



Cenacolo Community UK

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DIRECTORS' REPORT **for the Year** **1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021**

Signed: *Christopher J D'Arcy* Christopher J D'Arcy (Chairman)

Signed: *David Taylor* David Taylor (Secretary)

Date: 24 February 2022

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Company No. 4238313
Registered Charity No. 1089689



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1. Legal and Administrative Information

- Charity Name: Cenacolo Community UK
- Registered/Normal Address: Dodding Green, Dodding Holme, Mealbank, Kendal, Cumbria, LA8 9DH
- Registered Charity No: 1089689
- Company, Limited by Guarantee, No: 04238313
- For the financial year: from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021
- Names of Charity Trustees at 30 June 2021:

Mr Christopher D'Arcy	Trustee and Chairman
Ms Dina Hajdini	Trustee
Mrs Mary Holgate	Trustee
Rev Christopher Loughran	Trustee
Mr Andrew Mitchell	Trustee
Rev Shaun O'Neill	Trustee

- Names of other officers:

Mr David Taylor	Admin Officer & Company Secretary
Miss Clare McEntegart	Treasurer

The Cenacolo Community was founded in July 1983 by an Italian nun, Sister (now Mother) Elvira Petrozzi, who wanted to give her life to God through helping young people suffering from addiction, or who were disillusioned or dissatisfied with their lives. Today, the Cenacolo Community has over 60 houses spread throughout Italy and around the world. The Cenacolo Community UK at Kendal is one of these houses and is currently the only house in the UK offering up to 16 places for young men.

This is the twentieth year of operation of the Charity. The main objective for which the Charity was established is ***the relief and rehabilitation of persons in need, hardship or distress who are suffering physically and mentally as a result of drug or alcohol dependency, or other substance abuse, through the provision of supported residential accommodation in a Christian environment.***

The Cenacolo Community, however, offers so much more. Life in the Community is simple and centred on work, prayer and friendship. It is run by recovering addicts themselves, under the overall direction of Mother Elvira who regards Cenacolo as a 'school of life' which teaches young people how to close the door on their past by healing old wounds and building towards a brighter future. Cenacolo gives hope and an opportunity to live an addiction-free life with dignity and respect for oneself and others. It offers help to those who have lost direction and enables them to go forward with new strength to face the challenges of every day.

The Charity operates under its Memorandum and Articles of Association (Issue 3) dated 14 July 2014 and there are no other deeds or documents which contain provisions regulating the purposes and administration of the Charity.

During the year the Charity continued to lease a former presbytery and chapel at Dodding Green, near Kendal, Cumbria for use as a Cenacolo Community.

2. An Overview of the Community

The routine within the Community house at Dodding Green (seen as a 'school of life' centred on work, friendship and prayer) has become well established over the years. The house can take up to 16 young men (the 'lads'). One of these lads is the 'Responsible', an experienced person who runs the house (under the guidance of the Cenacolo Community in Italy) and organises the daily routine for all the lads. The lads continue to have a favourable impact on the local neighbourhood and receive support from groups within the Diocese and around the country. During the year, however, life in the Community remains dramatically affected by the lockdown restrictions imposed by the Government in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Fr Loughran continues as Chaplain and, prior to lockdown, Holy Mass was celebrated at least weekly in the Community's chapel, with many supporter 'friends' attending Mass on the first Wednesday of each month. The lads spend many hours in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and, when lockdown restrictions allow, have attended the Sunday evening Mass in Holy Trinity & St. George RC Church in Kendal.

Up-to-date details of the Prayer Groups around the country are contained on the website and in the Newsletter. During normal times, any addict arriving at a Prayer Group would be given information about the Cenacolo Community UK, encouraged to consider the Community as a way forward and referred to a main meeting for addicts and their families, which are held in Kendal, London, Liverpool, Glasgow, Wrexham and Birmingham. The meetings in Kendal, usually held in the parish centre of Holy Trinity & St George RC Church on Thursdays, are enhanced by the presence of two or more of the lads from the Community. Face-to-face meetings in most areas have been suspended during the pandemic, but meetings remain open via internet conference calls wherever possible.

Again, during normal times, the lads give talks at a wide variety of venues (such as secondary schools and colleges) describing the disastrous effects of drug and alcohol addiction, how it affects whole families and how the Cenacolo Community has helped them turn their lives around. When able to do so, groups visit the Community house and are invariably impressed when they see the work at first hand and hear testimonies from the lads.

