NORRIS GREEN YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 02012466 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 517823

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

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Norris Green Youth Centre (Limited by Guarantee)

Registered Company Number
02012466 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity Number
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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 accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the '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)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a registered company limited by guarantee incorporated in April 1986 and registered as a charity in July 1986.The governing document is the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association. Every member of the charity undertakes to contribute such amount as required (not exceeding £1) if the charity should be wound up.

Organisational Structure

The trustees, who are also directors, are appointed by the members in accordance with procedures set out in the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The trustees meet regularly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the company. The company managers also attend these meetings but have no voting rights. Provision of services, administration and finance is delegated to the managers and staff. There is shared responsibility for ensuring that the charitable company delivers the services specified, key performance indicators are met and that the staff team continues to develop their skills and working practices in line with good practice.

Risk identification and management

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed and, where appropriate, systems and procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. External risks to funding have led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, service users and visitors to the centre. Standards are monitored both internally and externally to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the charity. The procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they meet the needs of the charity.

Public Benefit

When planning and programming activities for the local residents of Norris Green, the trustees are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

To help and educate persons under the age of 25 years through their leisure-time activities so as to develop their spiritual mental and physical capacities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society and that their conditions of life may be improved. To provide a centre for use for the purposes of a youth centre conducted in conformity with the principles and objects of the Merseyside Youth Association Limited.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Programme Overview

Between April and September 2025, the Centre continued to deliver a wide range of structured, inclusive projects for young people. Music, sports, cooking and arts and crafts remained consistently popular, with additional projects introduced during school holidays to meet increased demand. Attendance remained strong throughout this period, with a noticeable increase during the summer months.

Easter Programme

The Easter programme provided a broad range of activities designed to support creativity, physical health, well-being and social interaction.

Arts and Crafts activities included making and decorating Easter cards, bonnets and baskets, as well as painting plant pots and garden boxes.

Cooking projects focused on baking and decorating Easter cupcakes, muffins and chocolate eggs. Young people used the air fryers to prepare and make a variety of dishes, which included chicken dippers, pizzas, sweet potatoes, potato wedges and tuna pasta bake, supporting healthy eating habits.

Multi-sports sessions were delivered daily and included badminton, table tennis and pool tournaments, football, dodgeball, boxing and team games. Access to the main hall, games room and outdoor facilities allowed young people to remain physically active throughout each session.

Music provision included tuition in guitar, drums and keyboard. To encourage wider participation, harmonicas and ukuleles were introduced for young people less confident with music. The studios were fully utilised throughout the holiday period.

Gardening projects involved planting herbs and flowers in the raised beds and flower boxes. Young people also learned about recycling plastics by creating bird feeders for the garden area.

Throughout Easter, the Centre provided breakfast, lunch, snacks and drinks during every session, with particular support for young people in receipt of Free School Meals. Recipe bags were distributed to families experiencing financial hardship. Attendance remained high, with no issues reported.

April - June '25

Following Easter, engagement remained strong. Jewellery making became particularly popular, with young people creating bracelets, necklaces and earrings. Making plant pots using air-dry clay and Modroc which were then decorated and taken home. These creative sessions provided valuable opportunities for staff to engage young people in discussions around school, home life and mental health, reinforcing the importance of accessing Centre support.

A pizza-making competition encouraged teamwork, creativity and practical life skills. Music studios operated at full capacity, particularly with older members and were used for singing, song writing, instrument practice and peer interaction, contributing to a positive and vibrant atmosphere.

Sports provision was differentiated by age, with football, badminton and table tennis popular among the younger members, while boxing and pool were more competitive and targeted towards the older members. Free hot meals were provided at every session, with surplus food offered to any families who would benefit.

As the weather improved in May, outdoor sports such as football and basketball increased. The older members worked on their new chill-out spaces by decorating and putting their own stamp on the area, allowing them to relax, listen to music and socialise safely.

Discussion-based projects addressing drugs and alcohol were introduced. These sessions raised awareness of risks, consequences and support pathways, with young people engaging openly and positively. A female-led project addressed period poverty, following disclosures from young girls who lacked access to sanitary products. The Centre now provides free sanitary products and spare clothing to support dignity and well-being.

During May half-term, attendance was high. The Centre provided meals, snacks and drinks daily. Food packs were also distributed to families who are experiencing financial difficulty. Excess meals were shared amongst the young people to take home.

In June, a behavioural issue involving a young person was managed through restorative practice. After a short break and reflective conversation, the young person returned, apologised and agreed to access additional support. With the involvement of the mental health worker, underlying issues were addressed and the young person now attends regularly.

Small group projects focusing on self-esteem and personal hygiene were delivered, receiving positive feedback. Hygiene packs containing essential items were distributed. The period poverty initiative continued to be well utilised, with young people accessing products to take home.

July - September '25

July attendance remained steady, with young people preferring outdoor activities during the warmer weather. An outdoor seating area was established to encourage social interaction.

Young people supported gardening tasks and assisted with food preparation, building independence and life skills.

August saw an influx of new members. Arts and crafts activities included painting murals inside and outside the building, tie-dyeing clothing, canvas painting and painting by numbers for our younger members. Young people took pride in improving the Centre's environment and developing a sense of ownership.

Music sessions explored work by local Liverpool bands, while podcast sessions gave young people a platform to discuss their lives, their city and the issues that matter to them. Sports provision remained varied and inclusive, supporting improved fitness and physical health.

Cooking projects focused on preparing local dishes such as Scouse, healthy fish and chips and bubble and squeak. Young people used the slow cookers to make meals including stews, meatballs, lasagne and chicken curry.

Two trips were organised during August: Ninja Warrior (Speke) and Football Golf (Aintree). Ninja Warrior was particularly well received, with young people fully engaging in the 2-hour session and expressing strong interest for future visits.

Free hot meals, snacks and drinks were available at every session and food packs were distributed to families facing financial pressures, particularly during school holidays.

As autumn approached September's cooking sessions focused on soup-making, including minestrone and tomato and red pepper, with plans to introduce additional types of soup including chicken noodle. As always any excess meals were sent home to share with other members of their families.

A vaping awareness project was introduced in response to increased usage among young people, focusing on education and the long-term health impacts.

Bread-making sessions were added to the cooking programme, while sports participation remained consistently high with an outdoor table tennis table donation enhancing engagement.

Music studios continued to have full attendance, with several young people choosing to continue guitar tuition. Arts and crafts included making decorations and masks in preparation for Halloween. Costumes were also made from recycled items around the Centre.

Our mental health worker continued to support young people on an ongoing basis, with clear progress noted. There were no reported incidents during this period and attendance continued to rise.

Former members returned to the Centre, sharing positive post-Centre outcomes including employment and further education, they also expressed interest in volunteering which would help strengthen community links and peer role modelling.

We were delighted to hear that one of our in-house bands secured a performance at The Zanzibar, Liverpool city centre. This marks a significant milestone for the group, boosting confidence and demonstrating the impact of access to our rehearsal and creative space.

April - September '25
Individual Young People

Age Range
8-12 yrs - **48 yp**, 13-15 yrs - **87 yp**, 16-19 yrs - **32 yp** = **Total 167**
Gender
Female - **113**, Male - **54** = **Total 167**
Ethnic Group
Mixed - **2**, White British - **163**, Other - **2** = **Total 167**
Sexual Orientation
Bisexual - **8**, Gay or lesbian - **2**, Hetro - **54**, Other - **2**, Prefer not to say - **101** = **Total 167**
Disability
Deaf/hard of hearing - **1**, Learning - **6**, Physical - **2**, Other - **4**, Prefer not to say - **2** = **Total 15**

April - September '25
Number of attendances at the Centre

Age Range
8-12 yrs - **311**, 13-15 yrs - **994**, 16-19 yrs - **548** = **Total 1,853**
Gender
Female - **745**, Male - **1108** = **Total 1,853**
Ethnic Group
Mixed - **2**, White British - **1804**, Other - **47** = **Total 1,853**
Sexual Orientation
Bisexual - **68**, Gay or lesbian - **25**, Hetro - **1204**, Other - **86**, Prefer not to say - **470** = **Total 1,853**
Disability
Deaf/hard of hearing - **72**, Learning - **52**, Physical - **67**, Other - **63**, Prefer not to say - **25** = **Total 279**

Programme Overview

October - December '25

This quarter has been positive with full engagement. Three of our older members have now progressed into full-time college and employment, demonstrating their successful transition and personal development. In addition we have been giving 2 of our young people more responsibility to help with their integration into volunteering within the Centre.

They are showing increased confidence, responsibility and commitment.

We continue to provide access to our weekly on-site mental health worker, which has proven invaluable for young people experiencing a range of personal and emotional challenges.

Young people are able to access one-to-one support in a safe and confidential environment, with additional sessions arranged when required, if further support is required appropriate referrals will be made to external services. This provision remains a priority and will continue into the New Year to ensure consistent support.

Our music provision has expanded to include weekend sessions, allowing young musicians additional time to develop their skills in guitar, drums and music production. These sessions have been well attended, enabling young people to practise, improve their confidence and prepare for upcoming performances across the city.

Targeted work around knife crime and gang awareness continues to be delivered in small group settings to maximise impact. These sessions encourage open discussion, raise awareness of risks and support young people in making safer choices. This work has already benefited many young people and remains an essential part of our programme.

In the lead-up to Christmas, young people were actively involved in decorating the Centre to make it welcoming and Christmassy. They also worked alongside staff and volunteers decorating boxes for our annual 'Christmas Day in a Box' project. These boxes are filled with fresh food, enough for breakfast and dinner for a family of 4, plus other essentials. They were then distributed to families across the Norris Green area. This initiative was supported by local councillor funding, the referrals ensured support reached those most in need and fostered a strong sense of community involvement among young people.

A small grant enabled us to pilot additional weekend sessions, which has been particularly beneficial for bands and solo artists. This extra provision has strengthened engagement and supported creative development. We also launched a monthly podcast project, giving young people a platform to discuss issues and topics important to them. Initial sessions have been successful and there are plans to expand this to a weekly activity.

Cooking sessions remain one of the most popular activities. These sessions promote the benefits of healthy eating, nutrition, practical skills and safe food preparation. Young people enhanced their baking skills, cooking traditional sponge cakes and bread. This programme supports life skills development and will continue into 2026.

Overall, the year has been very positive. Both new and returning members have benefited from a welcoming, safe and supportive environment where they can build friendships, develop socially and emotionally and participate without pressure. The Centre provides an inclusive space that promotes well-being, encourages the development of new skills, builds resilience and actively supports young people to grow in confidence and self-belief.

Staff have shown strong commitment throughout the year, providing support whenever required. The New Year will focus on developing new projects, increasing youth engagement, setting clear targets and achieving new goals.

October - December '25
Individual Young People

Age Range
8-12 yrs – **18 yp**, 13-15 yrs – **64 yp**, 16-19 yrs – **21 yp** = **Total 103**
Gender
Female - **33**, Male - **70** = **Total 103**
Ethnic Group
Black, Black British, Caribbean or African - **2**, Mixed - **1**, White British - **99**, Other - **1** = **Total 103**
Sexual Orientation
Bisexual - **7**, Gay or lesbian - **3**, Hetro - **42**, Other - **2**, Prefer not to say - **49** = **Total 103**
Disability
Learning - **5**, Other - **6** = **Total 11**

October - December '25
Number of attendances at the Centre

Age Range
8-12 yrs - **174,** 13-15 yrs - **377,** 16-19 yrs - **193** = **Total 744**
Gender
Female - **254,** Male - **490** = **Total 744**
Ethnic Group
Black, Black British, Caribbean or African - **2,** Mixed - **1,** White British - **740,** Other - **1** = **Total 744**
Sexual Orientation
Bisexual - **26,** Gay or lesbian - **29,** Hetro - **461,** Other - **64,** Prefer not to say - **164** = **Total 744**
Disability
Learning - **63,** Other - **80** = **Total 143**

Programme Overview

January - March '26

January was a busy and engaging month, with strong participation from young people across a wide range of activities. Our sports sessions remained particularly popular and we expanded our offer to include boxing, self-defence, badminton and table tennis to provide greater variety and encourage wider participation.

A month-long table tennis competition engaged a significant number of participants, promoting positive peer interaction, teamwork and healthy competition. We will continue to diversify our sports offer to maintain engagement and reach new participants.

Our art and cooking sessions also continued to thrive, with participants exploring new recipes and developing practical life skills, confidence and independence by preparing meals from scratch which included trying popular social media trends, but adapting them to give them healthy options, such as preparing kebab meat using fresh low fat ingredients.

Additionally, we were pleased to receive a donation of new couches from VoyageCare, which has significantly improved the quality and comfort of space. The young people were especially appreciative, as the previous furniture had become worn and unsuitable.

March presented some challenges, including an incident involving a young person displaying abusive behaviour towards staff and peers. This was successfully addressed through a collaborative, early intervention approach involving staff and parents. It was identified that external issues were influencing their behaviour and with appropriate support, the young person has since returned to the centre with noticeably improved conduct.

The music studio has experienced a significant increase in usage, largely due to recent upgrades. Bands are now attending regularly to rehearse and record, including extended access on Saturdays.

Overall, engagement across the Centre remains strong, with young people participating in a variety of projects.

Our weekly mental health support provision continues to deliver invaluable help and assistance, particularly for a core of young women who regularly attend both group and one-to-one sessions.

They have reported that they feel they have improved their emotional wellbeing, increased confidence in expressing themselves and developed stronger peer support networks.

At the start of March, staff began planning a structured, comprehensive Easter programme, offering a diverse range of accessible activities over the two-week period, aimed at maintaining engagement during school holidays.

Throughout the month, we welcomed new members, contributing to increased overall attendance. Our core group remained actively involved. Young people played an active role in improving the outdoor garden space by undertaking tasks such as weeding, reorganising planters and preparing the area for new bark coverage. These activities have supported teamwork, responsibility and a sense of ownership of the environment.

The music studio continues to support regular band practice sessions, maintaining high levels of engagement.

In response to young people's interests, we are also introducing padel as a new activity. Racquets have been ordered for the Easter programme. Young people have been actively involved in planning, including marking out an appropriate court area.

Overall Impact

- **Sustained high engagement** across sports, creative and wellbeing activities
- **Increased confidence and skill development** particularly through music and performance opportunities
- **Improved behaviour and emotional wellbeing** through targeted interventions and mental health support
- **Enhanced environment and resources** contributing to a more inclusive and welcoming space
- **Strong youth voice** with young people actively shaping activities and centre development

The Centre continues to provide a safe, supportive environment where young people can build confidence, develop new skills and improve their overall wellbeing.

January - March '26
Individual Young People

Age Range
8-12 yrs - **33 yp**, 13-15 yrs - **69 yp**,16-19 yrs - **25 yp** = **Total 127**
Gender
Female - **40**, Male - **87** = **Total 127**
Ethnic Group
Black, Black British, Caribbean or African - **1**, White British - **123**, Other - **3** = **Total 127**
Sexual Orientation
Bisexual - **3**, Gay or lesbian - **4**, Hetro - **44**, Other - **2**, Prefer not to say - **74** = **Total 127**
Disability
Learning - **2**, Other - **7** = **Total 9**

January - March '26
Number of attendances at the Centre

Age Range
8-12 yrs - **131,** 13-15 yrs - **362,** 16-19 yrs - **304** = **Total 797**
Gender
Female - **262,** Male - **535** = **Total 797**
Ethnic Group
Black, Black British, Caribbean or African - **15,** White British - **740,** Other - **42** = **Total 797**
Sexual Orientation
Bisexual - **13,** Gay or lesbian - **21,** Hetro - **517,** Other - **50,** Prefer not to say - **196** = **Total 797**
Disability
Learning - **19,** Other - **54** = **Total 73**

Other User Groups
Splice a group that provides weekly youth activities for young people with additional needs.
Career Connect are based within the Centre giving support to school leavers looking for employment and learning opportunities.
Norris Green Community Alliance run an after school club each evening working with the younger age group. This has worked extremely well as it is an easy transition to our youth sessions.

Thank You
Without the continued support of our funders we would not be able to continue to deliver our much needed service. Thank you very much to: Local Councillors, Liverpool City Council, Cobalt, National Lottery, HAF, The Asda Foundation, Youth Empowerment Scheme and various donations from other organisations and individuals. This funding enabled us to help, support and guide our young people, families and the community.

The funding has been invaluable to the Centre as it has given us the opportunity to strengthen the community and address their needs and welfare

A big thank you to all the staff and volunteers who continually strive to make the Centre a safe setting for all young people to develop and grow and also for their hard work and commitment in sustaining the success of the Centre.

FINANCIAL REVIEW
Total income in the year was £152,968 (2025:£137,739) of which £114,731 (2025:£99,971) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions are placed.
Total expenditure in the year was £152,026 (2025: £149,789) leaving a surplus for the year of £942 (2025 deficit: £12,050).

Reserves Policy
The Trustees regularly review the organisation's reserves. The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets, "free reserves", held by the charity should be at a level to cover redundancy costs and allow it to continue its activities for 3 months should no further funding be received. At present the unrestricted funds reach this target level but the trustees still aim to make people aware of the need to help the centre with donations and also build on activities, expand room hire, hold in-house fundraising events, car boot sales and coffee mornings.

Plans for Future Periods
Funding strategies are primarily at the forefront.

Formalise partnerships with local schools, agencies, employers and community organisations to increase referral pathways and opportunities for young people.

Secure additional funding and grants to expand services and improve facilities to generate long-term income.

Develop partnerships with local businesses to create work experience, apprenticeships and volunteering opportunities.

Provide educational visits and guest speakers to increase awareness of the long-term impacts of crime.

NORRIS GREEN YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED (Limited by Guarantee)
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES
For the year ended 31 March 2026

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- 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 company will continue as a going concern;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Board

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Ian Johnson - Chair

Date: 15-7-26

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION TO THE MEMBERS OF NORRIS GREEN YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED (Limited by Guarantee)

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026 set out on pages 14 to 22.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner
The charity's trustees, who are also the directors of the company for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and

b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: S Leonard

Date: 31-7-26

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
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NORRIS GREEN YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED (Limited by Guarantee)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the year ended 31 March 2026

	Note	2026 Unrestricted funds £	2026 Restricted funds £	**2026 Total funds £**	2025 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	3,390	-	**3,390**	3,264
Charitable activities	3	1,500	114,731	**116,231**	100,771
Other trading activities	4	32,967	-	**32,967**	33,379
Investments	5	380	-	**380**	325
Total income		38,237	114,731	**152,968**	137,739
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	6	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	7	50,038	101,988	**152,026**	149,789
Total expenditure	8	50,038	101,988	**152,026**	149,789
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		(11,801)	12,743	**942**	(12,050)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) for the year		(11,801)	12,743	**942**	(12,050)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	14	74,518	36,882	**111,400**	123,450
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		62,717	49,625	**112,342**	111,400

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

NORRIS GREEN YOUTH CENTRE LIMITED (Limited by Guarantee)
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 March 2026 Registration Number: 02012466

