

EAST OF ENGLAND AMBULANCE SERVICE NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUNDS

England & Wales · Charity number 1047987

Details

Other names	EAST ANGLIAN AMBULANCE NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUNDS, East of England Ambulance Service Charity
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	1995-07-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: FOR ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE OR PURPOSES RELATING TO THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Bedford
- Cambridgeshire
- Essex
- Hertfordshire
- Norfolk
- Suffolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£329,000	£610,000	-	-
2024-03-31	£305,000	£633,000	-	-
2023-03-31	£961,000	£448,000	£2,047,000	0
2022-03-31	£733,000	£421,000	£1,534,000	0
2021-03-31	£389,000	£157,000	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
EAST OF ENGLAND AMBULANCE SERVICE NHS TRUST		2015-04-07

Linked charities

- ESSEX AMBULANCE SERVICE GENERAL CHARITABLE FUND (1047987-1)
- NORTH ESSEX HEALTH PROMOTION CHARITABLE FUND (1047987-2)
- BEDFORDSHIRE AND HERTFORDSHIRE AMBULANCE AND PARAMEDIC SERVICE NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUND (1047987-3)

Accounts

East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

Annual Report and Accounts 2024/25



Registered Charity Number: 1047987

Registered address: East of England Ambulance Service Charity,
18 Central Avenue, St Andrews Business Park, Norwich, NR7 0HR

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Trustee's Report

Legal and Administrative Information

Working name: East of England Ambulance Service Charity

Registered Name: East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

Charity Commission Number: 1047987

Principal Office: 18 Central Avenue, St Andrew's Business Park, Norwich, NR7 0HR

Bankers: Barclays Bank, Norwich

Independent Examiners: Larking Gowen LLP, 1st Floor Prospect House, Rouen Road, Norwich, NR1 1RE

Trustee

The Charitable Trust, constituted by the Trust Deed, is administered and managed by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds. The responsibility for the management and use of these funds held on trust generally lies with the board of a NHS body acting as corporate trustee.

Members of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 were:

Mrunal Sisodia OBE, Trust Chair

Chris Brook, Non-Executive Director and Chair of Charitable Funds Committee

George Lynn, Non-Executive Director

Julie Thallon, Non-Executive Director

Wendy Thomas, Non-Executive Director (to 3 July 2025)

Catherine Glickman, Non-Executive Director

Kiran Mahil, Associate Non-Executive Director

Victoria Corbishley, Associate Non-Executive Director

Omid Shiraji, Associate Non-Executive Director

Neill Moloney, Chief Executive Officer (from 2 September 2024)

Kevin Smith, Director of Finance and Commissioning (to 31 July 2025)

Marika Stephenson, Director of People Services

Dr Simon Walsh, Medical Director

Hein Scheffer Director of Strategy, Culture and Education

Simon Chase, Chief Paramedic and Director of Quality

Members who joined the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board after 31 March 2025:

Steven Course, Chief Finance Officer (from 11 July 2025)

Darren Meads from, Chief Operating Officer (from 10 June 2025)

Members who left the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board

Kate Vaughton, Director of Integration and Deputy Chief Executive Officer (to 2 September 2024 secondment)

Jo Cripps, Interim Director of Corporate Affairs and Performance (to 28 September 2024)

Tom Abell, Chief Executive Officer (to 10 August 2024)

Melissa Dowdeswell, Chief of Clinical Operations (to 24 March 2025 secondment)

Raising funds to support the staff, volunteers, and local communities of the East of England Ambulance Service, strengthening the provision of outstanding care to patients

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is the official charity of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust which has the role of corporate Trustee of the charity. The charity plays a role in the delivery of the Trust's vision and purpose:

"Saving lives, investing in our people and supporting our partners. #WeAreEEAST"

This is being achieved by:

- Supporting and resourcing the volunteers in saving lives across the East of England
- Supporting the wellbeing and development of staff and volunteers
- Supporting collaboration, building networks and relationships with other charities and NHS associated bodies

This report on the activities of the Charity for the 2024/25 year, highlights the main activities, fundraising and expenditure of the Charity during this year. Thank you to all those who contributed to the successful operation and delivery of charitable activities during this year, and all of the supporters and donors who have made these activities possible.

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is a member of NHS Charities Together, the overarching membership body for NHS Charities. In recent years the East of England Ambulance Service Charity has been successful in applying for and receiving substantial grant funding from NHS Charities Together in support of community projects and wellbeing initiatives. In 2024/25 these funds have been able support staff and volunteers in ways not normally provided for in the funding to NHS ambulance trusts, and for the coming years these funds provide for the support of a number of community and community response projects.

Activities 2024/25

The Charity administers a number of funds under the single umbrella registration. The funds for 2024/25 have been received from the public as unsolicited donations to the fund in general and on occasion to benefit a specific area of the Charity's operation. Expenditure of £610,000 exceeds Income of £329,000.

The main expenditure of the Charitable funds has been the provision of community based medical equipment such as community public access defibrillators, and the equipping and supporting of the Community First Responder groups who are volunteers operating throughout the six counties covered by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

In the furtherance of charitable objectives to benefit the health of the population through the provision of patient welfare and amenities, £240,000 has been spent during the year to provide community public access defibrillators and cabinets, automated external defibrillators and other medical devices such as blood oxygenation monitors with community based first responder groups.

In the use of funds for the benefit of National Health Service staff, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust staff and volunteers have benefited from the expenditure of £216,000 on staff welfare and amenities, including the provision enhanced outdoor spaces at stations, provision of training equipment and materials, uniforms, TV licenses for stations, care packages, welfare wagons and retirement celebration contributions.

In ensuring the appropriate administration of the Charitable Fund, as well as compliance with Charity Commission requirements, the Fundraising Regulator and the Fundraising Preference Service, £129,000 has been expended on Governance costs, which comprises the independent examination of the annual accounts, recharge of the administration by the corporate Trustee, the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, expenses for the finance software costs and membership fees for NHS Charities Together.

Accumulated reserves have been utilised in the year with a net overall reduction in funds by £281,000. The efforts to utilise funds sees the consumption of reserves which have grown in prior years, in particular the receipt of legacies in 2022/23, an unpredictable but vital source of charitable funds. The Charitable Funds Committee of EEAST oversee and provide guidance on how accumulated unrestricted funds held in reserves will be utilised to meet the objectives of the Charity in a timely manner without excessive reserves being built up.

Restricted reserves have been utilised this year in delivering the projects for which funding has been received from successful grant applications in previous years from NHS Charities Together to support our local communities and charity development.

Donations and fund raising:

During 2024/25 the Charity has received £194,000 from donations in support of the Charity.

The continued support of individuals, companies and public minded organisations has ensured the charity continues to support a wider reaching number of projects across the east of England region. It is not possible to name and thank every individual and organisation from whom support has been received, with such a fantastic continuation of public support for the NHS and its supporting charities.

The charity relies solely on donations and fundraising activities from our incredible supporters, generosity from legacies and income opportunities from grant programmes to enable these workstreams to happen.

Throughout the year, we have been in awe at our incredible fundraisers who go above and beyond in support of local stations and CFR groups. During the year, there have been some amazing fundraising efforts, including those from our dedicated CFR groups, these volunteers not only provide life-saving treatment in their spare time, but they go above and beyond to raise vital funds to support their local communities holding local charity and awareness events to fund additional CFR kit.

Donated funds have been used to support a vast array of projects and initiatives across the year. The charity has continued funding the creation of numerous wellbeing gardens across the Trust. Additionally, ambulance stations have created enriching outdoor spaces with planters, benches, gazebos and foliage. The charity has also funded the revamping of tired break out rooms with plants, pictures and recreational items all to provide staff and volunteers with a more mindful area for relaxation improving wellbeing.

Grants and Legacies:

During 2024/25, legacy gifts totalling £10,000 were compassionately bequeathed to the charity. These gifts form a lasting legacy, continuing to make a difference to EEAAT colleagues and communities into the future.

Generosity from corporate bodies, community organisations and council local grants schemes, also helps to maintain the work of the charity through grants totalling £57,249.

During 2024/25 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £60,500 received for the Welfare Wagons provision.

Governing Document and Charitable Objectives for the Public Benefit

The governing document is the Trust Deed dated 27 October 1994 updated by supplemental deed of declaration dated 31 March 2010.

The objects of the Charity as defined in the Trust Deed are: The Trustees shall hold the trust fund upon trust to apply the income, and at their discretion, as far as may be permissible, the capital, for any charitable purpose or purposes relating to the National Health Service.

The Charitable Funds are managed to encourage charitable giving for the benefit of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust patients and staff and to provide a safe, well administered fund for the receipt and investment of Charitable Funds.

Organisational Structure

The Trustee delegates responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Charitable Fund to officers within the Finance Directorate of East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

The Board of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, acting as Corporate Trustee, have appointed a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

Various procedures have been implemented to ensure the Charity's funds are received, applied and accounted for in accordance with accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published effective 1 January 2019.

Incoming Resources are subject to the controls of the NHS Trust's general receipting and recording procedure.

Relevant officers and volunteers throughout the Trust are identified as "Fund Managers". Requests for expenditure from the Charitable Fund generated by Fund Managers are reviewed by the Finance Directorate under the Director of Finance and are approved only if expenditure will be made in accordance with the Charity's objectives, and criteria for expenditure and priorities set out in the Charitable Funds Strategy. The Head of Charity, or Head of Financial Governance and Compliance approves expenditure up to £1,500, the Deputy Director of Finance – Financial Services and Accounting approves expenditure up to £5,000 and the Director of Finance is required to approve all expenditure requests in excess of £5,001 up to £25,000. Any expenditure request in excess of £25,000 must be approved by the Chief Executive, Director of Finance, and Charitable Funds Committee Chair/Member

Going Concern:

The Trustee has considered the Charitable Trust's financial position at the time of signing the financial statements. Financial reserves are held which will provide for the ongoing operation of the Charity in delivering its objectives for the foreseeable future.

The Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements. Further details can be found in the note 1.2.

Policies

Reserves Policy

The reserves policy is to encourage expenditure to benefit the purpose defined by the donor whilst protecting the funds which have a defined purpose and a committed expenditure profile. The unrestricted designated funds of the Trust cover three areas of purpose and control:

- 1) Community First Responder funds reserves are required to maintain the operational activities of responder groups, which can include training, medical and response equipment, vehicles and community defibrillators.
- 2) Ambulance Station funds reserves are required to support the wellbeing of staff and to enhance patient care, through for example wellbeing services, staff training and development, and provision of equipment or facilities in addition to that ordinarily afforded by the NHS.
- 3) Other designated funds reserves are required to support the continuation of specific directed groups such as cycle paramedics, chaplains, strategic fund and Daisy the vintage ambulance funds.

