

Report for AGM of Neuadd Dyfi Management Committee

23February 2022

Below is the AGM report from April 2020 To March 2021 as submitted to the Charity Commission below that is a report for the period between April 2021 and February 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2020 Period start date To 31 March 2021
Period end date

Charity name:
Neuadd Dyfi Management Committee

Charity registration number: 519879

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	"COMMUNITY HALL FOR THE USE OF THE INHABITANTS OF ABERDYFI
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The property hereinafter described (hereinafter called "Trust Property") shall be held on trust for the purpose of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the community of Aberdyfi and neighbouring areas hereinafter called "area of benefit") without distinction of political, religious or other opinions including use for

		meetings, lectures and classes and for other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes all trustees are aware of the Objectives and activities for the public benefit. This is done at management committee meetings

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The hall was run primarily by volunteers. We had no paid or retained members for 2018/2019 except for a part time cleaner
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The Management Committee role is to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a community resource for a broad spectrum of community users • Maintained developed and improved our Assets. <p>For the majority of this financial year the hall was not able to be used by our wide variety of groups.</p> <p>Art sessions for youngsters Art sessions for Adults, singing workshops, keep fit, community lunches and so on could not happen.</p> <p>The Covid 19 Pandemic regulations from Welsh Assembly meant for most of the year the hall was closed. On brief occasions we did have</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blood Donation sessions • Aberdyfi Tots a new group socially distanced mainly mums meeting on just half a dozen occasions • Tai chi and keep fit again only half a dozen occasions

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occasional use of the kitchen for baking sessions Live streaming of just 2 performers <p>That was that booking wise.</p> <p>However we had substantial support from a variety of local individual groups and individuals donating a total of £11k Also, most significantly from Welsh Assembly through Gwynedd County Council we received a total of £23k in business interruption grants.</p> <p>Essential maintenance was undertaken. We embarked on various projects including the installation of Ca6 data network allowing the development of live streaming and other digital capabilities.</p> <p>We also started to put together a scheme to address issues with the roof and insulation.</p> <p>Financially we were in a position to pay off the £20k loan.</p>
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	1) <u>Assets and Liabilities</u> Net Assets £595718the building known as the Neuadd Dyfi Liabilities (£780) <u>Accounting Records</u> Independently examined by Major Evans See accounts
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We hold funds for the future management of the charity.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	As of 31st March 2020 the halls assets were as follows: Bank Balance: £34545 plus debtors of £1988 = £36533minus creditors £780 =£35853
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not appropriate
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not appropriate
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None at this time

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	<p>Our principal source of operational funds was from payments by user groups but mainly this year from donations and grants.</p> <p>Funds for development of the halls assets came from grant giving bodies</p> <p>We use the online Virgin Money Giving system. This allows an easy recovery of gift aid. Plus gift aid is recovered through the HMRC site</p> <p>Accounting Records these are fully maintained and presented for examination by our accountants</p>
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Not appropriate
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	None known
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		None known
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Through a governing document of the charity. We are a charity and the building is vested in the official custodian of Charities
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p>Election at AGM</p> <p>MANAGEMENT</p> <p>The trustees are selected from: -</p> <p>up to six community councillors</p> <p>two county councillors</p> <p>Eight members of user groups</p> <p>Six interested individuals</p> <p>The committee at the first ordinary meeting in each year after the annual general meeting, elect a chairman and may elect a vice-chairman of their meetings. The chairman and vice-chairman remain in office until their respective successors are elected.</p> <p>The Charity, the Trust Property and the trust fund are administered by the Committee.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	None currently in Place
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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	”
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Member of Mantell Gwynedd
Other		None

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Neuadd Dyfi
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	519879
Charity's principal address	For Charity Commission matter Brynteg 1 Aber Villas Argoed rd Aberdyfi LL35 0HR

Names of the charity trustees who managed the charity in 2019/20

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
MR DESMOND BRIAN GEORGE	Chair and Hon Treasurer		
MR DAVID WILLIAMS	Vice Chairman		
Management Committee made up from			
Trevor Lumley	Aberdyfi Players		
John Reynolds	Rotary Club		
Louis Hiatt	Fire Service		
Dave Williams	Community Council 1		
Dewi . Owen	CC2		
Brian Kelly	CC3		
Megan Reynolds	CC4		
James Bradbury Willis	CC5		
Catrin O'Neill	CC6		
D. Owen (as Above)	Gwynedd Council		
Tony Bowron	Individual1		

Sandy Andrews	Individual2		
Jan Rajput	Individual 3		
Desmond George	Individual 4		
Gillian Miranda	Individual5		
Steve Myatt	Individual 6	Stood Down at the AGM	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations Signature(s) Full name(s) Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Date	
	Desmond Brian George
	Chair
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Update Since year end April 2021 to February 2022

The Neuadd Dyfi has been responding to the opportunities and restrictions under the Covid regulations. Some activities have been able to restart whereas others have been waiting for regulations and confidence to allow.

Notable activities and events are such as the following

- Aberdyfi Art Society Summer Exhibition
- Two performances of Café de Paris a socially distanced Cabaret with Wine Cheese and Zafirro duo
- A village family wedding
- Snowdonia National Park 70th Birthday Party.
- Young Farmers Eisteddfod
- Aberdyfi Tots Sessions
- Dance Fit Sessions
- Art Society bimonthly meetings
- Various new initiatives such as the Drop in Centre and Aberdyfi Tots

All required careful understanding and implementation of the changing Covid rules through risk assessment and mitigation measures. We can only assume these worked as no incidents were reported.

One of the big organisations that is missing are the Aberdyfi Players. This is probably one of the hardest to restart due to the large number of participants of all ages working so closely together. We are hopeful that a show will be put on in 2023

In an effort to look to the future and create a responsive community resource, the Neuadd Dyfi supported and initiated the following.

- Developing the Community Needs Survey which looked at the issues in our community. Now complete it is a very useful document.
- Developed the IT infrastructure within the hall by installing a Cat6 network with some financial help from the CAMBRIAN RAILWAY PARTNERSHIP AWARD to help buy Live streaming equipment. This was used with great effect for the Young Farmers Eisteddfod.
- With the objective of developing a more attractive and functional garden area, we have, with the help of grants from village funds and Snowdonia National Park commissioned a blacksmith to fabricate a set of two arched gates illustrating some of the history of Aberdyfi and the Hall. The cost for this is £10K completely covered by grants. These should be installed late spring
- Working to maintain the structure of the building. Electrical installations are being upgraded.

- Our roof is nearing the end of its useful life. The intention is to over clad the roof and increase our Photo Voltaic capability. In December we submitted an expression of interest to Welsh Governments Community Facilities Fund. This was rewarded with an invitation to submit a full application. With advice from architects, quantity surveyors, and structural engineers a plan has been put together. This could cost up to £300k and a grant of £250k has been requested. The outcome of this should be known in April 2022
- Looking to develop one of the findings of the Community Needs survey we are keen to explore further the plan of flattening the floor and installing a retractable seating system. This with a new lobby area on the side of the building would massively enhance our capability.

As of 20th February 2022 we have £10,772 in our current account and £32767 in our deposit account

We have commitments

£5k Gates (£5k deposit paid)

Approx. £3k electrical up grade

Approx. £1k Heating service

This years hire income of Circa £5K is substantially below 2019 figure of £11.5k but with generous donations we are paying our way.

As we come out of the Covid 19 Pandemic the hall finds itself in a reasonable financial position but with a big challenge to re-find confidence and relevance in a Post Covid world