

Working with young people of Mendip

Chairman's Report 2022

I am very pleased to report that the past year has been a great year for YWAF, particularly regarding fund raising.

For the first time in three years we sent a team to Glastonbury pop festival and I particularly want to thank Jackie Garbett and all the team for raising £4,350 for us.

Our lovely secretary Sue has managed to secure funding from various sources to make this one of our best years ever.

We are also very grateful to Shepton parish church and the Shepton Community bookshop who have made generous donations as well as all other individuals who have been so generous this year.

As Nick our treasurer reports, expenditure has been slightly lower and so this leaves us very well placed looking forward.

As usual the bulk of our help has gone to help homeless young people through the Mendip YMCA with welcome vouchers, activity funds, emergency funds and Christmas vouchers.

We have also provided funding for The Make Shed in Frome, help with transport costs to enable a young person to attend a training placement, and the purchase of a laptop to aid an undergraduate with their studies.

2022 seems to have been a year to re-group, get over the Covid Pandemic and re-fill our coffers.

2023 already feels very different with several requests for financial help in the pipeline and so we are looking forward to providing some really life-changing support to individuals and groups in the Mendip area in the near future.

As usual I would like to thank Sue our secretary, Nick our treasurer and all the trustees for all their efforts and help during 2022. I am also extremely grateful to Carol who comes to all our meetings to give us a report from the YMCA.

I would also like to thank Bethan Crisfield who organises and updates our Facebook page and Ben Shimmin who looks after our website.

Life continues to be very difficult for young people at this time, with a major cost of living crisis, high inflation and a huge national debt to be paid off as a consequence of the Covid pandemic. So the help that YWAF offers can provide hope of a better future to young people who have found themselves in a very vulnerable position usually through no fault of their own. As a charity this will continue to be our goal and I hope that our members and others will continue to support us in this endeavour.

Ann Ralls

YOUTH WITH A FUTURE

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

		Full Year 2	2022	Full Year	2021
Comment	Note	£	%	£	%
INCOME					
Membership Subscriptions		45}		50	
Grants and Donations	1	8,777}	58%	7,932	93%
Gift Aid (tax recovery)		434	3%	0	0%
Fund-Raising - Glasto < No Glastonbury in	n 2021>	4,350	29%	0	0%
Fund-Raising - Other	2	1,452	10%	601	7%
CCLA Deposit Interest		128	1%	1	0%
TOTAL INCOME		15,187	100%	8,585	100%
EXPENDITURE					
Shepton GHH }		0	0%	40	1%
Frome Foyer }		573	11%	1,447	24%
Street Foyer		1,190	23%	1,715	28%
Glastonbury Arthur's House		285	6%	0	0%
Homelessness, YMCA Mendip	3a	2,048	40%	3,202	52%
Other Youth Support and Initiatives	3b	2,831	56%	2,837	46%
Fund-Raising		118	2%	0	0%
Administration		102	2%	118	2%
Other		3,052	60%	2,955	48%
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		5,100	100%	6,157	100%
SURPLUS		£10,087		£2,428	

Funds as at:	31/12/2022	
Unrestricte	d General	£22,342
Restricted		£3,000
		£25,342

Comprising:		
Bank Co-op	- Current	£5,229
Bank CCLA	- Deposit	£20,113
		£25,342

Welcome vouchers (Street 4, Frome 1)	5	275	13%
Activity funds		1,013	49%
Emergency funds		20	1%
Christmas vouchers	37	740	36%
(Street 18, Frome 14, Glasto 5)			
	-	£2,048	100%
3b. Other Youth Support and Initiative Gran	ts:		
Edventure Frome CIC - Make Shed		2,000	71%
SD - training placement (first quarter)		375	13%
EL - laptop for undergraduate studies		456	16%
	_	£2,831	100%

No.

