REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 07141449 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1137756

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

FOR

THE DEANS YOUTH PROJECT

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

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THE DEANS YOUTH PROJECT (REGISTERED NUMBER: 07141449)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2026. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Charity's principal objective is to help and educate young persons through their leisure-time activities so as to develop their physical, mental and spiritual capacities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and that their conditions of life may be improved.

The objective is achieved through the following activities:
- Offering centre based youth work sessions
- Detached youth work in the Deans area of Brighton & Hove
- Collaborative work with the local secondary school
- Lease of the youth centre to other providers of services to young people

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Significant activities

The Project is continuing to work with the Trust for Developing Communities [TDC], whose staff deliver open youthwork sessions at Woodingdean Youth Centre [the Centre] and in the community. The Trustees have met with TDC youthwork leaders on several occasions during the year to hear reports of work undertaken as well as plan future work and consider funding options. The Trustees continue to make reports from our community to ensure that the youth work provided by TDC reflects local need and events. In spite of funding pressures and challenges with recruitment of trained staff, the Trustees have continued to encourage TDC to offer at least two regular youthwork sessions at the Centre each week. As a result both organisations continue to seek funding and opportunities to extend youthwork provision in East Brighton and work together to ensure that our community is represented when development opportunities arise.

The Trustees remain keen that the Centre remains a place that young people in our community see as their safe space for support and activities they want to undertake.

The Trustees are pleased to see that TDC are continuing their contact with Longhill School, the main secondary school in our community. That work reflects the work that they do at the Centre but also the work that TDC does in other parts of E. Brighton.

The Project Manager continues to work hard to ensure that the Youth Centre is used for the maximum benefit of young people in the community and is always seeking new users. The Gymnastics Club continues to be very popular and has gone from strength to strength this year. One of the benefits of that Club to our Project is the increased awareness it brings to the facilities we offer at the Centre.

The Food Hub continues to use the Centre on a Friday and has been able to respond positively to the growing demand for its services from the Community. Its work extends beyond the provision of food at reasonable prices and is equally valued for its provision of a regular social space and support and advice to those that need it.

The Project Manager has overseen further refurbishment of the Centre this year, particularly to extend and reorganise the storage areas both to provide more space for regular users; eg. food, fridges, boxes etc for the Food Hub and gymnastics equipment. The Manager's small team are to be commended for their hard work and dedication to this refurbishment, which turned out to be a much more challenging project than first envisioned. Thanks to their efforts, the storage space is now more easily accessed and has nearly doubled the useful space available. This work continued without any closure of the Centre so the Trustees would also like to thank the team for their continued efforts to keep the Centre smart, tidy and welcoming to all.

The Trustees have at last managed to secure a potential resolution to the issues of lease and rental non-payment by Brighton School of Singing [BSS] that we have been reporting for several years. Very many email exchanges, meetings and formal letters during the Summer and Autumn of 2025 resulted in a renewed rental agreement being signed by BSS in February 2026 which commits them to paying their monthly rent by direct debit, including an additional regular schedule of payments to resolve the unpaid rent owing. Although the new agreement is initially for a period of 12 months only, at the time of writing this report it is being maintained and the Trustees are hopeful that the entire debt will be paid off within a period of 24 months. The Trustees put a great deal of effort into this resolution which ensures that the basement facility can continue to focus on performance activities for young people.

The Deans Youth Project was set up as a charity in 2005 when it assumed responsibility for the refurbishment of the abandoned youth centre, which was in poor condition and not suitable for its original purpose. At the time of the initial refurbishment the Trustees sought confirmation of the lease to the property from the land owner, the local authority [Brighton & Hove City Council]. No lease was ever found by the Authority or its predecessor, although ownership of the land by the local authority has never been contested. The Trustees have paid the land rent regularly ever since. It was therefore a surprise to receive, for the first time in February 2026, a request for a contribution towards building insurance on behalf of the Authority. That request was sent erroneously to another youth organisation in Essex with no connection to Woodingdean Youth Centre but was eventually redirected. That request has subsequently been cancelled. However, as we enter the new financial year, the Local Authority has found an 60 year old outdated lease that confirms the community ownership of the Centre building. That lease will need to be formally amended to reflect the Project's inherited role on behalf of the community and the change of land ownership to Brighton & Hove City Council. Further discussion about responsibility for insurance of the building may follow; a responsibility that has been solely borne by the Deans Youth Project since 2005. On a positive note, the lease suggests that the local authority is responsible for some of the site maintenance that it has denied during the last 20 years.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Finally, but not least Trustees commend, again, the wonderful volunteer fundraisers, who continue to give their time and expertise to raise funds for the Project's work. The small but amazing team continue to raise important funds to support the Project, without which it would be unable to provide the current range of activities on offer.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and in planning of future activates.