The Charity has 203 Community First responder funds, 40 Station funds and 8 other funds, alongside the General Fund.

An expenditure plan is required for all groups holding a balance of over £5,000, with excess balances designated to groups without plans swept to the general undesignated fund to ensure these accumulated funds are utilised in a timely manner towards the purposes of the Charity.

The Charity holds accumulated reserves of £1,438,000 at 31 March 2025. The restricted reserves are £300,000. The level of unrestricted reserves is £1,138,000, which reflects £662,000 of Community First Responder Funds, £85,000 of Station funds, and £7,000 of Other designated funds, and the General Fund of £384,000. There is no target level of reserves specified.

Investment Policy

The Trustee has determined that the reserves and working balances of the Charity will be maintained in a bank account specifically designed for Charity use with interest added without deduction of tax.

Risk

The Trustee has considered the financial, operational and compliance risks associated with the Charitable funds and is satisfied that the appropriate systems are in place to mitigate those risks.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Mrunal Sisodia OBE
Chair of EEAST
Date: 28 January 2026



Steven Course
Director of EEAST
Date: 28 January 2026

Statement of Trustee's responsibilities

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accountings Standards (United Kingdom General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustee is 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and 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 Trust deed. The Trustee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

The Trustee confirms that, in exercising their powers and duties, they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

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Mrunal Sisodia OBE
Chair of EEAST
Date: 28 January 2026



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Date: 28 January 2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustee of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

I report to the charity Trustee on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

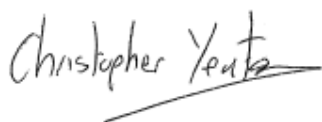
Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.



Christopher Yeates FCA DChA

Larking Gowen LLP, Norwich

29 January 2026

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	2025 Total Funds £000	2024 Total Funds £000
Income					
Donations		187	7	194	191
Legacies		10	-	10	10
Grants		57	61	118	98
Total Donations and Legacies		254	68	322	299
Investments & other income		7	-	7	6
Total income	2	261	68	329	305
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities					
Patients' welfare and amenities		148	92	240	204
Staff welfare and amenities		164	52	216	378
Governance costs	3	114	15	129	94
Losses/(gains) investment property	4	25	-	25	(43)
Total expenditure		451	159	610	633
Net movement in funds		(190)	(91)	(281)	(328)
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balances brought forward at 31 March 2024		1,328	391	1,719	2,047
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances carried forward at 31 March 2025		1,138	300	1,719	1,719

The notes at pages 13 to 20 form part of this account.

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total at 31 March 2025 £000	Total at 31 March 2024 £000
Current Assets					
Debtors and other assets	5	-	-	-	91
Cash at bank and in hand		1,199	307	1,506	1,463
Investment property	7	-	-	-	225
Total Current Assets		1,199	307	1,506	1,779
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	6	(61)	(7)	(68)	(60)
Total Net Assets		1,138	300	1,438	1,719
Funds of the Charity					
Income Funds:					
Unrestricted	8	1,138	-	1,138	1,328
Restricted	9	-	300	300	391
Total Funds		1,138	300	1,438	1,719

The notes at pages 13 to 20 form part of this account.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



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Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2025 £000	Year ended 31 March 2024 £000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)		(281)	328
Reconciliation adjustments for:			
Non-cash income (recognition of investment property)	7	-	-
Non-cash expenditure (investments value change)	4	25	(43)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	5	91	11
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	6	8	15
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		(157)	(345)
 Disposal of investment property		200	-
Refurbishment of investment property		-	(52)
Cash flows from investing activities:		200	(52)
 Cash flows from financing activities:		0	0
 Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		43	(397)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,463	1,860
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		1,506	1,463

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1 Accounting Policies

Note 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes 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) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective 1 January 2019.

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

Note 1.2 Going concern

The Trustee has considered the charity's position at the time of signing the financial statements, including but not limited to levels of financial reserves, utilisation plans, and potential economic factors in the wider economy.

The charity has utilised restricted and unrestricted funds in excess of in year income in delivering its objectives this year.

Based on this, the Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. They therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements.

Note 1.3 Income

a) General

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

b) Legacies

Legacies are recognised on a case by case basis following the granting of probate when the administrator/executor for the estate has communicated in writing both the amount and settlement date. In the event that the gift is in the form of an asset other than cash or a financial asset traded on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the gift being reliably measurable with a degree of reasonable accuracy and the title to the asset having been transferred to the charity. Legacies of £10k (2024: £10k) were received during the year.

c) Investment Income

Investment income is recognised on the accruals concept. This relates to bank interest receivable.

d) Grant Income

A grant is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received (or receivable) provided that the terms of the grant do not impose future performance-related conditions. If the terms of a grant do impose performance-related conditions on the recipient, the grant is only recognised in income when the performance-related conditions are met.

Accounting Policies continued

Note 1.3 continued:

During 2024/25 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £44,798 and £15,702 received for the Welfare Wagons provision.

The payments for NHS CT grants have been recognised in stages based on i) the award of the grant, and ii) the future performance conditions of the grant being met and the reporting of this confirmed and accepted by NHSCT at agreed points into the projects the grants support.

Note 1.4 Expenditure

a) General

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings.

b) Charitable expenditure

Payments are made to third parties (including NHS bodies) in the furtherance of the funds held on trust's charitable objectives. They are accounted for on an accruals basis where the conditions for payment have been met or where a third party has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the payment. This includes payments made to NHS bodies. Payments are directly classified as patients' welfare or staff welfare dependent on the nature of the transaction.

c) Governance costs

These are accounted for on an accruals basis and are recharges of administration costs from East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, software maintenance costs and independent examination fees. The Charity employees no staff, the Head of Charity and administrative assistants are employees of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (the corporate trustee of the Charity).

Note 1.5 Structure of funds

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified in the accounts as a restricted fund. Funds where the capital is held to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent are accounted for as endowment funds. Other funds are classified as unrestricted funds. Funds which are not legally restricted but which the Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes are classified as designated funds. The major funds held within these categories are disclosed on notes 8 and 9.

Note 1.6 VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is included in resources expended.

Note 2 Details of Material Income

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2025 Funds £000	Total 2024 Funds £000
Material incoming resources				
General Fund	62	-	62	46
NHS Charities Together Restricted funds	-	61	61	68
Harpenden Community First Responders	27	-	27	7
Felixstowe Responders	12	-	12	4
Wroxham Responders	10	-	10	-
Wells Cycle Response unit		7	7	2
Bungay First Responders	8	-	8	26
Other funds	142	-	142	152
Total income	261	68	329	305

Included within the above analysis are legacies of £10k within Wroxham First Responders.

NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £60,500 of funding for the operation of Welfare Wagons.

Note 3 Analysis of Governance**Costs**

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2025 Funds £000	Total 2024 Funds £000
Independent Examination Fee	3	-	3	3
Software Licence	1	-	1	1
Miscellaneous fees and charges	9	-	9	-
Management resources	101	15	116	90
	114	15	129	94

To drive the achievement of charitable objectives additional management resources have been provided by the Corporate Trustee in the provision of a Head of Charity employed by the Corporate Trustee and recharged to the Charity.

Note 4 Analysis of (Gains)/losses on investments

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2025 Funds £000	Total 2024 Funds £000
(Gains)/losses on investments	25	-	25	(43)
	25	-	25	(43)

The property received by legacy has been disposed of during the year following an open market sales process. The difference between the carrying value from valuation and disposal proceeds being recognised as a loss on investment valuation.

Note 5 Analysis of Debtors and other assets	31 March 2025 £000	31 March 2024 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and other receivables	-	91
Total debtors	-	91

Note 6 Analysis of Creditors	31 March 2025 £000	31 March 2024 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Accruals	26	3
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	42	57
Total creditors falling due within one year	68	60

Note 7 Investment Property	31 March 2025 £000	31 March 2024 £000
Opening	225	130
Receipts	(200)	-
Refurbishment costs capitalised	-	52
Valuation changes	(25)	43
Closing	-	225

The property received by legacy has been disposed of during the year following an open market sales process. The difference between the carrying value from valuation and disposal proceeds being recognised as a loss on investment valuation.

Note 8 Analysis of Funds**Note 8.1 Unrestricted Funds 2024/25**

	Balance 31 March 2024 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2025 £000
Designated funds				
Bungay First Responders	23	8	4	27
Burwell First Responders	28	-	8	20
Cambridge University Student and CFR	12	-	1	11
Chafford Hundred First Responders	15	-	5	10
Diss First Responders	29	1	3	27
Felixstowe Responders	6	12	6	12
Harpenden Community First Responders	7	27	18	16
Little Gaddesden Responders	7	7	-	14
March Ambulance Station	25	-	2	23
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	13	2	2	13
Newmarket Responders	12	-	2	10
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	7	3	-	10
Norwich Responders	21	-	10	11
Otley First Responders	11	3	2	12
Waveney Car CFR	16	-	-	16
Wisbech Ambulance Station	20	-	-	20
Wroxham Responders	18	10	1	27
Other Designated Funds	537	126	188	475
Undesignated Funds (General fund)	521	62	199	384
Total	1,534	235	441	1,328

Note 8.1 Unrestricted Funds 2023/24

	Balance 31 March 2023 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2024 £000
Designated funds				
Aylsham Responders	22	4	10	16
Burwell First Responders	28	-	-	28
Cambridge University Student and CFR	12	1	1	12
Chafford Hundred First Responders	17	3	4	16
Diss First Responders	29	1	1	29
Harwich Responders	13	-	2	11
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	11	4	3	12
Newmarket Responders	12	-	-	12
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	10	1	4	7
Norwich Responders	22	1	2	21
Regional CFR Management Fund	37	16	31	22
Waveney Car CFR	16	-	-	16
Welfare Wagons - XX180	19	85	104	-
Whittlesey First Responders	10	-	1	9
Wisbech Ambulance Station	19	-	-	19
Wroxham Responders	21	-	2	19
Other Designated Funds	524	79	70	533
Undesignated Funds (General fund)	687	40	206	521
Total	1,534	235	441	1,328

Designated unrestricted funds are regularly reviewed and the designations removed where these have been identified as limiting the utilisation of these funds in line with the Charity's Reserves Policy.

