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Kingston Youth for Christ

Annual Report 2016/17



**YOUTH
FOR CHRIST**

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Report of the Trustees 2016/17

Governance:

The Charitable Trust (1086608) was set up on 1st May 2001. The vote to transfer operations to the CIO was approved at the AGM of the Trust on 13th June 2016 with effect from 1st September 2017 once this return has been submitted to the charity commission. The Charitable Incorporated Organisation (1165522), which was established on 10 February 2016, is bound by its constitution document.

Constitution:

Oxygen (Kingston Borough Youth for Christ) is a Charitable Trust registered charity (Number 10866082).

Objects

- To promote the Christian faith and to proclaim the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ throughout the world and in particular in the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames and its environs;
- To promote and encourage the Christian evangelisation of young people throughout the world and in particular in the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames and its environs;
- To relieve poverty and sickness, thereby demonstrating the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Statement of benefit to the community

As a registered charity, and in line with the requirements of Section 4 of the Charities Act 2006, the staff and trustees of Oxygen acknowledge that:

- Our work does have an identifiable benefit to those we work with.
- These benefits are related to our aims.
- These benefits are clear.
- These benefits are not the cause of any detriment or harm.
- The aims are appropriate to the beneficiaries and vice-versa.
- The opportunity to benefit from our work is not unreasonably restricted to geographical restrictions, or by the ability to pay any fees charged.
- People in poverty are not excluded from benefiting from our work.

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Review of Activities

Introduction

2016-17 was a significant year for Oxygen as it saw the growth of several key projects, particularly “What’s the point?” our knife crime awareness programme and the realisation of our aspirations to undertake an overseas mission trip to Romania. We were able to consolidate the staff team, the Trustee Board and establish several new partnerships including Time for God, South West London YMCA and London Youth. We were also blessed with some new donors to add to our list of faithful supporters, without whom we could not have such a significant impact upon the lives of the young people we work with.

Oxygen and Street Pastors engaged and supported young people and vulnerable adults on over 5580 occasions of 2192 were targeted at disadvantaged and marginalised young people, through 266 sessions or 5324 hours of youth work during 2016/17. We worked with approximately 170 people per week. Over 80% of the young people we worked with were from economically deprived areas, marginalised from their peers, underachieving in education or on the fringes of crime and antisocial behaviour.

Key Achievements

- Engaged over 170 young people each week
- Supporting NEET young people into employment, education and training
- Development Knife Crime project “What’s the point?”
- 4th Southborough School Curriculum day
- Events on Alpha Road Estate including Summer Fun Day and Christmas Carol Singing
- Developing Leaders residential weekend on Thames Venturer Barge.
- Supporting an additional 2 local churches with staff, volunteers, resources and advice.
- Continued in role of RBK’s Strategic Partner for young people
- Hosted work experience placements
- Staff supporting young people in crisis
- Young people growing in faith
- Supported Church outreach at Kingston University Freshers’ Fayre



“For many years Oxygen has provided invaluable and imaginative youth work across Kingston, and has enhanced the lives of many young people, communities and churches based on a vision of life in all its fullness deeply inspired by the Christian faith.” The Rt Revd Dr Richard Cheetham, Bishop of Kingston.

Strategic Aims and Development

Oxygen delivers a variety of youth work projects and activities for young people but is focussed upon meeting the needs of those who are disadvantaged, marginalised, disengaged or vulnerable. Our experienced and dedicated staff team build strong relationships with young people on the basis of understanding their needs and their context. All of our work seeks to affirm the worth, dignity and unique identity of young people rooted in our motivation to see them as God sees them. Our broad range of projects continue to help young people to realise their potential and provide them with opportunities to explore their identity, develop new skills and raise their aspirations for the future.

After the success of the NEET engagement Project last year and the continued delivery of What's the point? Our knife crime awareness programme, Oxygen has developed its reputation for effective targeted intervention with some of the most vulnerable young people in and around Kingston upon Thames. The model developed for responding to knife crime has continued to attract MOPAC and Local authority funding and is certainly an area of work where the need is increasing rapidly. As a result Oxygen are looking to share some of its knowledge and expertise further afield and with the aim of impacting more young people and saving lives.

Oxygen has continued to fulfil its role as Strategic Lead for young people on the Voluntary Sector Board and has worked with several local organisations to develop their work with young people and build stronger networks. This has include the potential to take on the management of the youth centre at Kingsnympton as part of a contract with Achieving For Children in partnership with South West London YMCA.