Note 1 - Income - Grants/Dons:	£
Member - AGM (25 April 2022)	141
Individual - Other	1,136
PCC Shepton Mallet	1,000
Shepton Community Bookshop	500
Hasluck Charitable Trust	2,000
Fairfield Charitable Trust	3,000
Annett Charitable Trust	500
Ray Harris Charitable Trust	500
	£8,777

Note 2 - Income - FR Other:	£	
Just Giving	392	
Quiz Night	381	
Every Penny Counts	65	
Amazon Smile	14	
Christmas Appeal	600	
	£1,452	

Prepared by:	Nick May
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Note 3 - Expenditure - Various:

Examined by:	Richard Illidge ACMA
Date:	20/03/2023

Approved by:	YWAF Trustees	
Date:	03/04/2023	



Treasurer's Report 2022

YWAF was constituted and registered as a charity (registration no. 1094485) in the autumn of 2002.

YWAF's 2022 Income and Expenditure Accounts are noted opposite for receiving at the forthcoming AGM, independently examined and approved by the YWAF trustees.

Key numbers for the year ended 31 December 2022 can be summarised as follows: Income - £15,187 Expenditure - £5,100 Net Surplus - £10,087

Cash at bank at 31 December 2022 was £25,342 (2021 - £15,255).

2022 income at £15,187 was 77% higher compared with the prior year. Income was derived from three main sources: membership subscriptions, grants and donations (£9,256); fundraising (£5,802); and bank deposit interest (£128). It was a particularly good year for grants and donations from a number of organisations and individuals. In addition, fundraising was boosted by the welcome return of the Glastonbury Festival. Most grateful thanks to all involved in donating or raising funds for YWAF during the year.

2022 expenditure at £5,100 was 17% lower compared with the prior year. Money given to young people and their supporting organisations in the Mendip area was divided between YMCA Mendip grants (40%) and other youth grants (58%). Administration costs (2%) accounted for the remainder.

Grants for the two primary YMCA Mendip locations – Frome and Street Foyers - were divided between Welcome vouchers for new residents (5 in 2022, 12 in 2021), Activity and Emergency funding, and Christmas vouchers. Funding support for Arthur's House at Glastonbury also commenced during the year. Three other youth grants (11 in 2021) were awarded to two individuals and a CIC organisation in Frome.

The YWAF trustees meet and correspond regularly to consider all funding requests. Updated financial statements are supplied at each committee meeting.

2022 recorded a £10,087 surplus (2021 £2,428 surplus) and has been added to cash reserves. There were total cash reserves of £25,342 at 31 December 2022, with £22,342 classified as unrestricted general and £3,000 as restricted (for moving-in grants aka welcome vouchers). Such reserves are estimated to represent four years' (2021 two and a half years') normal forward expenditure cover. Reserves cover will be variable bearing in mind the future funding requirements of YMCA Mendip and its residents, also the levels of annual fundraising income. Reserve levels increased in 2022 from a combination of higher income and lower expenditure.

Members will be provided with an update of YWAF's latest financial position and charitable activities at the AGM on 26 April.

Nick May



Secretary's Report 2022

2022 was another busy year, but due to a family issue in May, I was out of circulation for a few months and had very little time to do anything, but I was heartened by the response to some of my attempts to write funding letters and applications. I sent 11 speculative letters and two applications which resulted in income totalling £6,000! We received £2,000 from the Hasluck Charitable Trust, £3,000 from the Fairfield Charitable Trust and £500 each from the Annett Charitable Trust and the Ray Harris Charitable Trust.

In January 2022 I organised a pub quiz at The Well Inn – we had 12 teams and great fun, with lots of wonderful raffle prizes. We raised £381. Special thanks to Dave Crisfield for giving his time in all the preparations as quiz master. This is now an annual event, having just had our quiz for this year on 31 January, where we raised a fabulous £500 for YWAF.

I work for Spark Somerset and before Christmas I was filmed about my volunteering work as a trustee and secretary with YWAF – this was for National Trustees Week. As a result of someone at Greatest Hits Radio seeing this, I was interviewed by the radio station about what we do generally for homeless young people in Mendip, and more specifically about our Christmas appeal to purchase £20 Christmas gift cards for young people living in the YMCA Supported Housing Schemes in the district.

Thank you for your ongoing support for YWAF – please do become a member or consider regularly donating to us, or even better, organise a fund-raising event for us!

Sue Crisfield

Charity Information:

Patron: Ms Karen Deverell MBE

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