



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	01	Nov	2016		23	Jun	2018
From				To			

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Briton Ferry Community Resource Centre

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1160048

Charity's principal address

Briton Ferry Community Resource Centre

Library

Neath Road, Briton Ferry

Postcode

SA11 AQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Colin Morgan	Chair	NA
2	Glyn Williams	Treasurer	NA
3	Christopher James	Secretary	NA
4	Kathryn Saunders	Volunteer Coordinator	NA
5	Elizabeth Tucker	Vice Chair	NA
6	Brian Minty		NA
7	Susan Davies		NA
8	Irene Thomas		NA
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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
BANK?	Bank name	Bank address

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	20 th January 2015 Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are elected from and by the members of Insert organisation during the Annual General Meeting.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The charity objects are:

To promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Briton Ferry and the surrounding areas the provision of facilities for education, 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 condition of life of the said inhabitants.

To advance education of the public in Briton Ferry and surrounding areas generally, by the running and management of a community library for the benefit of the said residents.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

This year the charity has seen a significant fall in its income with the dissolution of communities first. As a group we must find new ways to cover this huge loss of income.
We have held course in Photograph editing, genealogy and needlework.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We have secured various donations from local organisations and held coffee mornings, which has meant we have not had to eat into our capital too much. We have maintained our volunteer base..

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The trustees have considered a reserves policy and feel it is necessary to keep a reserve pot of £8000 to cover 12 months running cost if the need where to arise.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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The organisations main sources of income during the reporting year have been through donations by local organisations and coffee mornings.

Section F

Other optional information

Briton Ferry is a small post-industrial town nestled between Neath and Port Talbot.

Briton Ferry has seen a steady decline in its prosperity since heavy industry started to close here in the late 60's. In recent months the town witnessed the last foundry in the town going into administration and although the last remaining 100 employees were left redundant, this is nothing compared to the 1000's that were employed here in its heyday.

This has resulted in Briton Ferry having one of the highest deprivation rates in Europe and very little in the way of low skilled employment opportunities. Briton Ferry has little to no facilities for the residents to improve on their employability skills or upskill to enhance their career prospects, this has resulted in a negative impact on the community and is now a serious risk to the area losing its historical links to its industrial roots.

The building which our organisation leases off the local authority is probably the best known landmark in our historic town. over 100 years ago the Library was paid for by the Earl of Jersey and more importantly by deductions from the wages of the workers of Briton Ferry, who understood the opportunity that a library could provide for those workers and their families to educate themselves and escape the working poverty of their time. In these current difficult times it is imperative that the descendants of those workers and the rest of the community have the opportunity to train and gain knowledge in a modern facility, whilst still keeping the charm and history of this historic building.

When the Local authority scheduled the closure of the Library in 2014, we formed a trust to take over the running of the Library with volunteers. As well as providing library services to the whole of the community, we have worked with partner organisations to help provide opportunities for the residents which they would have not had otherwise. We have worked with Communities First to provide a job club and welfare rights. There has been various IT course ran including a weekly IT for beginners' course. There has also been Welsh language course ran and an arts and craft club met here for a summer period. We have rented out office space to likeminded organisations. Unfortunately, due to the ending by Welsh Government of the Communities First project and continuing maintenance issues with the roof, we currently have no income from room rental.

We have successfully managed the library for over 3 years now, but to grow and provide the services to the community that we have the potential to, we need a more applied day to day management of the library to work with partner organisations and to provide the training opportunities the community so badly need and ensure the building is maintained through further grant applications. We envisage that is we were to employ somebody on a full time basis for a fixed period, it would put the trust in a much better place to provide the services we believe we could provide to the community and ready to face any future challenges.

Section G**Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Christopher James	Glyn Williams
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	Treasurer
Date	01/17/2018	

Briton Ferry Resource Centre

Statement of Accounts for 23 June 2017 to 22 June 2018

Balance as at 23 June 2017	20451.08	(19691.44)
Receipts:		
Donations	1700.00	(1710.00)
Fines	683.12	(1506.22)
Rental	<u>3340.00</u>	(6045.00)
	26174.20	

Donations: Community Shop, Liberty Hall, Inner Wheel

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Payments:

Water	176.00	(212.00)
Insurance	961.34	(917.79)
Heat & Light	4270.86	(4134.33)
Fire Safety	768.52	(574.42)
Speaker	30.00	
Internet	408.00	
Rental	<u>100.00</u>	(200.00)
	6714.72	
Balance at Bank	£19459.48	