Also, the possibility of opening a charity shop has progressed over 2016-1. Having decided in principle to set up a shop, the task of finding a suitable venue is well under way. Once the shop is established it will enable us to improve our income generation giving us a more sustainable financial position in order that Oxygen can develop longer term strategy.

Oxygen's work to support churches has continued to develop with a new agreements in place with New Malden Baptist church and St. Andrews and St. Marks in Surbiton.

Oxygen AGM 13th June 2016:

Oxygen held its 2016 AGM at Christ Church New Malden on Monday 13th June.

As ever, the event showcased the work of Oxygen and Street Pastors and presented awards to young people for their achievements and to staff and volunteers for their hard work and dedication.



Frankie and Marcus gave speeches about their involvement in Oxygen's work and the impact it had on their lives. You can see a video of Frankie on our YouTube channel via our website www.oxygen-online.org



Robyn gave an account of her time with Oxygen and summarized her plans for the future which is to work with disadvantaged young people in America.

Teresa James spoke about the developments within Street Pastors from volunteer's perspective. We also watched an excerpt from a documentary aired on national TV which featured Katie Beckett out with Kingston Street Pastors.



We also saw a video of the Developing Leaders residential on the Thames Venturer, a Dutch barge where we facilitate young people delivering training to their peers on aspects of team work and leadership.



Adam was presented with the Jack Petchey Team member award for which he was nominated by young people. The Awards were presented by Liz Wynyard, Chair of Oxygen Trustees.

The meeting also approved Glyn Macaulay and Steve Barnes as new Vice Presidents of Oxygen. It was a moving evening and it was great to see so many supporters from local churches attend the event.

Staffing

2016-17 saw several changes to the staff team with Troy signing up to YFC One, Youth for Christ's gap year programme, being placed with Gloucestershire YFC who offered him a great experience. Zainab left Oxygen in July 2016 after 3 years on the team as a youth worker who lead at Kingston Vale, Rm1 and supported our work at Kingsnympton. She also did administrative work for Oxygen and Kingston Street Pastors when Sue was the Acting Coordinator.



Unfortunately we had to say goodbye to Tara in October due to the funding for the work at Knigsnympton coming to an end, despite our best efforts to secure alternative funds. We were sad to see Tara go after serving the young people on the Estate for over 9 years. During that time Tara had a significant impact at Kingsnympton, supporting families, helping residents' access support for their needs and assisting many to secure employment or access training.

Sue Shaw also left her role as Deputy Coordinator for street Pastors to take up an amazing opportunity to support Street Pastors Antigua! Sue was a great support to Kingston, acting to cover the coordinator role until Charlie took it on full time. We were delighted to appoint Brenda to take over from Sue starting in September 2017. Brenda is a practicing Street Pastor and member of the Senior Street Pastor Team.

The rest of the team have also enjoyed significant achievements. Charlie has settled into the role of Coordinator for Street Pastors and Rory has continued to develop our youth work programme with the support of Adam. Adam continues to lead on the Knife Crime project and Rm1. Our new partnership with Time for God enabled us to have Robyn join the team as a gap worker in September 2016. Robyn is from Seattle and had just completed her studies at Arizona State University. We were very sad at the passing of Alan Dean in the spring of 2017. Alan had supported Oxygen over many years, particularly Street Pastors and contributed immensely to the borough serving as a Councillor and Deputy Mayor of the Borough.

Outcomes for young people

The work of Oxygen has:

- given young people safe places to meet, socialise and have fun;
- Enabled young people to build positive relationships;
- helped them discover and develop new skills and qualities;
- provided a sense of place for them in the community;
- provided a vehicle through which other agencies can engage and respond to the needs of young people;
- given young people an experience of the Christian faith that is relevant and meaningful to their lives;
- enabled several young people to explore their own search for faith and make a commitment to the Christian faith
- given 1-2-1 support to young people who find themselves in crisis;
- supported young people into education employment and training
- provided young people with opportunities to access music and the arts and develop talents
- helped young people raise their aspirations and access the resources they need to achieve their goals;
- created new initiatives to provide tailored pathways into further training and employment.
- made available a range of other opportunities for young people like trips to the theatre, holiday schemes and beyond the estate such as The Developing Leaders Residential.
- Provide young people with the knowledge they need on knife crime and to raise awareness of the issue and take action to challenge the culture that exists around carrying Knives



Oxygen Projects:



Room 1

is one of our oldest and highly valued projects. The project is open every day and welcomes the boys of Coombe Boys School. At Room 1 we aim to create a relaxing and open atmosphere for all of the boys aimed specifically at academic years 7 and 8 (11-13's), where they can meet and develop positive relationships with their peers, have good chats and are able to have a meal together. In the sessions we encourage the boys to have discussions about important topics, learn skills for their lives or just have fun with creative

challenges.

The boys also like to be involved in cooking or baking with the staff and really enjoy what they were able to create. Most of the young people don't see their own potential and it is our passion to help show them where their potential can lead and how they can achieve in the future. This can often be challenging because it involves pushing them out of their comfort zone and challenging them to take chances to better themselves.



Many of the young people we work with struggle with finding friends or struggle to know how to behave in certain social situations, this can be because of learning or behavioural challenges or even due to their lives outside of school. Therefore we try to encourage the young people to work together and learn from each other's differences and how best to work together. Working together in games or challenges often breaks boundaries

or negative opinions they have from each other. In general we aim to create a place where people are fair and friendly to each other and that includes that we do not tolerate exclusion of other attendees. The group currently has between 10-15 regular attenders with as many as 30 other attenders who infrequently drop in for occasional sessions.

Kingston vale

Oxygen has been running Monday youth provision for St John the Baptist church in Kingston Vale now for a number of years and we have seen some challenging seasons and some more fruitful ones. This year has been a mix of both, we have seen the group grow from low numbers to an average of between 10-15. Most of these are at the bottom end of the age group 8-11 years old so we hope to see this increase next year. There have been changes in the team with Robyn and Zainab both moving on and Eileen, Troy and Analice taking over, this has meant there is now a good stable team of leaders with a wealth of experience amongst them to lead the group for the future.

The general structure of the group is based around free time for socialising and games followed by a more creative activity. The group enjoy creative activities such as cooking and science experiments particularly enjoying making slim.

Oxygen Extreme is a weekly club held at Archway on Piper Road, Cambridge Estate, and is attended by a group of girls aged 14 – 16 (although girls of a younger secondary school age are welcome to attend to). We meet each Wednesday from 4 pm till 6 pm and the club is designed to give the young people a fun, safe



environment in which they can take part in activities put together by the leaders and generally chill out and spend time with their friends. The session is held by at least two Oxygen staff members.



We engage in activities such as sports, cooking, baking, painting, crafts and timed challenges e.g. Ready Steady Bake. The young people are also given some free time to catch up with each other and to play chilled out games for instance cards, Pictionary etc. In the past we have had important discussions on topics such as Healthy Eating and this year I hope to develop this further and hold more discussions on topics such as body image, social media, internet safety etc. Oxygen Staff make it a priority to ensure the young people know we are here to support them. We also aim to study fun topics, this year we looked at Chinese New Year and the girls made Chinese Dragons. When planning our activities we value significant input from the young people and make lists with them of all their suggestions.

Kingsnympton

our work on the Kingsnympton park estate has been through a period of transition this year, which has sadly meant we have been forced to part ways with

Tara, our project leader.

Whilst this is a sad time, for both oxygen and the young people on the estate we are confident of finding new ways to serve the estate.

Tara's longstanding relationship with the estate was one of her greatest Strengths, having worked there in one form or another for 9 years and

heading up Oxygen's work for a large chunk of this time, her relationships with families and their children have seen her offering support to the whole family unit. Over the course of 2016 up until May 2017 Tara and her Team have been continuing to deliver the Thursday evening youth group for 15-18 year olds working predominately with a large group of young males. Alongside this we are also running a young mums support group and also a community café on before the Thursday evening group.

Unfortunately our work on the estate ceased in October 2016 due to a lack of funding for Tara's role. One of Oxygen's long term aspirations has been to take full responsibility for the running of the centre and delivery of youth work at Kingsnympton.

To that end, Oxygen has been working over the last couple of years to ensure that it is in a position to take on the contract for the building under an agreement with Achieving for Children, in partnership with South West London YMCA. Oxygen plans to relaunch provision on the estate as soon as the contract is secured which looks set to happen in November 2017. This will be a new and exciting

opportunity for Oxygen which builds on the legacy of the last 10 years, but also enables us to develop our own work at the centre, work alongside the local community and make it into a hub to benefit all children, young people and adults on the estate.



KINGSNYMPTON



New Malden Baptist Church

In August 2016 our partnership with Surbiton Hill Methodist church to provide a youth worker came to an end. We were approached by New Malden Baptist Church who were keen to develop their youth work and take on a part time youth worker. A partnership agreement was put in place and Analice began delivery of youth work at New Malden Baptist Church in September 2016. Divine timing!



NMBC has always been a great supporter of Oxygen's work and it is great to be working more closely together with Analice Mina Collyer taking responsible for the management and delivery of youth sessions there. NMBC is a lively church and they have 2 youth clubs during the week: *Rock Solid* 14+ yrs. and *Club 629* 11 to 14yrs old. They also have a very well attended Sunday school class called *over and out* and a Sunday evening group *God Squad*. All those clubs are run with the help of faithful and dedicated volunteers from NMBC. Local trips, Youth services, supporting the church young people and the volunteers are also part of the job and we are happy to say that this partnership is going really well.

In October 2016 Rory and Analice lead the youth work stream at the NMBC weekend away in Ashburnham Place where we had 20 young people from the different groups discussing and learning about Faith.

Other good collaboration is the relationship with Holy Cross School nearby where Analice is part of the team that runs Youth Alpha a very well attended session by the pupils. This relationship was created due to previous collaboration in the school's Simpsons Club run by Insight for many years now. Whilst Analice was on Maternity Leave, Emma Parker took the job on and did an excellent Job continuing and innovating the work. We hope this partnership will still bring more fruit to NMBC and the Kingdom of God.



What's the point?

project was run at Southborough high school by Rory and Adam for the fourth

consecutive year, with our most challenging group to date. In our small group of 7, 3 of the young people had been stabbed and 1 was arrested for carrying a weapon prior to be involved in the project. With funding for the project coming from MOPAC and the local safer neighbourhood board we were able to work with the group for longer



than we originally intended. There were a range of issues effecting the group that they needed support with from other elements of Crime to positive relationships.



Right from the start the boys were fully committed and engaged in our sessions that were based around choices and consequences whilst also looking at the impact of knife crime on the communities, facts around the law and what they can do to keep themselves safe in a dangerous situation.

During this project we were able to visit the **Ben Kinsella** exhibition where the boys got to have an insight on the devastating effects of losing a loved one, the rippling effect of knife crime and are encouraged to really think about the influences and friendships that they keep.

We were also fortunate to have Marvin Herbert come along and speak to the group about his former lifestyle as a career criminal and to hear about the harsh realities of prison and living a life where violence is part of daily life and he was used to having to watch his back wherever he went. Marvin was great in helping the boys to focus on their school life and exams as well as encouraging the boys to think about the strengths and look to set goals and targets.

The project culminated in the group helping to shape and also provide a curriculum day for their peers in year 9, the day included workshops run by the local police, paramedics, an actor recreating a prison cell and the boys were able to deliver a very insightful drama workshop that looked at ways of avoiding conflict and removing yourself from a difficult situation.



After the project had ended we are pleased to say that all but 1 of the group are still in education, **2 members of the group have become prefects** and **1 went on to win an award for excellence**.

Our plan is to develop the project to engage with the local secondary schools and offer it to across in the borough as well as develop a training manual to equip other practitioners to be able to deliver the sessions. We have recently submitted a funding application to the Home Office "knife crime community fund" to engage with local school children on a bigger scale as we look to produce the first anti knife crime youth conference in Kingston.



Romania Mission Trip

During 2016/17 Oxygen undertook several activities to develop the horizons and raise aspirations of young people the highlight of which was the



trip

to Romania.



In July 2017 a small group of young people and adults travelled to Romania to support the work of New Generation International, run by Pastor Julian Ceptureanu, who are working on a project to build a youth centre in Campina. Young people spent time working alongside other local youth to prepare the site for the next phase of the building project. The group also worked with a local Pastor Lyn of the Gypsy Church to demolish an old heater and fund a new wood burning heating

system for their church. Temperatures in the winter drop to -20 degrees Celsius!

After a few days in Campina the whole group spent a couple of days on retreat together in the stunning Prahova Mountains near Burstein. It is hoped that the partnership with New Generation International will continue with more trips taking place in the future.



Thank you to all those who helped to raise money for the Heating system and to pay for Romanian young people to go to the mountain's. Visitors from the UK paid their own

expenses.

Mentoring

Our Mentoring Project continues to go from strength to strength and we plan to train more mentors to support our work.

Our current mentors are offering a variety of support to their mentees. Alongside this provision the wider Oxygen staff team also offer support and mentoring to a variety of young people from across our projects. This has involved intense intervention for some students to help them stay in education. Offering a variety of solutions to both schools and students to help reduce the number of young people being permanently excluded.

