

LEEDS DEC- GLOBAL LEARNING LEEDS

ANNUAL REPORT
FOR 2023-24



REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

This year has been a good year for the centre with delivery and completion of several projects, development of new training and partnerships.

Leeds DEC (Development Education Centre) was established, fully funded by Oxfam, in the late 1980s to raise awareness among teachers and learners around issues arising from the unequal 'development' in 'developing countries'. However, the term 'development' is problematic, holding the suggestion that there is one path to 'development' (often understood narrowly as economic development) and that a 'developed' destination is necessarily desirable. Also, the term 'development education' doesn't mean anything to most people and perhaps is suggestive to some of a 'problem' 'over there'.

So Leeds DEC is now renaming itself as **Global Learning Leeds**. 'Global Learning' is more instantly understandable. Rather than suggesting that the focus is on a 'problem' in 'developing countries' it focuses on learners' understanding of the complex and rapidly-changing world we live in. The name change is in line with our national network and other Global Learning centres across the country.

The core staff working at Global Learning Leeds has changed during the year. Hannah Langdana who, with Adam Ranson, has been at the heart of the organisation, has moved to another job. We would like to thank her for the enormous contribution she has made over her many years with us and are delighted that we are not losing her completely as she is still able to work with us for one day a week. We are extremely lucky to be able to welcome Sarah Fishwick as her successor. Sarah has worked with us part-time for many years, and her prior knowledge of the organisation has enabled her to slip seamlessly into the new role.

This annual report highlights the many different people from Leeds and beyond involved in and affected by the important work that Global Learning Leeds carries out. The success of this work has depended on the hard work of our staff and volunteers. The Trustees send many thanks to them, and to the other supportive partners who have worked with the Centre staff over the last year.

PROJECTS

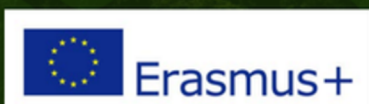
CLIMATE CURRICULUM FOR CLIMATE ACTION

This Erasmus funded programme enabled partners in the UK, Ireland, Germany and Turkey to systematically embed teaching about Climate Change throughout their curriculum. It also enabled teachers in different year groups to audit schemes of work and plan new teaching activities covering agreed climate learning outcomes. The transnational team reviewed and adapted the Climate Curriculum which Global Learning Leeds created, to fit their national education contexts. The project culminated in a new updated primary phase **Climate Curriculum Framework**, a **guide** on how to teach about climate change in a way that inspires hope and action, a **toolkit** with resources, and a **website** to disseminate to school networks in the 4 countries.

7 training and dissemination events were organised at **St Matthews CE Primary, Beechwood Primary, Shire Oak CE Primary, Moor Allerton Hall Primary**, the national conference for the **Consortium of DEC's (CODEC)** and the **University of Leeds**, to share the new resources. The project was completed in June 2023 and reached 195 teachers across the 4 countries. Resources and versions of the climate curriculum Framework in German and Turkish are available on the project website <https://www.climatechange-education.org/>

CLIMATE CURRICULUM FOR CLIMATE ACTION FRAMEWORK

PROGRESSIVE AND AGE APPROPRIATE LEARNING OUTCOMES TO
EMBED CLIMATE CHANGE ACROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL



CLIMATE ACTION LEADS



This was the fourth year of a 5-year Lottery-funded project which aims to engage and join up communities and individuals across Leeds to deliver transformative change to address the climate emergency.

Global Learning Leeds' role in this multi-agency project is to engage and enable Leeds schools to deliver a meaningful climate curriculum across school.

Global Learning Leeds worked in partnership with volunteers at **Fairtrade Leeds** to run a **Fairtrade and Climate Action school** celebration in June 23 for 12 schools, 19 teachers and 60 students plus 23 other guests. Tom Riordan, Chief Executive of Leeds City Council and Cllr Katie Dye, chair of Leeds' Climate Emergency Advisory Committee Party were the keynote speakers. **Moor Allerton Hall** primary school shared their creative climate curriculum work (picture below) and challenged schools to think about how much they were taught about the climate crisis.



We were excited to welcome Adelle A'asante - lived experience Storyteller and a Tribeswoman at **Africaniwa** who led an engaging, interactive story telling of cocoa farmers in Ghana and poet and theologian **Hannah Stone** who wrote a poem entitled 'Deborah dances' about the experience.

