Selby CoderDojo

Trustees Annual Report
2023 - 2024

This annual report covers the period 16th March 2023 to 31st March 2024, this is the first year of the charity's operation. This report is written following the guidance from the Charity Commission for England and Wales, and in line with Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (the FRSSE)

1. Objectives & Activities

a. The purposes (and activities) of Selby CoderDojo, as laid out in our constitution are:

    i. The objects of the CIO are to advance in life and help children and young people aged 7-17 through:

    ii. Providing a volunteer led coding club that provides informal opportunities for engagement and interest in exploring coding, digital making and Stem topics and projects designed to improve their conditions of life;

    iii. Providing opportunities to develop key skills in communication, collaboration and problem solving to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.'

b. The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The trustees consider that Selby CoderDojo meets the public benefit criteria of the advancement of education.

2. Achievements and Performance

a. Selby CoderDojo ran its first ever session on 30th April 2023, and since then we've run 11 more monthly coding sessions which have been hugely successful with all sessions being fully, or almost fully booked!

b. We have a good mix of young people who attend almost every session, and some who attend a small number of sessions. We know that we've reached 67 individual young people in this period.

c. Young people at the Dojo have developed their coding, and interpersonal skills. We've helped young people develop their knowledge and problem solving, and we've helped some make the difficult step from 'block based' to a typed programming language.

d. We've seen young people work hard and come up with innovative solutions to produce games, animations, and physical computing projects.

e. Our activities have covered a number of technologies including Scratch, Micro:Bit / Make Code, Python & Raspberry Pi Pico and web development. We've been keen to push young people towards physical computing as these activities tend to be more engaging.

f. Lots of young people come to the Dojo having already learned Scratch or other programming at school or home. At the Dojo we've created a space for them to further develop their knowledge.

g. Many young people come to the Dojo having never coded before and not knowing what to expect, but leave having gained new skills and experiences which they build on at home or in future Dojo sessions.

h. Over this year we've developed how we create or source projects themes and ideas, with a varied mix of projects created by our volunteers, using those provided by the Raspberry Pi and Micro:Bit foundations, and using public AI tools to generate projects.

i. We have encouraged young people to take part in organised activities. Coolest Projects had no take up, but Astro Pi saw 6 teams get their python code run on the International Space Station!

j. We've recruited a team of 5 volunteers and trustees who provide invaluable support to the operation of the Dojo, and we couldn't function without them!

k. We have been successful in securing external funding, securing the future of the Dojo up to February 2025, more information can be found in section 3.

l. We have received hardware donations from members of the public through our website, and organisations including Micro:Bit / Raspberry Pi, Innserve Ltd and IT Reuse.

m. Feedback from young people, parents and their guardians is consistently positive, and people are appreciative of the efforts of our team and the activities we run.

n. In the future, we hope to reach even more young people who experience disadvantage, and we've identified ways to sensitively but proactively market to these groups, but due to our popularity, we will need to find larger premises and more volunteers to create even more spaces.

3. Financial Review

a. Selby CoderDojo has committed to the CoderDojo Foundations principle of never charging for activities, to ensure that cost is not a barrier to anyone taking part.

b. Therefore, grants and external funding are the primary way we provide Dojo activities.

c. Funding in this period was derived from 4 key sources:

   i. A loan from S & J McAtominey - In order to first establish the Dojo, some upfront investment was required. This covered hardware to refresh and update donated laptops, some administrative costs and physical computing components. This was provided by S & J McAtominey and is recorded in the accounts as a loan totalling £450.97 (of which £73.87 are expenses yet to be repaid). There is no fixed repayment date on this loan, it is considered a long term loan which can be repaid in part, or in full, at such a time the charity has sufficient unrestricted funds.

   ii. A grant from Northern Rail - We were successful in obtaining a grant from the Northern Rail Customer and Community Improvement Fund. This grant covered a range of costs over a 6 month window, including physical computing hardware, marketing costs, safety equipment, gifts for our Christmas event, rent, hardware and other general administration costs.

   iii. A grant from North Yorkshire Council Locality Fund - Funding was secured through engaging with the local councillor to the Dojo venue. This grant covers February 2024 - February 2025. In this reporting period, the grant was used primarily for our birthday celebrations. The majority of this grant will be spent on our core running costs in the next financial year.

