.

## **Charitable Objects as per Governing Document**

The objects of the CIO are to establish and run a village hall and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Honiton ("Area of Benefit") without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, nationality, race or political, religious or other opinions, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants.

## Classification

What		Who	
•	Education/ Training	•	Children/ Young People
•	Recreation		
How			
•	Provides Services		
•	Provides buildings/ facilities/		
	open spaces		

# **Honiton Youth Club** Income and Expenditure Summary from 1.4.2019 to 31.3.2020

Year Ending	Year Ending
31 March	31 March
2020	2020

£10,920.72

# **OPENING BALANCE as at 1st March 2019**

TOTAL INCOME

TOTAL EXPENDITURE

CLOSING BALANCE as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020

All the information above is fully reconciled to Barclays Bank statements

£4,855.82

£10,969.20

£4,807.34

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# Annual Report 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020

#### Aim and Belief

HYC aims to provide a Youth Club, staffed by professional Youth Workers and supported by Volunteers, at The Community Use Building (former Honiton Youth Centre) for two evenings a week during term time; one for the academic Year groups 7 & 8 and another for older children (Year 9+). These sessions regularly attract 25 to 40 young people on a regular basis and the membership list indicates a wider engagement too.

This is done so firmly in the belief that the young people of Honiton deserve nothing less than the quality of service that was provided before, with two professional youth workers to plan, lead and run the sessions. HYC recognises that as Honiton itself develops and grows, its youth are a valuable asset who can make a key contribution to a vibrant, diverse and sustainable community. To that end, HYC aims to help support those young people in their journey to a happy and rewarding adulthood.

#### Background

In 2014, the previously successful Youth Club was closed. It was a direct consequence of the restructuring and funding cuts within Devon County Council at the time, effectively reducing the Devon Youth Service provision. A replacement professional and sustainable Youth Club was needed to continue the popular sessions that used to run.

This is where the positive power of a community working together comes in. A group of Honiton residents formed in response to the closure, with the express purpose of re-establishing and managing Honiton Youth Club as an important community asset. They formed a management committee dedicated to getting it back up and running. Then, with the support from various council agencies and in partnership with Honiton Community College and Combe Estate, HYC re-opened its doors in September 2015 and is now as popular as ever.

#### CIO

HYC attained its Charitable Incorportated Organisation (CIO) status in November 2015.

As a CIO, HYC has its own legal personality with accompanying rights. It can now employ people directly and enter into other contracts. The CIO status also allows it to go forward to bid for funding from other agencies and trusts and benefit from 'GiftAid'. This was important because now HYC could run the service directly. Prior to this, for the first Autumn Term of opening, HYC had had to contract 'Young Devon' to operate the service on their behalf.

#### **Combe Estate**

The Marker family, of Combe Estate, remain key supporters of HYC and Karrisa and Angela Marker are both HYC Trustees and members of the management committee. Combe Estate's continued contribution, for over 5 years, has been crucial in ensuring that HYC not only opened again but was also able to employ two professional Youth Workers.

#### **Professional Youth Workers**

The steadfast commitment of Combe Estate continues to extend beyond encouragement to directly funding the cost of employment of two Youth Workers. Having these qualified professionals makes a big difference.

Their planning and running of the youth club sessions means that the young people who attend can look forward to enjoying purposeful and constructive activities in good company with people they trust. Alongside all the regular activities, the trained Youth Workers are able to challenge and explore issues with individuals or small groups of young people that are affecting them at the time. Youth Workers are also able to support them through difficult times at home and refer to supporting agencies where appropriate.

HYC value their employees and consider it important that staff can also expect high professional standards, procedures and policies from HYC as employers. Over the years this has extended to Parental Leave, Occupational Health Advice and Sickness Absence with occupational sick pay. HYC's Grievance Policy and procedures have also ensured that staff have proper recourse to a fair, reasonable and clear process if and when any need arises.

## EDDC & Dragons' Den

EDDC hold a grant giving event where eligible local groups and organisations present their bids for funds in a competitive environment like TV's Dragons' Den. It was hosted in the Beehive in May 2019.

HYC were successful in securing £500 for a steel storage shed that will enable all the users to share a safe space for various items of kit.

HYC meets at the CUB where the space is also used by Honiton Toddler Group, the 7 to 9 Club and Honiton Mens Shed Group. There is a lack of secure storage for groups. This is particularly acute because, for Health & Safety (including Asbestos!) reasons, certain previous storage spaces are now not useable.

It is anticipated that once the freehold of the building will be transferred from Devon County Council to HCS in the not too distant future. When this occurs renovation work will further restrict storage, making this an item of even higher priority.

# SPACE\*

In late spring, HYC were approached by SPACE\*, a youth services provider, who highlighted the opportunity for some funding. After completing the application process, HYC were successfully awarded a grant. In December 2019, HYC received an additional £3,064.20 to help supplement the employment costs of our youth workers.

## **ALL HALLOWS Charity**

Honiton Youth Club members and youth worker, Louis Lane, pictured with the new table tennis table bought with funds kindly donated from The Allhallows Charity.



#### Honiton Community College (HCC)

Honiton Community College stepped in to save the former Youth Centre Building from closure and took on its leasehold in October 2014. Matt Burrell, the Director of Finances and Resources, has carried forward the work his predecessor, Gary Wills, and has stayed true to the vision of retaining the Community Use Building for the people of Honiton. Their professionalism and dedication has been invaluable. Beyond HYC, the CUB has hosted: Young Devon, 729 Club, Morning Toddler Group, Craft Station and Kick-boxing.

#### **Community Use Building (CUB)**

The CUB remains on Devon County Council's Asset Disposal register. Honiton Town Council has agreed with Devon County Council that it supports the formation of a new CIO called Honiton Community Spaces to have the freehold and manage the CUB on behalf of the community of Honiton. Honiton Community Spaces is now in the formal process of setting up a bank account and applying to the Charity Commission for its CIO status. The initial team driving this process comprises: Zoe Allars, Matt Burrell, Stephen Craddock, Chris Doran, Joanna O'Donoghue, Di Virgin and Vernon Whitlock.

In August 2019, Honiton Town Council discussed and resolved to pay the remainder of its budgeted Ear Marked Reserve for the CUB to HCS, as an initial start-up/ handover fund. When HCS becomes a formal entity, recognized by the Charity Commission, this will amount to £12,000.

#### Thankyou

This is an opportunity to reiterate our enormous thanks to all the many people of Honiton who offer us their tremendous support. Our professional Youth Workers' strong commitment to HYC helps ensure that the club benefits *all* of our young members. It also extends to the committee, who are entirely made up of volunteers. And last, but not least, to the HYC members, who make it all worthwhile.

Honiton Youth Club continues to believe in the transformative power of positive engagement, which values and invests in our community's youth; enabling and empowering them to have confidence in their own worth, ability and contribution as citizens.

# Declaration

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

Signature	leyon	Signature	Oodeneghue-
Full Name	Luke Harvey-Ingram	Full Name	Jo O'Donoghue
Position	Trustee	Position	Trustee
Date	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021	Date	26th March 2021

# Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees