



# ANNUAL REPORT

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*Hive Huddersfield CIC*

*46 John William Street, Huddersfield, HD1 1ER*



*1st Year 2021 - 2022*

# OUR JOURNEY

Our first year presented a number of challenges; from securing suitable premises to renovating the space on a very small budget to create a vibrant, inviting community hub and cafe.

A huge effort was required to ensure this happened, with amazing support from the Board, volunteers, tradespeople, organisations and general goodwill.

Hive secured its first round of funding in August 2021 to deliver a program of support for the KYA School's Out Program - we used alternative premises to deliver 1500 packed lunches for young people accessing school holiday provision, as well as supporting a number of SEN young adults with healthy eating and cookery skills.

Hive Café opened in November 2021, with an immediate impact in securing partnership working with a number of organisations whilst also creating a safe space. Hive is used by many people looking for additional support, a quiet space for reflection or to help support those who may be isolated, feeling lonely or in need of a chat.

Hive Youth launched in December 2021, a self funded supportive social group, dedicated to creating a safe space for teens aged 13-17 who identify from the LGBTQ+ community.

Key projects delivered in its first 6 months has been to support 13 individuals, deliver a photography project regarding 'Identity' with a small fund secured from Kirklees Council and taking part in Huddersfield's Pride event organised by Kirklees Council for the first time.

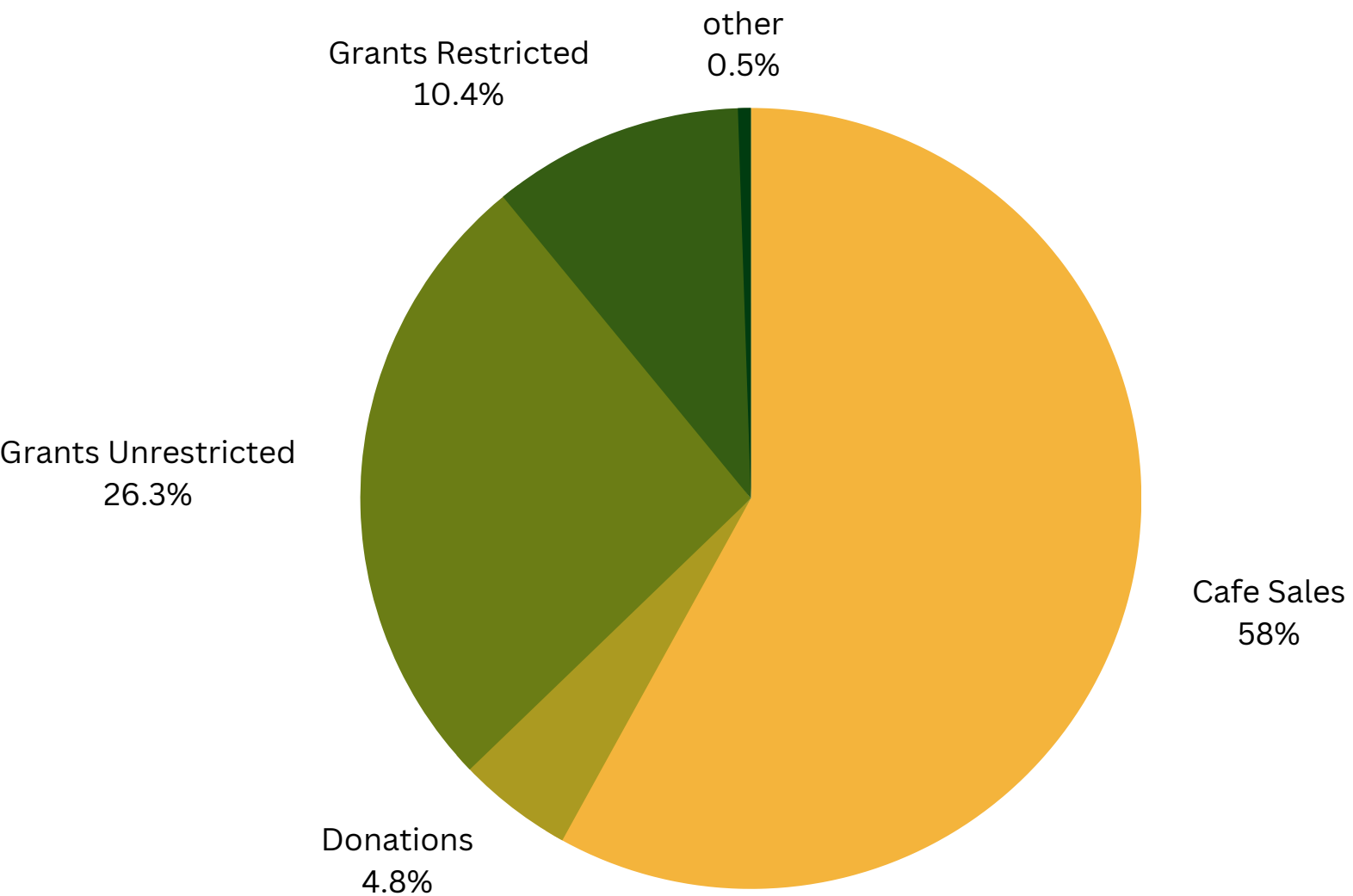
Hive Youth is supported by one part-time staff member and two volunteers.

