

OSCAR BRISTOL (Organisation for Sickle Cell Anaemia Research)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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Legal and administrative information

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Status

OSCAR Bristol (Organisation for Sickle Cell Anaemia Research) is a registered charity governed by its constitution. Charity number 1017124.

TRUSTEES

Alpanso Davis	Chair
Harry Carlyle	resigned 21 April 2024
Pearl Quashie-Williams	resigned 22 March 2024
Tina Johnson-Martin	resigned 22 March 2024
Monica Scott	resigned 22 March 2024
Richard Dwyer	resigned 22 March 2024
Sonia Talbert	secretary
Juliet Shaire	resigned 19 July 2024
Alana Lambert	appointed 22 March 2024
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TRUSTEES REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. This Annual Report provides comprehensive information regarding the functioning of the organisation, liquidity and financial stability, services and activities undertaken at OSCAR Bristol during the year. This report will pay particular attention to our achievements over the year and our aim at making improvements for the future developments of the organisation.

Structure, Governance and Management

Organisation

The organisation is an unincorporated charitable body, registered on 10th February 1993 and is governed by its constitution which was adopted in January 1992. A resolution was passed on 29th October 2022 changing the charity name from Bristol OSCAR to OSCAR Bristol.

The Trustees are appointed or reappointed annually at the AGM.

Objectives and activities

Objectives of the Charity

The objectives of the charity as stated in its governing documents are:

To promote awareness of the condition and its management for individuals suffering from Sickle Cell disorders and Thalassaemia.

To increase awareness, knowledge and understanding of Sickle Cell disorders and Thalassaemia in the community and other organisations.

To support research into the nature, prevalence, treatment and prevention of Sickle Cell disorders and Thalassaemia and to assist in the dissemination of the relevant information.

OSCAR Bristol is a forward looking and visionary organisation and our mission statement is:

- To promote the relief of persons suffering from Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia blood disorders.
- To educate the public in order to increase knowledge and understanding of Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia blood disorders.
- To promote research into the nature, prevalence, treatment and prevention of Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia disorders, to disseminate and publish the results thereof.
- To raise the level of awareness of Sickle Cell disorder and Thalassaemia, among the public and medical profession, for the benefit of inhabitants in Bristol and surrounding areas.
- To offer support and counselling to people with Sickle Cell or Thalassaemia, and other related unusual haemoglobinopathies.
- To raise funds, or receive donations and contributions, whether by subscriptions or otherwise.
- To support and sponsor promising areas of research.
- To do all such other lawful things as to further the charitable objectives of the organisation.

Review of activities and objectives in the year

OSCAR Bristol has now established itself as a vital part of the community, that supports people living with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia, and to also educate the general public about Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia, and the vital need for blood donation.

We continued with our "Awareness" campaign spread over the year, which involved the following:

- On the 11th April, OSCAR Bristol met with Careers support at their centre in Fishponds to find out how we could better collaborate in supporting people living with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.

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- On the 19th April, OSCAR Bristol attended "The cost-of-living crisis" meeting with the Mayor at City Hall.
- On the 5th June, OSCAR Bristol carried out Sickle Cell patient support visits.
- On the 10th June, OSCAR Bristol the Sickle Cell Gala fundraising event in Birmingham.
- On the 15th June, OSCAR Bristol exhibited at the Charity Conference Expo in Bath.
- On the 17th June, OSCAR Bristol held a Sickle Cell Awareness Day at the Learning centre in St. Pauls
- On the 4th July, OSCAR Bristol fundraised at the St. Pauls Carnival.
- On the 21st July, Oscar Bristol hosted a Thalassaemia Awareness Day with UKTS.
- On the 29 – 30th July OSCAR Bristol hosted Genomics for a Sickle Cell event.
- On the 20th August OSCAR Bristol exhibited at the exhibition organised by DET.
- On the 19th September, OSCAR Bristol attended the Sickle Cell Open Day at the Children's Hospital, BRI
- On the 22nd September, OSCAR Bristol held its annual Dinner/dance.
- On the 2nd October, as part of Black History Month, OSCAR Bristol held an Awareness Day at the MET School.
- On the 26th October, OSCAR Bristol held a meeting with SANIUS.
- On the 6th December, OSCAR Bristol joined the online Sickle Cell support group meeting.
- On the 10th January, OSCAR Bristol did one home visit.
- On the 23rd January, OSCAR Bristol held online Q&A sessions with dental students from Plymouth University.
- On the 14th March, OSCAR Bristol carried out DIY works at the home of a Sickle Cell patient.
- On the 20th March, OSCAR Bristol held a meeting with Cianna's Smile in Reading.
- On the 22nd March, OSCAR held its AGM.

Achievements and performance in the year

OSCAR Bristol's Awareness Campaign achieved much throughout the year, as follows:

- OSCAR Bristol continues to be one of over sixty warm welcoming spaces in Bristol.
- OSCAR Bristol has begun providing welfare and housing support and guidance to people living with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.
- OSCAR Bristol now provides £10.00 food vouchers for people struggling with the cost-of-living-crisis, who lives with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.
- The Sickle Cell Awareness Day in St. Pauls was very well attended and informative, which resulted in two people signed up to become blood donors.
- OSCAR Bristol successfully fundraised at the St. Pauls Carnival, raising in excess of £100.00
- The OSCAR Bristol Dinner/dance was well attended and very informative.
- The OSCAR Bristol Awareness Day was hugely successful in attendance, and informative. The MET School raised in excess of £600.00 towards the work of OSCAR Bristol.
- SANIUS has agreed to provide health monitoring watches to OSCAR Bristol on request for free, for people living with Sickle Cell and Thalassaemia.
- OSCAR Bristol has responded and is carrying out Hospital and Home visits on request.
- OSCAR Bristol now provides online Q&A sessions for Plymouth University dental students regarding care for people with Sickle Cell.

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Financial review including reserves policy and risk management

Although at present the trustees have no formal policy, they intend to build unrestricted reserves to cover salaries and running costs for up to 12 months, but due to present financial position this has not been possible to date.

The trustees have examined the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. These procedures will be annually reviewed to ensure that they still meet the needs of the charity.

Public benefit

In shaping the objectives for the year and planning activities, the trustees have considered the Charity commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit' running a charity (PB2).

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- * Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- * observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- * make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- * prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business, and

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the governing document.

The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

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Date 20/01/25

Alphanso Davis - Chair

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Including Income and Expenditure Account)

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and Endowments From:					
Donations and Legacies	3	19,396	9,533	28,929	24,842
Other Trading Activities	4	2,800	-	2,800	8,400
Investment Income	5	157	-	157	12
Total		22,353	9,533	31,886	33,254
Expenditure On:					
Charitable Activities	7	35,649	4,018	39,667	25,760
Other	8	1,332	-	1,332	1,009
Total		36,981	4,018	40,999	26,769
Net income/(expenditure)		(14,628)	5,515	(9,113)	6,485
Transfers between funds		1,200	(1,200)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(13,428)	4,315	(9,113)	6,485
Reconciliation of Funds:					
Total funds brought forward		162,654	2,057	164,711	158,226
Total funds carried forward	12	149,226	6,372	155,598	164,711

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing

As required by paragraph 4.67. of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the Balance Sheet.

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed Assets:			
Tangible Assets	10	135,990	135,038
Current Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		20,303	30,140
<i>Total current assets</i>		<u>20,303</u>	<u>30,140</u>
Liabilities			
Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year	11	(695)	(467)
<i>Net Current assets or liabilities</i>		<u>19,608</u>	<u>29,673</u>
<i>Total net assets or liabilities</i>		<u>155,598</u>	<u>164,711</u>
The Funds of The Charity			
Restricted funds	12	6,372	2,057
Unrestricted funds	12	149,226	162,654
<i>Total unrestricted funds</i>		<u>149,226</u>	<u>162,654</u>
<i>Total charity funds</i>		<u>155,598</u>	<u>164,711</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 29/01/25 and are signed on their behalf by:


Alpanso Davis - Chair


Sonia Talbert

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Basis of Preparation

- a) These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective on 1st January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

- b) The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charities ability to continue as a going concern due to the renewed interest in the work of OSCAR Bristol by funders locally and nationally; to date we have received more funding opportunities than in the previous four years. We are projecting a 15% increase in funding over the next 12 months.

- c) The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

2 Accounting Policies

- a) Income from donations is included in income when these are receivable, except as follows:

i) When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods.

ii) When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-condition have been met.

- b) Expenditure is recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Expenditure includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

- c) Most expenditure is directly attributable to specific activities, and has been included in those cost categories. Support cost have been allocated 100% towards the charitable activities of the charity.

- d) Rentals applicable to operating lease agreements where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

- e) Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

- f) Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

- g) Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Office equipment - 20% reducing balance

Building - No depreciation applied

- h) The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

- i) The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently recognised at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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Income and Endowments From:

3 Donations and Legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations and memberships	376	-	376	9,592
Grants	-	9,533	9,533	5,750
Fundraising	19,020	-	19,020	9,500
	<u>19,396</u>	<u>9,533</u>	<u>28,929</u>	<u>24,842</u>

Donations and Legacies prior year - all unrestricted

4 Other Trading Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Room rent	2,800	-	2,800	8,400
	<u>2,800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,800</u>	<u>8,400</u>

Other trading activities prior year - all unrestricted

5 Investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Bank Interest	157	-	157	12
	<u>157</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>12</u>

Bank interest prior year - all unrestricted

6 Government grants

The charity received government grants, to fund charitable activities during the year. The total value of such grants in the period ending 31 March 2024 was £9,533 (2023: £5,000). There are no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies attaching to these grants in the year ended 31 March 2024.