	Note	2026 Unrestricted Funds £	2026 Restricted Funds £	**2026 Total Funds £**	2025 Total Funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	2,227	-	**2,227**	2,620
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	1,288	-	**1,288**	1,335
Cash at bank and in hand	12	60,239	49,625	**109,864**	108,407
		61,527	49,625	**111,152**	109,742
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(1,037)	-	**(1,037)**	(962)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		60,490	49,625	**110,115**	108,780
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		62,717	49,625	**112,342**	111,400
FUNDS	14				
Unrestricted funds				**62,717**	74,518
Restricted funds				**49,625**	36,882
TOTAL FUNDS				**112,342**	111,400

For the year ending 31 March 2026 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Ian Johnson ..... 15-7-26 .....
Ian Johnson Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' 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). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

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

Going Concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Income

Incoming recognition

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions
Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions
These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

Fixed assets and depreciation
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Fixtures & Fittings	-	15% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £1,000, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

Financial instruments
The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

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.

Note		2026 Unrestricted	2026 Restricted	**2026 Total**	2025 Total
2	**Donations and legacies**	£	£	**£**	£
	Other donations	3,390	-	**3,390**	3,264
		3,390	-	**3,390**	3,264

		2026 Unrestricted	2026 Restricted	**2026 Total**	2025 Total
3	**Charitable activities**				
	Grants				
	Youth & Play Grant	-	25,580	**25,580**	20,110
	MPAC - Public Health Detached Phase 2	-	11,500	**11,500**	1,682
	Local Neighbourhood Fund	-	6,400	**6,400**	6,998
	HAF - SUMMER	-	12,975	**12,975**	12,999
	HAF - WINTER	-	2,600	**2,600**	3,000
	HAF - EASTER	-	2,476	**2,476**	3,250
	LCC - Sessional Staff	-	14,840	**14,840**	14,382
	LCC - NG Provider	-	-	**-**	6,600
	John Moores Foundation	-	5,000	**5,000**	10,000
	Postcode Lottery	-	-	**-**	20,950
	Awards For All	-	19,960	**19,960**	-
	Youth Empowerment Scheme	-	7,500	**7,500**	-
	Cobalt Housing	-	3,800	**3,800**	-
	Other	1,500	2,100	**3,600**	800
		1,500	114,731	**116,231**	100,771

		2026 Unrestricted	2026 Restricted	**2026 Total**	2025 Total
4	**Other trading activities**	£	£	**£**	£
	Activities Income	240	-	**240**	230
	Room Hire	32,727	-	**32,727**	33,149
		32,967	-	**32,967**	33,379

Note		2026 Unrestricted	2026 Restricted	**2026 Total**	2025 Total
5	**Investments**	£	£	**£**	£
	Bank interest receivable	380	-	**380**	325
		380	-	**380**	325

RESOURCES EXPENDED		2026 Unrestricted	2026 Restricted	**2026 Total**	2025 Total
6	**Raising funds**	£	£	**£**	£
	Other	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-

		2026 Unrestricted	2026 Restricted	**2026 Total**	2025 Total
7	**Charitable activities**	£	£	**£**	£
	Staff salary costs	27,871	60,263	**88,134**	86,831
	Utilities	2,117	12,202	**14,319**	16,747
	Rent & Rates	284	1,096	**1,380**	1,380
	Insurance	5,081	310	**5,391**	6,114
	Telephone & Internet	2,059	-	**2,059**	2,210
	Repairs, Maintenance, Alarms, Equipment	5,551	5,385	**10,936**	12,725
	Training	-	409	**409**	428
	Travel	89	60	**149**	89
	Activities, trips & residentials	1,754	9,936	**11,690**	7,894
	Food purchases	218	10,466	**10,684**	8,138
	Payroll fee	771	-	**771**	708
	Depreciation	393	-	**393**	463
	Subscriptions & licences	860	-	**860**	1,126
	Volunteer expenses	20	120	**140**	20
	Other costs	2,025	1,741	**3,766**	4,021
	Governance	945	-	**945**	895
		50,038	101,988	**152,026**	149,789

Note		Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
8	**Analysis of expenditure**	£	£	£
	Total expenditure in 2026	**119,206**	**32,820**	**152,026**
	Total expenditure in 2025	115,118	34,671	149,789