In March 2024, the centre worked in partnership with staff at **Cardinal Heenan Catholic High School** to run a **Eco-schools council conference** for 13 Secondary schools, reaching 19 teachers and 99 students and 9 other guests. The centre began planning for our **Global Learning Awards** for June 24

THE LINKING NETWORK



Bunting exchanged by linking classes on display

The Linking Network is a national scheme to support schools and communities foster intercultural understanding and develop a positive, cohesive ethos across communities by helping children, young people and adults to explore identity, celebrate diversity, promote community and champion equality. This year the programme has brought together 12 schools, 16 classes and a link with 2 School Councils from demographically diverse schools in a year-long programme within the city, providing children the chance to broaden their perspectives about the lives of other people that they would not normally come into contact with. We have worked with **Leeds Local Authority** and **Leeds Learning Alliance** to promote the programme to more schools, including running a bite-size CPD for PHSCE teachers.

“I feel excited to meet the children again!” pupil involved in Linking

“Lots of (the Linking) lessons lend themselves to deeper discussions....such as the love we have for our friends, the love I have for my pupils.”

Year 5 teacher, All Saints Richmond Hill



Pupils from **Valley View** and **All Saints Richmond Hill** getting to know each other on a class visit.

SERVICES

CPD AND TRAINING

We were commissioned by the **National College** to create 4 CPD webinars: Climate Education in Citizenship Curriculum for Primary and Secondary and Climate Education in a High-Quality MFL Curriculum for Primary and Secondary. They are uploaded here <https://nationalcollege.com/>

Teach Climate Justice, a course funded by **Oxfam** and administered by **Liverpool World centre**, was delivered to 15 people at Bishop Burton College.

GLOBAL LEARNING LEEDS' CLIMATE CURRICULUM CPD

The centre ran one online **Climate Curriculum training** for teachers across the country, one blended training for teachers in Horsforth and 4 face to face courses, including for senior leadership teams from across **The Cooperative Academies Trust** in Manchester in Autumn 23. We ran a full day climate curriculum training for **Cumbria DEC** (CDEC) for 20 schools across Cumbria who are being supported by CDEC to embed the curriculum in their schools. As a consequence, CDEC has franchised the **Climate Curriculum Course and online learning platform** from Leeds DEC. Two further courses with delivered for whole staff teams at **Beechwood Primary School** and **Grimes Dyke Primary School**.

“Inspiring whilst being realistic and responsive to the participants” teacher at CDEC training

(The climate curriculum is) “very comprehensive and a useful way of mapping into existing planning” Josh Berry, Coop Academies

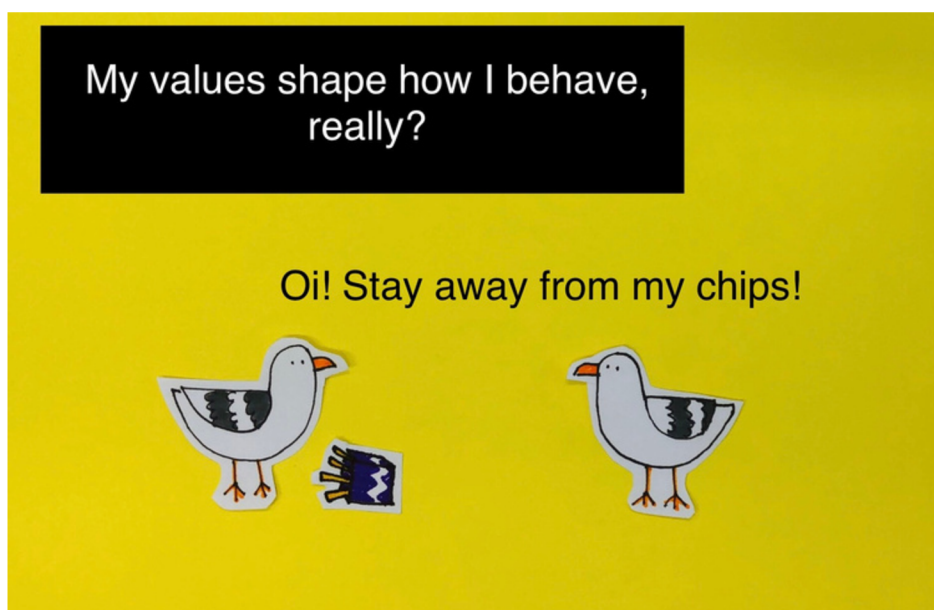
(I've learnt to) ‘look at climate change from other perspectives’ teacher at training