Through prayer and perseverance, the Cenacolo Community UK this year has attempted to maintain its good work, however, continued efforts are needed to increase prayer support and to encourage more UK addicts to give up their past ways and enter the Community where they can build completely new lives. The website, literature and other information about the Community is updated regularly and widely promoted to keep its supporters informed and to try to make more people aware of the Community and its work.

3. A Review of the Year 2020/2021

The number of lads at the Dodding Green house has decreased dramatically during the year covered by the report. By August 2020 only 4 lads remained resident at the house, with other lads transferring to houses in other countries as part of their onward journey to expand their experience. Unfortunately, no new lads were able to join the Dodding Green community because of the restrictions imposed by the Covid pandemic, potential issues with residency permits in the UK and a decrease in the number of new entrants to the Cenacolo Community worldwide.

Because of the lockdown restrictions during the pandemic, most activities and events had to be cancelled during the year. The usual visits by lads to schools and parish groups to give testimonies were halted, which was a tremendous hardship for the lads as this is seen as an important part of their journey away from their previous lives. This also meant that the annual Open Day and long-established Nativity Play had to be cancelled.

As the pandemic restrictions curtailed the external activities of the lads, the daily work at Dodding Green continued as normal. This has included cleaning, cooking, general maintenance, repairing fences and walls, keeping the footpaths maintained, painting, woodworking, looking after the livestock (pigs, ducks and chickens), and planting the allotment and polytunnels. The salads, vegetables and fruits, grown by the lads are all harvested for the Community table, which helps to supplement the providence given by parishes from within the Lancaster Diocese and other generous local supporters. Any surplus is given to other local charitable causes.

The lads have also spent time on inward reflection and faith, particularly on special occasions such as Holy Week, which provides moments of sharing to improve relationships and moments of truth to acknowledge their faults and failings before their peers. This enables each one to realise the importance of serving and how they might live these values within the Community, and so help rebuild their lives.

Despite the will to continue the good work by the lads, a letter was received from the Community's mother house in Saluzzo in May 2021 confirming that the house at Dodding Green would be temporarily closed and the remaining lads transferred to the Irish house in Knock for a few months. It was felt that consolidating the two houses would be better for the lads, and it was considered that this move would only be for a matter of months until the lockdown restrictions were eased, at which time Dodding Green could be reopened with a group of new lads.

4. The 2020 Annual Meeting and Subsequent Changes to the Trustee/Director Board

The 2020 statutory Annual Meeting of the Cenacolo Community UK was held on 7 November 2020.

At the 2020 Annual Meeting the Trustees were Chris D'Arcy (Chairman), Fr Chris Loughran, Mary Holgate, David Holgate, Dina Hajdini, Fr Shaun O'Neill and Andy Mitchell, with David Taylor as Secretary and Clare McEntegart as Treasurer.

In accordance with statutory requirements, Mary Holgate stepped down as trustee, having been in post for 3 years, and was subsequently re-elected as trustee.

5. The Year Ahead (2021/2022)

The year ahead will be very much determined by the restrictions imposed by lockdown during the pandemic and the current temporary house closure. Actions required to maintain health and safety will continue, whilst any non-urgent actions and activities will be undertaken being mindful of legislation and advice from the Government.

The Trustees continue working to improve the website and various publicity materials about the Community, which is aimed not only at those with addictions who may find that the Community is their route to recovery, but also their families and others, as initially it is often someone other than the addict who seeks help and advice. There is also a continued need to increase awareness of the Community, not just amongst potential friends but also amongst the public generally, especially those who are in any way linked to drug or alcohol services, such professionals in health, the Police and probation services.

6. The Cenacolo Newsletter

Because of the lack of content due to the pandemic restrictions, the Cenacolo Newsletter was temporarily put on hold towards the end of the financial year. It is hoped to continue with its twice-yearly issue once restrictions are eased and things are back to normal. Supporters on the circulation list have been made aware of this. The Newsletter is considered an important publicity tool for the Charity so that supporters are kept abreast of activities and events relating to the Community and are encouraged to continue praying for its work and recommending it to those in need.

7. Prayer Groups

Prayer is fundamental to the Community. Many prayer groups around the country continue to pray on a regular basis for the work of the Cenacolo Community, for the lads in the house at Dodding Green and for those still in the outside world afflicted with addiction and other problems. These prayer groups are a network across the country forming a web of grace to support the apostolate of Cenacolo. Some of those praying never have direct contact with Cenacolo, but simply know of its work and are moved to support it in prayer. These groups are listed on our website and are regarded as a possible first contact for any addict seeking help to overcome their addiction.

