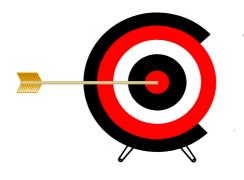
Bourne End (Buckinghamshire) Community Association



Annual Report of the Trustees 2015

BOURNE END (BUCKS) COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Trustees' Annual Report for 2015

Legal and Administrative Information

Charity Trustees

The Community Association is administered by a Council of Managing Trustees, who are all unpaid, comprising of representatives of Association Sections, Affiliated Group members, local statutory authorities and Association members.

As at 31st December 2015 the Managing Trustees were:

Officers: President:

Secretary: Myra Hurley
Treasurer: Trevor Quantrill
Chairman: Jeremy Ilic
Vice-Chairman: David Foster

Other Trustees:

Mr R Savin, Mr D Gibson, Mr D Langford, Mr G Johnson, Mrs J Hyde, Mr P Webb, Mr B Hudson, Mrs F Poulsen, Mr M Appleyard, Mrs S Wagner, Mrs K Acres, Mrs H Garland, Mr G Hyde, Mrs L Hutton, Mrs B Penfold, Mr D Jarman, Mrs C Houchin, Ms S Hammerlindl, Mrs P Semon, Mr C Jackson, Mr J Heard, Mr J Marsh, Mrs H Ilic, Ms H Rathbone, Mrs V Clarke, Mr S Hyde, Mr M Judge, Mr D Fergusson, Mrs S Mansfield, Mrs M Carr, Mrs W Keeble, Ms A Arton, Mrs B Stewart, Mr B Allen, Mr Mr R Crouch, Ms M Truelove, Mr K Tomkins, Mr G Parker, Mrs L Robinson, Mrs L Manning, Mr C Gwilliam, Mrs S Little

The Managing Trustees meet quarterly. Routine matters are delegated to the Executive Committee which meets monthly (except August and December) and consists of the Officers and up to 18 other Council members.

Address

Bourne End Community Centre, Wakeman Road, Bourne End, Bucks SL8 5SX

Independent Examiners

R J Fordham & Co, 9 Wootton Road, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon, RG9 1QD

Bankers

The Co-operative Bank, PO Box 250, Delf House, Southway, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT

Status and Administration

The Association is registered in England and Wales with the Charity Commission (No 300236) and governed by constitution which was last amended on 14th April 2003.

The Association owns The Community Centre Ltd, with the shares issued in the company held in trust for the Association by Mr D Foster and Mr J Ilic. This company operates the trading activities of the Association, chiefly a licensed bar.

The Community Centre

The Association manages Bourne End Community Centre which was opened in 1967. The Centre building and land is leased from Buckinghamshire County Council on a 99 year lease at a peppercorn rent. This property is held in trust by the Official Custodian for Charities.

The Association employs two office staff, one full time and one part-time, and 2 part-time cleaners and depends upon the continuing help of volunteers from all parts of the local community.

The Association's aim has always been to provide first class facilities at affordable prices for voluntary organisations serving the local community. Today our halls and meeting rooms are filled with the sound of music, drama, sport, exercise and historical research – undertaken by groups from pre-school age to 'seniors'. We are also delighted to continue to play host to Headway, the charity helping those who have suffered brain injury.

Charitable Objectives

The objects of the Association are to:

- (a) promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Bourne End & Wooburn and the neighbourhood together defined by Wooburn Parish (hereinafter called "the area of benefit") without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions, by associating together the said inhabitants 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 object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants;
- (b) establish, or secure the establishment of, a Community Centre (hereinafter called "the Centre") and to maintain and manage the same (whether alone or in co-operation with any local authority or other person or body) in furtherance of these objects.
- (c) promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined.

Review of Activities and Achievements

Projects 2015

In 2015 we installed an air conditioning unit in the office. This supplies both an air cooling system and heating.

The cracked paving stones in front of the Centre have been replaced and this has improved the look of the Centre as well as making it safer for our users.

A new water management system was installed in the gents toilet which has made a saving on the water bill.

Maintenance of Garden

The garden in front of the Centre is being kept in good order by Kevin Riddle. Headway is maintaining the raised garden which is by the external entrance to the Eghams Room. We thank both of them for making the Centre front look very colourful.

Activities 2015

There were regular weekly and monthly events throughout the year including table top sales, jazz, dance classes, chess, short mat bowls, Petanque, darts, badminton, scrabble, flower arranging, bingo and crib. Special fund raising events and private hirings for parties, weddings and other celebrations were also held at the Centre. Whether it was a regular club meeting or a special occasion we were very pleased that those involved chose to use the facilities at the Centre.

A children's party was held in January 2015, and this was a great success.

The annual orchestral concert which took place in October celebrated its 30th anniversary before a capacity audience. Conductor John Timewell announced that he would be retiring after the concert and we thank John and his wife Judith, along with the Concert committee, for all their hard work in making the concert such a successful event.

The centreTalks, which were started at the end of 2014, provided a variety of topics. Attendance numbers varied but no financial loss was sustained.

The annual Christmas carol concert had a capacity audience and the choir was ably accompanied by a small brass ensemble.

Sections and Affiliated Groups

The Association has eight Sections and thirty-two Affiliated Groups, which all benefit from a reduced charge for hiring our rooms and halls.

The Sections have had a good year and most made good use of the facilities. The Chess, Darts and Petanque sections took part in local leagues with varying degrees of success. The Short Mat Bowls section has continued to play friendly matches with local clubs. Forum Players staged two very successful productions during 2015 including pantomime, called Cinderella, in January and a theatre supper in the spring.

Centre Bar

The Centre Bar under its steward John Randall and his staff continued to provide a welcoming atmosphere for Association members and visitors. The bar sales were up this year, leading to a contribution to the Association's income of approximately £22,000 compared with £16,000 in 2014.

Managing Trustees

The Community Association is run by the Charity Managing Trustees made up of nominated reps from the Sections, Affiliated Groups, Statutory Authorities and the individual members.

We thank our Trustees who have attended Council meetings during the year. We are grateful for their support.

Target Magazine

Target, the community magazine, continued to be published in its 51st year. It has been very successful in finding local stories. However like all publications that combine advertising and editorial, Target has had some difficulty in encouraging new advertisers due to the increased use of social media. During 2015 Target

recorded a surplus of £3411 (2014 was £3487). Thank you to all who help with producing and delivering Target 6 times a year.

We congratulate the managing editor of Target, Barrie Penfold, on her Lifetime Achievement Award from Wycombe District Council in the autumn of 2015. This award was given for her tireless work for the Bourne End Community Association and Target magazine for almost 35 years.

Changes of personnel 2015

In January 2015 Sally Joseph-Green resigned from her post as a part-time administrator. We appointed Linda Stephenson in her place in February.

During 2015 Michael Moore, our caretaker, reduced his hours to working 3 days a week. We thank him for his hard work and look forward to working with him on this reduced contract in the years to come. We appointed Premier Support Services to provide us with cleaning services for the remaining 4 days and they will also provide us with a continuous service throughout the year and cover when Michael is on leave

Financial Review

2015 saw the Association show a surplus of £26,998 due to the receipt of a legacy of £40,313. Without the legacy there would have been a deficit of £13,315 of which £23570 is depreciation (compared with a deficit of £15,158 in 2014 of which £22695 was depreciation). This is an improvement on 2014 but there is a need to generate more income and continue to exercise control of costs to maintain this improvement in 2016 and onwards.

Cash balances were £109,000 at year end with the majority invested in short term fixed interest accounts.

Reserves Policy

Our existing policy is to hold between six and twelve months annual expenditure as a "real reserve". We define "real reserves" as net current assets; this differs from the General Reserve appearing on our Balance Sheet by excluding capitalised expenditure on the fabric of the building and on fixtures and fittings, which would be effectively worthless should they need to be sold. Our real reserves, boosted by the legacy, represent about 18 months of annual expenditure, if depreciation is not included, at the end of 2015.

Our thanks

Our thanks to everyone who is involved in the Executive committee particularly our chairman, Jeremy Ilic, Vice Chairman, David Foster, Treasurer, Trevor Quantrill, and all the members of the Events, Stage, House, Marketing and Finance sub-committees. Our thanks also to our staff, both full and part time, who provide such excellent support for all who use the Centre.

