

NEWCOURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022

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### TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

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# REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**Charity Name:** 

**Newcourt Community Association** 

**Working Name:** 

NCA

**Registered Charity Number:** 

1152841

Address:

**Newcourt Community Centre** 

Blakeslee Drive

Exeter EX2 7FN

Bankers:

National Westminster Bank PLC

18 St Thomas Centre

Cowick Street Exeter EX4 3DL

Co-operative Bank PLC

Online banking

**Independent Examiner:** 

Mr M B J Cronin MAAT FCIE

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# Trustees:

The following trustees served during the year and to the date this report was approved:

Gordon Edwards

(Chair)

Lucy Bliss

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Paulene Godfrey

(appointed 6th April 2022)

Helen Harper

Samantha Prestwood

(appointed 6th April 2022)

Gill Westcott

Paul Brady

(resigned 5th July 2022)

Judy Cretney Jonathan Draper (resigned 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2022) (resigned 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022)

Lesley Harvey

(resigned 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2022)

Christina Joyce Emma Kain (resigned 5th July 2022) (resigned 4th May 2022)

Richard Whittaker

(resigned 1st June 2022)

### Officers:

The following officers served during the year and to the date this report was approved:

Karen Silcox –Treasurer and Secretary from 1st November 2021.

- Clerk to the Trustees from January 2022.

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The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the CIO for the year to 31st December 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 8; comply with the CIO's constitution, applicable law, and follow best practice as laid down in the SORP FRS 102.

The reference and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report.

### 1. Structure, Governance and Management

Newcourt Community Association is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) which is governed by an 'associated' model Constitution adopted on 16 June 2013. The charity was registered with the Charity Commission on 12 July 2013 and took over the bank balance as at that date of its predecessor, the unincorporated association 'Newcourt Community Association'.

The NCA is governed by a board comprising a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 12 appointed trustees, of which at least two thirds of the trustees must be residents of Newcourt and voting members of the NCA. New trustees are appointed either through being elected by the members or co-opted by the existing trustees. New trustees appointed by the existing trustees must retire at the next AGM following their appointment, and one third of the trustees appointed by the members must also retire at the AGM. This ensures that there will always be an opportunity for at least four new trustees to be appointed each year at the AGM.

At the end of 2021 the trustee board was changing with a number of trustees indicating their intention to stand down in 2022. In January 2022 Karen Silcox took on a wider role in the organisation taking on management of the community centre on a fixed term contract until December 2022. This role allowed the trustees time to review the situation which ultimately led to a staffing restructure and recruiting of a new Community and Engagement Lead, Lisa Gordon, in August 2022.

In September 2022 the trustees agreed to extend Karen's contract until December 2023 to provide some stability and allow Lisa to settle in.

In the Autumn of 2022 the trustees in conjunction with Karen Silcox began reviewing banking payroll arrangements in order to provide greater resilience within the organisation.

# 2. Objectives, Activities and Public Benefit

The charity's objectives are to:

 benefit the residents of the Newcourt district of Exeter, Devon and its neighbourhood (without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions) by associating together these residents and the relevant local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to improve community life and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare and the local environment with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

In furtherance of these aims, the CIO shall:

- · communicate local information, gather and consider residents' ideas, concerns and opinions.
- · design, manage and promote activities.
- consult and liaise with local authorities and other relevant parties.

The trustees are satisfied that the charity's objectives meet the public benefit purpose of the advancement of community development.

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### 3. Values, Mission and Vision

# Our Values represent who we are and why we do what we do:

- · We are committed to making Newcourt a great place to live a safe, welcoming, positive community.
- We value and encourage the friendships and relationships that are formed through community activities as part of a healthy community life.
- We value being part of the wider communities of Exeter and Devon.
- We believe in transparency and openness in the way that we conduct ourselves and our activities, working together to serve the community.
- We respect and value every member of our community.

