

Chief Executive Overview – September 2025

And here we are again another year older and hopefully wiser. This year was memorable as it was our 10-year anniversary since opening the doors and we hosted an event which was visited by approximately 400 local residents. We had lots of fun activities, family games, bouncy castle and a brilliant Tombola. The event raised £548 for the cause. We tagged on my 65th anniversary though don't be fooled by numbers I won't be retiring.

We were also invited to speak at the local Rotary group telling them the story of how we came to be. This resulted in them donating £500 and purchasing 2 multi seating benches for our community gardens worth another £600.

St James foundation donated another £3,500 to be used as match funding for our young people's activities and a new company AEB donated £1300 also to match against children's activities.

Greater Manchester Combined Authority / Workers Education Association invited us to a closed bidding round to repeat the work we completed earlier in the year. We were happy to oblige and have already run 2 new programmes one in partnership with ELR helping their staff secure permanent jobs and one women only project which was great. This secured another £19,600 to the organization and the project will finish January 2026.

Our Alternative Provision has gone from strength and so we have recruited 2 new PT staff through our safer recruitment practice. One has years of experience working in special schools, probation and more recently in a SMEH school. The other qualified British Horse Society teacher and now undertaking her Teaching Assistant level 2. The additional staff have provided a new diversity that helps us to meet our student's needs. This September we start our academic year almost full to capacity, as always we plan to stay small and beautifully formed and we do not want more than 5 young people in on any 1 day as this brings 5 staff also.

At the time of writing we have just received news that we were successful in securing £17,000 from TNLCF this will help us to repair the worn away boardwalk and make the community gardens a destination visit for the local community.

The community needs our services more than ever as the figures on poor mental health are at an all-time high and young women struggling to recover from the isolation and being victims of social media bullying. Young people not entering work or further training is at an all-time high, possibly as an impact result from the pandemic.

We have done lots of work on our website this year www.theenterprisecentre.co.uk hope you the reader enjoys the new look, please send us your comments via the portal hello@

The social impact of our work continues to grow incrementally and we look forward to another positive year ahead.



A M Hornsby Founder / Director 27.8.25

Background

The Enterprise Centre (TEC) is a not-for-profit company, Limited by guarantee Registered in June 2008 in England company number 6613465
Registered as a Charity April 2012 number 1146938

Trustees are as follows:

- Mr David Wright – A local business man, Director and Treasurer
- Dr Allan Lawrence – International consultant, Co-Founder and Director and Chair (Sadly deceased)
- Ms Alison Hornsby - Founder Equine specialist and QTS
- Ms Tracey Harrison representative from NHS Social Prescribing team

Directors of the Company Limited by Guarantee 6613465 include:

Mr David Wright
Mrs Dannielle Bromley
Ms Alison Hornsby

At a glance 2024-5

CPD of staff: Safeguarding diploma level 3 , All staff safeguarding trained , 2 staff level 3 prevent, all staff prevent awareness.

All policies have been updated and amended and are now transparent on the web site
The SCR has been amended in line with new DFE advice

This year we have already delivered 128 places for The Holiday Activity programme with a possible extra 32 for Christmas

We have had 15 young people with SEND, SEMH or other neurodivergent disorders through our Alternative Provision

We have provided 45 places for girls 11-16 to attend our running wild with horses programme funded by Sports England

We have 30 mixed places on a Sunday morning which has been financed by donations from AEB and St James Foundation.

We have worked with 32 adults who attended a 10 week Focused future training funded by GMCA / WEA , comments from that include “life changing” “so worth the effort” and “I will never be able to thanks you enough”

Next Year's Focus

We continue as activists in the climate change programme seeking funds to inform and educate the community in better practices.

Secret garden continues to provide a Free resource to local schools wishing to use it.

We are expanding our provision of Equine Assisted Therapy

The boardwalk and community gardens will be completed

We will host 2 large events to promote the charity, celebrate ours and student's successes and where appropriate raise funds

We plan to extend the women's network to provide a safe and encouraging space for women of all ages to meet 4 sessions per month

We now open the friendship café as an honesty café all week 9.30-2pm. Whilst it does not make money it does provide a service to local walkers and the local nursery uses it often when they pass with the children in Buggies. We continue our breakfast Sunday café which is manned by volunteers

We continue to research sustainable water use; we already have 7 ICB's on site with the capacity for more. We will look into filter systems so that this rain harvested water can be used on toilets and washing facilities as well as with the gardens and animals.

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The Charitable Objects of the company are:

- A) *The relief of poverty in such ways as might be thought fit;*
- B) *The relief of unemployment in such ways as may be thought fit;*
- C) *The advancement of education, training or retraining, particularly among young people , unemployed people, and providing unemployed people with work experience;*
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- D) *The relief if those in need in particular by the provision of financial assistance, technical assistance, or business advice or the provision of consultancy in order to provide training and employment opportunities for unemployed people in cases of financial or other charitable need through help: -*
- *(i) In setting up their own business, or*
 - *(ii) To existing businesses.*

The Values of The Enterprise Centre

We aim to promote: Social justice for all. To achieve this, we will demonstrate:

- Commitment
- Dedicated
- Authenticity
- Fairness
- Creativity
- Innovation
- Passion
- Partnership
- Professionalism
- Caring

The Mission

To be known and recognised across the borough as world class leaders in social learning, for young people and NEETS in transferable enterprise skills, self-actualization and confidence. We will develop future entrepreneurs and build a culture of Stepping up to success through action learning using Nature and a range of animal therapies as a core element of our work.