Future

As can be seen from the Financial Review the Association is presently operating at a loss. While there is no immediate danger of serious financial difficulty – and cash flow has shown an improvement in the past year - the situation cannot be allowed to continue for too long. We are hopeful of continuing improvements in 2016

In 2016 we need to attract new members to boost our revenues and to refresh the band of dedicated volunteers who have borne the brunt of the management for

many years. Willing volunteers are the vital component of any community group and we could not function without them. New younger members offering a range of skills must be found.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF

BOURNE END (BUCKS) COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

We report on the financial statements of the trust for the year ended 31 December 2015, which are set out on pages 2 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year, under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to examine the financial statements (under section 145 of the 2011 Act); to follow procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act) and; to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as 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 financial statements 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 our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and to prepare the financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- ii) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

R J Fordham & Co Ltd Certified Practising Accountants 9 Wootton Road Henley-on-Thames Oxon RG9 1QD

Dated: 18 April 2016

BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 2015

		2015		2014		
	NOTE	£	£		£	£
FIXED ASSETS: Tangible assets	2		116,980			129,064
CURRENT ASSETS: Debtors and prepayments Deposit account Bank current account Cash in hand	3	33,914 98,406 10,515 391 143,226			34,464 57,846 16,617 265 109,192	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year Creditors and accruals Balances held for sections	4 5	9,738 7,288 17,026	*		16,164 5,910 22,074	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			126,200			87,118
			£243,180			£216,182
RESERVES:						
General reserve	6		£243,180			£216,182

Signed on behalf of the Association

J.M. Ilic - Chairman

Dated: 18 April 2016

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

		20	15	201	
	NOTE	£	£	£	£
Income:			58,476		61,224
Room hire			22,000		16,000
The Community Centre Ltd Membership and affiliation fees			2,329		1,890
Target magazine surplus	7		3,411		3,487
Fund raising (net of costs)			4,169		1,277
Donations			1,192		671
Bank interest			595		161 4,129
Solar generated electricity			4,005 40,313		4,129
Legacy		-	136,490	_	88,839
F anditumo			130,430	-	
Expenditure: Employment costs	12		36,415		39,851
Property costs					
Business rates		1,500		1,230	
Repairs & maintenance		12,366		6,804	
Electricity & gas		10,672		13,162 1,218	
Water		1,745 4,189		3,716	
Insurance		10,109		6,616	
Cleaning & waste removal Security		1,225		1,391	
Security		.,	41,806		34,137
Administration costs					
Stationery & computer facilities		2,164		1,558	
Postage & photocopier		1,594		1,254 568	
Telephone & internet access		194 802		1,051	
Sundries			4,754	1,001	4,431
			1,701		ě
Licences & affiliation fees			1,883		1,774
Independent examination			970		1,020
Bad and doubtful debts			94		89 ,
			85,922	-	81,302
Depreciation:		8,358		8,357	
Improvements to leasehold buildings Fixtures & fittings		15,212		14,338	
1 Ixtures a mange			-		
			23,570	-	22,695
			109,492	-	103,997
Excess of Income over Expenditure			£26,998	-	£(15,158)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

	Unrestricted Funds £	2015 Restricted Funds £	Total	2014 Total
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Voluntary Income				
Legacy Individual subscriptions Affiliation fees Donations	40,313 1,279 1,050 1,192 43,834		40,313 1,279 1,050 1,192 43,834	840 1,050 671 2,561
Investment Income				
Solar generated electricity Interest from deposits Commission	4,005 595 4,600		4,005 595 - 4,600	4,129 161 - 4,290
Charitable Activities				
Room hire Target magazine Events	80,476 29,581 6,856 116,913	2,421	80,476 32,002 6,856 119,334	77,224 31,942 3,700 112,866
TOTAL OF INCOMING RESOURCES	£165,347	£2,421	£167,768	£119,717

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

				2015		2014
	NOTE	l	Jnrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
			£	£	£	£
RESOURCES EXPENDED	8					
Voluntary Income Subscriptions			728		728	769
Investment Income						
Solar generated electricity			3,291		3,291	3,291
Charitable Activities						
Room hire Target magazine Events			100,368 27,357 3,779	2,421	100,368 29,778 3,779	94,183 29,864 3,683
			131,504	2,421	133,925	127,730
Governance Costs			2,791		2,791	3,085
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPEN	<u>DED</u>	£	138,314	£2,421	£140,735	£134,875
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NET RESOURCES EXPENDE			27,033	-	27,033	(15,158)
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FO	DRWARD		216,182	-	216,182	231,340
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FO	RWARD		£243,215	£ -	£243,215	£216,182

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis (subject to c and d) below under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015) and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRSSE SORP).