Note 8.2 Details of Material Funds - Unrestricted Funds

<u>Name of fund</u>	<u>Description of the nature and purpose of each fund</u>
Bungay First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Bungay area
Burwell First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Burwell area
Cambridge University Students Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Cambridge area
Chafford Hundred First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Chafford Hundred area
Diss First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Diss area
Felixstowe Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Felixstowe area
Harpenden Community First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Harpenden area
Little Gaddesden Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Little Gaddesden area
March Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of March Ambulance Station
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Mundesley & Roughton area
Newmarket Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Newmarket area
Norfolk First Responder Co-Ordinator fund	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county of Norfolk
Norwich First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Norwich area
Otley First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Otley area
Waveney Car CFR	To assist with the provision of CFR car for the Waveney area
Wisbech Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of Wisbech Ambulance Station
Wroxham Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Wroxham area
Other Funds	To provide various benefits to the patients and staff of the ambulance service and assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county.

Note 9 Analysis Funds**Note 9.1 Restricted Funds 2024/25**

	Balance 31 March 2024 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2025 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	357	61	152	266
Bernstein RRV	21	-	(2)	23
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	1	-
Mental Health and counselling	10	-	4	6
Wells Cycle Response Unit	-	7	4	3
Other funds	2	-	-	2
Total	391	68	159	300

Note 9.1 Restricted Funds 2023/24

	Balance 31 March 2023 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2024 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	467	69	179	357
Bernstein RRV	34	-	13	21
WB Wright – Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Mental Health and counselling	10	-	-	10
Other funds	1	1	-	2
Total	513	70	192	391

Note 9.2 Details of Material Funds Restricted Funds

<u>Name of fund</u>	<u>Description of the nature and purpose of each fund</u>
NHS Charities Together	During 2024/25 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £44,798 and £15,702 received for the Welfare Wagons provision. During 2023/24 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £23,325 of funding being the final 20% distribution of the Unmet Needs Navigator grant, and £44,798 received for the Welfare Wagons provision.
Mental Health and counselling	During 2020/21 paramedic Dionne Jones an apprentice emergency care support worker at the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), walked ten kilometres a day for 30 days around Bedfordshire, while shielding, to raise over £10,000 to support colleagues who were working on the front line during the pandemic, to go towards mental health and well-being of ambulance staff including counselling and therapy.
Wells Cycle Response Unit	The East of England Ambulance Service's Cycle Response Unit (CRU) in Norfolk has received a turbo boost with its first e-bike. The purchase of the e-bike has been made possible through the incredible support of the Wells-next-the-Sea community and the East of England Ambulance Service Charity.
Bernstein RRV	To provide ambulance services for the Cromer Area. During 2023/24 funds have been expended on equipment for RRVs operating out of Cromer, a reversal of some of this expenditure has been recognised in 2024/25.

Note 10 Connected Organisations

East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust is the Charity's Corporate Trustee and as such is a connected organisation

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provide emergency and urgent care, non-emergency patient transport services, and telephone and online clinical advice services to the six counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire. The Board of EEAST, acting as Corporate Trustee, have a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds' strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

	<u>2024/25</u>	<u>2023/24</u>
Turnover of EEAST £'000	496,639	440,136
Net surplus/(deficit) for EEAST after impairments and revaluations £'000	1,880	889

*Values disclosed above are prepared and audited in line with the DHSC Group Accounting Manual

The full annual report of EEAST is available on their website at:

<https://www.eastamb.nhs.uk/about-us/current-annual-report-and-quality-account-documents.htm>

Note 11 Other

During the year neither the Trustee nor members of the key management staff or parties related to them has undertaken any material transactions with the Charitable Trust.

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provides administrative and management services to the Charitable Trust, for which a charge of £113,204 (reflecting actual costs) has been made for the 2023/24 financial year (£89,361 for 23/24). At 31 March 2025 the Charity has a payable to EEAST of £42,085 arising from transactions settled by EEAST on behalf of the Charity.

All members of the NHS Trust Board act on behalf of the Trust in its capacity as the Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Trust.

Note 12 Independent Examiner Remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration of £2,898 including VAT (2023/24: £2,898) related solely to the independent examination with no other additional work undertake

This year the charity has achieved so much,
and this is because of you.

Thank you!



Together, we make a difference.



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The East of England Ambulance Service Charity (Registered Charity Number 1047987). The charity is a separate legal entity from the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), the Trust is corporate trustee for the charity.

Registered address:

**East of England Ambulance Service Charity, 18 Central Avenue, St. Andrews
Business Park, Norwich, NR7 0HR**

Accounts

East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

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Registered Charity Number: 1047987

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Trustee's Report

Legal and Administrative Information

Working name: East of England Ambulance Service Charity

Registered Name: East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

Charity Commission Number: 1047987

Principal Office: 18 Central Avenue, St Andrew's Business Park, Norwich, NR7 0HR

Bankers: Barclays Bank, Norwich

Independent Examiners: Larking Gowen LLP, 1st Floor Prospect House, Rouen Road, Norwich, NR1 1RE

Trustee

The Charitable Trust, constituted by the Trust Deed, is administered and managed by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds. The responsibility for the management and use of these funds held on trust generally lies with the board of a NHS body acting as corporate trustee.

Members of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024 were:

Mrunal Sisodia OBE, Non-Executive Director - and from 1 June 2023 Trust Chair

Catherine Glickman, Non-Executive Director (from 17th July 2023)

Chris Brook, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 3rd July 2023 and Chair of Charitable Funds Committee from 15 January 2024)

George Lynn, Non-Executive Director (from 1st July 2023)

Julie Thallon, Non-Executive Director

Wendy Thomas, Non-Executive Director

Kiran Mahil, Associate Non-Executive Director

Omid Shiraji, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 15 January 2024)

Victoria Corbishley, Associate Non-Executive Director

Tom Abell, Chief Executive Officer (to 10 August 2024)

Hein Scheffer Director of Strategy, Culture and Education

Kate Vaughton, Director of Integration & Deputy Chief Executive Officer (to 2 September 2024 secondment)

Kevin Smith, Director of Finance and Commissioning

Marika Stephenson, Chief People Officer and Interim Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Melissa Dowdeswell, Chief of Clinical Operations

Simon Chase, Chief Paramedic and Director of Quality (from 1 January 2024)

Dr Simon Walsh, Medical Director

Members who joined the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board after 31 March 2024:

Neill Moloney, Chief Executive Officer (from 2 September 2024)

Members who left the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board

Nicola Scrivings, Trust Chair (to 31 May 2023)

Neville Hounsborne, Chair of Charitable Funds Committee & Non-Executive Director (to 9th August 2023)

Alison Wigg, Non-Executive Director (Chair of Charitable Funds Committee 10 August 2023 to 14 January 2024)

Emma DeCarteret, Director of Corporate Affairs & Performance (to 31 March 2024)

Jo Cripps, Interim Director of Corporate Affairs & Performance (from 4 March 2024 to 28 September 2024)

Raising funds to support the staff, volunteers, and local communities of the East of England Ambulance Service, strengthening the provision of outstanding care to patients

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is the official charity of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust which has the role of corporate Trustee of the charity. The charity plays a role in the delivery of the Trust's vision and purpose:

"Outstanding care, exceptional people, every hour of every day"

This is being achieved by:

- Supporting the wellbeing and development of staff and volunteers
- Supporting and resourcing the volunteers in saving lives across the East of England
- Supporting collaboration, building networks and relationships with other charities and NHS associated bodies

This report on the activities of the Charity for the 2023/24 year, highlights the main activities, fundraising and expenditure of the Charity during this year. Thank you to all those who contributed to the successful operation and delivery of charitable activities during this year, and all of the supporters and donors who have made these activities possible.

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is a member of NHS Charities Together, the overarching membership body for NHS Charities. In recent years the East of England Ambulance Service Charity has been successful in applying for and receiving substantial grant funding from NHS Charities Together in support of community projects and wellbeing initiatives. In 2023/24 these funds have been able support staff and volunteers in ways not normally provided for in the funding to NHS ambulance trusts, and for the coming years these funds provide for the support of a number of community and community response projects.

Activities 2023/24

The Charity administers a number of funds under the single umbrella registration. The funds for 2023/24 have been received from the public as unsolicited donations to the fund in general and on occasion to benefit a specific area of the Charity's operation. Expenditure of £633,000 exceeds Income of £305,000 .

The main expenditure of the Charitable funds has been the provision of community based medical equipment such as community public access defibrillators, and the equipping and supporting of the Community First Responder groups who are volunteers operating throughout the six counties covered by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

In the furtherance of charitable objectives to benefit the health of the population through the provision of patient welfare and amenities, £204,000 has been spent during the year to provide community public access defibrillators and cabinets, automated external defibrillators and other medical devices such as blood oxygenation monitors with community based first responder groups.

In the use of funds for the benefit of National Health Service staff, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust staff and volunteers have benefited from the expenditure of £378,000 on staff welfare and amenities, including the provision enhanced outdoor spaces at stations, provision of training equipment and materials, uniforms, TV licenses for stations, care packages, welfare wagons and retirement celebration contributions.

In ensuring the appropriate administration of the Charitable Fund, as well as compliance with Charity Commission requirements, the Fundraising Regulator and the Fundraising Preference Service, £94,000 has been expended on Governance costs, which comprises the independent examination of the annual accounts, recharge of the administration by the corporate Trustee, the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, expenses for the finance software costs and membership fees for NHS Charities Together.

Accumulated reserves have been utilised in the year with a net overall reduction in funds by £328k. The efforts to utilise funds sees the consumption of reserves which have grown in prior years, in particular the receipt of legacies in 2022/23, an unpredictable but vital source of charitable funds. The Charitable Funds Committee of EEAST oversee and provide guidance on how accumulated unrestricted funds held in reserves will be utilised to meet the objectives of the Charity in a timely manner without excessive reserves being built up.

Restricted reserves have been utilised this year in delivering the projects for which funding has been received from successful grant applications in 2022/23 and 2021/22 from NHS Charities Together to support our local communities and charity development. Of funds awarded last financial year, all projects are fully underway, based around patient care. The Unmet Needs pilot signposts patients who have additional non-clinical needs to access the support services they require. In the first six months of the scheme, 500 patients and their families were signposted to community support. The second project provided falls equipment for eighteen targeted Community First Responder (CFR) groups, to provide initial falls training and on-going annual re-certification training to volunteers. Furthermore, six new CFR roving cars, all fully equipped with falls and CFR response kit and fully trained falls volunteers. Providing a mobile resource within communities to attend patients in a much wider geographic area. A further grant was awarded to support the development of the charity for communications and software support.

Donations and fund raising:

During 2023/24 the Charity has received £191,000 from donations in support of the Charity.

The continued support of individuals, companies and public minded organisations has ensured that despite the challenges presented the charity continues to support a wider reaching number of projects across the east of England region. It is not possible to name and thank every individual and organisation from whom support has been received, with such a fantastic continuation of public support for the NHS and its supporting charities.

The charity relies solely on donations and fundraising activities from our incredible supporters, generosity from legacies and income opportunities from grant programmes to enable these workstreams to happen.

Throughout the year, we have been in awe at our incredible fundraisers who go above and beyond in support of local stations and CFR groups. During the year, there have been some amazing fundraising efforts, including those from our dedicated CFR groups, these volunteers not only provide life-saving treatment in their spare time, but they go above and beyond to raise vital funds to support their local communities holding local charity and awareness events to fund additional CFR kit.

Donated funds have been used to support a vast array of projects and initiatives across the year. The charity has continued funding the creation of numerous wellbeing gardens across the Trust. Additionally, ambulance stations have created enriching outdoor spaces with planters, benches, gazebos and foliage. The charity has also funded the revamping of tired break out rooms with plants, pictures and recreational items all to provide staff and volunteers with a more mindful area for relaxation improving wellbeing..

Grants and Legacies:

During 2023/24, legacy gifts totalling £10k were compassionately bequeathed to the charity. These gifts form a lasting legacy, continuing to make a difference to EEAST colleagues and communities into the future.

Generosity from local grants schemes, also helps to maintain the work of the charity.

During 2023/24 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £23,325 of funding being the final 20% distribution of the Unmet Needs Navigator grant, and £44,798 received for the Welfare Wagons provision.

Governing Document and Charitable Objectives for the Public Benefit

The governing document is the Trust Deed dated 27 October 1994 updated by supplemental deed of declaration dated 31 March 2010.

The objects of the Charity as defined in the Trust Deed are: “The Trustees shall hold the trust fund upon trust to apply the income, and at their discretion, as far as may be permissible, the capital, for any charitable purpose or purposes relating to the National Health Service”.

The Charitable Funds are managed to encourage charitable giving for the benefit of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust patients and staff and to provide a safe, well administered fund for the receipt and investment of Charitable Funds.

Organisational Structure

The Trustee delegates responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Charitable Fund to officers within the Finance Directorate of East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

The Board of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, acting as Corporate Trustee, have appointed a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

Various procedures have been implemented to ensure the Charity's funds are received, applied and accounted for in accordance with accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published effective 1 January 2019.

Incoming Resources are subject to the controls of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust's general receipting and recording procedure.

Relevant officers and volunteers throughout the Trust are identified as "Gatekeepers". Requests for expenditure from the Charitable Fund generated by Gatekeepers are reviewed by the Finance Directorate under the Director of Finance and are approved only if expenditure will be made in accordance with the Charity's objectives, and criteria for expenditure and priorities set out in the Charitable Funds Strategy. The Head of Charity, or Head of Financial Governance and Compliance approves expenditure up to £1,500, the Deputy Director of Finance – Financial Services and Accounting approves expenditure up to £5,000 and the Director of Finance is required to approve all expenditure requests in excess of £5,001 up to £25,000. Any expenditure request in excess of £25,000 must be approved by the Chief Executive, Director of Finance, and Charitable Funds Committee Chair/Member.

Going Concern:

The Trustee has considered the Charitable Trust's financial position at the time of signing the financial statements. Financial reserves are held which will provide for the ongoing operation of the Charity in delivering its objectives for the foreseeable future.

The Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements. Further details can be found in the note 1.2.

Policies

Reserves Policy

The reserves policy is to encourage expenditure to benefit the purpose defined by the donor whilst protecting the funds which have a defined purpose and a committed expenditure profile. The unrestricted designated funds of the Trust cover three areas of purpose and control:

- 1) Community First Responder funds reserves are required to maintain the operational activities of responder groups, which can include training, medical and response equipment, vehicles and community defibrillators.
- 2) Ambulance Station funds reserves are required to support the wellbeing of staff and to enhance patient care, through for example wellbeing services, staff training and development, and provision of equipment or facilities in addition to that ordinarily afforded by the NHS.
- 3) Other designated funds reserves are required to support the continuation of specific directed groups such as cycle paramedics, chaplains, strategic fund and Daisy the vintage ambulance funds.

The Charity has 219 Community First responder funds, 39 Station funds and 22 other funds, alongside the General Fund.

An expenditure plan is required for all groups holding a balance of over £5,000, with excess balances designated to groups without plans swept to the general undesignated fund to ensure these accumulated funds are utilised in a timely manner towards the purposes of the Charity.

The Charity holds accumulated reserves of £1,719,000 at 31 March 2024. The restricted reserves are £391,000. The level of unrestricted reserves is £1,328,000, which reflects £691,000 of Community First Responder Funds, £91,000 of Station funds, and £25,000 of Other designated funds, and the General Fund of £521,000. There is no target level of reserves specified.

Investment Policy

The Trustee has determined that the reserves and working balances of the Charity will be maintained in a bank account specifically designed for Charity use with interest added without deduction of tax.

Risk

The Trustee has considered the financial, operational and compliance risks associated with the Charitable funds and is satisfied that the appropriate systems are in place to mitigate those risks.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Mrunal Sisodia OBE
Chair of EEAST
Date: 29 January 2025



Kevin Smith
Director of EEAST
Date: 29 January 2025

Statement of Trustee's responsibilities

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accountings Standards (United Kingdom General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustee is 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and 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 Trust deed. The Trustee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

The Trustee confirms that, in exercising their powers and duties, they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Mrunal Sisodia OBE
Chair of EEAST
Date: 29 January 2025



Kevin Smith
Director of EEAST
Date: 29 January 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustee of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

I report to the charity Trustee on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

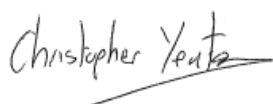
Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.



Christopher Yeates FCA DChA

Larking Gowen LLP, Norwich

30 January 2025

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	2024 Total Funds £000	2023 Total Funds £000
Income					
Donations		190	1	191	139
Legacies		10	-	10	606
Grants		29	69	98	216
Total Donations and Legacies		<u>229</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>299</u>	<u>961</u>
Investments & other income		6	-	6	-
Total income	2	<u>235</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>305</u>	<u>961</u>
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities					
Patients' welfare and amenities		117	87	204	103
Staff welfare and amenities		283	95	378	243
Governance costs	3	84	10	94	62
Losses/(gains) investment property	4	(43)	-	(43)	40
Total expenditure		<u>441</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>633</u>	<u>448</u>
Net movement in funds		(206)	(122)	(328)	513
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balances brought forward at 31 March 2023		1,534	513	2,047	1,534
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances carried forward at 31 March 2024		<u>1,328</u>	<u>391</u>	<u>1,719</u>	<u>2,047</u>

The notes at pages 13 to 20 form part of this account.

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total at 31 March 2024 £000	Total at 31 March 2023 £000
Current Assets					
Debtors and other assets	5	91	-	91	102
Cash at bank and in hand		1,072	391	1,463	1,860
Investment property	7	225	-	225	130
Total Current Assets		1,388	391	1,779	2,092
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	6	(60)	-	(60)	(45)
Total Net Assets		1,328	391	1,719	2,047
Funds of the Charity					
Income Funds:					
Unrestricted	8	1,328	-	1,328	1,534
Restricted	9	-	391	391	513
Total Funds		1,328	391	1,719	2,047

The notes at pages 13 to 20 form part of this account.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Mrunal Sisodia OBE
Chair of EEAST
Date: 29 January 2025



Kevin Smith
Director of EEAST
Date: 29 January 2025

Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2024 £000	Year ended 31 March 2023 £000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)		(328)	513
Reconciliation adjustments for:			
Non-cash income (recognition of investment property)	7	-	(170)
Non-cash expenditure (investments value change)	4	(43)	40
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	5	11	1
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	6	15	(109)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		(345)	275
 Investment property additions	7	(52)	
Cash flows from investing activities:		(52)	0
 Cash flows from financing activities:		0	0
 Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(397)	275
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,860	1,585
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		1,463	1,860

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1 Accounting Policies

Note 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes 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) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective 1 January 2019.

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

Note 1.2 Going concern

The Trustee has considered the charity's position at the time of signing the financial statements, including but not limited to levels of financial reserves, utilisation plans, and potential economic factors in the wider economy.

The charity has utilised restricted and unrestricted funds in excess of in year income in delivering its objectives this year.

Based on this, the Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. They therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements.

Note 1.3 Income

a) General

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

b) Legacies

Legacies are recognised on a case by case basis following the granting of probate when the administrator/executor for the estate has communicated in writing both the amount and settlement date. In the event that the gift is in the form of an asset other than cash or a financial asset traded on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the gift being reliably measurable with a degree of reasonable accuracy and the title to the asset having been transferred to the charity. Legacies of £10k (2023: £606k) were received during the year.

c) Investment Income

Investment income is recognised on the accruals concept. This relates to bank interest receivable.

d) Grant Income

A grant is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received (or receivable) provided that the terms of the grant do not impose future performance-related conditions. If the terms of a grant do impose performance-related conditions on the recipient, the grant is only recognised in income when the performance-related conditions are met.

Accounting Policies continued

Note 1.3 continued:

During 2023/24 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £23,325 of funding being the final 20% distribution of the Unmet Needs Navigator grant, and £44,798 received for the Welfare Wagons provision.

The payments for these grants have been recognised in two stages based on i) the award of the grant, and ii) the future performance conditions of the grant being met and the reporting of this confirmed and accepted by NHSCT 12 months into the projects the grants support.

Note 1.4 Expenditure

a) General

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings.

b) Charitable expenditure

Payments are made to third parties (including NHS bodies) in the furtherance of the funds held on trust's charitable objectives. They are accounted for on an accruals basis where the conditions for payment have been met or where a third party has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the payment. This includes payments made to NHS bodies. Payments are directly classified as patients' welfare or staff welfare dependent on the nature of the transaction.

c) Governance costs

These are accounted for on an accruals basis and are recharges of administration costs from East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, software maintenance costs and independent examination fees. The Charity employees no staff, the Head of Charity and administrative assistants are employees of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (the corporate trustee of the Charity).

Note 1.5 Structure of funds

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified in the accounts as a restricted fund. Funds where the capital is held to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent are accounted for as endowment funds. Other funds are classified as unrestricted funds. Funds which are not legally restricted but which the Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes are classified as designated funds. The major funds held within these categories are disclosed on notes 8 and 9.

Note 1.6 VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is included in resources expended.