   iv. A grant from Boobear Ltd - We were kindly donated £250 from Boobear ltd, a company run by one of our Dojo mentors. The grant is equivalent to 12 months rental costs, but is not restricted to rent alone. This funding is in effect held in reserve should future grant funding not be available.

d. Spending in this period was as expected for a charity in its first year of operation, with capital expenditure such as safety equipment, hardware and physical making components, marketing, as well as revenue costs such as rent and other administrative costs, and events like the Dojo birthday and Christmas.

e. At the end of this period the charity is in a very healthy financial position. External funding is secured to February 2025, with a good pipeline of additional funding yet to be applied for. We also have unrestricted funds in place if required, which would sustain us through to at least March 2026.

4. Structure, Governance and Management

a. Selby CoderDojo's governing document is a constitution which is available on our website

b. Selby CoderDojo is a Foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation

c. Selby CoderDojo is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales with charity number 1206930

d. Trustees:

   i. Selby CoderDojo has a minimum of 3 unrelated trustees.

   ii. There is no requirement for the trustees to be re-selected each year.

   iii. New trustees will be recruited as existing trustees indicate they wish to step down.

   iv. Additional trustees may be recruited at any point as needed to advance the work of the charity.

   v. When new trustees are recruited, guidance on good governance published by the Charity Commission, and an induction into the background and operation of Selby CoderDojo will be provided.

 e. Selby CoderDojo is affiliated with (but separate to) the CoderDojo Foundation.

   i. We consider ourselves to be part of the 'CoderDojo network' of non-formal coding clubs.

   ii. The CoderDojo Foundation is part of the Raspberry Pi Foundation

   iii. We make use of resources, activities and challenges from the CoderDojo and Raspberry Pi Foundation

5. Reference and Administrative details

 a. Charity name: Selby CoderDojo

 b. Charity number: 1206930

 c. Charities principle address: C/O Garden Cottage, York Road, Cliffe, Selby, YO8 6NU

 d. Charities website: www.selbycoderdojo.org.uk

 e. Charities email address: info@selbycoderdojo.org.uk

 f. Charity Trustees:

   i. John McAtominey (Dojo Champion & Chair of Trustees)

   ii. Geoff Kirk

   iii. Thomas Lund

6. Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees report.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

John McAtominey

Chair of Trustees

28th July 2024

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Selby CoderDojo

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Selby CoderDojo for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust'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 Trust 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.

Signed:

Name: Geoff Stockill BFP FCA

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):

Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales (7810465)

Address: The Old Toll House, Hill Top, Barlby, Selby, YO8 5JQ

Date: 9th October 2024

Selby CoderDojo		No 1206930		

Receipts and payments accounts **CC16a**

For the period from	16/03/2023	**To**	31/03/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donation - Bobear Ltd	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00
Grant - Northern Rail	0.00	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	0.00
Grant - NYCC Locality Fund	0.00	1300.00	0.00	1300.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	250.00	2300.00	0.00	2550.00	0.00
A2 Asset and investment sales					
Loan (Received) - S&J McAtominey	377.10	73.87	0.00	450.97	
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	377.10	73.87	0.00	450.97	0.00
Total receipts	627.10	2373.87	0.00	3000.97	0.00
A3 Payments					
Administration	186.96	247.85	0.00	434.81	0.00
Consumables	7.50	4.41	0.00	11.91	0.00
Hardware	177.64	436.89	0.00	614.53	0.00
Marketing	0.00	84.64	0.00	84.64	0.00
Safety	5.00	160.66	0.00	165.66	0.00
Software	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Marketing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Educational	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub total	377.10	934.45	0.00	1311.55	0.00
A4 Asset and investment purchases					
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Sub total	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total payments	377.10	934.45	0.00	1311.55	0.00
Net of receipts/(payments)	250.00	1439.42	0.00	1689.42	0.00
A5 Transfers between funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
A6 Cash funds last year end	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash funds this year end	250.00	1439.42	0.00	1689.42	0.00

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current accout balance	250.00	1439.42	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total cash funds	**250.00**	**1439.42**	**0.00**

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Laptop Computers		0.00	550.00
	Physical Computing Hardware		0.00	250.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Loan frm J & S McAtominey		450.97	No fixed date
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	
			0.00	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	(signature)	John McAtominey	28/07/2024
	(signature)	Thomas Lund	**13/11/2024**