Such prayerful faithfulness is vital for the work of Cenacolo to succeed. We offer our most sincere thanks to all those who give of themselves at the various prayer meetings and to those who individually offer prayer for the good of the Cenacolo Community.

8. The General Financial Situation

8.1. Charity Income:

The most reliable source of income for the Charity is from Standing Orders raised by friends of the Community, many of which are Gift-Aided. Other friends and supporters send donations at intervals throughout the year and make up a significant part of our overall income. Whilst fundraising in the normal accepted sense is not part of Cenacolo policy, donations are received from fundraising events such as quiz nights. Other sources of income are from legacies, which are a great help to the Charity.

8.2. Public Benefit:

The Trustees have considered the guidance issued by the Charity Commission in respect of public benefit and confirm that the Charity adheres to this guidance through the nature of its activities and operations.

8.3 Reserves Policy:

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves which the Charity should hold to allow for the continuation of its activities whilst alternative funding is sourced and consider that 24 months of current operating costs is required in the short term. 'Operating costs' includes the cost of running the Cenacolo house, resources expended on managing and administering the Charity and a contingency for unknown major work. The current level of unrestricted funds of £299,774 (excluding fixed assets) is in excess of this level.

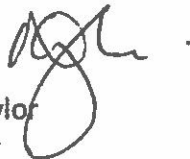
8.4 The 2020/2021 Accounts:

Income from donations and other sources remains sufficient to manage the Cenacolo house and provide for general Community expenses. The balance remaining in the account is predicted to be more than adequate for 2021/2022.

Full details of the year's accounts are included in the Appendix.

It is important to note that at paragraph 31c in the 'Statement of Recommended Practice', SORP 2000, published by the Charity Commission, which refers to Accounting Practices within Charities, there is a requirement to disclose details in our Annual Report of any relationship with any other charity or organisation with whom our charity co-operates, which may have any controlling influence on the affairs of our charity. With regards to the Cenacolo Community UK, no such financial controls exist. Our relationship with the parent house of the Cenacolo Community in Saluzzo, Italy is such that they only have some control over the timing and/or timescales of some of our operations, but none over our finances.

Signed:



Date: 24 February 2022

David Taylor
Secretary

Appendix



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Accounts for the Financial Year 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021

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CENACOLO COMMUNITY UK
INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Cenacolo Community UK (the 'charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the company (and its directors for the purposes of company law) charity 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 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 the company's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and 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 can confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 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
- 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 drawing in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my own work or for this report.



Karen Rae FCCA

Dated: 24 February 2022

Armstrong Watson Audit Limited
Chartered Accountants
Kendal

CENACOLO COMMUNITY UK
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

	Notes	Year ended 30/06/21			Year ended
		Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds	30/06/20
		£	£	£	Total Funds £
Incoming Resources					
Donations	1	-	74,646	74,646	99,604
Gift aid - Tax relief		-	2,565	2,565	3,091
Miscellaneous sales		-	4,550	4,550	532
Bank interest		-	78	78	6,632
Other interest		-	-	-	108
Bank revaluations		-	15,864	15,864	-
Total Incoming Resources		-	97,703	97,703	109,967
Resources Expended					
Donations paid		-	28,382	28,382	27,561
Cost of running the Cenacolo House					
Insurance		-	601	601	596
Council tax		-	2,819	2,819	2,718
Water		-	182	182	177
Electricity and heating		-	6,119	6,119	6,742
Repairs and maintenance		-	9,173	9,173	18,552
Telephone		-	3,011	3,011	2,300
Motor expenses		-	4,243	4,243	4,896
Travel expenses		-	245	245	6,035
Other expenses		-	159	159	1,224
Events		-	-	-	-
Training costs		-	-	-	2,285
Professional fees		-	618	618	670
Petty cash day to day expenses		-	(139)	(139)	188
Animal husbandry and vet fees		-	586	586	2,725
Equipment depreciation		132	-	132	130
Motor vehicle depreciation		-	-	-	106
(Profit) / loss on disposal of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Resources expended on managing and administering the Charity					
Printing, postage and stationery		-	447	447	1,476
Sundry		-	477	477	503
Development costs					
Repairs and development		-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended		132	56,922	57,054	78,884
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources		(132)	40,781	40,649	31,083
Transfers		-	-	-	-
Total Funds brought forward		5,056	258,993	264,049	232,966
Total Funds carried forward		4,924	299,774	304,698	264,049