Note 2 Details of Material Income

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2024 Funds £000	Total 2023 Funds £000
Material incoming resources				
NHS Charities Together Restricted funds	-	68	68	132
General Fund	46	-	46	640
Bungay First Responders	26	-	26	-
Fakenham Responders	16	-	16	5
Standon and Puckeridge First Responders	13	-	13	2
Bushey Responders	12	-	12	-
Otley First Responders	12	-	12	2
Little Gaddesden Responders	11	-	11	1
The Walpoles (West Winch)	8	-	8	-
Harpenden Community First Responders	7	-	7	-
Other funds	84	2	86	179
Total income	235	70	305	961

Included within the above analysis are legacies of £10k within Bungay First Responders.

NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £44,798 of funding for the operation of Welfare Wagons, and at £23,325 the final 20% distribution of the CFR Navigator schemes funding.

Note 3 Analysis of Governance Costs

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2024 Funds £000	Total 2023 Funds £000
Independent Examination Fee	3	-	3	2
Software Licence	1	-	1	1
Miscellaneous fees and charges	-	-	-	3
Management resources	80	10	90	56
	84	10	94	62

To drive the achievement of charitable objectives additional management resources have been provided by the Corporate Trustee in the provision of a Head of Charity employed by the Corporate Trustee and recharged to the Charity.

Note 4 Analysis of (Gains)/losses on investments

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2024 Funds £000	Total 2023 Funds £000
(Gains)/losses on investments	(43)	-	(43)	40
	(43)	-	(43)	40

The property received by legacy has been recognised as an investment property, being held not for owner occupation and the delivery of services, but to dispose of for sale proceeds. Following a programme of refurbishment to make the property fit for sale an increase in market value has been recognised at 31 March 2024. In the prior year the property was valued down to a current market value based on its location, and current condition. Changes in market value are recognised as a (gain) or loss in line with the accounting rules for investment properties. Market valuation has been provided by independent property valuers Bairstow Eves at 31 March 2024.

Note 5 Analysis of Debtors and other assets	31 March 2024 £000	31 March 2023 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Grants receivable from NHSCT	-	-
Prepayments and other receivables	91	102
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	-	-
Total debtors	91	102

Note 6 Analysis of Creditors	31 March 2024 £000	31 March 2023 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Accruals	3	15
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	57	30
Total creditors falling due within one year	60	45

Note 7 Investment Property	31 March 2024 £000	31 March 2023 £000
Opening	130	-
Receipts	-	170
Refurbishment costs capitalised	52	-
Valuation changes	43	(40)
Closing	225	130

The property received by legacy has been recognised as an investment property, being held not for owner occupation and the delivery of services, but to dispose of for sale proceeds. Following a programme of refurbishment to make the property fit for sale an increase in market value has been recognised at 31 March 2024. In the prior year the property was valued down to a current market value based on its location, and current condition. Refurbishment expenditure has been capitalised. Changes in market value are recognised as a (gain) or loss in line with the accounting rules for investment properties. Market valuation has been provided by independent property valuers Bairstow Eves at 31 March 2024.

Note 8 Analysis of Funds**Note 8.1 Unrestricted Funds 2023/24**

	Balance 31 March 2023 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2024 £000
Designated funds				
Aylsham Responders	22	4	10	16
Burwell First Responders	28	-	-	28
Cambridge University Student and CFR	12	1	1	12
Chafford Hundred First Responders	17	3	4	16
Diss First Responders	29	1	1	29
Harwich Responders	13	-	2	11
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	11	4	3	12
Newmarket Responders	12	-	-	12
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	10	1	4	7
Norwich Responders	22	1	2	21
Regional CFR Management Fund	37	16	31	22
Waveney Car CFR	16	-	-	16
Welfare Wagons - XX180	19	85	104	-
Whittlesey First Responders	10	-	1	9
Wisbech Ambulance Station	19	-	-	19
Wroxham Responders	21	-	2	19
Other Funds	1,211	119	276	1,054
Total	1,534	235	441	1,328

Note 8.1 Unrestricted Funds 2022/23

	Balance 31 March 2022 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2023 £000
Designated funds				
Aylsham Responders	5	22	5	22
Burwell First Responders	28	-	-	28
Cambridge University Student and CFR	11	1	-	12
Chafford Hundred First Responders	18	2	3	17
Diss First Responders	6	26	3	29
Harwich Responders	13	-	-	13
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	9	3	1	11
Newmarket Responders	6	7	1	12
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	11	-	1	10
Norwich Responders	18	5	1	22
Regional CFR Management Fund	-	39	2	37
Waveney Car CFR	16	-	-	16
Welfare Wagons - XX180	-	96	77	19
Whittlesey First Responders	10	-	-	10
Wisbech Ambulance Station	21	-	2	19
Wroxham Responders	20	2	1	21
Other Funds	835	626	250	1,211
Total	1,052	829	347	1,534

Designated unrestricted funds are regularly reviewed and the designations removed where these have been identified as limiting the utilisation of these funds in line with the Charity's Reserves Policy.

Note 8.2 Details of Material Funds - Unrestricted Funds

Name of fund	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
Regional CFR Management Fund	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the east of England region
Diss First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Diss area
Burwell First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Burwell area
March Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of March Ambulance Station
Wisbech Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of Wisbech Ambulance Station
Norwich First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Norwich area
Wroxham Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Wroxham area
Aylsham Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Aylsham area
Chafford Hundred First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Chafford Hundred area
Waveney Car CFR	To assist with the provision of CFR car for the Waveney area
Harwich Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Harwich area
Cambridge University Students Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Cambridge area
Newmarket Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Newmarket area
Mundesley & Roughton First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Mundesley & Roughton area
Beccles Community First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Beccles area
Norfolk First Responder Co-Ordinator	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county of Norfolk
Other Funds	To provide various benefits to the patients and staff of the ambulance service and assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county.

Note 9 Analysis Funds**Note 9.1 Restricted Funds 2023/24**

	Balance 31 March 2023 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2024 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	467	69	179	357
Bernstein RRV	34	-	13	21
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Mental Health and counselling	10	-	-	10
Other funds	1	1	-	2
Total	513	70	192	391

Note 9.1 Restricted Funds 2022/23

	Balance 31 March 2022 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2023 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	436	132	101	467
Bernstein RRV	34	-	-	34
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Mental Health and counselling	10	-	-	10
Other funds	1	-	-	1
Total	482	132	101	513

Note 9.2 Details of Material Funds Restricted Funds

Name of fund	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
NHS Charities Together	During 2023/24 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £23,325 of funding being the final 20% distribution of the Unmet Needs Navigator grant, and £44,798 received for the Welfare Wagons provision. During 2022/23 NHS CT Grants recognised in 2022/23 reflect £30,000 of funding for the development of the Charity, and at £101,738 the final 20% distribution of the CFR and Community Response schemes funding (initially awarded in November 2021).
Mental Health and counselling	During 2020/21 paramedic Dionne Jones an apprentice emergency care support worker at the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), walked ten kilometres a day for 30 days around Bedfordshire, while shielding, to raise over £10,000 to support colleagues who were working on the front line during the pandemic, to go towards mental health and well-being of ambulance staff including counselling and therapy.
Bernstein RRV	To provide ambulance services for the Cromer Area. During 2023/24 funds have been expended on equipment for RRVs operating out of Cromer.
WB Wright - Cambridge City	To provide medical equipment for the Cambridge City area
Newman - James Paget	£200 to provide equipment for Ambulances operating to James Paget Hospital received in 2017/18
Ambulance Equipment Fund	£430 has been received in 2021/22

Note 10 Connected Organisations

East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust is the Charity's Corporate Trustee and as such is a connected organisation

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provide emergency and urgent care, non-emergency patient transport services, and telephone and online clinical advice services to the six counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire. The Board of EEAST, acting as Corporate Trustee, have a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

	<u>2023/24</u>	<u>2022/23</u>
Turnover of EEAST £'000	440,136	421,611
Net surplus/(deficit) for EEAST after impairments and revaluations £'000	889	1,915

*Values disclosed above are prepared and audited in line with the DHSC Group Accounting Manual

The full annual report of EEAST is available on their website at:

<https://www.eastamb.nhs.uk/about-us/current-annual-report-and-quality-account-documents.htm>

Note 11 Other

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provides administrative and management services to the Charitable Trust, for which a charge of £89,361 (reflecting actual costs) has been made for the 2023/24 financial year (£55,931 for 22/23). At 31 March 2024 the Charity has a payable to EEAST of £18,716 arising from transactions settled by EEAST on behalf of the Charity.

All members of the NHS Trust Board act on behalf of the Trust in its capacity as the Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Trust.

Note 12 Independent Examiner Remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration of £2,898 including VAT (2022/23: £2,400) related solely to the independent examination with no other additional work undertaken.

This
year your support
has achieved so much, and
we can't thank you enough.

The Future

In 2024 to 2025, we promise to continue
our mission to support the dedicated
staff, passionate volunteers, provide
exceptional education & innovative research
to local communities of the East of England
Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST),
strengthening the provision of outstanding
care to patients.

Thank you to all of those who use
their time to make this happen.



Together, we make a difference.

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The East of England Ambulance Service Charity (Registered Charity Number 1047987). The charity is a separate legal entity from the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), the Trust is corporate trustee for the charity.

Registered address:

East of England Ambulance Service Charity, 18 Central Avenue, St. Andrews
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Accounts



**East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Charitable Funds**

Annual Report and Accounts 2022/23

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Trustee's Report

Legal and Administrative Information

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Registered Name: East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

Charity Commission Number: 1047987

Principal Office: Hospital Lane, Hellesdon, Norwich, NR6 5NA

Bankers: Barclays Bank, Norwich

Independent Examiners: Larking Gowen LLP, 1st Floor Prospect House, Rouen Road, Norwich, NR1 1RE

Trustee

The Charitable Trust, constituted by the Trust Deed, is administered and managed by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds. The responsibility for the management and use of these funds held on trust generally lies with the board of a NHS body acting as corporate trustee.

