EAST STREET COMMUNITY CENTRE

Registered Charity Number: 1203406

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2026

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	04	2025		31	03	2026

Section A: Reference and administration details

Charity name	**East Street Community Centre**
Other names charity is known by	**Olney Youth Centre**
Registered charity number (if any)	**1203406**
Charity's principal address	**East Street**
	Olney
	Bucks
	Postcode **MK46 4DH**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Trevor Aldred	Chair		
2	Lynda Baker	Treasurer		
3	Janet Loach	Secretary		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of Adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B: Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (e.g. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution – adopted November 2010 as amended on 1st January 2023
How the charity is constituted (e.g. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (e.g. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed or re-appointed at the Annual General Meeting usually held in July

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C: Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To further or benefit the residents of the Olney area without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In planning our activities for the year we keep firmly in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our trustee meetings.

The ESCC strives to support the physical and mental well-being of its local community.

To this end, the ESCC provides an amenity in the form of a dedicated building (and associated sports field), for local groups to use for a range of leisure and sporting activities.

The Centre is hired out to members of the public – mainly local organisations and individuals. The existing management team also maintain the building and sports field as best as internal resources allow - and in accordance with their obligations under the existing lease. (The ESCC building and land is currently owned by Milton Keynes City Council, who are the landlords of ESCC).

The ESCC is now an extremely lively and vital amenity for local residents. It has a very high utilisation with about 50 main customers, and maybe 1,000 users, (many of the groups have 20 or more people - and many parties have 30 at least), pursuing a range of leisure and sporting activities including Zumba, Karate, Guitar Workshop, Mother and Baby groups, Dance classes, Rainbows, etc. – and it also hosts many children's parties. On average, there are around 200 hours of bookings per month. The number of people using the building, and therefore gaining benefit from its provisions, has been significantly increased since its early days.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

We are grateful for the efforts of our small group of friends, from our community (individuals and businesses), who have spent time helping with the general maintenance of the building and its grounds.

Section D: Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The existing management team of three, unpaid volunteers took over the building in around February 2020 and are now the Trustees.

Since that time, the present team has addressed H&S issues - and has carefully re-built bridges with the customers and, in fact, increased the customer base. This has been achieved by providing excellent service, good amenities and a reasonable, non profit-making, pricing policy.

Of great significance this year, is that we have recently secured agreement on a new 25 year lease for the ESCC building and associated grounds.

This is great news – for both the Trustees and for our various User Groups – since it gives us long-term security of tenure and allows us to take a far more strategic view of life. The Trustees now feel able to take a much longer term view than hereto – especially in terms of the ongoing maintenance of the building.

Of course, it places some great responsibilities on us too – e.g. to look after the building and to keep things going – but we are up for that! We are determined to continue to contribute to the well-being of our community by supporting a very wide range of sporting and leisure activities.

We are extremely grateful to Rennie Chambers, of J Garrard & Allen, for his tremendous support during the negotiating process and to Kevin Cassidy of MKCC for his positive contributions to the process too.

This year we have invested modest amounts on maintenance – particularly of Fire Safety, Building Security, Plumbing and Roof Maintenance.

Also, in this year, the Centre has continued to develop relationships with the local community – by bringing on new User Groups and developing the Children's party 'business' – and by offering excellent customer service to cultivate new prospects.

We have also hosted a number of new User Groups in the year – e.g. Yoga; Drama, Story-telling, Singing and Dancing; Kick Boxing / Boxercise and Chair Exercise Classes for Seniors – and a Korean martial arts group, on our sports field.

The number of people using the building, and therefore gaining benefit from its provisions, has been significantly increased since those early days.

The Trustees strongly believe that they are contributing significantly to the physical and mental well-being to a large section of its local community.

Section E: Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The level of reserves, currently £45,000, is reviewed annually to ensure sufficient funds are available for unplanned expenditure and for major building work – e.g. new roof
Details of any funds materially in deficit	Not applicable

Further financial review details (Optional information)

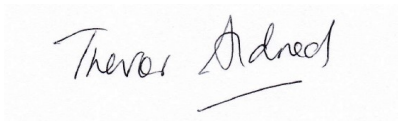
You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about: • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	

Section F: Other optional information

Section G: Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Trevor James Aldred	
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc.)	Chair	
Date	30/06/2026	



Appendix 1: Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Examiner's Report on the Accounts of East Street Community Centre

Period Covered: 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026

1. Introduction

This report presents the findings from the examination of the financial statements of East Street Community Centre ("ESCC") for the financial year ending 31st March 2026. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under the Charities Act 2011 and as amended by the Charities Act 2022.

As the total income for the year was in excess of £25,000 and there is a requirement for the accounts to be subject to an external independent examination.

I am independent of the ESCC, have no personal relationship with any of the Trustees and I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales.

My services have been provided at no charge.

2. Objective of the Examination

The primary objective of this examination was to ensure that the accounts of ESCC provide a true and fair view of its financial performance and position. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records.

3. Scope and Methodology

The examination included the following procedures:

Verification of the completeness and accuracy of the financial records.

Assessment of the accounting policies and principles applied.

Review of significant transactions and balances.

Evaluation of the internal control systems in place.

4. Findings

4.1 Financial Records and Documentation

The financial records were found to be well-maintained and up-to-date.

All necessary supporting documentation for income and expenditure transactions was made available and properly filed.

4.2 Income

Total income for the period was £32,343.

The major source of income is the receipt of hire charges, £26,610, from users of the community centre, a 8.5% increase in rental income for the year. Hire charge income was fully reconciled to the Hall Master booking system.

During the year the Charity received £1,031 from the Co-op local community fund.

No significant discrepancies were found between recorded and actual income.

4.3 Expenditure

Total expenditure for the period was £9,236.

Key areas of expenditure are maintenance and utility costs of the premises.

Expenditure was appropriately categorised and supported by valid documentation and no discrepancies were found between recorded and actual expenditure.

4.4 Assets and Liabilities

The charity's assets were correctly stated and are primarily cash at bank and a deposit held by Octopus the energy supplier.

The only liabilities were deposits held for keyholders to the premises which were backed up by a comprehensive schedule.

4.5 Internal Controls

Internal control systems were generally effective in ensuring the accuracy and reliability of financial reporting.

It was noted that timing differences, and accounting for refunds, resulted in a small difference between rental income banked and the records within Hallmaster, the hiring administration system.

As reported previously it would be an improvement to show any unpaid rentals that occurred in Hallmaster in the month but were outstanding at month end to be recorded as debtors.

4.6 Matters of note to the Trustees

The charity has a restricted fund established for major building works, that stands at £45,000 as at the financial year end.

As reported last year a minor matter of note is that as at 31st March 2026 a small amount of interest has accrued to the Charity's account with HTB. It is recommended as at 31st March 2027 an accrual is made for any earned interest that has not been paid.

6. Responsibilities of the Trustees

As the trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance the requirements of the pertinent Acts.

You are satisfied that your charity is not required by charity law to be audited but is subject to the requirement to have an independent examination.

7. Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination of the financial statements signed and approved by the Trustees on 23rd June 2026, that will be presented at the AGM on 6th July 2026.

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

A. accounting records were not kept as required by the Charities Acts; or
B. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

C. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acts; or
D. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns, and I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: David P Webber

ICAEW Membership number 7771526

Date: 24 June 2026



Appendix 2: Receipts and Payments Accounts

SECTION 2.1: RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS DURING THE PERIOD

East Street Community Centre Centre
Profit And Loss Account
For the year ended 31 March 2026

		2025-2026	2024-2025	Notes
		£	£	
Income	Parties & adhoc hire	2527	1970	
	Regular Hire	26610	23645	
	Grant	1031	2952	1
	Interest	2175	1241	
Total Income		**32343**	**29808**	
Expenses	Administration – Licences, Legal	1036	365	2
	Insurance	332	307	
	Maintenance – General & Cleaning	2524	2598	
	Maintenance – Contractors	1743	2328	
	Maintenance – Major Works		16790	
	Utilities	3551	3775	
	Donation	50	0	3
Total Expenses		**9236**	**26163**	
Net Profit		**23107**	**3646**	

Notes
1 Co-Op Community Fund
2 £771 Legal fees for 25 year lease
3 Luke Radwell Sponsored Walk for Mental Health

L J Baker
23/6/26

20/6/26

SECTION 2.2: STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT THE END OF THE PERIOD

East Street Community Centre Centre
Year End Balance Sheet
As at 31 March 2026

		2026	2025	Notes
		£	£	
Bank	Barclays	2610	5458	
	HTB	73658	47483	
Total at Bank		76268	52941	
Debtors	Prepayments	411	411	1
Total Assets		**76679**	**53352**	
Liabilites	Key deposits	885	665	
Net assets		**75794**	**52687**	
P&L Account	Brought forward	52687	49041	
	Net profit	23107	3646	
Total funds		**75794**	**52687**	
Representing	Restricted Funds	45000	40000	2
	General Funds	30794	12687	3

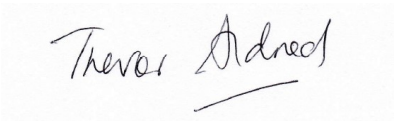
Notes

1 Octopus energy retention
2 unplanned and major Building works e.g. roof
3 refurbish hall floor, exterior wood work

M J Balcar
23/6/26

Reviewed
20/6/26

Signed on behalf of all the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Trevor James Aldred	
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair)	Chair	
Date	30/06/2026	