

YOUTH FOR CHRIST NORTH EAST
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023
CHARITY NUMBER 504262

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Reference and administrative details Year ended 31 July 2023

Charity number

504262

Trustees

Pastor Julian Clarke

Aileen Innes

Resigned 1 September 2022

Pastor Michael Duff

Joel Barwick

Appointed 18 May 2023

Stephen Riley

Appointed 1 September 2022

Registered office and operational address

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YOUTH FOR CHRIST NORTH EAST ANNUAL TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2023

The Executive Committee present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 8 and comply with the charity's constitution and applicable law.

Structure

Youth for Christ North East (YFCNE) is a registered charity (no. 504262) registered on 1 June 1967 and governed by a constitution dated 12 November 2002. The address of the principal office is Youth for Christ North East, West 2 Asama Court, Newcastle Business Park, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE7 YD. The names and addresses of the charity's bankers and auditors are stated on page 1. YFCNE is an affiliate member of British Youth for Christ (BYFC) and must comply with the chartering regulations adopted by BYFC.

Governance and management

The Executive Committee during the year comprised, Pastor Michael Duff, Joel Barwick, Stephen Riley and Pastor Julian Clark.

New Members of the Committee are appointed by unanimous agreement of the current members. Line Managers meet monthly with the Director and the Executive Committee meets bimonthly with the management to review policy, review performance against current goals and consider future plans. Management regarding current projects and activities makes day to day decisions but more strategic decisions relating to new projects and areas of major expenditure are taken to the Executive Committee.

As we move into the next financial year we will see Stephen Riley resign from the board.

The Trustees in carrying out their respective duties have at all times paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on Public Benefit Requirement as laid down out in section 4 of the Charities Act 2006.

Staffing

At the end of the year (31 July 2023)

Centre director (p/t)	Mr Julian Clark
Office manager (p/t)	Mrs Rachael Taylor
Youth leader (p/t)	Mr Jaddai Kambeya
Youth leader (p/t)	Ms Thea Cook
Volunteer (p/t)	Mr Joshua Kevin-Israel

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Aims and objectives

Related Parties

YFCNE exists as part of British Youth for Christ (BYFC) however is totally independent with its own identity and separate strategy and stands financially detached from BYFC and is a registered charity in its own right.

Charitable Aims: Our Mission Statement is

"Taking the Good News relevantly to every young person in the North East of England"

We do this by creating and taking opportunities in the local area to embody the gospel of Jesus Christ, with and on behalf of the local church of our region, in ways that speak to and effectively engage local young people of this generation within the 8-25 age group (with a core focus on ages 11-18). By North East we include County Durham, Wearside and Teesside, but prioritise the area immediately around Tyneside and Northumberland.

To enable us to embrace our mission, the key strategic aims and objectives for the year were as follows:

Growing Leaders
Resourcing Churches
Equipping Schools
Gathering Together

We will continue to embrace these priorities in seeking to be effective in taking good news relevantly to young people whilst also beginning to review what we do and where God is taking us through the lens of Youth for Christ's 4 D's of evangelism: Demonstration, Declaration, Decision, Disciple.

Growing leaders

One of our key objectives is to foster Christian leadership potential within young people from across the region. We continue to develop new initiatives, as well as running our existing programmes to help achieve these goals.

We are currently working with Churches to help them provide strong mentoring and development to inspire the young people they work with to grow in their leadership gifting and potential. We provide training and advice to Church leaders, as well as direct mentoring for Youth workers in how to develop leadership in young people. We are doing this directly through our monthly Youth Leadership Training nights and have engaged over 30 youth workers from 10 different churches.

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Resourcing Churches

We have worked with a number of key ministry partners to help Churches reach and impact their local communities. Once again, we secured funding through Street Games to provide holiday activities to young people across the summer holidays as part of the 'fit and fed' initiative. Sessions involve a variety of activities, helping the young people grow in confidence, and explore new interests. It is a funded provision designed to help families from communities with healthy food and activities. We have worked with young people across the city to deliver this provision.

Working with local Churches across Tyneside and Northumberland we have partnered in providing both sports and activity based groups to engage with young people from local communities.

Our team continue to speak in Church and youth group settings across the region, in multiple Churches from a plethora of different denominations.

Equipping Schools

Over the past 12 months we have been active in 3 schools running our mentoring projects. We have two main schools programmes that we run which are the Xcel Course and Rock Solid.

Xcel is a mentoring course for a hand picked group of students, looking at excelling in character, emotions and lifestyle. We currently run Xcel in 3 schools across the region.

We run eight sessions per week across three schools engaging with approximately 50 students each week.

Gathering Together

To the year ending 31st July 2023, we didn't run any of our Gathering events but will be relaunching these later in 2023. This was a strategic move, creating margin to focus on the restructure of the team and the future of the organisation.


Finance

We have continued to stream line our finances and have seen significant improvement in this area. With schools engagement, a new Church project, and the continued support from many partners with regular donations and Church donors, we have had managed through the year. We are working and monitoring our new budgeting system to help with cash flow moving forward.