Members of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board from 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 were:

Nicola Scrivings, Trust Chair (to 31 May 2023)

Neville Hounsborne, Chair of Charitable Funds Committee & Non-Executive Director (to 9th August 2023)

Mrunal Sisodia OBE, Non-Executive Director - and from 1 June 2023 Trust Chair

Alison Wigg, Non-Executive Director -(Chair of Charitable Funds Committee 10 August 2023 to 14 January 2024)

Julie Thallon, Non-Executive Director

Wendy Thomas, Non-Executive Director

Kiran Mahil, Associate Non-Executive Director

Victoria Corbishley, Associate Non-Executive Director

Tom Abell - Chief Executive Officer

Kevin Smith, Director of Finance and Commissioning

Marika Stephenson - Director of People Services

Melissa Dowdeswell - Chief of Clinical Operations

Dr Simon Walsh - Medical Director

Emma DeCarteret - Director of Corporate Affairs & Performance

Hein Scheffer Director of Strategy, Culture and Education

Kate Vaughton, Director of Integration and Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Members who joined the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board after 31 March 2023:

Catherine Glickman, Non-Executive Director (from 17th July 2023)

George Lynn, Non-Executive Director (from 1st July 2023)

Chris Brook, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 3rd July 2023 and Chair of Charitable Funds Committee from 15 January 2024)

Simon Chase, Chief Paramedic and Director of Quality (from 1 October 2023)

Members who left the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board

Carolan Davidge, Non-Executive Director (to 3 December 2022)

Juliet Beal, Director of Nursing, Clinical Quality and Improvement (from 4 November 2020 to 3 May 2022)

Tom Burton - Interim Director of Strategic Planning (from 21 June 2021 to 29 April 2022)

Marcus Bailey, Chief Operating Officer (to date of secondment August 2022)

Raising funds to support the staff, volunteers, and local communities of the East of England Ambulance Service, strengthening the provision of outstanding care to patients

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is the official charity of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust which has the role of corporate Trustee of the charity.

The charity plays a role in the delivery of the Trust's vision and purpose:

"Outstanding care, exceptional people, every hour of every day"

This is being achieved by:

- Supporting the wellbeing and development of staff and volunteers
- Supporting and resourcing the volunteers in saving lives across the East of England
- Supporting collaboration, building networks and relationships with other charities and NHS associated bodies

This report on the activities of the Charity for the 2022/23 year, highlights the main activities, fundraising and expenditure of the Charity during this year. Thank you to all those who contributed to the successful operation and delivery of charitable activities during this year, and all of the supporters and donors who have made these activities possible.

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is a member of NHS Charities Together, the overarching membership body for NHS Charities. In recent years the East of England Ambulance Service Charity has been successful in applying for and receiving substantial grant funding from NHS Charities Together in support of community projects and wellbeing initiatives. In 2022/23 these funds have been able support staff and volunteers in ways not normally provided for in the funding to NHS ambulance trusts, and for the coming years these funds provide for the support of a number of community and community response projects.

In March 2023, the Charity agreed a new three-year strategy, providing a clear direction for its growth and development, enhancing the impact the charity has in the east of England.

Activities 2022/23

2022/23 have been received from the public as unsolicited donations to the fund in general and on occasion to benefit a specific area of the Trust's operation. Income of £961,000 exceeds Expenditure of £448,000.

The main expenditure of the Charitable funds has been the provision of community based medical equipment such as community public access defibrillators, and the equipping and supporting of the Community First Responder groups who are volunteers operating throughout the six counties covered by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

In the furtherance of charitable objectives to benefit the health of the population through the provision of patient welfare and amenities, £103,000 has been spent during the year to provide community public access defibrillators and cabinets, automated external defibrillators and other medical devices such as blood oxygenation monitors with community based first responder groups.

In the use of funds for the benefit of National Health Service staff, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust staff and volunteers have benefited from the expenditure of £243,000 on staff welfare and amenities, including the provision enhanced outdoor spaces at stations, provision of training equipment and materials, uniforms, TV licenses for stations, care packages, welfare wagons and retirement celebration contributions.

In ensuring the appropriate administration of the Charitable Fund, as well as compliance with Charity Commission requirements, the Fundraising Regulator and the Fundraising Preference Service, £62,000 has been expended on Governance costs, which comprises the independent examination of the annual accounts, recharge of the administration by the corporate Trustee, the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, expenses for the finance software costs and membership fees for NHS Charities Together.

Accumulated reserves have grown for the Charitable Fund in the current year 2022/23 by £513,000 and in 2021/22 by £312,000. The growth in accumulated reserves this year has arisen as a result of income from legacies, an unpredictable but vital source of charitable funds. The Charitable Funds Committee of EEASt oversee and provide guidance on how accumulated unrestricted funds held in reserves will be utilised to meet the objectives of the Charity in a timely manner without excessive reserves being built up.

Whilst the annual report and accounts are dedicated to delivery throughout the whole of the 2022/23 financial year, it is important to outline the significant effort across the financial year and ongoing into the 2023/24 period, as a result of the need for the healthcare system and supporting charities and organisations to respond following the Covid-19 pandemic and ongoing pressures in the healthcare system.

While restricted reserves have grown during 2022/23 (and 2021/22) this is due to the success of grant applications from NHS Charities Together to support our local communities and charity development. Of funds awarded last financial year, all projects are fully underway, based around patient care. The Unmet Needs pilot signposts patients who have additional non-clinical needs to access the support services they require. In the first six months of the scheme, 500 patients and their families were signposted to community support. The second project provided falls equipment for eighteen targeted Community First Responder (CFR) groups, to provide initial falls training and on-going annual re-certification training to volunteers. Furthermore, six new CFR roving cars, all fully equipped with falls and CFR response kit and fully trained falls volunteers. Providing a mobile resource within communities to attend patients in a much wider geographic area. A further grant was awarded to support the development of the charity for communications and software support.

Donations and fund raising:

During 2022/23 the Charity has received £139,000 from donations in support of the Charity.

Although lower than in the previous year it is recognised that the impact of the post COVID-19 pandemic and current economic climate has been a challenge across the not for profit sector as a whole. The continued support of individuals, companies and public minded organisations has ensured that despite the challenges presented the charity continues to support a wider reaching number of projects across the east of England region. It is not possible to name and thank every individual and organisation from whom support has been received, with such a fantastic continuation of public support for the NHS and its supporting charities.

The charity relies solely on donations and fundraising activities from our incredible supporters, generosity from legacies and income opportunities from grant programmes to enable these workstreams to happen.

Throughout the year, we have been in awe at our incredible fundraisers who go above and beyond in support of local stations and CFR groups. This year is no exception, our fundraising campaign Outrun an Ambulance, as part of a wider collaboration of 6 ambulance services across the Nation, we were proud winners of two national awards recognising the success of the collaboration and campaign. During the year, there have been some amazing fundraising efforts, including those from our dedicated CFR groups, these volunteers not only provide life-saving treatment in their spare time, but they go above and beyond to raise vital funds to support their local communities holding local charity and awareness events to fund additional CFR kit.

Donated funds have been used to support a vast array of projects and initiatives across the year. During the pandemic, the charity funded wellbeing gardens were a place of calm for frontline ambulance staff during a time of unprecedented unrest. The charity has continued funding the creation of numerous wellbeing gardens across the Trust, with 13 now in situ. Additionally, ambulance stations have created enriching outdoor spaces with planters, benches, gazebos and foliage. The charity has also funded the revamping of tired break out rooms with plants, pictures and recreational items all to provide staff and volunteers with a more mindful area for relaxation improving wellbeing.

In year, £19k has been used to purchase potentially lifesaving replacement pads for iPad automated external defibrillators (AED). The AEDs were originally placed in the community as part of a Trust initiative to improve response times to cardiac arrests in the hard-to-reach areas of our region. This funding has ensured that the devices remain fit for purpose and can continue to be used to support patients.

Additionally, community support and education, received a boost in year from the charity with the launch of EEAST Heart, a community based education programme in Basic Life Support (BLS) for the members of the public run by East of England Ambulance service NHS Trust staff & volunteers.

Grants and Legacies:

During 2022/23, in memory giving and legacy gifts totalling £606k were compassionately bequeathed to the charity. These

gifts form a lasting legacy, continuing to make a difference to EEAST colleagues and communities into the future. Generosity from local grants schemes, also helps to maintain the work of the charity. In March 2023, Aviva awarded Aylsham CFR group £14,950, for the purpose of funding additional community response kits and training aids to support the emergency first response in the local area.

During 2022/23, the Charity received grants from NHS Charities for Ambulance Service grants in recognition of the vital work that ambulance charities do to support the work of the NHS. The projects commenced in 2021/22 and have continued supporting communities throughout this financial year. The grant funds falls equipment for eighteen targeted community first responder groups, to provide initial falls training and on-going annual recertification training to volunteers to increase community resilience across the East of England. The funds also support ten new CFR roving cars, all fully equipped with falls and CFR response kit and fully trained falls volunteers, to provide a mobile resource within communities to attend patients in a much wider geographic area. 80% grant funding from NHSCT was recognised in 2021/22, whilst the remaining 20% of these NHSCT grants was recognised in this year 2022/23 as grant conditions were met (£101,738).

In 2021/22, the Ambulance Grants Programme from NHS Charities Together provided a further grant of £93,299 (being 80%) of £116,624 which has been recognised to support the Unmet Needs Navigator team, to pilot a community signposting programme for patients with unmet needs to wider community support pathways. The remaining 20% of these NHSCT grants will be recognised in 2023/24 when conditions are met.

During 2020/21 the charity was awarded grants from NHS Charities Together for the specific purpose of enhancing the wellbeing of colleagues, volunteers and communities affected by COVID-19. Trauma Incident Management (TRiM) is crucial in the emergency services. The charity has funded two additional TRiM courses thanks to £10,320 from an NHS Charities Together grant. 14 new foundation practitioners for Essex and 18 for Norfolk are now available to offer additional help increasing the number of trained TRiM practitioners able to assist staff following trauma exposure.

The charity was also successful in year in securing a grant of £30,000 from NHS Charities Together to support its development. A programme of works supported by this is planned for 2023/24

Governing Document and Charitable Objectives for the Public Benefit

The governing document is the Trust Deed dated 27 October 1994 updated by supplemental deed of declaration dated 31 March 2010.

The objects of the Charity as defined in the Trust Deed are: The trustees shall hold the trust fund upon trust to apply the income, and at their discretion, as far as may be permissible, the capital, for any charitable purpose or purposes relating to the National Health Service.

The Charitable Funds are managed to encourage charitable giving for the benefit of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust patients and staff and to provide a safe, well administered fund for the receipt and investment of Charitable Funds.

Organisational Structure

The Trustee delegates responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Charitable Fund to officers within the Finance Directorate of East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

The Board of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, acting as Corporate Trustee, have appointed a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

Various procedures have been implemented to ensure the Charity's funds are received, applied and accounted for in accordance with accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published effective 1 January 2019.

Incoming Resources are subject to the controls of the NHS Trust's general receipting and recording procedure.