Through this work we have developed a close working relationship with the schools SEN, pastoral and safeguarding teams as well as developing relationships with social workers and council workers including the council's electronic school who work predominantly with young people who are off timetable. Our end goal is to support the schools and enable our full time mentors to take over the support of the young people to maintain a long-term relationship that will help the young person throughout their education and beyond.



N.E.E.T

Alongside our mentoring project we have also been continuing our work with young people who are not in education employment and training.



NEET?

This is very similar work to our mentoring scheme and many of the young people we engage with through this work are often paired up with specialist mentors with experience in employment to help them to better themselves and see their potential. This is a referral based piece of work predominately and we have seen young people with many different challenges engage

with us through this program. As part of the program we help them to identify their goal's weather that is education or employment and help them to transition into their chosen destination. This is done through 1-1 work, helping them with CV's and interview skills, setting them up with work experience or transitioning them into a course to prepare them for their next step. We often point these young people towards organisations such as the Princes' Trust who run courses to help them with many of the challenges associated with being N.E.E.T from low self-esteem to working well with others. This area of our work can often be challenging as it is dependent on the young person's own drive and motivation to better themselves, which is why course such as those offered by the Princes Trust and My Life are crucial.

Oxygen Shop

Oxygen is keen to explore new ways to generate funding and is actively exploring the potential to open an Oxygen Shop in the borough. Several other Youth For Christ centres and many local and national charities have charity shops located in our high streets.

Charity shops provide an excellent way of generating unrestricted funding, engaging with the public, raising awareness of the charity and drawing upon the network of local supporters. During 2016/17 the trustees completed the feasibility study of the project and have committed to press forward with the idea and find suitable premises. The search continued throughout 2017 and premises were identified in New Malden that were suitable. Lisa Trend has been helping to undertake the research and look for properties in key locations including New Malden, Kingston, Surbiton and Tolworth.

The financial support from the Asmaveth Trust in 2016 has helped Oxygen to focus upon developing the vision for the shop and sustained the work of Oxygen during that process.



Partnership working

Oxygen continues to play the role of Kingston Council's "Strategic Partner for Young People" representing the voluntary, community and faith sector. The role is to work with the borough to develop strategy and enhance communications between the statutory and voluntary organizations who work with young people and provide support to enable them develop provision.



Kingston Street Pastors

Kingston Street Pastors was started by Oxygen trustees and local churches over 11 years ago and is affiliated to the Ascension Trust. The teams are very well received by the public and have an excellent working relationship with the police, town centre management, CCTV staff and businesses in Kingston's night time economy.

We trained 5 new Street Pastors in 2016-17 bringing our total number of Street Pastors to 47. In addition, we have a team of about 15 prayer pastors who pray at our base.

Volunteer recruitment has remained a top priority and few volunteers have given up their roles as Street Pastors or Prayer Pastors due to a number of personal factors, such as moving away, health concerns or getting married!



We continue to deploy regular patrols in Kingston covering most Friday and Saturday nights. As homelessness has markedly increased in Kingston and across the UK, we are finding that we are more needed than ever, and more of our volunteers' time has been devoted to engaging with and offering assistance to these vulnerable people. Alongside this we continue our traditional role assisting people who find themselves in difficulties in the town centre. In executing our role we maintain strong relationships with local night time venues, Kingston Council, the Met Police and Kingston First. We continued to provide high quality additional training to our volunteers to supplement the Street Pastor training provided by Ascension Trust. This has included Emergency First Aid, Mental Health First Aid and River Training. 2017-18 will see further developments in extended training for Street Pastors and Prayer Pastors.

Statistics

Total number of Street Pastor shifts	311
Total number of people helped on the streets (approx.)	3,398
Total number of bottles/glasses collected	2,596
Total number of anti-social incidents attended (approx.)	149
Total number of water bottles/ hot drinks provided	425
Total number of people signposted to other organisations (e.g. for drug support/housing/training/counselling etc.) (approx.):	20
Pairs of flip-flops given out over the past 12 months:	445

Very sadly, in the Spring of 2017, long serving Street Pastor and SPITT team member Alan Dean, was diagnosed with incurable cancer. After a short illness, he passed away on 26th August. Alan's infectious zest for life and kind and generous personality are sorely missed by all who knew him. A good number of Street Pastors attended his memorial service, which was an incredible celebration of Alan's life and legacy.



This year also saw Sue Shaw resign as Deputy Co-ordinator, to take up a brilliant opportunity to volunteer with Street Pastors in Antigua, where she is helping them to become a more resilient and robust charity. Brenda Robertson, has been appointed as the new Deputy Co-ordinator as of August 2017.