	Analysed as follows:	**2026**	2025
	Direct Charitable Expenditure	**£**	£
	Staff salary costs	**63,353**	60,840
	Utilities	**14,319**	16,747
	Rent & Rates	**1,380**	1,380
	Insurance	**5,391**	6,114
	Repairs, Maintenance, Alarms	**10,936**	12,725
	Travel	**149**	89
	Payroll fee	**771**	708
	Depreciation	**393**	463
	Activities, trips & residentials	**11,690**	7,894
	Volunteer expenses	**140**	20
	Food purchases	**10,684**	8,138
		119,206	115,118
	Support & Governance Costs		
	Staff salary costs	**24,781**	25,991
	Telephone & Internet	**2,059**	2,210
	Training	**409**	428
	Subscriptions & licences	**860**	1,126
	Other costs	**3,766**	4,021
	Governance	**945**	895
		32,820	34,671

	Fees for examination of the accounts	**2026**	2025
	Included in Governance costs	**£**	£
	Independent examiner's fees	**945**	895

Note		2026	2025
9	**Staff Costs and Employees**	**£**	£
	Wages and salaries	**86,200**	83,487
	Social security costs	**-**	1,514
	Pensions	**1,934**	1,830
		88,134	86,831

No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year.

		2026	2025
	The average number of full time equivalent employees during the year was :	**4**	4
		4	4

		Fixtures & Fittings	**Total**
10	**Fixed Assets**	£	**£**
	Cost		
	At 1 April 2025	63,839	**63,839**
	Disposals	-	**-**
	Additions	-	**-**
	At 31 March 2026	63,839	**63,839**
	Depreciation		
	At 1 April 2025	61,219	**61,219**
	On Disposals	-	**-**
	Charge for year	393	**393**
	At 31 March 2026	61,612	**61,612**
	Net Book Value		
	At 31 March 2026	2,227	**2,227**
	At 31 March 2025	2,620	**2,620**

		2026	2025
11	**Debtors**	**£**	£
	Prepayments	**1,288**	1,335
		1,288	1,335

		2026	2025
12	**Cash at bank and in hand**	**£**	£
	Current account	**87,192**	86,114
	Deposit account	**22,672**	22,293
		109,864	108,407

		2026	2025
13	**Creditors : amounts falling due within one year**	**£**	£
	Trade creditors	**-**	-
	Accruals	**1,037**	962
		1,037	962

Note	14 Movement in Funds	Balance at 31 March 2025	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers between Funds	**Balance at 31 March 2026**
		£	£	£	£	**£**
	Unrestricted Funds					
	General Fund	74,518	38,237	(50,038)	-	**62,717**
	Restricted Funds					
	Youth & Play Grant	-	25,580	(24,052)	-	**1,528**
	Small Restricted Grants	-	2,100	-	-	**2,100**
	HAF - EASTER	2,251	2,476	(2,774)	-	**1,953**
	John Moores Foundation	6,655	5,000	(7,607)	-	**4,048**
	Local Neighbourhood Fund	4,365	6,400	(6,511)	-	**4,254**
	Cobalt Housing	-	3,800	(722)	-	**3,078**
	HAF - SUMMER	-	12,975	(12,975)	-	**-**
	HAF - WINTER	-	2,600	(2,600)	-	**-**
	Youth Empowerment Scheme	-	7,500	(7,500)	-	**-**
	Awards For All	-	19,960	(6,326)	-	**13,634**
	MPAC - Public Health Detached Phase 2	-	11,500	-	-	**11,500**
	LCC - Sessional Staff	10,026	14,840	(17,336)	-	**7,530**
	Postcode Lottery	13,585	-	(13,585)	-	**-**
	Restricted Funds	36,882	114,731	(101,988)	-	**49,625**
	Total Funds	111,400	152,968	(152,026)	-	**112,342**

15 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There was no directors' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025

16 Trustees' Expenses

There was no directors' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2026 nor for the year ended 31 March 2025

17 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2026 (2025: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.