b) Tangible fixed assets

All assets acquired for less than £100 are written off immediately. Otherwise depreciation is provided, after taking into account any grants receivable, at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Equipment, fixtures & fittings 10% - 33.3% straight line Building improvements 2% - 10% straight line

c) Legacies

Legacies are accounted for when received rather than when the Association becomes aware of them.

d) Fund Structure

With the exception of donations to defray the cost of producing "Target" magazine and towards the cost of specific items of expenditure, all income of the Association is deemed part of the General Fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

2.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Leasehold Property	Equipment Fixtures & Fittings	Totals
		£	£	£
	COST: At 1 January 2015 Additions	147,842	143,312 	291,154 11,486
	At 31 December 2015	147,842	154,798	302,640
	DEPRECIATION: At 1 January 2015 Charge for year	71,354 8,358	90,736 15,212	162,090 23,570
	At 31 December 2015	79,712	105,948	185,660
	NET BOOK VALUE: At 31 December 2015 At 31 December 2014	68,130 76,488	<u>48,850</u> <u>52,576</u>	116,980 129,064
3	DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS Trade Debtors		2015 £	2014 £
	The Community Centre Ltd Sections VAT Others		22,000 870 886 7,599	19,200 921 - 11,768
	Prepayments		31,355 2,559 33,914	31,889 2,575 34,464

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

4.	Customer deposits & advertisements in advance Trade creditors Social security & other taxes Sundry creditors and accruals VAT	2015 £ 6,097 204 338 3,099	2014 £ 5,473 447 694 6,065 3,485
		9,738	16,164
5.	BALANCES HELD BY THE ASSOCIATION SECTIONS	2015 £	2014 £
	Angling Chess Darts Forum Players Musical Players Short Mat Bowls Wedmorn Badminton Balances per accounts Lettings included in debtors and prepayments	106 65 26 1,953 3,056 1,921 161 7,288	158 126 26 1,021 3,266 1,137 176 5,910 (921)
	Total funds attributable to sections	6,418	4,989
6.	GENERAL RESERVE - UNRESTRICTED	2015 £	2014 £
	Balance as at 1 January 2015 Deficit for the year	216,182 26,998	231,340 (15,158)
	Balance as at 31 December 2015	243,180	216,182

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

7.	TARGET MAGAZINE SURPLUS		
		2015	2014
		£	£
	Advertisements etc	29,580	30,834
	Editor's remuneration	10,800	10,800
	Printing, scanning etc	17,340	17,265
	Editorial expenses	450	390
	Donations	(2,421)	_(1,108)
	Net costs	26,169	27,347
	Surplus for the year	<u>3,411</u>	3,487
8.	RESOURCES EXPENDED		
		2015	2014
		£	£
	Subscriptions		
	Support costs	<u>728</u>	<u>769</u>
	Investment Income	3,291	<u>3,291</u>
	Production costs	3,291	3,291
	8		
	Room hire	64,515	57,972
	Property costs Support costs	33,970	34,437
	Licences	1,883	1,774
	Licences	100,368	94,183
	Target magazine		
	Production costs	28,592	28,455
	Support costs	1,092	1,320
	Bad and doubtful debts	94	<u>89</u> 29,864
		29,778	
	Events		4
	Staging costs	2,687	2,423
	Support costs	1,092	<u>1,260</u>
		<u>3,779</u>	<u>3,683</u>
	Governance		
	Independent examination	970	1,020
	Support costs	<u>1,821</u>	2,065
		<u>2,791</u>	<u>3,085</u>

Support costs chiefly represent employment costs which have been allocated on the basis of time spent by the Centre Manager.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Apart from the payment of any travel expenses to trustees as disclosed elsewhere the only related party transactions were with The Community Centre Ltd. The company, which operates the trading activities of the Association, has a share capital of £2 which is held in trust for the Association by Messrs J.M. Ilic and D.G. Foster. In 2015 the company had revenue of £130,127 (2014 - £116,700) and made a loss after tax of £1,202 (2014 - loss £465) after paying the Association an agreed Occupation Licence of £22,000 (2014 - £16,000) as shown in the accounts. At 31 December 2015 the company owed the Association £22,000 (2014 - £19,200).

10. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

No trustee received any remuneration during the year 2015 or 2014.

11. TRUSTEE EXPENSES

No trustee received any expenses during the year 2015 or 2014.

12. STAFF COSTS

Gross pay Employer's National Insurance	2015 £ 34,652 1,763	2014 £ 38,150 1,701
	36,415	39,851
Number of full-time equivalent employees	2	2