

Whitefield Youth Association

Charity Number 1136520

Annual Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 31ST March 2022

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Reference and administrative details

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the charity are:

The relief of sickness and the preservation of health among people residing permanently or temporarily in Lancashire and the North West of England.

2. To develop the capacity and skills of the members of the BME community and other disadvantaged communities of the North West of England in such a way that they are better able to identify and help their needs and to participate more fully in society.

3. To advance in life and relieve needs of young people through:

(a) the provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.

(b) providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

Objectives and aims

Whitefield Youth Association's aims are:

1. To work with disaffected young people and the wider community, with specific emphasis on those on the fringes of marginalisation and deprivation.
2. To create more effective mechanisms of engagement between these young people and the wider community.
3. To develop the social value of each individual and their respective skill sets.
4. To promote Community Cohesion & Integration from a wider community perspective.
5. To develop more understanding and culturally aware locally communities that contribute to the wider cohesion issues.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that we have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit reporting in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

The remainder of this Annual Report explains the charity's work during the year and how it has been carried out for the public benefit.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

Whitefield Youth Association, (WYA), a fully registered UK youth charity which this year saw it celebrating its Platinum Anniversary since first being established in 2002 just after the Burnley disturbances.

Initially set up as a community voluntary group in 2002, to engage with stakeholders and statutory agencies to provide a voice for the voiceless, then becoming a fully-fledged registered charity in 2010, the same intention and core objectives of why it was set up then remain the same today.

Those involved with the charity were hoping that this year would see a major fundraising drive to celebrate the 20th year anniversary but due to the Covid-19 lockdown from the previous year, this year was a year of consolidation and rebuilding to place it once again on a firm footing to enable it to first, be in a position of self-sustainability and then growth.

The funds that were secured from The Rank Foundation in the previous financial year alongside the Government assistance that was in place to help charities that were affected by the lock down restrictions due to the Covid-19 pandemic enabled the charity to be on a firm footing after having an uncertain future and provide some confidence in moving forward.

From the previous year's Trustee Report it stated that provision had increased by 50% once the Covid-19 pandemic lock down restrictions had been lifted, the charity are happy to report that this has been maintained for the same reasons as before, greater appreciation of what was being delivered as well as it being of high quality making real impact for those that were engaging with it.

Despite a successful year in terms of delivery the charity continues to operate in a manner of uncertainty, WYA will continue to consolidate the delivery model it has in place and build on the strong foundations it has built during this financial year and will be carrying this forward for the next 12 months.

AREAS OF GOOD PRACTICE

The delivery model that WYA has been utilising for a number of years since non Covid related grants were being accessed has continued to be followed as it has been successful in ensuring the long term sustainability of the charity's future. The Trustees implemented a social enterprise model in 2010 and further intensified this in 2014 and it is this that has enabled it to continue to this day. The charity continues to work in an efficient manner to ensure its long term future and to provide value for money through the donations it receives from the local community as well as businesses that are supporting WYA's work – trying to keep management and operational costs to a minimum.

From the above, the charity was also successful in securing a place on The School Of Social Entrepreneurs Programme which is designed for those charities or non-profits that use trading income as a means of raising income and utilising this for the betterment of the communities that they operate within. Alongside the benefits of becoming a participant on the programme where further learning could be achieved of how to trade successfully there was also an unrestricted grant of £10K which WYA would benefit from (£1,500 received post year end).

The charity this year also updated its brand profile and marketing materials to mark and recognise the achievement of it being established for 20 years. The WYA logo was updated alongside the projektswyma boxing, projektswyma football and the newly added projektswyma wrestling academy banners.

As in previous years the charity has found that for it to provide greater awareness of the work that it is delivering and the communities that it is operating within, the best way of doing this is to utilise its social media platforms which it has been doing using the new brand profiling.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

In the Trustees Report for 2020 – 21 the charity stated that it would be aiming to match the income it self-generated and fund raised for the financial year period 2019 – 20 as last year's income was affected by the lock down restrictions in place. The Trustees are happy to report that it has been able to do this.

AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT

The work on the new website has been worked upon during this year with the majority of the content for it being completed as well as professional photograph imagery being produced. The first draft of the website was presented to the Trustees who were impressed with the work done thus far but wanted further information on there to truly spread the message of the work WYA does as well as improve the functionality element of it to make it more user friendly. The charity is hoping to have this completed within the next financial year.

As in previous years the projektswya health & fitness initiative continues to be monitored to ensure that it places minimal burden upon the charity's reserves. Despite WYA making it through the difficult period of the Covid-19 pandemic this does not mean those responsible for the charity's operations are not on their guard for unexpected scenarios and therefore remain aware and vigilant to any potential losses which will impact it financially.

From the previous year's Trustee Report it was reported that conversations would be required in terms of what was originally being planned to deliver from the building that the charity is delivering some of its initiatives from. This continues to be the case especially now with the increase in energy prices which will have big impact on WYA's operating budgets.

