

Frodsham Youth Association Report January 2020

In March of 2020 , it will be 10 years since the re launch of Frodsham Youth Club. Since starting this club back up after a long period of no or little local provision, the youth club has grown in many positive ways and now serves over 150 young people per week through its various activities.

This year, FYA has been bringing the building it works from, to standard with current fire regulations. A substantial amount of our limited resources have been redirected to ensure that the youth centre remains open for our young people. We have funded a new fire alarm system and new fire doors as well as a number of other maintenance issues. We are grateful to our trustee, Lionel Rimmer, who has overseen so much of this work. We must also pay regard to Cllrs Riley and Dawson for supporting us with a donation from their Ward Funding which has allowed us to keep our doors open. We hope to work in closer partnership with Frodsham Community Centre on ensuring the buildings – particularly disabled access – is improved in the year ahead. For the last two years Frodsham Youth Association has spent around £15,000 per year on maintenance and refurbishment, which has put a significant strain on the club's finances and the roles of the trustees.

2019 has seen large changes within its trustee body, and the present trustees are grateful for the work that our former Chairs, Sian Day and - more latterly, Lesley Dixon - have put in. We have welcomed six new trustees, including new Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom are Frodsham-based and have an active interest in supporting the work of the youth centre as a vibrant place for Frodsham young people to grow into mature citizens. The trustees remain committed to the work of FYA and support Nicola in her work. During the past year, they have put in arrangements for volunteer supervision for Nicola and plan to ensure that her role develops, in order for the charity to fulfil its charitable objectives.

Frodsham is a very financially divided town. We have young people who attend youth club from very affluent families and many who attend who are living in child poverty and deprivation, and all those young people in between. FYA prides itself on providing open access youth provision to ALL local young people. Young people pay only £1 per night and we serve food at non-profit rate. We also have the provision for young people to wash and dry their clothes. We are only able to do this because of the ongoing support from Frodsham Town Council and thank you for helping us to successfully run the following activities:

- Monday Nights - Alternate weeks Boys group and Girls groups ages 9-16 in two groups, juniors and seniors. These groups address issues such as friendships, bullying, health, knife crime, vaping, exercise and sexuality
- Wednesday Nights - Duke of Edinburgh award (123 passed bronze, 92 Silver and 24 Gold). Music studio.
- Friday Nights - 3 youth club's ages 8-11. 12-15 and 16 plus. This runs from 5-10pm and draws well over 100 young people weekly. The main focus recently in Friday sessions has been anti-smoking/vaping, gambling awareness and knife crime.
- Teen Market (Saturdays), a business and enterprise initiative ran in partnership with Helsby High School.

- Sunday Independent living project. This draws over 20 of Frodsham's most vulnerable young people every fortnight in order to help them with life-skills, such as cooking a healthy meal, washing their own clothes and talking about their own future plans, as well as chatting through present life issues.
- Outreach work at both Weaver Vale primary school and Helsby High School.
- Outreach and support at HHS Rainbow club (LGBTQ), in view of starting another LGBTQ group at youth club, when funding is secured
- Young Carers - working in partnership with HHS, and Cheshire young carers to start a new piece of work at youth club to support young carers
- Staff support and attend Child in Need meetings and support young people who are on a TAF (team around the family)

In addition to the above, last Summer we ran (according to Edsential) one of the most successful summer programmes in Cheshire West. Over 100 young people attended, 3 days a week for 3 weeks and then a end of Summer activity event at Castle Park. We target young people who are not going away on holiday but the programme is open to all local young people. All young people received a free hot meal at each session, school supplies and most importantly a fun and safe space to be themselves. A quote from a young person was: " Nic I love this summer programme because we never go on holiday and I never have anything to write about when I get back to school and now I do!".

Last month we were also involved in the 50th Birthday Celebrations of Frodsham Youth Association/Frodsham Community Association, where a number of local residents visited the Youth club engage with young people and see the memorabilia from Youth Club activities over the last 50 years. They were able to purchase early Christmas Cards and other gifts, whilst reminiscing times past from when they had been Youth Association Members.

PCSO Neil Flanagan consistently reports that when the youth club is open he sees a reduction in anti social behaviour. We work closely with Neil to break down barriers between the police and young people and safeguard the community at large. Having a youth club in a small town like Frodsham is fairly unique. We are the biggest voluntary youth club in CWAC, serving more young people per week than any other. All around the country youth clubs have closed and as a result we as a society are seeing the repercussions. Increase in Knife crime and knife related incidents, an increase in anti social behaviour, county lines gangs infiltrating villages like ours and recruiting vulnerable young people to run drugs for them all over the country, Child exploitation etc. Having a youth club and qualified experienced youth workers to work with young people is a huge deterrent to those things occurring in our town, but we need continued vital support from the town council in terms of funding, and a sense of shared ownership of the responsibility of our young people by the whole community.

