



Maindee Festival Association (Charity No 1137611) 2015/16 Annual Report and Accounts

Woodland Park Dingle Restoration

Over the last few years we have been working with a group of local volunteers to restore a wooded dingle in Newport's Woodland Park in partnership with "The Woodlanders", the local park support group we helped to establish as part of the overall project.

The project outcomes include better access, a new community orchard, tree, bulb and wild flower plantings, pruned trees, extracted timber and invasive species, collected rubbish, two carved sculptures, a new notice board and, most importantly, the active involvement of local residents and park users. During 2015/16 we finished the formal restoration project and have now handed over the longer-term stewardship to the Woodlanders. We are particularly grateful to all the volunteers who have helped make this happen and to the Veolia Environmental Trust for their generous financial support for this project.

2015 Maindee Festival – "Right Up Your Street"

The 2015 festival was held in late May during the summer half term. This change from our usual early-July date was to avoid Ramadan and to coincide with Newport City Council's Big Splash event, with which we partnered up. This one-off relationship brought a lot of mutual benefits to both events. A large flaming crucible joining our parade was particularly noteworthy.

Raising the cash to put on the festival each year is always a challenge. In 2015 we were fortunate to retain our funding from Newport City Council Arts Development and the Arts Council of Wales and to obtain further funds from the Millennium Stadium Trust, Charter Housing Association, the PHS Group, Communities First and the Newport Community Endowment Fund. We also raised money through sponsorship and festival trading. We are grateful to all our funders for their excellent support.

Maindee Unlimited / Finding Maindee

In 2014 we helped to form Maindee Unlimited, a new community-led regeneration charity for the Maindee area of East Newport. Whilst Maindee Unlimited was being set up, MFA successfully attracted funds for "Finding Maindee", an arts-led placemaking project for Maindee, from The Arts Council of Wales, the Garfield Weston Foundation and the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation. MFA Trustees decided that, as the Finding Maindee project would require extensive governance, it would be better to vest the project with Maindee Unlimited, which registered as incorporated charity in February 2015. We are pleased to have been instrumental in securing this funding for Maindee and look forward to working as a partner of Maindee Unlimited in the years to come.

Renew Wales

In 2015 we got involved with Renew Wales as a host organisation for a Renew Wales community practitioner. This valuable local work helps tackle the causes and impacts of climate change through advice, training, mentoring and technical support.

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Notes on Accounts:

The annual accounts cover the financial year from 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016.

Income and expenditure figures are shown by project.

“*Restricted*” income must be spent on the specified items for which it has been earned. This is typically project income from successful grant applications.

“*Unrestricted*” income is money that can be spent on anything that supports MFA’s objects.

“*Bank reconciliation*” ensures that the accounts and bank statements are aligned.

“*Accrued expenses*” are those made during year that appear in following year’s bank statements.

Income		Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
2014 Festival	Charter Housing Association	500	0	500
2015 Festival	Millennium Stadium Trust	1934	0	1934
	Big Splash Partnership Funds	5000	0	5000
	Charter Housing Association	500	0	500
	Trader and earned income	0	4073	4073
	PHS Group	250	0	250
	Community Endowment Fund	1000	0	1000
	Communities First	2000	0	2000
2016 Festival	Fairness Commission	1000	0	1000
Ideas People & Places¹	Arts Council of Wales	5083	0	5083
	Garfield Weston Foundation	20000	0	20000
Front Gardens Scheme	Peoples’ Health Trust	500	0	500
Donations	Jean Smith	0	500	500
Renew Wales Lead Body	Renew Wales	2750	0	2750
Woodland Park Dingle	Veolia Environmental Trust	23695	0	23695
Total		64212	4573	68785

¹ IPP grants paid to MFA (the original applicant) then paid onto Maindee Unlimited (the delivery organisation)

Expenditure

£

Capital item	Candy Floss Machine	1218
2015 Festival	Administration, room hire, licensing, PRS	2670
	Publicity	1817
	Street Parade	5327
	Site Infrastructure	5982
	Site artists and performers	1975
	Storage rental	4000
Stock	Festival café and bar stock	738
Finding Maindee	Garfield Weston Foundation grant	20000
	Arts Council of Wales	10083
Woodland Park Dingle	Final year expenditure	8875
Renew Wales	Co-ordinator Fees	2200

Total Expenditure:

64885

Bank Reconciliation

Opening Bank Balance	845
Add Income	68785
Subtotal	69629
Subtract Expenditure	64885
Subtotal	4744
Accrued expenses:	0
Closing Bank Balance:	4744

These accounts are a true and accurate record

Sarah Rehman, Maindee Festival Association Treasurer

Independent Examiner's Report

To the trustees / members of Maindee Festival Association

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2014.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act),
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 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 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 the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 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

Gail Medcraft (FCCA)