



Welcome.

Promoting an inclusive society

2024 Trustee Board for re-election

Trustees stand for a three-year term.

Trustees in blue need to re-stand in 2024.

Name:	Position:	Last term start date:	Due to re-stand:
Pat Maginn	Trustee	2022	2025
Lorraine Hershon	Trustee/Chair	2021	2024
Rosemary Theobalds	Trustee	2021	2024
Annie Bishop	Trustee/Vice Chair	2022	2025
George Clarke	Trustee	2022	2025
Anita Stevenson	Trustee	2023	2026
Mavis Ostler	Trustee	2023	2026
Michael Briggs	Trustee	2023	2026



AGM

2024
April 2023–
March 2024

Our work

Healthwatch Northumberland

Northumberland Independent
Advocacy Service

Social Prescribing Services

Transport

Hexham Enterprise Hub

Cafe @ Burn Lane



About us

- **Adapt (NE) is a registered charity, a company limited by guarantee and a social enterprise managed by a trustee board of volunteers with a wide range of areas of expertise.**
- **We are a community-based organisation providing services to people in North East England.**
- **We aim to improve the quality of life of disabled people and people who are disadvantaged by being unable to access services because they live in a rural location.**



Review of the year

This has been a year of ups and downs.

- **The loss of our statutory Advocacy for Adults in Northumberland was a bumpy start to the year.**
- **However we developed further our Advocacy for Parents**
- **Built on the Learning Disability Network**
- **Welcomed a North Shields Social Prescribing Service**
- **Became a registered Safe Place**



Social Prescribing

West Northumberland PCN

Northumbria PCN

North Shields PCN

Independent Advocacy

- **General Advocacy**
- **Advocacy for Parents**





Learning Disability Network

- **Adapt have established a learning Disability Network for Northumberland**
- **Bringing together smaller groups and organisations who provide services for Learning Disabled People**
- **We have 14 groups on the network working across Northumberland**
- **From the groups we have developed a Steering Group**

Safe Places

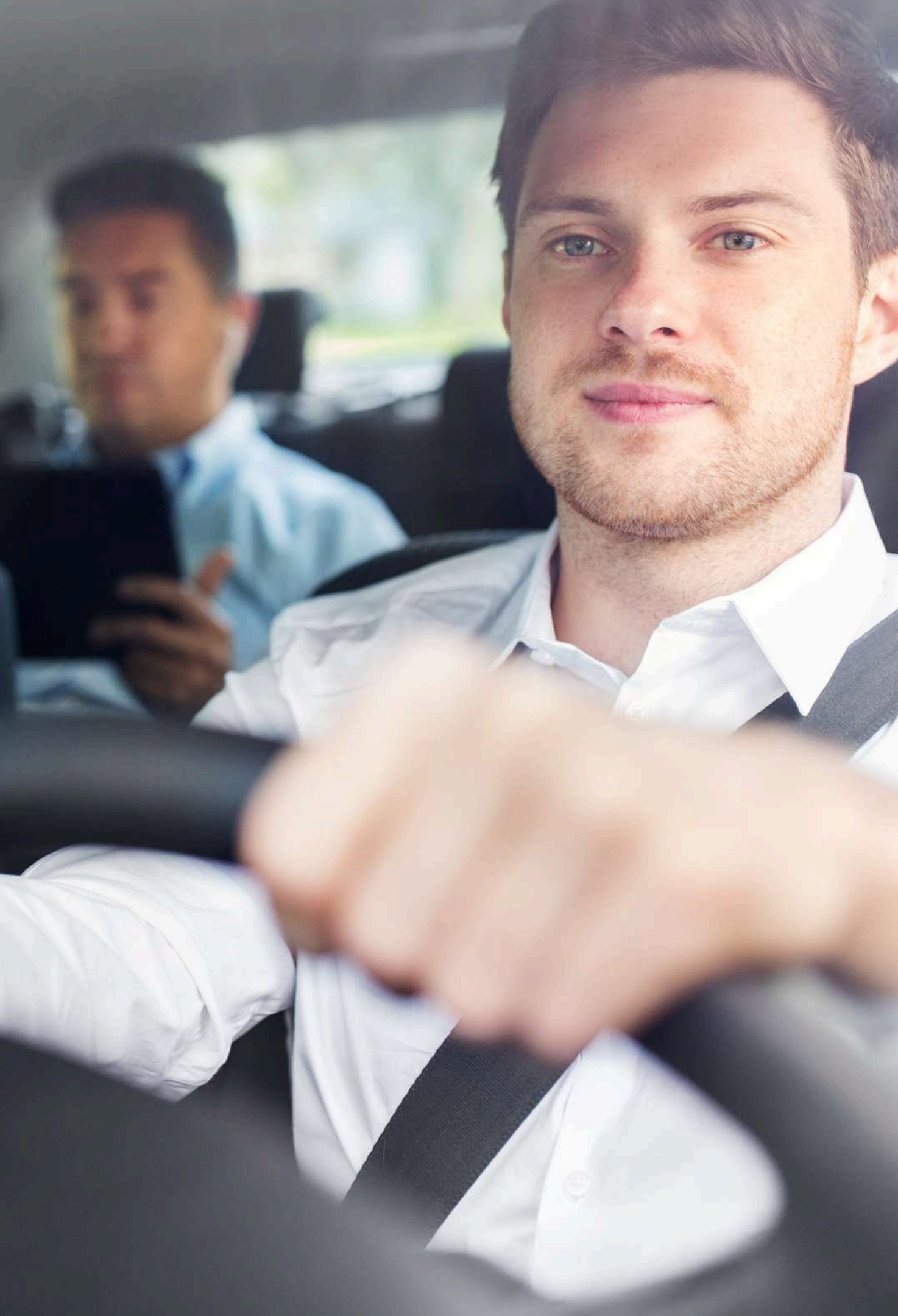
- Our base at Burn Lane is now a member of the national Safe Places scheme.
- Safe Places is a free-to-use and confidential scheme that gives people a place of safety if needed when out and about in their local community.
- Being a part of this scheme further allows us to be more inclusive and welcoming to people from all walks of life.