“Amazing! Sometimes I feel so alone doing this but that’s been really inspiring. It’s been brilliant.” Alison Hooper, former Primary Headteacher and education consultant

NEW COURSES

The centre developed a face-to-face **Climate action and carbon literacy** course for community and 3rd sector. The first part was which was delivered to participants at LS14 in June 23.

The centre also created an **online climate course for 6th forms** which was delivered to students at Abbey Grange Academy in the autumn of 2023. We began negotiations with Notre Dame 6th Form College to trial the course with a group of their Lower Sixth.



One of the images created for the online 6th form course

WORKSHOPS

The centre delivered 59 workshops enriching the curriculum, engaging pupils whatever their background and bringing dynamic new perspectives to over **1,170** primary and **1,236** secondary students in **13** schools. The centre adapted the 'Local People Global Stories' workshop (about stories of migration to Leeds) for a secondary audience and it has become the most popular workshop delivered (18 times). The second most popular workshop was 'Agents of Change' which enables pupils to learn about inspirational children and adults who have changed or are changing the world for the better.

"Interactive, engaging session. Knowledgeable delivery. Varied content, Children learnt a lot. Good use of maps, artefacts, photos etc"

Year 6 teacher, Beechwood Primary about our Incredible India workshop.

PARTNERSHIPS



Leeds DEC's work was recognised at **Leeds' Compassionate City Awards** in December 2023, where we received a two awards! We received a 'Highly Commended' for the Jo Cox Award for our Schools Linking work, and a second 'Highly Commended' in the Diversity Project of the Year category for the Intergenerational Linking project.

The Case for Global Learning: There is a lot of interest from schools for support to address global challenges we face on the "one small and fragile planet" we share, and, incorporate global learning into the curriculum. Unlike almost all other advanced economies (including all the EU states), the UK government doesn't have a programme of support for global learning. We began a collaboration with other members of the Global Learning Network, DEC's across the four UK nations and colleagues at UCL and Oxfam to develop a paper making the case for a new UK Global Learning Programme.

The centre has continued to work with **Leeds Learning Alliance** and it's member organisations to promote global learning, including in creating the Eco-schools conference.

Leeds Church Institute commissioned poet Hannah Stone to attend the Fairtrade and Climate Action school celebration to write a poem. 'Debra Dances' was the result of this, which was published in Leeds City Theology magazine.

The centre was invited to run a workshop at the **Fair-Trade International Symposium** held at the University of Leeds in June 2023. In partnership with Jane Dickinson from the University of Leeds, a workshop was delivered on How can campaigners and academics engage with schools around Fair Trade and Sustainability: ideas on what works.

The centre ran a stall at **Leeds Cultural Education Conference** in Dec 23 promoting the Local People Global Stories exhibition and workshop.

The centre hosted the annual conference of DEC's (**CODEC**) in Leeds in June 23. In addition to sharing good practice from across the network, the Consortium rebranded itself as The Global Learning Network (**TGLN**)

Hilary Benn MP virtually welcoming participants to the CODEC conference hosted in Leeds, June 23



ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Current assets	2024	2023
Debtors	4598	9538
Cash at bank and in hand	239695	293927
Total	244293	303465
Creditors	33236	12218
Net current assets	242207	291247
Net assets	242207	291247
Unrestricted funds	241206	250688
Restricted funds	9256	40559
Total funds	241206	291247

Statement of financial activities	2024	2023
Income		
Grants	0	21839
Workshops and CPD training	19352	18818
Sundry income	0	220
Donations	120	57
Bank interest	5352	2070
Total	24824	43004
Expenditure		
Charitable activities	27624	85045
Governance costs	1490	1090
Bad debts		140
Total	161,281	170,164
Investment gain	-9482	-43430
Balance at 1st April	250688	334677
Balance at 31st March	241206	291247