Relevant officers and volunteers throughout the Trust are identified as "Gatekeepers". Requests for expenditure from the Charitable Fund generated by Gatekeepers are reviewed by the Finance Directorate under the Director of Finance and Commissioning and are approved only if expenditure will be made in accordance with the Charity's objectives, and criteria for expenditure and priorities set out in the Charitable Funds Strategy. The Head of Financial Services or Deputy Head of Financial Services approves expenditure up to £1,500, the Head of Finance approves expenditure up to £5,000 and the Director of Finance and Commissioning is required to approve all expenditure requests in excess of £5,001 up to £25,000. Any expenditure request in excess of £25,000 must be approved by the Chief Executive, Director of Finance and Commissioning, and Charitable Funds Committee chair/member.

Going Concern:

The Trustee has considered the Charitable Trust's financial position at the time of signing the financial statements. Financial reserves are held which will provide for the ongoing operation of the Charity in delivering its objectives for the foreseeable future.

The Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. Therefore they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements. Further details can be found in the note 1.2.

Policies

Reserves Policy

The reserves policy is to encourage expenditure to benefit the purpose defined by the donor whilst protecting the funds which have a defined purpose and a committed expenditure profile. The unrestricted designated funds of the Trust cover three areas of purpose and control:

- 1) Community First Responder funds reserves are required to maintain the operational activities of responder groups, which can include training, medical and response equipment, vehicles and community defibrillators.
- 2) Ambulance Station funds reserves are required to support the wellbeing of staff and to enhance patient care, through for example wellbeing services, staff training and development, and provision of equipment or facilities in addition to that ordinarily afforded by the NHS.
- 3) Other designated funds reserves are required to support the continuation of specific directed groups such as cycle paramedics, chaplains, strategic fund and Daisy the vintage ambulance funds.

The Charity has 241 Community First responder funds, 41 Station funds and 20 other funds, alongside the General Fund.

An expenditure plan is required for all groups holding a balance of over £5,000, with excess balances designated to groups without plans swept to the general undesignated fund to ensure these accumulated funds are utilised in a timely manner towards the purposes of the Charity.

The Charity holds accumulated reserves of £2,047,000 at 31 March 2023. The restricted reserves are £513,000. The level of unrestricted reserves is £1,534,000, which reflects £718,000 of Community First Responder Funds, £98,000 of Station funds, and £31,000 of Other designated funds, and the General Fund of £687,000. There is no target level of reserves specified.

Investment Policy

The Trustee has determined that the reserves and working balances of the Charity will be maintained in a bank account specifically designed for Charity use with interest added without deduction of tax.

Risk

The Trustee has considered the financial, operational and compliance risks associated with the Charitable funds and is satisfied that the appropriate systems are in place to mitigate those risks.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Mrunal Sisodia OBE
Chair of EEAST
Date: 31 January 2024



Kevin Smith
Director of EEAST
Date: 31 January 2024

Statement of Trustee's responsibilities

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accountings Standards (United Kingdom General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustee is 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and 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 Trust deed. The Trustee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

The Trustee confirms that, in exercising their powers and duties, they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by

Chair of EEAST



Mrunal Sisodia OBE

Date: 31 January 2024

Director of EEAST



Kevin Smith

Date: 31 January 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustee of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

I report to the charity Trustee on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

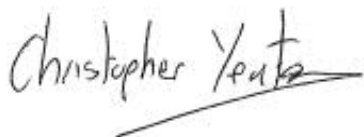
Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.



Christopher Yeates FCA DChA

Larking Gowen LLP, Norwich

31 January 2024

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	2023 Total Funds £000	2022 Total Funds £000
Income					
Donations		139	-	139	182
Legacies		606	-	606	24
Grants		84	132	216	527
Total Donations and Legacies		829	132	961	733
Investments & other income		-	-	-	-
Total income	2	829	132	961	733
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities					
Patients welfare and amenities		70	33	103	203
Staff welfare and amenities		177	66	243	177
Governance costs	3	60	2	62	41
Losses / (Gains) on investment property	4	40	-	40	-
Total expenditure		347	101	448	421
Net movement in funds		482	31	513	312
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balances brought forward at 31 March 2022		1,052	482	1,534	1,222
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Fund balances carried forward at 31 March 2023		1,534	513	2,047	1,534

The notes at pages 12-20 form part of this account

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total at 31 March 2023 £000	Total at 31 March 2022 £000
Current Assets					
Debtors and other assets	5	99	3	102	103
Cash at bank and in hand		1,338	522	1,860	1,585
Investment property	7	130	0	130	0
Total Current Assets		1,567	525	2,092	1,688
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	6	(33)	(12)	(45)	(154)
Total Net Assets		1,534	513	2,047	1,534
Funds of the Charity					
Income Funds:					
Unrestricted	8	1,534	-	1,534	1,052
Restricted	9	-	513	513	482
Total Funds		1,534	513	2,047	1,534

The notes at pages 12-20 form part of this account

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Mrunal Sisodia OBE
Chair of EEAST
Date: 31 January 2024



Kevin Smith
Director of EEAST
Date: 31 January 2024

Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Year ended 31 March 2023 £000	Year ended 31 March 2022 £000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)		513	312
Reconciliation adjustments for:			
Non-cash income (recognition of investment property)	7	(170)	-
Non-cash expenditure (investments value change)	4	40	-
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	5	1	(101)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	6	(109)	147
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		275	358
Cash flows from investing activities:		0	0
Cash flows from financing activities:		0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		275	358
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,585	1,227
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		1,860	1,585

Notes to the Accounts

Note 1 Accounting Policies

Note 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes 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) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective 1 January 2019.

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

Note 1.2 Going concern

The Trustee has considered the charity's position at the time of signing the financial statements, including but not limited to levels of financial reserves, utilisation plans, and potential economic factors in the wider economy.

The Charity continues to hold substantial levels of free reserves, bolstered during 2022/23 by the significant legacy left to the Trust comprising cash and an investment property planned for sale during 2023/24.

Based on this, the Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. They therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements.

Accounting Policies continued

Note 1.3 Income

a) General

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

b) Legacies

Legacies are recognised on a case by case basis following the granting of probate when the administrator/executor for the estate has communicated in writing both the amount and settlement date. In the event that the gift is in the form of an asset other than cash or a financial asset traded on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the gift being reliably measurable with a degree of reasonable accuracy and the title to the asset having been transferred to the charity. Legacies of £606k (2022: £24k) were received during the year.

c) Investment Income

Investment income is recognised on the accruals concept. This relates to bank interest receivable. This is apportioned to funds on the basis of weighted fund balance over the period.

d) Grant Income

A grant is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received (or receivable) provided that the terms of the grant do not impose future performance-related conditions. If the terms of a grant do impose performance-related conditions on the recipient, the grant is only recognised in income when the performance-related conditions are met.

At 31 March 2023 two grants from NHS CT Grants are recognised in the year reflecting £30,000 of funding for the development of the Charity, and at £101,738 the final 20% distribution of the CFR Roving Vehicles, Project Support and Community Response Falls schemes funding (initially awarded in November 2021). NHS CT provided a further grant of £93,299 (being 80%) of £116,624 which had been recognised in 2021/23 to support the Unmet Needs Navigator team. The remaining 20% of this NHS CT grant £23,325 is included in the award but with conditions unmet at March 2023.

The payments for these grants have been recognised in two stages based on i) the award of the grant, and ii) the future performance conditions of the grant being met and the reporting of this confirmed and accepted by NHSCT 12 months into the projects the grants support.

Accounting Policies continued

Note 1.4 Expenditure

a) General

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings.

b) Charitable expenditure

Payments are made to third parties (including NHS bodies) in the furtherance of the funds held on trust's charitable objectives. They are accounted for on an accruals basis where the conditions for payment have been met or where a third party has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the payment. This includes payments made to NHS bodies. Payments are directly classified as patients welfare or staff welfare dependent on the nature of the transaction.

c) Governance costs

These are accounted for on an accruals basis and are recharges of administration costs from East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, software maintenance costs and independent examination fees. These are apportioned to funds on the basis of weighted fund balance over the period. The Charity employees no staff, the Head of Charity and administrative assistants are employees of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (the corporate trustee of the Charity) and the costs recharged beginning 2022.

Note 1.5 Structure of funds

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified in the accounts as a restricted fund. Funds where the capital is held to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent are accounted for as endowment funds. Other funds are classified as unrestricted funds. Funds which are not legally restricted but which the Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes are classified as designated funds. The major funds held within these categories are disclosed on notes 8 and 9.

Note 1.6 VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is included in resources expended.

Note 2 Details of Material Income

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2023 Funds £000	Total 2022 Funds £000
Material incoming resources				
General Fund	640	-	640	49
NHS Charities Together Restricted funds	-	132	132	500
Diss First Responders	26	-	26	1
Aylsham Responders	19	-	19	4
Thaxted First Responders	11	-	11	-
Newmarket Responders	7	-	7	11
Welwyn Garden and Hatfield Responders	7	-	7	-
Braintree First Responders	6	-	6	-
Other funds	113	-	113	168
Total income	829	132	961	733

Included within the above analysis are legacies of £580k within General Fund and £26k within Diss First Responders.

NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £30,000 of funding for the development of the Charity, and at £101,738 the final 20% distribution of the CFR and Community Response schemes funding (initially awarded in November 2021).

Note 3 Analysis of Governance Costs

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2023 Funds £000	Total 2022 Funds £000
Independent Examination Fee	2	-	2	2
Software Licence	1	-	1	1
Miscellaneous fees and charges	-	3	3	4
Management resources	56	-	56	34
	59	3	62	41

To drive the achievement of charitable objectives additional management resources have been provided by the Corporate Trustee in the provision of a Head of Charity and administrator employed by the Corporate Trustee and recharged to the Charity.

Note 4 Analysis of (Gains)/losses on investments	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2023 Funds £000	Total 2022 Funds £000
(Gains)/losses on investments	40	-	-	-
	40	0	0	0

The property received by legacy has been recognised as an investment property, being held not for owner occupation and the delivery of services, but to dispose of for sale proceeds. The property was recognised in April 2022 at the valuation provided by the grant of probate at £170,000 and has been valued down to a current market value at 31 March 2023 by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust's Head of Estates at £130,000 based on its location, and current condition. This decrease in market value is recognised as a loss in line with the accounting rules for investment properties. Reinvestment to make the property fit for sale is anticipated to result in an increase in sales value which exceeds the costs incurred to repair and market for sale.