In the autumn, Margaret Thompson will join the SPITT team.

Margaret is a

Prayer Pastor and also a local councillor, and her knowledge and expertise are a very welcome addition to the SPITT team. Charlie has been working very hard on establishing closer ties with our local police, and Police Sergeant Nicki Thomas, and Police Constable Matt Cefai have also been attending the SPITT team meetings, bringing with them a wealth of knowledge about local issues. Nicki has been instrumental in raising the profile of Street pastors within the local police force.

Looking Ahead: Street Pastors goals for 2017-18:

- Establish new deputy coordinator in role.
- Continue to build engagement with churches and conduct regular church visits and talks.
- Build financial sustainability. Return to fundraising through selling donated items.
- Recruit and train 10-15 new Street Pastors and at least 5 new Prayer Pastors
- Continue to build quality and robustness in extended training of volunteers providing specialist training in key areas including mental health, drugs and homelessness.
- Maintain and strengthen links with police and local authorities.

Street Pastors Team



Charlie Bamford
Co-ordinator



Brenda Robertson
Deputy Co-ordinator

Financial Activities

Trustees

The following individuals have served as trustees during the period:

Mrs Liz Wynyard (Chair of Trustees) took over in December 2016

Mr. Peter Wilkins (Treasurer) Elected on 16th June at AGM.

Dr Brian Austen

Rev Peter Holmes

Mr Nathan Larkin (joined September 2016)

Mr Richard Caldwell (Joined September 2016)

Vice Presidents

Mr Steve Barnes (Chairman of Trustees)

Mr Glyn MacAulay (Treasurer)

Director

John Trend, M.A., Dip. Theo., Dip. H.E.

Professional Advisers

Independent Examiner: Nicola Lewis – EasyBooks (Wales) Ltd

Bankers: The Co-operative Bank plc
Lloyds TSB Bank plc

Risk Assessment

The trustees have considered the risks that the charity may face and is satisfied that adequate contingency plans appropriate to an organisation of this size are in place to lessen the effect of such risks.

Indemnity Insurance is provided to each of the Trustees.

Independent Examiner's Report

To the trustees of: OXYGEN (Kingston Borough Youth for Christ) 1086608

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st August 2017, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act);
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
- a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed..........Nicola Jayne Lewis

Date.....29/6/18.....



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2017

Income and Expenditure

	Notes	Unrestricted and Designated	Restricted Oxygen	Restricted Street Pastors	2016/17 Total	2015/16 Total
Incoming Resources						
Voluntary Income	10	111,355	36,144	35,989	183,487	240,371
Incoming resources from generated funds		5,401			5,401	581
Incoming Resources Total		116,756	36,144	35,989	188,888	240,953
Resources Expended						
Costs of generating funds		0	0		0	329
Charitable Activities		137,794	27,800	36,311	201,905	219,042
Operational Costs				4,266	4,266	3,580
Governance		2,542		0	2,542	1,399
Resources Used Total	14	140,335	27,800	40,577	208,712	224,350
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		(23,579)	8,343	(4,588)	(19,824)	16,603
Transfers		17,222	(17,222)	0	0	0
Loss on disposal of fixed assets		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		(6,357)	(8,879)	(4,588)	(19,824)	16603
Fund Balances Brought Forward		78,483	9,900	11,629	100,014	83,410
Fund Balances Carried Forward		72,127	1,021	7,041	80,190	100,014

OXYGEN (KINGSTON BOROUGH YOUTH FOR CHRIST)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST AUGUST 2017

All Amounts GBP		This Year	Last Year
Tangible assets	2	2,772	3,697
Investments			
		<u>2,772</u>	<u>3,697</u>
Debtors	3	11,578	6,818
Cash at bank and in hand		79,182	108,071
		<u>90,760</u>	<u>114,889</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	4	(13,343)	(18,572)
Net Current Assets		<u>77,417</u>	<u>96,316</u>
Total Assets less current liabilities		<u>80,189</u>	<u>100,013</u>
Funds			
Restricted-SP	5	7,041	11,629
Restricted-OX	6	1,021	9,900
Unrestricted	7	72,127	78,485
	8	<u>80,189</u>	<u>100,013</u>

Approved by the Trustees  Date 28th June 2018

Liz Wynyard (Chair of Trustees)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Small Entities and follow the recommendations in "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice" issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005) and the Charities Act 2011.

b) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible assets over estimated useful lives at a rate of 25% on the reducing balance method.

c) Stock

Stock is included at the lower of cost or net realisable value

d) Fund Accounting

Funds held by the charity are either:

- Unrestricted General Funds – These are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees
- Designated Funds – These are funds set aside by the Trustees out of unrestricted funds for the specific purposes or projects
- Restricted Funds – These are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes or projects. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

e) Pension Costs

Oxygen has met its obligations under the government's Auto Enrolment Scheme which came into effect on 16th June 2016.

f) Incoming resources

Receipts are accounted for on an accruals basis.

g) Cost of activities in furtherance of the charity's activities

This comprises all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity.

h) Fundraising and publicity expenditure

This comprises all expenditure relating to raising funds for the charity.

i) Management of the charity

This comprises expenditure relating to compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and other costs, which cannot be treated as costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects.

j) Taxation

The company is a registered charity under the Charities Act 2011 and therefore no liability to taxation arises.

k) Grants payable in furtherance of the charity's objects

Grants payable are charged in the year when the grant is paid.

l) Reserves Policy

The trustees consider that the charity needs to retain sufficient unrestricted reserves at all times in order to maintain its work. It is therefore the aim of the trustees to retain between 1 and 3 months operating costs as free reserves that are not invested in tangible fixed assets.

The reserves are regularly monitored by the trustees.

2. TANGIBLE ASSETS

	Fixtures & Fittings	Office Equipment	Property	Total
Cost				
01-Sep		8,026		8,026
Additions				0
Disposals/Write Offs		0		0
31-Aug		8,026		8,026
Depreciation				
01-Sep		4,329		4,329
Charged in Period		924		924
Disposals/Write Offs		0		0
31-Aug		5,253		5,253
Net Book Value				
01-Sep-16		3,697		3,697
31-Aug-17		2,773		2,773

Depreciation is provided on tangible assets over estimated useful lives at a rate of 25% on the reducing balance method.

3. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	This Year	Last Year
Debtors	11,578	6,818
Prepayments		
Total	11,578	6,818

There are no amounts falling due after more than one year.

4. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	This Year	Last Year
Accruals & Deferred Income	13,343	18,572
	13,343	18,572

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS – Street Pastors

Comprises the unexpended balances of donations to be applied for the work of Street Pastors:

	01-Sep-16	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	31-Aug-17
Churches	9,129	14,527			0
Individuals Inc Gift Aid	2,500	14,838			0
Organisations	0	2,026			0
Grants without conditions	0	4,599			0
Costs in the year	0	0	40,576		7,041
	0				0
Total	11,629	35,989	40,576	0	7,041

6. RESTRICTED FUNDS – Oxygen

Restricted funds comprise the unexpended balances of donations to be applied for specific purposes:

	01-Sep-16	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	31-Aug-17
I Love Kingsnympton	(128)	0	3,189	0	(3,316)
Jack Petchey Achievement Award	603	4,000	3,574	0	1,030
mentoring	(6)	0	98	0	(104)
Developing Leaders	1,197	0	0	1,000	197
Apprentice	(11)	0	0	0	(11)
KVA Capacity	5,455	0	3,397	0	2,058

Oxygen Extreme		1,963	0	0	1,500	463
Surbiton Hill Methodists		(25)	0	2,847	0	(2,872)
Knife Crime Project		252	4,440	726	3,660	306
Mental Wellbeing		(0)	0	0	0	(0)
St John's Kingston Vale		(348)	4,073	396	3,034	295
NEET Engagement Project		1,018	0	0	930	88
One Norbiton		(70)	0	0	0	(70)
Cambridge Road			3,000	209	2,100	691
NEW INITIATIVE CHARITY SHOP			2,650	0	0	2,650
New Malden Baptist Church			10,026	6,178	2,748	1,100
Strategic Partner			2,250	0	2,250	0
Time for God			5,705	7,187	0	(1,482)
Totals		9,900	36,144	27,800	17,222	1,021

Restricted Fund descriptions

I Love Kingsnympton is a donation from the Personal Development Trust for recruitment, training and funding of a youth worker and gap year workers on the Kingsnympton Estate.

Jack Petchey Achievement Award is a donation from the Jack Petchey Foundation specifically to reward youth members who have been voted by their peers as having had a positive influence within the community.

Man & Boy provides a safe supportive place, where young males can develop relationships with adults within their own families, thereby developing their self-esteem.

Wates Foundation is multi-year funding provided to support the employment of a Development Officer, whose role is to seek additional funding for Oxygen's projects.

Mentoring provides a one to one relationship between a trained adult and a young person, identified by school or youth services as needing additional support.