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Charity number 1003862

A company limited by guarantee number 02627506

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st March 2024



Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st March 2024

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Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Trustees' report for the year ended 31st March 2024

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Martin Wedell	Chair	
Melanie Stockdale	Treasurer	
June Brighthouse		
Patrick Lewis		
Patricia Sandbach		
Parminder Smedley		
Alex Conrads		Appointed December 2022
Charity number	1003862	Registered in England and Wales
Company Number	02627506	Registered in England and Wales
Registered and principal address	Bankers	
70 Cross Green Lane	Unity Trust Bank plc	HSBC
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	B1 2HB	B1 1HQ

independent examiner

Richard Smedley
Richard Smedley Chartered Accountants
Richmond House
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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and was formed on the 8th July 1991. it is governed by a memorandum and articles of association. The liability of the members in the event of the company being wound up is limited to a sum not exceeding £1

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are also the directors for the purposes of company law and are appointed by the members at the AGM.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

Objectives and activities

The charity's objectives

To promote, maintain, improve and advance public education, particularly by the promotion of education in world problems of hunger, disease, poverty and ignorance and the solutions thereof and the economic and other problems of developing countries and their relationship with other countries.

Provided always, and for the avoidance of doubt, that the purpose of such objects is to inform and educate the public rather to campaign for a particular policy.

The charity's main objectives

To present, promote, organise, provide, manage and produce seminars, workshops, tutorials, conferences and publications to further the promotion, maintenance, improvement and advancement of education.

Leeds DEC provides face-to-face and blended learning training, and curriculum development support, for formal sector education and the informal sector, that includes an online training platform and education resources centre. In particular, the centre provides advice, training and support to schools, communities and the youth sector on Global Learning and local-global issues (including Climate Change; Intercultural Awareness & Understanding; Social Justice; Peace & Conflicts; Global Citizenship; Youth Agency & Action; Human Rights; Values & Perceptions; Critical Literacy).

To assist, advise and support individuals, groups and organisations engaged in development work.

To carry out research in the field of development education and related areas and to disseminate the useful results of such research and related publications.

To supply or provide educational materials or publications.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of education, particularly global learning and climate education.

Achievements and performance

The charity has continued to deliver a rich and varied programme raising public awareness of global themes and issues in schools and school communities across West Yorkshire and beyond. The centre has provided a range of training, webinars, workshops and conferences for school pupils and teachers on Climate Change & Justice, Intercultural Understanding and other global themes. Alongside this, we have delivered projects on Climate Change, facilitated Schools Intercultural Linking, and developed new online course for Sixth Forms, Community & the Third Sector. Leeds DEC's work was recognised with two awards at the Leeds Compassionate Cities awards in December 2023, and we are planning to develop our own Global Learning Awards in the coming year.

Financial review

The net expenditure of the year was £40,785 (Last year: £43,430) including net Loss of (£9,482) (Last year profit of £368) on unrestricted funds and net expenditure of £63,938 (Last year: £43,798) on restricted funds

Reserves policy

The reserves of the charity are composed of unrestricted funds. These funds are maintained at a sufficient level in order to allow the smooth operation of the charity's activities.

The trustees have reviewed the reserves policy and set an ultimate target to establish a financial reserve of unrestricted funds equivalent to approximately 6 month's total expenditure to cater for possible future contingencies and uncertainties together with the working capital requirements of projects where income is received in arrears. Total spending for 2023/24 was approximately £93,000 (Last year :£86,000) making the 6 month target £46,500. (Last year: £43,000)

Given the continuing uncertainties over the funding of GLOBAL LEARNING and the need to provide matched funding, the trustees have made a decision to invest a significant element of the reserves to provide an income to support some of the charities costs.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited
Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024
Statement of trustees responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors for purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and UK Accounting standards.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare finance accounts 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 the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

Select Suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently

observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. they are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP (FRS102)), and in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approves by the board of trustees on 16/12/2024

Martin Wedell (Trustee)

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the charitable company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 - accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as is required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 - the accounts do not accord with those records

- 3 - the accounts do not comply with accounting requirements of section 285 of the 2006 Act 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; or

- 4 - the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)]

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

Richard Smedley

17/12/2024

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Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Statement of Financial Activities