The trustees believe that this is set out in their report.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position and reserves policy

During the year the Charity incurred a deficit of £20,778 (2025: Deficit £14,043) which has been deducted from the reserves brought forward of £74,185 to leave £53,407 to be carried forward.

The Charity has a reserves policy which aims to hold at least three months running costs at any one time. In the reporting year the Charity met its budget objectives set in the previous year and continued to remain robust despite the difficult financial climate in which it operated.

The principal funding sources for the reporting year were:
- Lettings income from Woodingdean Youth Centre
- Funds raised by the charity's volunteers

FUTURE PLANS

The Trustees are developing future work with the Trust for Developing Communities to extend the youthwork services on offer at the Youth Centre. This reflects renewed interest in community provision of youthwork nationwide in response to challenges that young people are facing. We hope to attract new funding in support of extended provision in our community. The Trustees will also resume their efforts to find new sources of funding to support the work of the project.

The Trustees will also continue to work with groups in Woodingdean to maintain and extend the provision of services to young people and to others in the community.

The Trustees were unable to focus sufficiently in 2025-26 on work to strengthen and renew the Trustee Board. However, we did manage to replace the one Trustee who resigned. It is now a priority to find new active Trustees to take the Project forward and work with our enthusiastic team of staff and volunteers.

As the Annual Report of activities for last year indicates, the Trustees are now in correspondence with the Estates Team at the local authority over the essential updating of the lease for Woodingdean Youth Centre and the outcome will be reported in a future annual report.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Deans Youth Project is a Company Limited by Guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles dated 31 January 2010.

Charity constitution

The company achieved charitable status on the 3 September 2010.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees and organisational structure

i. Trustees are sought through the community, through members and by recommendation. They are interviewed by a panel made up of Trustees and members of the management team. Criteria for appointment are based on skills, experience and an ability to represent different sectors of the community eg. race and background.

ii. Trustees are inducted to ensure an understanding of their role and responsibilities to the Charity. New Trustees are provided with a copy of the current Business Plan and financial documents. All Trustees are encouraged to take up external training to support their roles.

iii. Day to day management of the charity is delegated to the Project Manager.

iv. Trustees are Directors of the Company and are responsible for deciding the following:
a) Legally responsible statutory obligations such as finances, staffing, health and safety
b) Appointment of new Trustees
c) Agreeing the proposed Management Accounts for the year ahead
d) Setting salaries for staff

The Project Manager is responsible for:
a) Day to day running of the project
b) Managing core and project budgets
c) Developing the Project

Risk management

All risks are regularly assessed as part of project management procedures. Major risks to which the Charity is exposed have been reviewed and systems or procedures have been established to manage those risks.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
07141449 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1137756

Registered office
Woodingdean Youth Centre
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Trustees
L Newman Chair
NG Honcaye (resigned 1.11.25)
D S Simson Treasurer
J Haughton
R V Cook (appointed 1.11.25)

Independent Examiner
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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of The Deans Youth Project for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).

Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9/9/2026 and signed on its behalf by:

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L Newman - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE DEANS YOUTH PROJECT (REGISTERED NUMBER: 07141449)

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Deans Youth Project ('the Company')
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity's trustees of the 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 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 2011 ('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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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
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.