Transport

- **Transport remains very busy and our Dial a Ride services are as popular as ever.**
- **Our Transport tends to focus mainly on West Northumberland due to resources and capacity.**





Getabout Scheme

- **We continue to receive regular requests for transport support through Getabout**
- **We connect people to public transport**
- **We help people navigate appointments**
- **We provide transport through both Getabout volunteers and our own transport**



Wheelchair Loan

- We have for many years ran an informal wheelchair loan service where people can loan a wheelchair and if they wish make a donation.
- People require wheelchairs for short or longer periods depending on their circumstances.

Hexham Enterprise Hub

- **Since October 2014, when our first tenant West Northumberland Food Bank moved in, all nine units have been fully occupied.**
- **We have a range of businesses and charities across the site.**
- **We have interest in units and space on an ongoing basis clearly Hexham is much in demand.**





Our Café is well used however not immune to the current economic challenges.





Meeting Room Hire

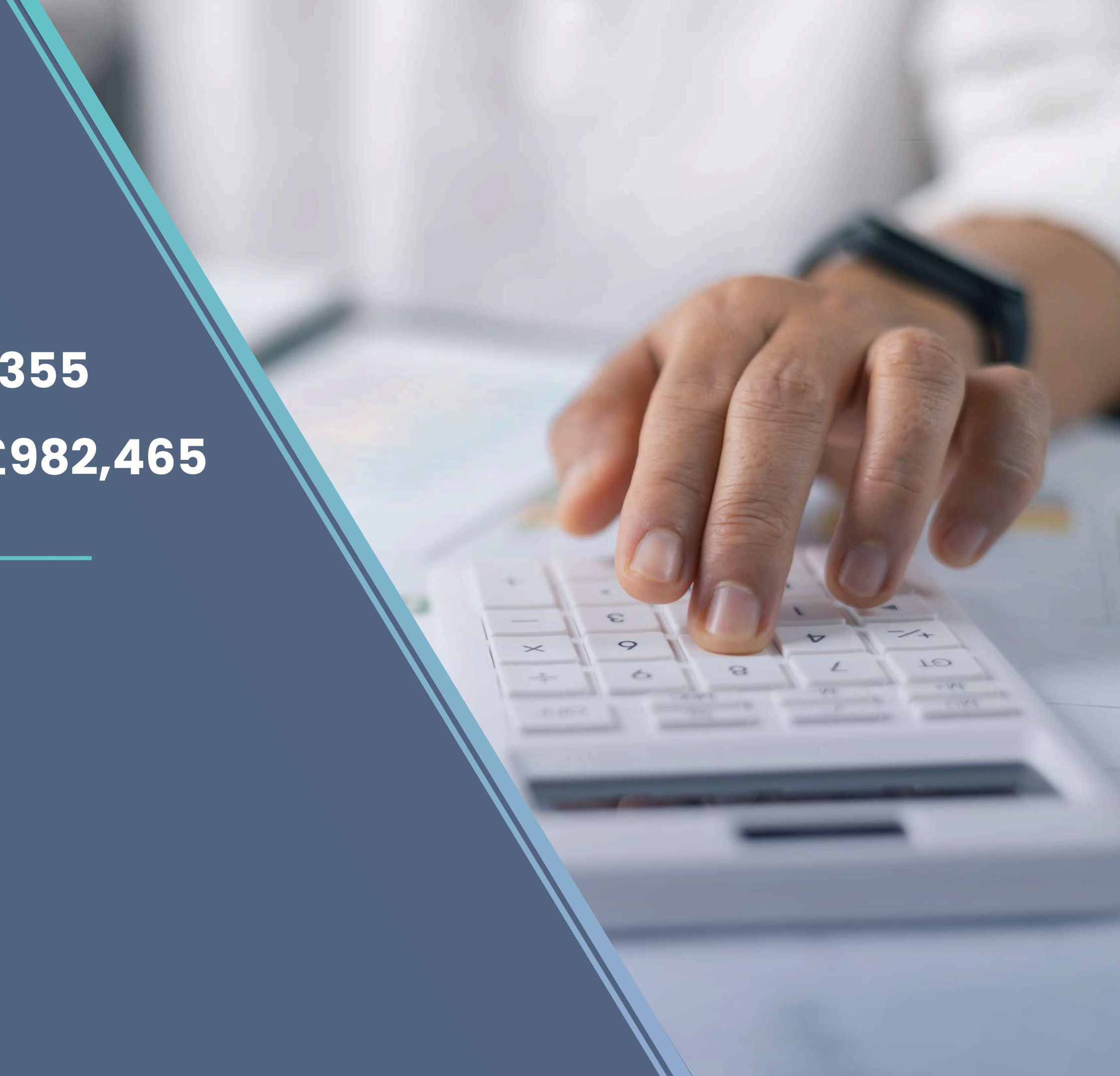
- **We have meetings rooms which are hired by both organisations and community groups.**
- **We provide the room free of charge to local support groups.**

Finances

Income for the year is £976,355

Expenditure for the year is £982,465

A small deficit of £6,110





Thank you.

   **AdaptNorthEast**

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