General

The organisation has gone through significant change during the past 12 months, with a new Director in place, a full workplace consultation and review of the staffing and project structure. From

SIGNED



Chair of Trustees

DATE

14 August 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Youth for Christ North East

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Youth for Christ North East for the year ended 31 July 2023, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011('the Act'). You consider that the audit requirements of section 144 of the 2011 Act do not apply and that an independent examination is required.


Having satisfied myself that the financial statements are not required to be audited, I report in respect of my examination of the financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable 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 that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- (3) the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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 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.



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Date 14 August 2024

YOUTH FOR CHRIST NORTH EAST

Statement of financial activities
(Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)
Year ended 31 July 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Analysis of Income					
Donations and legacies		40,977	-	40,977	68,071
Charitable activities		35,750	-	35,750	29,227
Total income		76,727	-	76,727	97,298
Analysis of expenditure					
Charitable activities		5,674	1,165	6,839	13,480
Independent examiner's fee		900	-	900	900
Loan interest		-	-	-	406
Office costs		31,439	-	31,439	14,458
Support staff costs	2	46,136	-	46,136	85,397
Total expenditure		84,149	1,165	85,314	114,641
Net income/(expenditure)		(7,422)	(1,165)	(8,587)	(17,343)
Transfers between funds		5,652	(5,652)	-	-
Total funds brought forward		(32,498)	6,817	(25,681)	(8,338)
Total funds carried forward		(34,268)	-	(34,268)	(25,681)

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Balance sheet As at 31 July 2023

	Note	31 July 2023		31 July 2022	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	3		208		313
Current Assets					
Debtors	4		-		989
Cash at bank & in hand		<u>11,185</u>		<u>6,123</u>	
		<u>11,185</u>		<u>7,112</u>	
Creditors: due within one year	5	<u>19,857</u>		<u>7,302</u>	
Net current assets			(8,672)		(190)
Creditors: due after one year	6		(25,804)		(25,804)
Net Assets			<u>(34,268)</u>		<u>(25,681)</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted			(34,268)		(32,498)
Restricted			-		6,817
			<u>(34,268)</u>		<u>(25,681)</u>

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 14 August 2024 and were signed on their behalf by:

Signed:



Chair of Trustees

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2023

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

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

Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future. Trustees have subsequently reduced support costs whilst maintaining income levels to rectify the deficiency in funds. Accordingly, the financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis.

Income

Donations are generally accounted for when received by the Trust, including provision for any gift aid recoverable. Income from functions and projects is recognised as earned. Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Voluntary assistance

Time is expended on the Charity's activities and governance which is donated free of charge. It is impractical to quantify the value of the time given, and accordingly it is neither recorded as donated income nor as an expense in the financial statements.

Taxation

As a registered Charity, the Trust is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax, but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Restricted income

Donations and legacies for specific purposes are credited to restricted funds and expenditure for these purposes is charged to the funds.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 July 2023

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Fixed assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation for motor vehicles is provided at 20% on a straight line basis. All other depreciation is provided at 25% on a straight line basis in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life.

2 Staff costs and Trustees remuneration

	2023 £	2022 £
Salaries	44,428	78,988
Employers national insurance	-	5,219
Employers pension contributions	1,707	1,190
	<u>46,135</u>	<u>85,397</u>

No employee received remuneration in excess of £60,000.

No trustee received any remuneration or re-imbursment of expenses.

3 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment	Motor vehicles	Resource equipment	Office furniture & equipment	Total
Cost					
At 1 August 2022	4,668	-	5,182	5,464	15,314
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 July 2023	<u>4,668</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,182</u>	<u>5,464</u>	<u>15,314</u>
Depreciation					
At 1 August 2022	4,668	-	5,182	5,151	15,001
Charge for year	-	-	-	105	105
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 July 2023	<u>4,668</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,182</u>	<u>5,256</u>	<u>15,106</u>
Net Book Value					
At 31 July 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>208</u>	<u>208</u>
At 31 July 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>313</u>	<u>313</u>

Fixed assets are held for charitable purposes.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 July 2023

4 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	-	989
	<u>-</u>	<u>989</u>

5 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Deferred income	9,584	-
Creditors	80	774
Social security and taxation	8,189	5,611
Accruals	800	800
Other creditors	1,204	117
	<u>19,857</u>	<u>7,302</u>

6 Creditors: Amounts falling due after one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Bank loans	<u>25,804</u>	<u>25,804</u>

Loans are repayable within 10 years.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued) for the year ended 31 July 2023

7 Statement of funds

Restricted funds

	Balance at 31 July 2022	Income	Expended	Balance at 31 July 2023
Street Games	6,817	-	(6,817)	-
	<u>6,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,817)</u>	<u>-</u>
	Balance at 31 July 2021	Income	Expended	Balance at 31 July 2022
Street Games	-	10,476	(3,659)	6,817
	<u>-</u>	<u>10,476</u>	<u>(3,659)</u>	<u>6,817</u>