(including Summary income and expenditure account)

for the year ended 31st March 2024

Notes	2024		2024	2023
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Income from:				
Grants and service level agreements	-	28,864	28,864	21,839
Donations	120	-	120	57
Workshop, courses and training	19,352	-	19,352	18,818
Sundry income	-	-	-	220
Bank interest	5,352	-	5,352	2,070
			-	
	<u>24,824</u>	<u>28,864</u>	<u>53,688</u>	<u>43,004</u>
Expenditure on:				
Salaries and on costs	20,871	35,893	56,764	54,470
Premises and office costs	5,225	-	5,225	5,821
Resources and other project costs	1,528	28,045	29,573	24,754
independent examination	1,490	-	1,490	1,090
bad debts	-	-	-	140
Total expenditure	<u>29,114</u>	<u>63,938</u>	<u>93,052</u>	<u>86,275</u>
Net Income/ (Expenditure)	<u>(4,290)</u>	<u>(35,074)</u>	<u>(39,364)</u>	<u>(43,271)</u>
Other gains/(Losses)	(1,421)	-	(1,421)	(159)
Transfers	(3,771)	3,771	-	-
net movement in funds	<u>(9,482)</u>	<u>(31,303)</u>	<u>(40,785)</u>	<u>(43,430)</u>
Fund balances brought forward	<u>250,688</u>	<u>40,559</u>	<u>291,247</u>	<u>334,677</u>
Fund balances carried forward	<u>241,206</u>	<u>9,256</u>	<u>250,462</u>	<u>291,257</u>

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Balance sheet
as at 31st March 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Current assets					
Debtors and prepayments		4,598		4,598	9,538
Cash at bank and in hand		239,695	39,405	279,100	293,927
Total current assets		244,293	39,405	283,698	303,465
Current liabilities:					
amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors and accruals		(2,086)	(31,150)	(33,236)	12,218
		<u>(2,086)</u>	<u>(31,150)</u>	<u>(33,236)</u>	<u>12,218</u>
Net current assets/ (liabilities)		242,207	8,255	250,462	291,247
Net assets		242,207	8,255	250,462	291,247
Funds					
Unrestricted funds		241,206		241,206	250,688
Restricted funds			9,256	9,256	40,559
		<u>241,206</u>	<u>9,256</u>	<u>250,462</u>	<u>291,247</u>

For the year ending 31st March 2024 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. the trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of the accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provision applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with FRS102 (effective January 2019)

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on the 16th December 2024

Martin Wedell

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31st March 2024

1) Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost of transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of recommended Practice:

Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102

There has been no changes to the accounting policies since last year.

no changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, if it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured by its performance.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of these items to which it relates.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Gifted assets are shown at the value to the charity of receipt.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets and rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Improvements to premises:	over 10 years
Office furniture and equipment :	over 4 years

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. The costs of contributions are recognised in the year they are payable.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Notes to the accounts continued
for the year ended 31st March 2024

2 Grants and donations

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
The Dunhill Medical Trust		-	-	5,167
The Linking Network		-	-	10,000
Leeds Tidal (CECAP)		3,595	3,595	6,672
British Council (ERASMUS+)		25,269	25,269	-
		-	-	-
	-	28,864	28,864	21,839

3 Staff costs and numbers

	2024 £	2023 £
Gross salaries	50,436	48,422
Social security costs	3,709	3,883
Employment allowance	(3,709)	(3,883)
Pensions	6,328	6,048
	56,764	54,470

The average number of employees during the year was 2.5, being an average of 1.7 full time equivalent (2023: 2.5, 1.7 FTE). There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

Defined contribution pension scheme

	2024 £	2023 £
Costs of the scheme to the charity for the year	5,550	6,048
Amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end	778	756
Amount of any contributions prepaid at the year end	-	693

4 Restricted funds

	balance b/f	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance c/f
Leeds Tidal	1,875	3,594	(7,099)	1,630	-
British Council (ERASMUS+)	19,709	25,269	(45,979)	1,001	(0)
The Linking Network	17,175		(7,919)		9,256
The Linking Network (intergen)	1,800		(2,941)	1,141	-
	40,559	28,863	(63,938)	3,772	9,256

