

**St Michael's Centre, Fulham
(Charity No. 1077598)**



ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

April 2015-March 2016

Objective

The St Michael's Centre is committed to providing opportunities for local young people, children and families to reach their potential and develop new skills in a safe and inclusive environment.

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Date: 2 December 2016

Current trustees (as of March 2016)

Name	Role
Nigel Eady	Chair
William Rogers	
Peter Smith	
Andy Shaw	

Structure and governance

The charity is constituted as a trust, governed by a trust deed. New trustees are nominated and appointed by the current trustees.

Activities and achievements

This year has seen further consolidation and steady growth of our activities. The core activities of the Centre are delivered by an enthusiastic and hard-working team of staff and volunteers, led by the Centre Manager, Jessica Davies, and the youth workers, Will Howard and Douglas Joseph. The St Michael's Centre also continues to be hired out for a range of purposes, providing vital income.

The main activities continue to be:

1. A twice-weekly youth club for local young people aged 11-18. Activities at the open-access youth club include: football, table tennis, pool, arts & crafts, music workshops & cookery classes. Over the past year, we have added archery and fencing classes, which have proved popular with young people in the area.
2. An after school club, called Michael's Mondays – for local children aged up to 11 years old and their parents. Activities include: cooking, sports, games, arts & crafts, and story-telling.

The trustees express their sincere thanks to the staff and all those who have volunteered at the Centre over the last year (in particular, those from local churches, St Matthew's Fulham and ChristChurch Fulham), as well as the various organisations and individuals who have provided financial support. Partnership with other organisations continues to be a priority.

We have worked with:

- Local police, social services, schools and the Bridge Academy, a centre for young people excluded from school.
- Volunteers from HeadStart, a Challenge Network initiative, which engages motivated 16-18 year old volunteers and links them to local charities that will benefit from additional volunteer support.
- Club Works, a London Sport partner organisation, which works with youth groups to increase participation of young people in sporting endeavours.
- Local businesses as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility engagement in the community. Sainsburys, Tesco and smaller local retailers have generously supported St Michael's in the past year.

We also work closely with the Sands End Adventure Playground, Hammersmith and Fulham Foodbank and local sheltered housing residents. Last year, Church Urban Fund highlighted Michael's Mondays and Love Sands End as examples of excellent and potentially replicable initiatives and we are in discussion with them and Langford Primary School about extending Michael's Mondays to provide a homework club for local children.

Average attendance at a youth club session is still typically between 20 and 30 young people. We continue to run a junior youth club on Friday early evening, attended by about 10 young people aged 8-11 years old.

The youth club has continued to be a place for young people to gather together and to grow during the year. The team and volunteers at St Michael's are committed to the wellbeing of young people in the area and one-to-one mentoring continues to be a key, if less visible, element of all we do at St Michael's.

In the winter months we have noticed that the numbers are up at both Junior and Senior events and we have accommodated for this by providing more staff and activities. We have had positive feedback from the young people and from local residents who have expressed their gratitude to staff for not just keeping young people off the street but also providing engaging activities.

We have been working to increase the numbers of girls attending, some are drawn to archery and we are grateful to two volunteers in particular who work exceptionally well with the girls. Work with girls is an area we are keen to develop further.

Teaching the young people new skills remains a priority, whether through attending our life skills programme or on Thursday and Friday evenings, where, in addition to cookery skills, they can develop music production skills and attend self-esteem sessions. In the last twelve months, we have focused two evenings on the topic of Personal Finance with discussion on debt and savings. These are increasingly important conversations in our culture where money is readily available through payday loans. We maintain crossover between the various activities at the Centre and many young people attend weekly karate classes at St Michael's. Positive interactions with adult volunteers and staff are part of day-to-day life at St Michael's.

Love Sand's End, a community event for families, led by members of Christ Church Fulham, continues to run at St Michael's on Wednesday evenings. Families come to eat together, enjoy games and fun activities and to explore questions of faith. Love Sands End ran a number of special events during the year, including a series of Sunday BBQ Church events and a Christmas Service.

When planning our activities for the year, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Treasurer's report (1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016)

This last year has seen a small decrease in income. Hire income has remained steady, whilst our grant income has fallen by about 10%. However, ongoing, careful financial management means that there was still a small surplus on income and expenditure for the year, similar to the previous year. The trustees are very grateful to the team for maintaining good control on expenditure and to Perry-May Britton, our fundraiser, whose efforts have allowed us to maintain our level of activity in a difficult financial climate.

In this year, St Michael's has been granted funds from John Lyon's Charity, Joseph Rank Trust, Urban Action Trust, Garfield Weston Foundation, Dr Edwards and Bishop King's Charitable Trust, Woodward Charitable Trust, Hilden Charitable Trust and the Daisy Trust.

Funds are already secured through 2016-2017. Our restricted funds are allocated to the youth club and some staff salaries.

The St Michael's Centre aims to hold reserves of the equivalent of one month's operating costs at any given time.

Nigel Eady, Treasurer
December 2016

ST MICHAEL'S CENTRE

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2016

	Year to 31st March 2016			2015
	General Fund	Restricted Fund	TOTAL	
INCOME				
Charitable Donations & Fundraising	27,145	29,965	57,110	65,105
Hire Income	11,183	-	11,183	10,030
Interest	17	-	17	15
TOTAL INCOME	38,345	29,965	68,310	75,150
EXPENDITURE				
Staff	-	12,352	12,352	15,901
Social security costs	-	3,479	3,479	4,973
Freelancers	10,414	15,462	25,876	21,549
Training	-	-	-	1,010
Equipment	891	2,145	3,036	6,128
Food and drink	-	614	614	2,319
Cleaning and refuse collection	1,650	-	1,650	1,856
Heat and light	4,979	-	4,979	5,415
Business and water rates	4,120	-	4,120	3,939
Depreciation	892	879	1,772	1,621
Insurance	2,553	-	2,553	2,527
Security	1,032	-	1,032	1,749
Telephone	1,201	-	1,201	1,132
Other expenses	376	-	376	420
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	28,107	34,932	63,039	70,539
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	£10,238	-£4,966	£5,272	£4,611

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2016

	2016	2015
FIXED ASSETS		
Building costs	3,600	4,200
Equipment costs	1,305	2,477
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	4,905	6,677
CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank	26,244	19,200
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	26,244	19,200
NET ASSETS	£31,149	£25,877
Represented by:		
Funds at 1st April 2015	18,278	7,599
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	10,238	-4,966
Funds at 31st March 2016	28,516	2,633
TOTAL FUNDS	£28,516	£2,633
	£31,149	£25,877

No remuneration was received by either trustees or related parties.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

No matter has come to my attention that in any material respect the requirements:

- i. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and
 - ii. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records
- have not been met.

Signed: Sian Gates ACA
Date: 29 January 2017