		Year to 31st March 2019					
		Actual	Actual		Forecast	Forecast	Budget
INCOME							
GRANTS AND DONATIONS							
	Room Hire	6,188.50			5,000.00		6,000.00
	Fundraising	3,052.58			3,000.00		3,000.00
	Grants	18,000.00			19,000.00		29,000.00
	Other Grants	550.00			550.00		
	Donations	2,557.92			2,600.00		3,000.00
	Other Income/HMRC	100.00					
	Total Income from Grants & Donations		30,449.00			30,150.00	41,000.00
CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS & ACTIVITIES							
	Projects						
	DofE	6,864.00			6,000.00		3,000.00
	Teenage Market - double check what this is for	398.08			250.00		700.00
	Door Money	3,440.50			3,500.00		4,500.00
	Summer	407.00			407.00		500.00
	Trips	359.00			359.00		250.00
	Tuck	2,644.10			2,700.00		2,500.00
	Total Income from Subs & Activities		14,112.68			13,216.00	11,450.00
FINANCE							
	Bank Interest						
	Total Income from Finance		0.00			0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME			44,561.68			43,366.00	52,450.00
EXPENDITURE							
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE							
	Repairs & Maintenance	2,882.10			3,000.00		1,500.00
	Insurance	2,583.58			2,600.00		1,500.00
	Gas & Electricity	1,690.33			1,000.00		1,500.00
	Water	851.92			900.00		1,000.00
	Telephone	621.08			600.00		700.00
	Refurbishment	1,021.00			1,100.00		2,500.00
	Cleaning	2,109.77			2,500.00		2,000.00
	TV Licence	347.19			350.00		250.00
	Testing	0.00					
	Security	216.00			250.00		250.00
	Total Cost of Property Maintenance		12,322.97			12,300.00	11,200.00
CLUB ACTIVITIES							
From Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	Youth Worker salaries	21,435.14			23,000.00		28,000.00
From training on timesheet	Training (inc. salaries)	153.00			1,060.00		1,500.00
	Equipment	952.55			900.00		1,000.00
	Tuck & Consumables	4,206.48			4,100.00		5,000.00
	Projects (sum of external spend per session)	1,527.80			600.00		2,000.00
	DofE	3,134.46			3,200.00		1,500.00
	Trips	1,106.25			1,110.00		1,000.00
	Total Cost of Club Activities		32,515.68			33,970.00	40,000.00
ADMINISTRATION COSTS							
	Depreciation on Fixtures & Fittings	450.00					
	Office/Admin/HMRC	0.00			200.00		1,000.00
	Miscellaneous Costs	37.58			5.00		100.00
	Total Administration Costs		487.58			205.00	1,100.00
		0.00					
			0.00			0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			45,326.23			46,475.00	52,300.00
Surplus/Deficit of Income over Expenditure			-764.55			-3,109.00	150.00

Notes on the accounts

Youth Club Cash Income Total	12115.62	
Bank Income Total	32446.06	
	<u>44561.68</u>	0.00
Youth Club Cash Expenditure Total	8741.14	
Bank Expenditure Total	36135.09	
	<u>44876.23</u>	0.00

FRODSHAM YOUTH ASSOCIATION**BALANCE SHEET**

YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2019

NET ASSETS**31st March 19****31st March 18**

FIXTURES & FITTINGS

Cost	4,192.63	4,642.63
New		0
Less Depreciation	450.00	450.00
Net Book Value	3,742.63	4,192.63

CURRENT ASSETS

Stock		
Bank Account	13,016.66	16,705.69
Youth Club Cash	602.37	822.89
Total Current Assets	13,619.03	17,528.58

TOTAL NET ASSETS**17,361.66****21,721.21****CAPITAL EMPLOYED**

GENERAL FUND

Balance at Last Year	21,721.21	15,381.04
Surplus / Deficit of Income for this Year	-764.55	6,488.27
Cash banked from youth club cash but accounted for on bank	-3,595.00	-148.10
Change in Stock Level	0.00	0.00
Balance at end of Year	17,361.66	21,721.21

Notes

- All new equipment is depreciated in the year of purchase and hence there is no increase in the
2 fixture and fittings
3 Existing equipment is depreciated at £450 per annum to continue existing practice

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Accounts presented by

A V Brexeton

Frodsham Youth Association Financial Year Ending 31st March 2019

I have examined the computer spreadsheets produced by the Treasurer for the above charity for the year 1st April 2018 – 31st March 2019.

I have been provided with complete records regarding monies spent.

I am happy to confirm that the paper records I have checked do correspond with the entries provided and with those on the balance

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kirsty Sindall', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Kirsty Sindall
Financial Controller