Fund name

Leeds Tidal (CECAP)
British Council (ERASMUS+)

Purpose of restriction

Towards the 'Climate Action Leeds' project.
Towards the 'Climate curriculum for climate action' project, aimed at addressing climate challenges across schools in four countries.
This is a project to help schools with awareness of global issues

The Linking Network

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Notes to the accounts continued
for the year ended 31st March 2024

4 Restricted funds continued

Fund name

The Linking Network (Intergen)

Purpose of restriction

Additional funding towards the costs of the #iwill ' Intergenerational Linking' project which brings together primary schools and care homes to develop long term volunteering opportunities and to connect care home residents with their local communities.

5 Debtors and prepayments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Debtors	4,598	9,538
Prepayments	-	-
Accrued income	-	-
	<u>4,598</u>	<u>9,538</u>

6 Cash at bank and in hand

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash at bank	279,100	293,927
Cash in hand		
	<u>279,100</u>	<u>293,927</u>

7 Creditors and accruals

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals for partner payments	31,150	10,489
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-
Accruals	720	990
Taxation and social security	586	676
Other creditors	780	63
	<u>33,236</u>	<u>12,218</u>

8 Related party transactions

Trustees expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year of the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this year or the previous year.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited
Statement of Financial Activities including comparatives for all funds
(including summary income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31st March 2024

	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income						
Grants and service level agreements	-	-	28,864	21,839	28,864	21,839
Donations	120	57	-	-	120	57
Workshop, course and training	19,352	18,818	-	-	19,352	18,818
Sundry income	-	220	-	-	-	220
Bank interest	5,352	2,070	-	-	5,352	2,070
Total Income	24,824	21,165	28,864	21,839	53,688	43,004
Expenditure						
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Our Reference: RWS/EM/1970.0

18 December 2024

Companies House
Crown House
Crown Way
Cardiff
CF14 3UZ


Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Leeds Development Education Centre Limited
Company Number: 02627506

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

Please find enclosed our above clients' accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024, for submission.

Yours faithfully,


Richard Smedley

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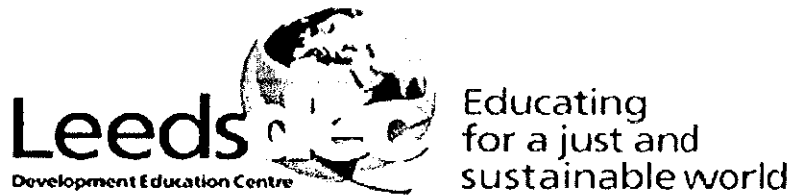
Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Charity number 1003862

A company limited by guarantee number 02627506

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st March 2024



Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

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Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Trustees' report for the year ended 31st March 2024

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Martin Wedell	Chair	
Melanie Stockdale	Treasurer	
June Brighthouse		
Patrick Lewis		
Patricia Sandbach		
Parminder Smedley		
Alex Conrads		Appointed December 2022
Charity number	1003862	Registered in England and Wales
Company Number	02627506	Registered in England and Wales
Registered and principal address	Bankers	
70 Cross Green Lane	Unity Trust Bank plc	HSBC
Leeds	Nine Brindley place	1 Centenary Square
LS9 0DG	Birmingham	Birmingham
	B1 2HB	B1 1HQ

Independent examiner

Richard Smedley
Richard Smedley Chartered Accountants
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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and was formed on the 8th July 1991. It is governed by a memorandum and articles of association. The liability of the members in the event of the company being wound up is limited to a sum not exceeding £1.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are also the directors for the purposes of company law and are appointed by the members at the AGM.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited
Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024

Objectives and activities

The charity's objectives

To promote, maintain, improve and advance public education, particularly by the promotion of education in world problems of hunger, disease, poverty and ignorance and the solutions thereof and the economic and other problems of developing countries and their relationship with other countries.

Provided always, and for the avoidance of doubt, that the purpose of such objects is to inform and educate the public rather to campaign for a particular policy.

The charity's main objectives

To present, promote, organise, provide, manage and produce seminars, workshops, tutorials, conferences and publications to further the promotion, maintenance, improvement and advancement of education.