### Our Mission represents what we do:

- We connect and communicate with residents through face to face, printed and electronic means.
- We manage and maintain a community centre to provide a range of activities that benefit the community and generate revenue to sustain the facility.
- We aim to unite and actively involve residents to build a sense of community, promoting mutual support and safety.
- · We organise community-building activities whilst supporting groups in their local activities.
- · We facilitate individuals, working groups and initiatives to help address local issues.
- We advocate and campaign on behalf of community needs, acting as the collective voice of residents with local businesses, authorities and developers.
- We reach out to underrepresented areas of the growing community and look to nurture and develop representation from those areas.
- We work to build good relationships with the wider communities of Exeter and Devon, local authorities, developers, and other organisations relevant to the Newcourt community.

## Our Vision represents our long-term Vision of our future:

- · That Newcourt is great place to live.
- To fully engage with and support all residents and understand the needs of the whole community.
- To provide sustainable and up-to-date facilities through a Community Centre that is attractive, accessible, welcoming and appealing to all residents.
- To grow and consolidate Newcourt as a vibrant community, and to encourage initiatives that help residents to flourish.

# 4. Achievements and performance

During the year the main focus has been navigating the crisis of multiple vacancies in the trustee board at the same time as losing the Centre Manager. This was largely complete by August 2022 when the new Community Engagement Lead, Lisa Gordon started work. Lisa has made a great start to her post organising events for families during the October Half Term. Lisa has also taken on producing the Newcourt Newsletter and maintenance of community noticeboards from volunteers who stepped down. The trustees want to record their thanks all the volunteers their time they have given over the years.

The trustees also want to record their thanks to Mik Ratcliffe for the way he stepped up during this time.

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### 5. Financial Review

The charity made a cash deficit in the year of £407 (2021 – cash deficit £827).

Total cash receipts increased by 26.5% compared to the previous year. Rental income showed an increase of 76%.

Total cash payments increased by 25.6% compared to 2021. Maintenance costs showed a significant increase with new cameras and an access control system fitted. Cleaning and catering costs also increased in line with the increased use of the building. Employment costs increased by 14.3% with new employees joining during the year.

Cash balances totalled £84,895 at 31st December 2022 of which £100 was held in restricted funds.

### Reserves

The charity's cash reserves therefore total £84,795 at the year-end. The reserves cover adequately all current and anticipated financial commitments including:

- payroll and other operating costs of the Newcourt Community Centre (NCC),
- general management and administration costs of the charity,
- maintaining regulatory compliance as an employer
  - e.g., employment contracts, policies, health and safety
- maintaining regulatory compliance as a charity (e.g., new data protection legislation),
- provision to protect/maintain significant key installations (e.g., lifts, fire escapes),
- cash buffer for emergencies of £50,000

The trustees continually review their reserves and as the charity grows will ensure any further monies are set aside if necessary, to ensure all financial commitments continue to be met. Equally, as the charity grows, any surpluses will continue to be spent on the charity's objectives including:

- the goals and objectives
- improving the management tools, processes, and systems at the NCC
- improving the facilities and equipment at the NCC
- Supporting local community initiatives across the community allocating up a budget equivalent of up to 25% of our unrestricted reserves.

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# 7. Plans for the Future

The trustees were able to complete their targets for 2022 though his has taken longer than anticipated. Now as we move out of crisis mode the trustees wish to build for the future. A review period will start in February 2023 with the aim of completing a new 5-year plan in by the end of 2023. This is a year later than anticipated but will give the trustees time to evaluate the new staffing roles.

| This report was approved by the trustees on | and signed on their behalf by: |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Gordon Edwards (Chair)                      | Date 7th Ine 2023              |

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF NEWCOURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