The Trustees continuously try to identify ways of reducing operating costs to ensure long term sustainability of the charity's future. Therefore everything that the charity delivers has to have three key components for the activity to go ahead; 1) Demand; 2) Fit in to the core objectives of the charity; 3) Become self-sustaining within an agreed time frame or receive grant support for it to become a regular activity. If the three conditions are not met then the activity does not go ahead.

In 2014 the Trustees committed themselves to the intention of WYA becoming self-sustaining and self-reliant through the delivery of the projektswya social enterprise initiatives and strengthening fundraising activity, this is what was implemented for this year and enabled the charity to raise the same amount of income from this source of funds to pre-pandemic level.

PARTNERS

The Rank Foundation
School Of Social Entrepreneurs
British Wrestling
Asda Foundation
The Football Foundation
Burnley Borough Council
Burnley Leisure Trust
Lancashire Football Association
Accrington & District Junior Football League

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS

WYA was one of the fortunate charities that made it through the pandemic, this year the charity concentrated on aiming to reach the same amount of self-generated and fund raising income as it had done pre-pandemic, it is very positive to see that it has managed to do this.

All those involved with the charity this year have been working extremely hard to maintain its current level of activity as well as looking at expanding further its provision to increase reach as well as income.

This financial year saw the introduction of the newest provision being delivered as part of the projektsywa social enterprise initiative, the projektsywa wrestling academy. This provision was started after a request was made by the local community to explore the opportunity for holding weekly wrestling provision after the previous club that was operating within the local community never reopened after the Covid-19 pandemic. After holding pilot sessions to look at the feasibility of the provision this has now become a mainstay of the programme offer by WYA.

The projektsywa Social Enterprise Initiatives continue to perform well due to the delivery model and structure in place, demand for the initiative in particular the football academy has increased with new enquiries coming in every week. To meet the additional demand WYA have recruited further volunteers to ensure provision quality has not been affected as this is important for the charity to generate income from, by recruiting the volunteers the charity is building capacity with operational costs still being kept to a minimum.

The completion of PHASE 2 of the capital programme still does not remain an immediate priority as the charity will be continuing to consolidate its position so that it can gain further security for itself. As previously the Trustees will reassess this position in the next 12 months of what the charity would like to do in regard to this aspect.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities are on pages 10 and 11.

Balances at the year-end amounted to £27,970.

The charity aims to hold 3 months expenditure in unrestricted funds – at present the amount is higher than the target.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Trustees

The trustees as listed on page 2 served throughout the year and are in office as of the date of this report.

Governing document

Governed by the Constitution adopted on the 19th day of January 2007, amended on 15th June 2010. The majority of the Committee Members are residents of Nelson and specifically the Whitefield ward, and hence the name.

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

Structure

The Management Committee form a cohesive group who meet regularly to discuss matters relating to governance and management, also to steer the direction of Whitefield Youth Association

The Management Committee is made up of professionals from the legal profession, public sector, and private sector. There is considerable diversity in the Management Committee, especially gender, race and faith.

Charitable status

The Association obtained charitable status on 15th June 2010, reg no. 1136520. The charity is working towards becoming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Risk management

The Trustees have introduced a risk management process to assess business risks and are implementing systems to mitigate these risks. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures or authorisation of all transactions and projects and to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the Charity. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the premises. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they still met the needs of the Charity.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19th January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

M. Javed Khan – Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF WHITEFIELD YOUTH ASSOCIATION

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

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19th January 2023

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	As at 31.03.21 £
Receipts				
	-	-	-	
General donations and small grants	37,381		39,381	24,649
Bank interest	2		2	2
British Wrestling Association	2,000		2,000	-
School for Social Entrepreneurs	8,500	-	8,500	-
Pendle Borough Council	8,850		8,850	19,431
Rank Foundation	-		-	22,180
	56,733	-	56,733	66,262
Payments				
Consultancy	17,520		17,520	17,520
Projects delivery	34,165		34,165	38,609
Accountancy fees	1,200		1,200	1,200
Total payments	52,885		52,885	57,329
Net receipts/(payments)	3,848		3,848	8,933
Cash funds last year end	24,122	-	24,122	15,189
Cash funds this year end	27,970		27,970	24,122

	Unrestricted funds £	Total 31.3.22 £	As at 31.03.21 £
CASH FUNDS			
Bank current accounts	<u>27970</u>	<u>27970</u>	<u>24122</u>

Approved by the trustees and signed by:

M. Javed Khan - Trustee
19th January 2022

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- 1 Basis of preparation
These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.
- 2 Fund Accounting
 - (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity
 - (b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor.
- 3 Taxation
The charity is not liable to tax on its charitable activities.
The charity is not registered for VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the expense to which it relates.
- 4 Transactions with trustees
No remuneration nor expenses were paid to trustees, or any persons connected with them during the year or previous year.
- 5 Restricted funds
The purpose of this restricted funds is explained in the Trustees Annual Report.