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Expenditure on:

7 Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Volunteer/Trustee travel expense	1,679	473	2,152	3,901
Refreshments	57	1,575	1,632	404
Wages	14,903	-	14,903	-
Events	6,380	-	6,380	6,728
Printing and Marketing	690	60	750	1,334
Utilities and rates	6,154	-	6,154	8,162
Repairs and maintenance	2,377	798	3,175	1,514
Miscellaneous	651	-	651	1,354
Membership and fees	498	-	498	65
Stationery	212	-	212	170
Website	100	-	100	510
Equipment	1,948	1,112	3,060	1,618
	<u>35,649</u>	<u>4,018</u>	<u>39,667</u>	<u>25,760</u>

Charitable activities prior year - all unrestricted

8 Other

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Depreciation	248	-	248	10
Independent examination	539	-	539	467
Insurance	545	-	545	532
	<u>1,332</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,332</u>	<u>1,009</u>

Other prior year - all unrestricted

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9 Net income/(Expenditure)for the year

This is stated after charging:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation	248	12
Independent Examiners' fees	539	384
	<u>587</u>	<u>396</u>

10 Analysis of staff costs and trustees remuneration and expenses

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gross Salaries excluding trustees	<u>14,903</u>	<u>-</u>

The average monthly head count for staff employed in the year was 1 (2023: Nil)

The charity trustees were not paid or received any other benefits from employment with the charity in the year (2023: £nil). Three trustees were reimbursed expenses during the year totalling £2,055 (2023: £3,319). No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity (2023: £nil).

There were no related party transactions in the year (2023: £nil)

10 Tangible Assets

	Property	Office Equipment	Fixture & Fitting	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At beginning of the year	135,000	10,172	-	145,172
Additions	-	-	1,200	1,200
At end of the year	<u>135,000</u>	<u>10,172</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>146,372</u>
Depreciation and impairments				
At beginning of the year	-	10,134	-	10,134
Depreciation	-	8	240	248
At end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>10,142</u>	<u>240</u>	<u>10,382</u>
Net book value				
At the beginning of the year	135,000	38	-	135,038
At end of the year	<u>135,000</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>960</u>	<u>135,990</u>

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11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	156	-
Accruals and Deferred Income	539	467
	<u>695</u>	<u>467</u>

12 Analysis of Charitable Funds

	At 01-Apr 2023	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	At 31-Mar 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	27,654	22,353	(36,981)	1,200	14,226
Designated Funds					
Building	135,000	-	-	-	135,000
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>162,654</u>	<u>22,353</u>	<u>(36,981)</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>149,226</u>
Restricted funds					
Quartet Community Foundation	1,307	-	(1,307)	-	-
WPS Foundation	750	-	(750)	-	-
National Lottery Funding	-	9,533	(1,961)	(1,200)	6,372
Total Restricted Funds	<u>2,057</u>	<u>9,533</u>	<u>(4,018)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,372</u>
Total Funds	<u>164,711</u>	<u>31,886</u>	<u>(40,999)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>155,598</u>

Note: The transfer from restricted funds represent capital expenses made from that fund now being depreciated over their useful economic life via the General Fund.

Purpose of restricted funds

Quartet Community Foundation - Warm Welcoming Space

WPS Foundation - Chill out Area

National Lottery Funding - Access2Achievement Project

13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible assets	-	-	135,000	135,000
Cash at Bank and In Hand	13,931	6,372	-	20,303
Other Net Current Assets/Liabilities	(665)	-	-	(665)
Total	<u>13,266</u>	<u>6,372</u>	<u>135,000</u>	<u>154,638</u>

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14 Analysis of charitable funds - previous year, as required by paragraph 4.2. of the SORP

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£
Incoming and Endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	19,092	5,750	24,842
Other Trading activities	8,400	-	8,400
Investment Income	12	-	12
Total income	27,504	5,750	33,254
Expenditure On:			
Charitable activities	22,067	3,693	25,760
Other	1,009	-	1,009
Total expenditure	23,076	3,693	26,769
Net Income	4,428	2,057	6,485
Net movement in funds	4,428	2,057	6,485
Total funds brought forward	158,226	-	158,226
Total funds carried forward	162,654	2,057	164,711

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the Year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out on pages 7-14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 charity'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.

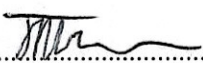
Independent examiner's statement

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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Jacob Trowbridge MAAT

Date  20/01/2025

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