I report on the accounts of the charitable incorporated association for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 7 to 9.**Responsibilities and basis of report**As the charity trustees of the CIO, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the CIO are not required to be audited and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 CIO as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

| Mr M Cronin | MAAT FCIEBownill Bookkeeping Serv              | rices |           |  |
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| Signed      | Docusigned by:  Martin Cronin  5F4C2B0438E341F | Date  | 6/19/2023 |  |
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# NEWCOURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

|   | Unrestricted<br>Funds | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | TOTAL FUNDS 2022 | TOTAL<br>FUNDS<br>2021 |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| RECEIPTS                                |                       |                          | £                | £                      |
| Grants Rental Income – Community Centre | 70.040                | 5,850                    | 5,850<br>73,946  | 21,375<br>42,074       |
| Dontal Extras                           | 73,946<br>89          |                          | 89               | 288                    |
| Rental Extras Advert Sales              | 190                   |                          | 190              | 450                    |
| Rental Deposits Held                    | 354                   |                          | 354              | -                      |
| Other Income/Donations                  |                       |                          | 2,146            | 1,064                  |
|   | 2,146                 |                          |                  |                        |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS                          | 76,725                | 5,850                    | 82,575           | 65,251                 |
| PAYMENTS                                |                       |                          |                  |                        |
| Light, Heat & Water                     |                       |                          | 3,084            | 3,215                  |
|   | 3,084                 |                          |                  |                        |
| Employment costs                        |                       | -                        | 34,710           | 30,363                 |
|   | 34,710                |                          | 070              | 000                    |
| Telephone                               | 876                   | 4 500                    | 876              | 969<br>7,800           |
| Rent                                    |                       | 4,500                    | 4,500<br>19,651  | 5,154                  |
| Maintenance (including Health & Safety) | 19,651                |                          | 19,051           | 5,154                  |
| Cleaning and Catering                   | 19,001                | _                        | 5,388            | 1,325                  |
| Cleaning and Catering                   | 5,388                 |                          | 0,000            | 1,020                  |
| Post, Print and Stationery              | 50                    |                          | 50               | 1,219                  |
| Information Technology                  |                       |                          | 2,394            | 2,212                  |
| 3,                                      | 2,394                 |                          |                  |                        |
| Payroll costs                           | 713                   | -                        | 713              | 605                    |
| Training Costs                          | 604                   |                          | 604              | 721                    |
| Insurance                               | 4 000                 | 070                      | 2,736            | 1,988                  |
| F 1 0 DF                                | 1,863                 | 873                      | 4.014            | 3,681                  |
| Events and other RF areas costs         | 4,064                 | 850                      | 4,914            | 3,001                  |
| Bank Charges                            | 54                    |                          | 54               |                        |
| Music Licences                          | 1,358                 |                          | 1,358            | 1,189                  |
| Legal / Independent examination         | 1,009                 |                          | 1,009            | 3,041                  |
| Miscellaneous expenses                  | 392                   |                          | 392              | 1,886                  |
| Repairs, Renewals and Equipment         | 549                   | -                        | 549              | 570                    |
| Rental Deposits refunded                |                       |                          |                  | 30                     |
| Charity Donations                       |                       |                          |                  | 110                    |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS                          | 76,759                | 6,223                    | 82,982           | 66,078                 |
| NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS)                 | (34)                  | (373)                    | (407)            | (827)                  |
| TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS (note 3)        | (473)                 | 473                      | -                | <u> </u>               |
| NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS                   | (507)                 | 100                      | (407)            | (827)                  |
| CASH BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD           | 85,302                |                          | 85,302           | 86,129                 |
| CASH BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD           | 84,795                | 100                      | 84,895           | 85,302                 |
|   |                       |                          |                  |                        |

# NEWCOURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

|                                  | Unrestricted<br>Funds | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | TOTAL FUNDS 2022 £ | TOTAL<br>FUNDS<br>2021 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| CASH FUNDS                       |                       |                          |                    |                        |
| Bank Current accounts            | 84,146                | 100                      | 84,246             | 85,274                 |
| Events Float/Petty Cash          | 50                    | -                        | 50                 | 13                     |
| Soldo Card                       | 599                   |                          | 599                | 15                     |
| TOTAL CASH FUNDS                 | 84,795                | 100                      | 84,895             | 85,302                 |
| OTHER MONETARY ASSETS            |                       |                          |                    |                        |
| Rental Income – Community Centre | 5,000                 | -                        | 5,000              | 4,093                  |
| Deposits held                    | _                     |                          | -                  | 250                    |
| Undeposited Funds                |                       |                          |                    | 146                    |
| TOTAL OTHER MONETARY ASSETS      | 5,000                 | •                        | 5,000              | 4,489                  |
| LIABILITIES                      |                       |                          |                    |                        |
| Light and Heat & Water           | 337                   |                          | 337                | 302                    |
| Employment costs                 | 803                   |                          | 803                | 61                     |
| Deposits Held                    | 354                   | 1000                     | 354                | -                      |
| Telephone                        | 68                    | -                        | 68                 | -                      |
| Legal/Independent Examination    | 964                   | -                        | 964                | 1,000                  |
| Events and other RF Costs        | 631                   | •                        | 631                | -                      |
| Information Technology           | 7                     | -                        | 7                  | -                      |
| Deposits held                    |                       |                          |                    | 250                    |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES                | 3,164                 | -                        | 3,164              | 1,613                  |

# **ASSETS RETAINED FOR OWN USE**

The charity holds various fixtures, fittings and furniture, IT office and garden equipment. These have an approximate value of £11,133 at the year-end.

The charity holds a 30-year lease on Newcourt Community Centre from Exeter City Council. A grant of £5,000 was granted to the charity by Exeter City Council to cover the part of £5,373 rent and insurance payable. The charity was also entitled to full rates relief.

GB Elwas Date 7th Ine 2023

These accounts were approved by the trustees on......and signed on their behalf by:

Gordon Edwards (Chair)

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES** 1.

**Accounting Convention** 

The financial statements are prepared under the receipts and payments basis and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and follow best accounting practice as laid out in the SORP FRS 102.

### TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES 2.

No remuneration, directly or indirectly, out of the funds of the charity was paid or is payable for the year to any of the trustees, or to any other person or persons known to be connected to any of them.

The charity's insurance included trustee indemnity insurance.

No reimbursement of expenses in respect of services provided has been made or is due to be made to any of the trustees.

There were no related party transactions during the year.

### RESTRICTED FUNDS/TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS 3.

|                     |             |          |          | Transfers    |                  |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|----------|--------------|------------------|
|                     | Fund        |          |          | From         | Fund<br>Balances |
|                     | Balances    | Receipts | Payments | Unrestricted | C/Forward        |
|                     | B/Forward £ | £        | £        | Funds £      | £                |
| ECC - Rent grant    |             | 5,000    | (5,373)  | 373          | •                |
| Warm Rooms Grant    |             | 100      |          |              | 100              |
| Creative Youth Café |             | 750      | (850)    | 100          |                  |
|                     |             |          |          |              |                  |
| Total Funds         |             | 5,850    | (6,223)  | 473          | 100              |
|                     |             |          |          |              |                  |

**Exeter City Council** 

A £5,000 grant was also given by Exeter City Council in lieu of part of the rent and insurance payable (£5,373).

### Warm Rooms Grant

A local grant of £100 was given to support the local council initiative to create warm spaces for those struggling to heat their homes. The monies were carried forward to be spent in the current year.

# Creative Youth Café

A grant was given of £750 from the Northcott Theatre to support four arts café sessions run at the centre. Costs exceeded the grant given and £100 was therefore transferred from the unrestricted funds.

# 4. OUTSTANDING GUARANTEES

The trustees confirm, in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012, that at the year- end the CIO did not have any outstanding guarantees to third parties nor any debts secured on assets of the CIO.