Leeds DEC provides face-to-face and blended learning training, and curriculum development support, for formal sector education and the informal sector, that includes an online training platform and education resources centre. In particular, the centre provides advice, training and support to schools, communities and the youth sector on Global Learning and local-global issues (including Climate Change; Intercultural Awareness & Understanding; Social Justice; Peace & Conflicts; Global Citizenship; Youth Agency & Action; Human Rights; Values & Perceptions; Critical Literacy).

To assist, advise and support individuals, groups and organisations engaged in development work.

To carry out research in the field of development education and related areas and to disseminate the useful results of such research and related publications.

To supply or provide educational materials or publications.

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of education, particularly global learning and climate education.

Achievements and performance

The charity has continued to deliver a rich and varied programme raising public awareness of global themes and issues in schools and school communities across West Yorkshire and beyond. The centre has provided a range of training, webinars, workshops and conferences for school pupils and teachers on Climate Change & Justice, Intercultural Understanding and other global themes. Alongside this, we have delivered projects on Climate Change, facilitated Schools Intercultural Linking, and developed new online course for Sixth Forms, Community & the Third Sector. Leeds DEC's work was recognised with two awards at the Leeds Compassionate Cities awards in December 2023, and we are planning to develop our own Global Learning Awards in the coming year.

Financial review

The net expenditure of the year was £40,785 (Last year: £43,430) including net Loss of (£9,482) (Last year profit of £368) on unrestricted funds and net expenditure of £63,938 (Last year: £43,798) on restricted funds

Reserves policy

The reserves of the charity are composed of unrestricted funds. These funds are maintained at a sufficient level in order to allow the smooth operation of the charity's activities.

The trustees have reviewed the reserves policy and set an ultimate target to establish a financial reserve of unrestricted funds equivalent to approximately 6 month's total expenditure to cater for possible future contingencies and uncertainties together with the working capital requirements of projects where income is received in arrears. Total spending for 2023/24 was approximately £93,000 (Last year :£86,000) making the 6 month target £46,500. (Last year: £43,000)

Given the continuing uncertainties over the funding of GLOBAL LEARNING and the need to provide matched funding, the trustees have made a decision to invest a significant element of the reserves to provide an income to support some of the charities costs.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited
Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31st March 2024
Statement of trustees responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors for purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees report and the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and UK Accounting standards.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare finance accounts 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 the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

Select Suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently

observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. they are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Charities SORP (FRS102)), and in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approves by the board of trustees on 16/12/2024

Martin Wedell (Trustee)



Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the charitable company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 - accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as is required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 - the accounts do not accord with those records

- 3 - the accounts do not comply with accounting requirements of section 285 of the 2006 Act 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; or

- 4 - the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)]

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

Richard Smedley

17/12/2024

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Leeds Development Education Centre Limited
Statement of Financial Activities
(including Summary income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31st March 2024

Notes	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Grants and service level agreements	-	28,864	28,864	21,839
Donations	120	-	120	57
Workshop, courses and training	19,352	-	19,352	18,818
Sundry income	-	-	-	220
Bank interest	5,352	-	5,352	2,070
			-	
	<u>24,824</u>	<u>28,864</u>	<u>53,688</u>	<u>43,004</u>
Expenditure on:				
Salaries and on costs	20,871	35,893	56,764	54,470
Premises and office costs	5,225	-	5,225	5,821
Resources and other project costs	1,528	28,045	29,573	24,754
independent examination	1,490	-	1,490	1,090
bad debts	-	-	-	140
Total expenditure	<u>29,114</u>	<u>63,938</u>	<u>93,052</u>	<u>86,275</u>
Net Income/ (Expenditure)	<u>(4,290)</u>	<u>(35,074)</u>	<u>(39,364)</u>	<u>(43,271)</u>
Other gains/(Losses)	(1,421)	-	(1,421)	(159)
Transfers	(3,771)	3,771	-	-
net movement in funds	<u>(9,482)</u>	<u>(31,303)</u>	<u>(40,785)</u>	<u>(43,430)</u>
Fund balances brought forward	<u>250,688</u>	<u>40,559</u>	<u>291,247</u>	<u>334,677</u>
Fund balances carried forward	<u>241,206</u>	<u>9,256</u>	<u>250,462</u>	<u>291,257</u>