In January 2022 the employability skills training began, which has successfully supported 12 individuals since its inception and continues into the second year, with referrals received from Real Employment, Kirklees College, Folly Hall IAPT and Hive accepts self referrals.

The collaboration continued into the Spring with Hive supporting a number of key groups - such as Community Plus, S2R, Serendipity Creative Writing, Give a Few Words and The Womens' Centre, with many more projects continuing into Year 2.

*1st year 2021-2022*

# NUMBERS & STATISTICS



## Our Income Analysis

*1st year 2021-2022*

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### 168 HRS

*No of Group Support  
Hours Jan - June 2022*

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### 11

*Groups Accessing our  
Safespace*

## PROJECTS

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- *Hive Youth LGBTQ+*
- *Hive Social LGBTQ+ Adults*
- *Well-bee-ing Peer Support*
- *SEN Employability Skills Training*

### 700 HRS

*No of Trainee Hours  
Jan - June 2022*

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### 3.25 FTE

*Staff Members*

## KEY GRANTS

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- *National Lottery - Awards For All*
- *Kirklees Youth Alliance*
- *TSL Kirklees*

*1st Year 2021 - 2022*

# TESTIMONIALS

"I actually don't know what I did with my life before coming to HIVE, it makes me so happy and I always feel so welcomed, warm, happy and safe. As so do everyone I introduce to HIVE - oh and the food and drink is just so scrummy"

Ellie supports Hive Youth as a volunteer and is a student studying for her MSc in Mental Health Nursing at the University of Huddersfield.



"I have finally found somewhere where I can be myself and that I belong.

I am constantly smiling and laughing every Tuesday, and I am learning so much alongside my HIVE family. I feel like I have friends for life"

Heather joined us in February 2022 as an employability skills trainee and is now a valued volunteer.



On walking into Hive, I was warmly greeted and made very welcome by Gabby. I sat down with a lovely flat white, my tippie of choice, and soaked up the lovely calm, friendly atmosphere.

I read a notice about the Hive Youth Group and decided to enquire about supporting them".....

Philippa soon became a valued volunteer supporting both Hive Youth and Hive Social groups, using her wealth of experience and past youth volunteering skills to good use.

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# OUR THANKS

Hive would not exist without the incredible support of our Board of Directors, Susanna, Howard, Bob and Alex who all help Gabrielle navigate the projects and maintain high standards of service and delivery within the cafe and community hub.

There are many individuals, organisations and community partners who have had the belief in what Hive was setting out to achieve in the early days, some of whom have become friends of Hive and continue to support us daily.

Thank you to every customer who walks in the door for their coffee of choice, a chat or just a safe space to sit a while and know that they are able to take five minutes from their schedules to relax.

## *PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM FOUNDER, GABRIELLE*

*"Thank you to every person who has helped to make this dream a reality, for the unwavering support of family, friends and colleagues across the voluntary sector of Kirklees, it is humbling to see the impact we have every day in Hive".*