

**Charity Number: 1193387**

**SANDY HILL STUDIOS TRUST CIO  
TRADING AS SANDY HILL ARTS  
TRUSTEES REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES  
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The trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2023.

**Principal Activity**

The principal activity of Sandy Hill Arts is to promote and develop the creative arts in Purbeck, in a vibrant space where art, creativity, and communities can come together and thrive. We promote enjoyment of, and participation in, an exciting range of creative experiences and opportunities, through exhibitions, events, performance, and education, attracting and engaging with talent from Purbeck and beyond. We also work with community groups and partners to deliver projects for people of different ages and needs.

We aim to be the 'arts hub' of Purbeck and would like the natural setting of the site to also be a visitor attraction in its own right.

In all its activities the Trustees have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

**Activities and Future Plans**

Since our inaugural year, Sandy Hill Arts has developed its website to communicate its mission, promote the charity's work, events, and education, share latest news, and sell tickets to events and courses. Our social media presence is regularly updated to share the latest activity and engage with our community. We have grown our supporter base significantly across our digital channels.

We have a team of 50-plus volunteers who help support our events, exhibition, and education programme with a range of skills, including photography, bar work, setting up event infrastructure, managing bookings and front of house.

We are continuing to consolidate our Board of Trustees through recruiting new trustees to represent a better age, gender and interest balance, prioritising stability in these early years whilst still welcoming fresh input.

We have successfully run courses, exhibitions, and small events across the site and in our renovated teaching space. In early 2023 we successfully applied for Arts Council 'grass roots music' funding in order to be able to host an exciting programme of music and procured a marquee and sound equipment to support this. We have invested significantly in our performance arm throughout 2023 to make the most of the Arts Council grant. We have also run a series of community projects that engage under-represented groups with different needs, including wellbeing and low-level mental health issues.

We also ran a series of exhibitions, workshops, courses, music events, 'arty bazaar's, free Saturday cafes with music and more, attracting great feedback from local people.

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One person who completed our impact survey remarked "I have struggled to find like-minded folk who are open to artistic ideas across all genres, historical and contemporary. It is so refreshing to have such a wonderful group of people and space in a part of the countryside that otherwise may have missed out."

Another said: 'SHA is a welcoming creative space; I have been inspired creatively and met new friends' and 'as I live alone here it gives me a sense of community. I know when I go there I will connect with people I know, and it is a focal point for the community. the events are inspiring and thought-provoking in a beautiful setting'.

One exhibition space and classroom that we created from two unused studios has already seen regular use, and we have since created a second classroom for additional capacity.

We continue to run a range of free and ticketed events for our community, along with art and craft courses, and exhibitions, throughout the year. Where possible we put on performances that would not usually find a stage locally as well as supporting more popular and local acts and artists. We continue to rent studio space to some twenty local artists and have created three additional studios. We have had very positive feedback and feel we are gradually helping mitigate social isolation and increase the creativity and well-being of our local community.

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

During the year under review the unrestricted funds had a balance of £19,177 at the year end.

**RESERVES POLICY**

The Trust's Reserves policies are:

- a. that liquid assets should be maintained sufficient to meet three months' forward operational expenditure.
- b. capital expenditure commitments are permitted only against agreed lines of funding available for immediate drawdown.

**TRUSTEES**

The Trustees who served throughout the period and at the date of this report are as follows:

M Viney  
S E Western  
S H Lansbury  
F Pollard  
D R R Sutcliffe  
R Jeffery  
E C Ormond

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS**

The official name of the Charity is Sandy Hill Studios Trust. The Charity received its charitable incorporated organisation registration on 3 February 2021, charity number 1193387.

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**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

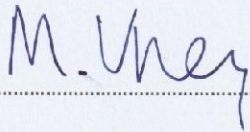
The trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee's Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales require the trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustee are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed by order of the Trustees



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M. Viney (Chair)



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I report on the accounts of Sandy Hill Studios Trust CIO (charity number 1193387) for the period ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages 9 to 19.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the 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 applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Year ended 31 March 2023 £	Period ended 31 March 2022 £
<b>Income</b>		
Donations and grants	2,343	15,000
	2,343	15,000
Income from charitable activities	42,362	-
Other income	-	-
<b>Total income</b>	<b>44,705</b>	<b>15,000</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Raising funds	543	15
Charitable Activities	37,740	2,230
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>38,283</b>	<b>2,245</b>
Net income/ (expenditure)	6,422	12,755
Transfer between funds	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>6,422</b>	<b>12,755</b>
Balance brought forward	12,755	-
Balance carried forward 31 March 2023	<b>19,177</b>	<b>12,755</b>

All recognised gains and losses during the year are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

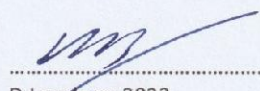
All the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

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BALANCE SHEET  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2023	2022
	Unrestricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Buildings	-	-
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors	763	-
Cash at bank	32,071	14,540
	<u>32,834</u>	<u>14,540</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:	13,657	1,785
<b>Net current assets</b>	<u>19,177</u>	<u>12,755</u>
<b>Net assets</b>	<u><u>19,177</u></u>	<u><u>12,755</u></u>
<b>Represented by:</b>		
Restricted Funds		
Unrestricted Funds	19,177	12,755
<b>Total funds</b>	<u><u>19,177</u></u>	<u><u>12,755</u></u>

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

  
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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**1 Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of the preparation of accounts**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity Commission Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (second edition).

The Trustees confirm that the Charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

At the time of approving the financial statements and after considering the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, the trustees have adopted the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

**1.2 Fund accounting**

**1.2.1 Unrestricted Funds**

These funds can be used for any of the charity's purposes.

**1.2.2 Restricted Funds**

These funds have been given to the Trust for a particular purpose to be used in accordance with the wishes of the donor.

**1.3 Depreciation**

The policy is that assets are capitalised that cost over £1,000 and have an ongoing value in use to the charity.

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**1.4 Income**

Donations, gifts, legacies and similar incoming resources are accounted for when receivable, which is when the Charity becomes entitled to the resource. Deferred income represents accounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which it is received. Gift Aid reclaimable on donations to the Charity is included with the amounts received. Investment income, represented by bank interest is credited to the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis.

**1.5 Expenditure**

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for the expenditure. The direct costs have been allocated as described below. The indirect costs have been allocated as described in note 6.

Charitable activities: comprise of those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs: costs incurred in the governance of the Trust and associated constitutional and statutory requirements. These costs are allocated to charitable activities.

Raising funds: costs incurred in raising income for the charity.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as incurred.

**1.6 Financial Instruments**

The charity has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised initially in the accounts at transaction price, including any transaction costs. At the end of each accounting period, basic financial instruments are recognised at amortised cost. For debt instruments this is calculated using the effective interest rate method.

**1.7 Critical estimate and judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision effects both current and future periods.