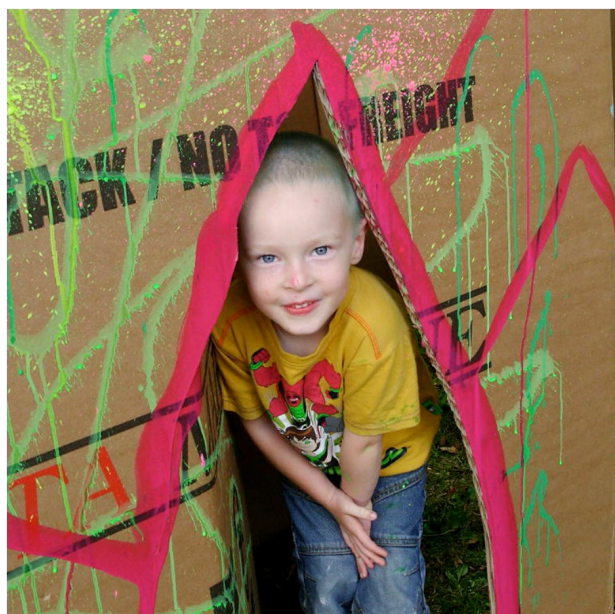




Ape Project CIC

Providing positive activities and opportunities for children, young people and their communities.



2013-14 Annual Report

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About Us

Ape Project CIC is a not for profit organisation which works for children, young people and families across Bristol. We are passionate about the importance of play and its ability to transform both individuals and communities. APE is an acronym for Art, Play and Environment; these are the three key principles that drive our work.

We aim to promote creativity, healthy lifestyles, community development, and environmental awareness and to highlight the value and profile of outdoor freely chosen play. We have a strong focus on practical skills, tool work, craft and co-operation.

Our Mission

Ape Project CICs mission is to improve the health and wellbeing of children, young people and communities across Bristol. We aim to:

- Increase the number of children playing outdoors and to develop their strength, health, creativity, social skills and understanding of the world around them through freely chosen outdoor play opportunities.
- Increase the confidence, skills levels and opportunities of young people leaving school by providing courses, work placements and apprenticeships.
- Improve and enrich the lives of local communities by engaging families and carers of children and young people in socio-environmental activities, using children's play as the glue which binds communities together.

Executive Directors Report

This has been a really exciting year which has seen the Ape Project CIC grow and continue to provide high quality services for communities across the city. We now provide the children's bike exchange scheme and deliver environmental arts and outdoor play opportunities for children.

Our staff team has also grown; we now have five paid members of staff as well as freelance staff to support our work. Our profile has risen locally and nationally and we look forward to a bright and long term future working across a city that has a long standing tradition of promoting environmental awareness and exciting play work.

Guy & Rachel.



Our Key Services

Children's free bike exchange scheme

Bikes that are damaged or simply out grown can be exchanged.

1508 bikes exchanged



Stay and play

After school outdoor play sessions held in school grounds or public green spaces for children and their families.

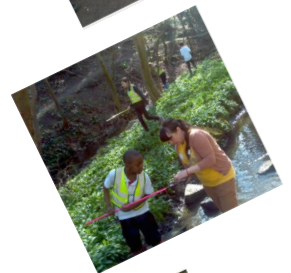
208 play sessions delivered



Community events

Environmental and creative bike activities that engage children, young people and their families.

Attended **48** community events & **752** bikes serviced and/or repaired



Workshops in schools

Practical and environmentally led workshops delivered in schools and colleges across the South West.

37 schools visited



Post 16 courses

We deliver a range of courses alongside colleges and voluntary sector groups for young people aged over 16. Courses include mechanics, drawing classes and creative career development.

78 volunteers supported

Worked with **7280** children & young people

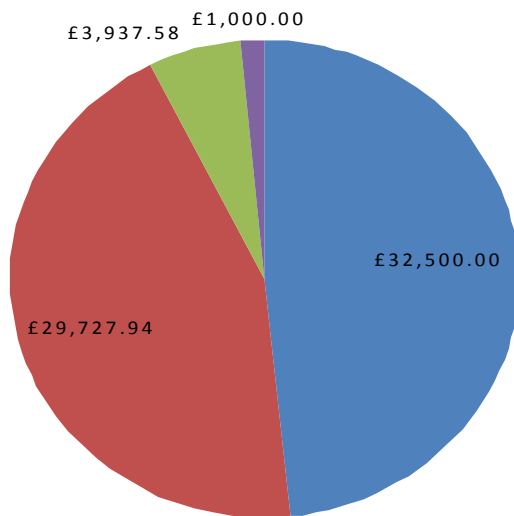
Apprenticeships

Young people aged 16 to 25 can apply for apprenticeships in bicycle mechanics or play work.



Our Finances

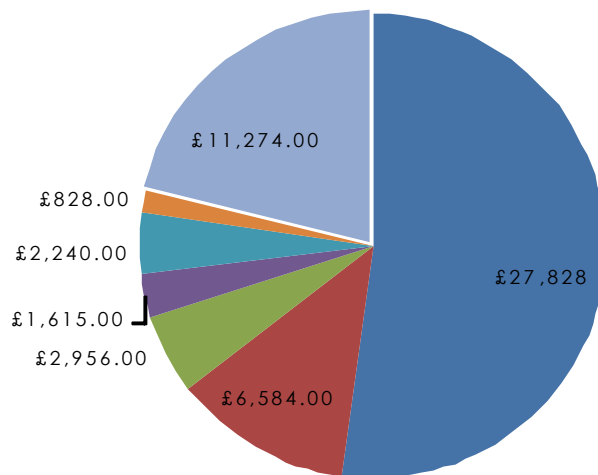
Income



- Bristol City Council children's bike exchange
- Playwork & events trading
- Bicycle workshop trading
- Avon and Somerset Police community fund

Total income £67,165.52

Expenditure



- Salaries
- Premises costs
- Vehicle expenses
- Training
- Professional fees
- Insurance
- Other

Total expenditure £53,325.00

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