Christopher Robert Tyler FCA DChA FCIE

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Date: ..17th September 2026

THE DEANS YOUTH PROJECT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	Notes	2026 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Charitable activities	4		
Education		12,382	8,816
Other trading activities	2	20,221	20,777
Investment income	3	1,172	1,862
Total		33,775	31,455
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities	5		
Education		54,553	45,498
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(20,778)	(14,043)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		74,185	88,228
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		53,407	74,185

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE DEANS YOUTH PROJECT (REGISTERED NUMBER: 07141449)

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2026

	Notes	2026 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	12	1,191	1,429
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		52,697	73,235
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(481)	(479)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		52,216	72,756
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		53,407	74,185
NET ASSETS		53,407	74,185
FUNDS	14		
Unrestricted funds		53,407	74,185
TOTAL FUNDS		53,407	74,185

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2026.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2026 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 9/9/2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

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L Newman - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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

The trustees/directors consider that there are no material uncertainties about the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under the relevant headings.

i) Costs of generating funds are those costs incurred in attracting grants, voluntary income and fees.

ii) Charitable expenditure comprises 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.

iii) Support costs include those incurred in the governance of the charity and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets
Tangible fixed assets costing more than £500 are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition, except where funded from restricted monies and then they are written off in the year of purchase.

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:

-Computer Equipment 3 years straight line
-Fixtures and Fittings 10 years straight line
-Motor Vehicles Minibus 4 years straight line

Taxation
The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pensions
The charity offers a money purchase pension scheme operated by NEST.

Leased Assets
Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2026	2025
	£	£
Shop and coffee bar takings	20,221	20,377
Party income	-	400
	20,221	20,777

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2026	2025
	£	£
Deposit account interest	1,172	1,862

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2026	2025
		£	£
Fees	Education	12,382	8,816

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 6)	Support costs (see note 7)	Totals
	£	£	£
Education	53,116	1,437	54,553

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6. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2026	2025
	£	£
Staff costs	5,155	4,286
Charity shop	543	430
Telephone	720	900
Insurance	1,077	1,077
Rent, light & heat, & water	10,829	11,183
Buildings maintenance (including cleaning)	18,505	14,490
Project costs	15,930	10,830
Bank charges	109	111
Professional fees	10	490
Depreciation	238	238
	53,116	44,035

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs
	£
Education	1,437

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	2026	2025
	Education	Total activities
	£	£
Bookkeeping, accountancy and general administration	937	971
Independent examination	500	492
	1,437	1,463

8. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2026	2025
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	238	238

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9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025.

10. STAFF COSTS

The average number of employees of the charity during the year was 1 (2025 1).

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	2026	2025
	£	£
Wages and salaries	4,342	4,030
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	130	121
	4,472	4,151

No employee received remuneration in excess of £60,000 (2025: none).

The charity considers its key management personnel comprises the trustees. Total employment benefits to its key management personnel was £nil.

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds
	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Charitable activities	
Education	8,816
Other trading activities	20,777
Investment income	1,862
Total	31,455
EXPENDITURE ON	
Charitable activities	
Education	45,498
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(14,043)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	88,228
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	74,185

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12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £
COST	
At 1 April 2025 and 31 March 2026	2,382
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2025	953
Charge for year	238
At 31 March 2026	1,191
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2026	1,191
At 31 March 2025	1,429

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2026 £	2025 £
Accrued expenses	481	479

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.25 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.26 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	74,185	(20,778)	53,407
TOTAL FUNDS	74,185	(20,778)	53,407

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	33,775	(54,553)	(20,778)
TOTAL FUNDS	33,775	(54,553)	(20,778)

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	88,228	(14,043)	74,185
TOTAL FUNDS	88,228	(14,043)	74,185

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	31,455	(45,498)	(14,043)
TOTAL FUNDS	31,455	(45,498)	(14,043)

The designated fund is a reserve for toilet renovations.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2026.

16. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The company is limited by guarantee not having a share capital. In the event of the company being dissolved each member is liable up to a maximum of £1 towards the cost of dissolution and liabilities incurred by the company while he/she was a member, or within 12 months after he/she ceases to be a member.

No one member has overall control of the charity.

The company's registered number and registered office address can be found in the Legal and Administrative Information section of the accounts.

THE DEANS YOUTH PROJECT

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	2026	2025
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Other trading activities		
Shop and coffee bar takings	20,221	20,377
Party income	-	400
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Investment income		
Deposit account interest	1,172	1,862
Charitable activities		
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EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
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Professional fees	10	490
Depreciation	238	238
	53,116	44,035
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Bookkeeping, accountancy and general administration	937	971
Independent examination	500	492
	1,437	1,463
Total resources expended	54,553	45,498
Net expenditure	(20,778)	(14,043)