CENACOLO COMMUNITY UK
BALANCE SHEET (Company No. 04238313)
AS AT 30 JUNE 2021

	Notes	30/06/21 £	30/06/20 £
Fixed Assets	3	-	132
Current Assets			
Debtors	4	4,671	8,319
Bank - current account		187,820	158,460
Bank - COIF deposit account		916	916
Bank - COIF Ethical Investment Fund		112,131	96,267
Cash		421	543
Total Current Assets		<u>305,960</u>	<u>264,505</u>
Current Liabilities			
Creditors	5	1,262	588
Net Current Assets		<u>304,698</u>	<u>263,917</u>
Net Assets		<u><u>304,698</u></u>	<u><u>264,049</u></u>
Restricted funds	6	4,924	5,056
Unrestricted funds	7	299,774	258,993
Total Funds		<u><u>304,698</u></u>	<u><u>264,049</u></u>

The company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The directors consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") and members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the directors and are signed on their behalf by:

Signed: 

Date: 24 February 2022

Christopher J D'Arcy
 Director & Chairman

CENACOLO COMMUNITY UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

Accounting Policies

a) Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

The accounts 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) issued on 16 July 2014

the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

b) Incoming resources

Voluntary income including donations, gifts and legacies are recognised when received.

Income from commercial trading activities is recognised as earned.

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

c) Volunteers and donated services and facilities

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements. Where substantial services are provided to the charity as a donation, the contribution is included in the financial statements at an estimate based on the market value of the services provided. The charity relies on the donation of clothing and food, the value of these goods is not reflected in these financial statements

d) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives as described in the notes to the accounts

f) Funds structure

The charity has restricted income funds to account for situations where a donor requires that a donation must be spent on a particular purpose or where funds have been raised for a specific purpose. All other funds are unrestricted income funds.

g) Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

h) Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the Financial Statements.

i) Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment.

j) Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price.

CENACOLO COMMUNITY UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

1. Donations

A number of material donations were received during the year. All of the donors wish to remain anonymous.

2. Gifts in Kind

The Cenacolo community relies on the donation of goods and services which are individually immaterial.

3. Fixed Assets

	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cost brought forward	53,339	17,007	70,346
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
Cost carried forward	<u>53,339</u>	<u>17,007</u>	<u>70,346</u>
Depreciation brought forward	53,207	17,007	70,214
Charge for the year	132		132
On disposals	-	-	-
Depreciation carried forward	<u>53,339</u>	<u>17,007</u>	<u>70,346</u>
NBV carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NBV brought forward	<u>132</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>132</u>
Depreciation policy:	20% Straight Line	33% Straight Line	

4. Debtors

	30/06/21 £	30/06/20 £
Trade Debtors	432	-
Gift aid tax relief for 20/21	2,565	-
Gift aid tax relief for 19/20	815	4,161
Gift aid tax relief for 18/19	859	4,158
	<u>4,671</u>	<u>8,319</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

	30/06/21	30/06/20
	£	£
5. Creditors		
Accrued Rental Income	650	-
Accountancy fees 2020/21 (includes irrecoverable VAT)	612	-
Accountancy fees 2019/20 (includes irrecoverable VAT)	-	588
	-	-
	<u>1,262</u>	<u>588</u>

6. Restricted fund movements

	at 30/06/20	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	at 30/06/21
	£	£	£	£	£
Medjugorie fund	464	-	-	-	464
Equipment fund	4,592	-	(132)	-	4,460
Mission house	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>5,056</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(132)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,924</u>

The Medjugorie fund is for a visit to Medjugorie.

The Equipment fund is to be used to buy equipment.

The Mission house income is money to be sent to Mission house.

7. Unrestricted fund movements

	at 30/06/20	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	at 30/06/21
	£	£	£	£	£
General fund	258,993	97,703	(56,922)	-	299,774
	<u>258,993</u>	<u>97,703</u>	<u>(56,922)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>299,774</u>

8. COVID-19

On 11th March 2020 the World Health Organisation announced that COVID-19 was a global pandemic which led to enforced restrictions and business closures being introduced by the UK Government. At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have considered the ongoing impact on the operations and finances of the charity. New working methods have been successfully implemented which have allowed all services to be continuously delivered to service users, with minimal financial impact likely to be incurred. The Trustees therefore consider that the going concern basis remains appropriate.