Developing Leaders is an opportunity for young people to develop their capability in leading small groups of their peers.

Apprentice is a donation from the Personal Development Trust to support the post of Apprentice held by Theo.

Community Investment Fund is funding given by RBK to Oxygen for core costs.

Help a Capital Child is to support work with vulnerable and disadvantaged young people across our projects.

Capacity gives us funds from central government via KVA to improve our computing, IT and database capabilities.

Extreme provides young people with opportunities to participate in more adventurous activities such as climbing and canoeing.

Surbiton Hill Methodist Church give funds to cover the employment of a part time youth worker seconded to the church.

Knife Crime project (What's the point?) is a peer led project designed to raise awareness about the issues, consequences and perspectives on knife crime, delivered to local secondary schools

Mental Wellbeing is a project using funds received from the local health trust to work with young people on a 1-2-1 basis in support of their mental health needs.

St John's Kingston Vale is a partnership with St. John The Baptist church where Oxygen provides youth workers to deliver several youth clubs to engage local young people.

AFC NEET is a partnership with Achieving for Children to engage young people who are Not in Education Employment or Training and help them move forward into or towards a destination.

One Norbiton is a partnership with the One Norbiton Group which funded youth provision on the Cambridge estate

Cambridge Road This is funding identified by the Royal Borough of Kingston Upon Thames and local ward Councilors

NEW INITIATIVE CHARITY SHOP This is a fund granted to Oxygen from the Asmaveth Trust to facilitate the work to establish the charity shop of for purposes which the trustees deem necessary

New Malden Baptist Church is funding to support the employment of a part time youth worker seconded to the church and managed by Oxygen

Strategic Partner Is funding received for the role of strategic partner from RBK, administered through Kingston Voluntary Association

Time for God is a fund to support the placement of a GAP worker through Time for God

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS OXYGEN

	01-Sep-16	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	31-Aug-17
Source:					
Churches		28,404			
Individuals Inc GAD		64,056			
Organisations		6,567			
Grants		5,200			
Other income		12,529			
General Fund	78,483	116,756	140,335	17,222	72,126
Fixed Asset Reserve	0				
Total per SOF Unrestricted	78,483	116,756	140,335	17,222	72,126

7. ASSETS

	Fixed Assets	Net Current Assets	This Year	Last Year
Unrestricted	0	72,126	72,126	78,485

Restricted OX	2,772	-1,751	1,021	9,900
Restricted SP	0	7,041	7,041	11,629
	2,772	77,417	80,189	100,013

8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Connected charities

The sum of £3,027 was paid to the Ascension Trust on behalf of Street Pastors.

Other

Inter company transfers between Street Pastors and Oxygen general funds will take place after year end. The amounts are currently accrued in the relevant expenses categories but the monies have not been transferred at the bank.

9. DONATIONS Received

	Un Restricted & Designated	Restricted	This Year	Last Year
General	115,256	69,575	184,831	232,920
HMRC GAD	1,500	2,500	4,000	7,125
Total	116,756	72,075	188,831	240,046

10. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION FEE

The net movement of unrestricted funds is stated after charging the independent examination fee of £940.

11. STAFF COSTS

	This Year	Last year
Salaries	166,628	162,826
Pension	8,668	5,975
	175,296	168,801

Employee Numbers	This Year	Last Year
Director	1.00	1.00
Office Staff/manager (FTE)	1.60	1.60
Office Staff Voluntary (FTE)	0.20	0.20
Youth work/ Street Pastors Staff (FTE)	4.85	5.60
Youth work/ Street Pastors Volunteers (Not FTE)	83.00	83.00

Youth work/Street Pastors volunteers is actual volunteers includes: Trustees, Youth workers, street pastors and prayer pastors, support committees and voluntary consultants. A large number of

volunteers provide regular support at the various projects. Their input to Oxygen is acknowledged with thanks.

No remuneration was paid to Trustees.

12. PENSION SCHEME ARRANGEMENTS

Oxygen has met its obligations under the government's Auto Enrolment Scheme. Pension contributions are being paid on behalf of all of the Trust's employees. Contributions range from 5% to 10% of their gross salary and an additional 1% contribution for life cover.

13. TOTAL UNRESTRICTED AND DESIGNATED RESOURCES EXPENDED

	This Year	Last Year
Salaries	123,795	126,027
Premises	4,200	4,200
Training	90	2,195
General office	4,321	9,135
Advertising	0	329
Event Expenses	4,595	7,205
Accounting Fee	2,411	1,264
Sundries	0	0
Total	139,412	150,383