



ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2023

Charity number 304906

KEDINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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KEDINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CHARITY INFORMATION

Charity name: Kedington Community Association Charity number: 304906

TRUSTEES The trustees during the year were:

Professor Derek Jeffrey Raine MBE

Anthony William Farr

Stephen Brown

Andrew Paul Davis

ADDRESS

Kedington Community Centre Arms Lane Kedington CB9 7QG

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Andrew Conquest, The Lodge, Upper Green, Felsham, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP30 0PL

BANKERS

Lloyds Bank PLC, Warwick

SOLICITORS

Adams Harrison 52a High Street Haverhill Suffolk CB9 8AR

The trustees present their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Charity information set out on page 3 forms part of this report.

The accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis. This represents a continued return to our historical reporting format. The Trustees believe that the receipts and payments basis provides a more transparent and cost-effective account of the Association finances for members.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Kedington Community Association was established by its Constitution and Trust Deed dated 11 July 1968

It is unincorporated and was registered with the Charity Commission on 28 May 1970

Trustees are Elected by Members according to the Constitution

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

(A) To advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life of the inhabitants of Kedington and the neighbourhood.

(B) To establish or to secure the establishment of a Community Centre.

To further its objectives the Trustees of the Association are committed to providing a Community Centre and public open space which is accessible to the whole community. The principal aim of the Association is the upkeep and maintenance of the building and Meadow which surrounds it. Also, to enhance the amenities available, improve the environment and security of the area so that those who use the facilities provided by the Association do so in a safe and secure manner.

ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

For the Association 2023 has continued regular activities and added some new ones. The annual Meadowlark week took place in the week of 5-10 June with record attendance in sweltering heat for the Village Fete on the 10th. The Classic Car show in July and the Bobstock Music and Beer Festival in September were also successful regulars. A Barn Dance in February and a Rounders event in August were new. The KCA continues to produce the quarterly village magazine.

Other regular activities included several Bingo Nights as well as the club and group meetings of the Film Club, Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies. The Ketton Players were also back with the traditional pantomime for Jan 2023.

The weekly café is strongly supported and has again received grant money to expand to a community hub providing subsidised hot meals and a warm environment once a week during the winter months. The café team also provided the traditional volunteers' Christmas lunch.

The Coronation was celebrated with live streaming of the Palace event on Saturday and the big lunch on the Meadow on Sunday. It was satisfying that the Parish Council, Royal British Legion and the KCA came together to plan and execute these events for the Village.

We continue to welcome the Farmers Market to the Centre once a month. The Gentlemen's Breakfast is another monthly innovation which has continued to be well-supported.

The support of *Plug-In Suffolk* for the EV charging points in the car park having ended the Committee have suspended their operation to avoid a significant financial overhead but is in consultation with West Suffolk Council on ways to reinstate the facility.

The KCA is also responsible for the maintenance of the surrounding Great Meadow. We were pleased to support the increase in football teams using the meadow and the Centre facilities. However, the changing rooms are not fit for purpose which restricts their use to junior teams.

In part to address this issue of the development of the Centre to accommodate increased sporting activities and the pressure on the centre facilities the KCA formed a committee for the regeneration of the Centre (RoKCC). We have now been granted planning permission for an extension to the existing changing facilities to create a Sports Pavilion and for a second hall and Visitor Centre.

The accounts show a surplus for the year with income back to pre-Covid levels but expenditure continues to be heavily impacted by rises in utility bills.

The trustees have exercised diligence in ensuring public benefit of activities through their membership of the Committee of the Association.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year total income of £65,590 (2022: £66,244) was received and payments were made of £58,033 (2022: £65,949) resulting in a surplus of £7558 (2022: £295).

The current level of income is sufficient to cover maintenance and running costs of the Centre and enable the charity to deliver its aims and objectives. We expect utility costs, especially heating, to decrease somewhat but the loss of Bostock Beer Festival will potentially reduce income leaving a somewhat similar surplus in 2024. This will be added to our investment fund. The growth of the fund is sufficient to meet expected refurbishment needs (the potential replacement of the wood hall floor and improved thermal insulation) but is not sufficient in itself to fund major developments. The Association will look towards an expansion of fund-raising activities and to grant income, particularly to improve the sports facilities.

RESERVES POLICY The charity's policy is to retain sufficient funds to meet its own expected future obligations for at least six months and for the longer term ability to fund the maintenance and expansion of the Centre. The charity's unrestricted general fund reserves at 31 December 2023 amounted to £24987 (2022: £37,461).

Approved by the trustees on 04/10/2024.....D J Raine – Chairman

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE KEDINGTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Independent Examiner's Report

I have reviewed, without carrying out an audit, the Receipts and Payments Account and Movement of Funds on pages 7 and 8 for the year ended 31st December 2023. The review is therefore limited in scope.

Taking into account this limitation, I confirm that in my opinion, the accounts are in accordance with the books and records and show a true and fair position at 31st December 2023.



Andrew David Conquest

Chartered Accountant (retired)

10th October 2024

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Kedington Community Association: Registered Charity 304906

RECEIPTS	Total funds (£)	Last year (£)
Donations, legacies and grants	2,708	5,120
Fundraising	44,216	42,018
Interest	434	21
Subscriptions (inc transfers)	1,166	1,027
Hall Hire	10,687	11,796
Library Premises Hire	5,727	5,561
Other, Misc	651	701
Gross Income	£65,590	£66,244

PAYMENTS (Unrestricted)

Cost of fundraising events	22,703	24,655
Advertising and Promotional	142	115
Repairs and Maintenance	4,853	7,932
Lighting & Heating	9,898	10,115
Water, Sewerage & Waste	1,915	1,934
Insurance	879	2,207
Telephone, Internet & Postage	488	510
Premises expenses	1,704	4,410
General Administrative expenses	3,790	1,885
Disposables	944	808
Cleaning	5,415	4,668
Licences	985	1,129
Equipment	2,696	4,719
Honoraria	1,100	580
Other Prof. Services	526	282
Uncategorised	-4	
Total Payments (Unrestricted)	58,033	65,949

General Fund surplus for year			7557
Add Brought Forward			37461
Less transfer to Building Fund (designated)			-20031
General Fund Carried Forward			24987
Statement of funds	B/Fwd	Movements	C/Fwd
Restricted Fund	6996	0	6996
Building Fund (designated)	0	20031	20031
General Fund	37461	-12474	24987
Total of Funds	44457	7557	52014

Represented by

Current Accounts	6,101
Deposit Accounts	25,318
Savings Accounts	20,033
Pay pal Account	20
Cash Balances	542
TOTAL	52,014

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Sue Brown Treasurer



Derek Raine Chairman

Dated: 4/10/2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES BASIS OF ACCOUNTING These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, on a receipts and payments basis, in accordance with Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 and following the guidance for accounting for smaller charities issued by the Charity Commissioners.

2. INFORMATION REGARDING TRUSTEES

Honoraria as agreed by the AGM are paid to the following named Trustees in their trustee roles:

Treasurer – Sue Brown (£250)

Secretary – Jenny Jones (£250)

Booking Clerk – Mark Armstrong (£200)

Membership Secretary – Linda Woodward (£200)

Honoraria as agreed by the AGM are paid to the following named Trustees in other roles:

Ketton Review Editor – Derek Raine (£40); Ketton Review Typesetting – Viv Brar (£80)

Other Honoraria: Ketton Review Distribution – George Bellamy (£60); Ketton Review Advertising Manager – Sue Davison (£20);