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Balance sheet
as at 31st March 2024

	Notes	2024	2024	2024	2023
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors and prepayments		4,598		4,598	9,538
Cash at bank and in hand		239,695	39,405	279,100	293,927
Total current assets		<u>244,293</u>	<u>39,405</u>	<u>283,698</u>	<u>303,465</u>
Current liabilities:					
amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors and accruals		(2,086)	(31,150)	(33,236)	12,218
		<u>(2,086)</u>	<u>(31,150)</u>	<u>(33,236)</u>	<u>12,218</u>
Net current assets/ (liabilities)		<u>242,207</u>	<u>8,255</u>	<u>250,462</u>	<u>291,247</u>
Net assets		<u>242,207</u>	<u>8,255</u>	<u>250,462</u>	<u>291,247</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted funds		241,206		241,206	250,688
Restricted funds			9,256	9,256	40,559
		<u>241,206</u>	<u>9,256</u>	<u>250,462</u>	<u>291,247</u>

For the year ending 31st March 2024 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. the trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of the accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provision applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with FRS102 (effective January 2019)

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on the 16th December 2024

Martin Wedell



Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31st March 2024

1) Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost of transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of recommended Practice:

Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102

There has been no changes to the accounting policies since last year.

no changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, if it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured by its performance.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of these items to which it relates.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Gifted assets are shown at the value to the charity of receipt.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Improvements to premises:	over 10 years
Office furniture and equipment :	over 4 years

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. The costs of contributions are recognised in the year they are payable.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Notes to the accounts continued
for the year ended 31st March 2024

2 Grants and donations

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
The Dunhill Medical Trust		-	-	5,167
The Linking Network		-	-	10,000
Leeds Tidal (CECAP)		3,595	3,595	6,672
British Council (ERASMUS+)		25,269	25,269	-
			-	-
	-	28,864	28,864	21,839

3 Staff costs and numbers

	2024 £	2023 £
Gross salaries	50,436	48,422
Social security costs	3,709	3,883
Employment allowance	(3,709)	(3,883)
Pensions	6,328	6,048
	56,764	54,470

The average number of employees during the year was 2.5, being an average of 1.7 full time equivalent (2023: 2.5, 1.7 FTE). There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

Defined contribution pension scheme

	2024 £	2023 £
Costs of the scheme to the charity for the year	5,550	6,048
Amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end	778	756
Amount of any contributions prepaid at the year end	-	693

4 Restricted funds

	balance b/f	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance c/f
Leeds Tidal	1,875	3,594	(7,099)	1,630	-
British Council (ERASMUS+)	19,709	25,269	(45,979)	1,001	(0)
The Linking Network	17,175		(7,919)		9,256
The Linking Network (intergen)	1,800		(2,941)	1,141	-
	40,559	28,863	(63,938)	3,772	9,256

Fund name

Leeds Tidal (CECAP)

British Council (ERASMUS+)

The Linking Network

Purpose of restriction

Towards the 'Climate Action Leeds' project.

Towards the 'Climate curriculum for climate action' project, aimed at addressing climate challenges across schools in four countries.

This is a project to help schools with awareness of global issues

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited

Notes to the accounts continued
for the year ended 31st March 2024

4 Restricted funds continued

Fund name

The Linking Network (Intergen)

Purpose of restriction

Additional funding towards the costs of the '#iwill' Intergenerational Linking' project which brings together primary schools and care homes to develop long term volunteering opportunities and to connect care home residents with their local communities.

5 Debtors and prepayments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Debtors	4,598	9,538
Prepayments	-	-
Accrued income	-	-
	<u>4,598</u>	<u>9,538</u>

6 Cash at bank and in hand

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash at bank	279,100	293,927
Cash in hand	-	-
	<u>279,100</u>	<u>293,927</u>

7 Creditors and accruals

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals for partner payments	31,150	10,489
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-
Accruals	720	990
Taxation and social security	586	676
Other creditors	780	63
	<u>33,236</u>	<u>12,218</u>

8 Related party transactions

Trustees expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year of the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this year or the previous year.

Leeds Development Education Centre Limited
Statement of Financial Activities including comparatives for all funds
(including summary income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31st March 2024

	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted	Total	Total
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