Note 5 Analysis of Debtors and other assets	31 March 2023 £000	31 March 2022 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Grants receivable from NHSCT	-	93
Prepayments and other receivables	102	7
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	-	3
Total debtors	102	103

Note 6 Analysis of Creditors	31 March 2023 £000	31 March 2022 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Accruals	15	26
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	30	128
Total creditors falling due within one year	45	154

Note 7 Investment Property	31 March 2023 £000	31 March 2022 £000
Opening	0	0
Receipts	170	0
Valuation changes	(40)	0
Closing	130	0

See note 4

The property received by legacy has been recognised as an investment property, being held not for owner occupation and the delivery of services, but to dispose of for sale proceeds. The property was recognised in April 2022 at the valuation provided by the grant of probate at £170,000 and has been valued down to a current market value at 31 March 2023 by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust's Head of Estates at £130,000 based on its location, and current condition.

Note 8 Analysis of Funds

Note 8.1 Unrestricted Funds 2022/23

	Balance 31 March 2022 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2023 £000
Designated funds				
Aylsham Responders	5	22	5	22
Burwell First Responders	28	-	-	28
Cambridge University Student and CFR	11	1	-	12
Chafford Hundred First Responders	18	2	3	17
Diss First Responders	6	26	3	29
Harwich Responders	13	-	-	13
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	9	3	1	11
Newmarket Responders	6	7	1	12
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	11	-	1	10
Norwich Responders	18	5	1	22
Regional CFR Management Fund	-	39	2	37
Waveney Car CFR	16	-	-	16
Welfare Wagons - XX180	-	96	77	19
Whittlesey First Responders	10	-	-	10
Wisbech Ambulance Station	21	-	2	19
Wroxham Responders	20	2	1	21
Other Funds	835	626	250	1,211
Total	1,052	829	347	1,534

Note 8.1 Unrestricted Funds 2021/22

	Balance 31 March 2021 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2022 £000
Designated funds				
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Wisbech Ambulance Station	21	-	-	21
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	16	-	5	11
Head Office Fund	20	-	-	20
Wroxham Responders	20	-	-	20
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	16	4	11	9
Chafford Hundred First Responders	16	3	1	18
Burwell First Responders	4	24	-	28
Death Levy	12	-	-	12
Waveney Car CFR	-	16	-	16
Beccles Community Responders	9	-	-	9
Necton Responders	8	-	-	8
Cambridge University Student and CFR	11	-	-	11
Glemsford First Responders	7	-	1	6
Haverhill First Responders	8	5	3	10
Wrentham and Area First Responders	8	-	-	8
Suffolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	7	-	-	7
Luton First Responders	11	4	6	9
Other Funds	844	176	216	804
Total	1,063	232	243	1,052

Designated unrestricted funds are regularly reviewed and the designations removed where these have been identified as limiting the utilisation of these funds in line with the Charity's Reserves Policy.

Note 8.2 Details of Material Funds - Unrestricted Funds

<u>Name of fund</u>	<u>Description of the nature and purpose of each fund</u>
Regional CFR Management Fund	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the east of England region
Diss First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Diss area
Burwell First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Burwell area
March Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of March Ambulance Station
Wisbech Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of Wisbech Ambulance Station
Norwich First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Norwich area
Wroxham Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Wroxham area
Aylsham Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Aylsham area
Chafford Hundred First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Chafford Hundred area
Waveney Car CFR	To assist with the provision of CFR car for the Waveney area
Harwich Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Harwich area
Cambridge University Students Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Cambridge area
Newmarket Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Newmarket area
Mundesley & Roughton First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Mundesley & Roughton area
Beccles Community First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Beccles area
Norfolk First Responder Co-Ordinator	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county of Norfolk
Other Funds	To provide various benefits to the patients and staff of the ambulance service and assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county.

Note 9 Analysis Funds

Note 9.1 Restricted Funds

	Balance 31 March 2022 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2023 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	436	132	101	467
Bernstein RRV	34	-	-	34
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Mental Health and counselling	10	-	-	10
Other funds	1	-	-	1
Total	482	132	101	513

	Balance 31 March 2021 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2022 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	124	500	188	436
Bernstein RRV	34	-	-	34
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Mental Health and counselling	-	10	-	10
Other funds	-	1	-	1
Total	159	511	188	482

Mental Health and counselling income includes a £10k transfer from unrestricted funds

Note 9.2 Details of Material Funds Restricted Funds

<u>Name of fund</u>	<u>Description of the nature and purpose of each fund</u>
NHS Charities Together	During 2022/23 NHS CT Grants recognised in the year reflect £30,000 of funding for the development of the Charity, and at £101,738 the final 20% distribution of the CFR and Community Response schemes funding (initially awarded in November 2021). During 2021/22 £500,250 has been recognised as income from two multi stage grants awarded. £406,951 being 80% of £508,689 has been recognised for the CFR projects. £93,299 being 80% of £116,624 has been recognised in the Unmet Needs Navigator grant. The remaining 20% of these NHSCCT grants will be recognised when conditions are met. During 2020/21 £125,600 was received from 4 distributions from NHS Charities Together for the purpose of enhancing the provision of welfare and staff and patient services during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Mental Health and counselling	During 2020/21 paramedic Dionne Jones an apprentice emergency care support worker at the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), walked ten kilometres a day for 30 days around Bedfordshire, while shielding, to raise over £10,000 to support colleagues who were working on the front line during the pandemic, to go towards mental health and well-being of ambulance staff including counselling and therapy. This has been classified as a restricted reserve in 2021/22.
Bernstein RRV	To provide ambulance services for the Cromer Area
WB Wright - Cambridge City	To provide medical equipment for the Cambridge City area
Newman - James Paget	£200 to provide equipment for Ambulances operating to James Paget Hospital received in 2017/18
Ambulance Equipment Fund	£430 has been received in 2021/22

Note 10 Connected Organisations

East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust is the Charities' Corporate Trustee and as such is a connected organisation

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provide emergency and urgent care, non-emergency patient transport services, and telephone and online clinical advice services to the six counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire. During the year 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 EEAST has continued to play a critical role in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board of EEAST, acting as Corporate Trustee, have a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

	<u>2022/23</u>	<u>2021/22</u>
Turnover of EEAST £'000	421,611	400,345
Net surplus/(deficit) for EEAST after impairments and revaluations £'000	1,915	(9,695)

*Values disclosed above are prepared and audited in line with the DHSC Group Accounting Manual

The full annual report of EEAST is available on their website at:

<https://www.eastamb.nhs.uk/about-us/current-annual-report-and-quality-account-documents.htm>

Note 11 Other

During the year neither the Trustee nor members of the key management staff or parties related to them has undertaken any material transactions with the Charitable Trust.

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provides administrative and management services to the Charitable Trust, for which a charge of £55,931 (reflecting actual costs) has been made for the 2022/23 financial year (£34,397 for 21/22). At 31 March 2023 the Charity has a payable to EEAST of £30,167 arising from transactions settled by EEAST on behalf of the Charity.

All members of the NHS Trust Board act on behalf of the Trust in its capacity as the Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Trust.

Note 12 Independent Examiner Remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration of £2,400 including VAT (2021/22: £2,100) related solely to the independent examination with no other additional work undertaken.

Accounts



**East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Charitable Funds**

Annual Report and Accounts 2021/2022

Charity Registration No: 1047987

Registered Address: East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Hospital Lane
Hellesdon
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5NA

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Trustee's Report

Legal and Administrative Information

Working name: East of England Ambulance Service Charity

Registered Name: East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

Charity Commission Number: 1047987

Principal Office: Hospital Lane, Hellesdon, Norwich, NR6 5NA

Bankers: Barclays Bank, Norwich

Independent Examiners: Larking Gowen LLP, King Street House, 15 Upper King Street, Norwich, NR3 1RB

Trustee

The Charitable Trust, constituted by the Trust Deed, is administered and managed by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds. The responsibility for the management and use of these funds held on trust generally lies with the board of a NHS body acting as corporate trustee.

Members of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 were:

Nicola Scrivings, Trust Chair

Neville Hounsome, Chair of Charitable Funds Committee & Non-Executive Director

Wendy Thomas, Non-Executive Director

Carolan Davidge, Non-Executive Director (to 3 December 2022)

Alison Wigg, member of the Charity Committee Non-Executive Director

Mrunal Sisodia OBE, Non-Executive Director (from 1 May 2020)

Julie Thallon, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 4 January 2021)

Victoria Corbishley, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 1 February 2021)

Kiran Mahil, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 1 April 2021)

Tom Abell - Chief Executive Officer (from 2 August 2021)

Kevin Smith, Director of Finance and Commissioning

Marcus Bailey, Chief Operating Officer

Emma DeCarteret - Director of Corporate Affairs & Performance (from 1 December 2021)

Marika Stephenson - Director of People Services (from 1 December 2021)

Dr Simon Walsh - Interim Medical Director (from 1 December 2021)

Kate Vaughton, Director of Integration and Deputy Chief Executive Officer (from 14 February 2022)

Members who joined the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board after 31 March 2022:

Hein Scheffer Director of Strategy, Culture and Education (from 1 April 2022)

Melissa Dowdeswell - Director of Nursing, Clinical Quality and Improvement (from 1 July 2022)

Members who left the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board

John Syson, Interim Director of HR (to 7 April 2021)

Dr Tom Davis, Interim Chief Executive and Medical Director (to 30 November 2021)

Juliet Beal, Director of Nursing, Clinical Quality and Improvement (from 4 November 2020 to 3 May 2022)

Tom Burton - Interim Director of Strategic Planning (from 21 June 2021 to 29 April 2022)

Bob Champion - Interim Director of Workforce (from 12 April 2021 to 14 December 2021)

Raising funds to support the staff, volunteers, and local communities of the East of England Ambulance Service, strengthening the provision of outstanding care to patients

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is the official charity of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust which has the role of corporate Trustee of the charity. The charity plays a role in the delivery of the Trust's vision and purpose:

"Outstanding care, exceptional people, every hour of every day"

This is being achieved by:

- Supporting the wellbeing and development of staff and volunteers
- Supporting and resourcing the volunteers in saving lives across the East of England
- Supporting collaboration, building networks and relationships with other charities and NHS associated bodies

This report on the activities of the Charity for the 2021/22 year, highlights the main activities, fundraising and expenditure of the Charity during this year. Thank you to all those who contributed to the successful operation and delivery of charitable activities during this year, and all of the supporters and donors who have made these activities possible.

The East of England Ambulance Service Charity is a member of NHS Charities Together, the overarching membership body for NHS Charities. In recent years the East of England Ambulance Service Charity has been successful in applying for and receiving substantial grant funding from NHS Charities Together in support of community projects and wellbeing initiatives. In 2021/22 these funds have been able to support staff and volunteers in ways not normally provided for in the funding to NHS ambulance trusts, and for the coming years these funds provide for the support of a number of community and community response projects.

Activities 2021/22

The Trust administers a number of funds under the single umbrella registration. The funds for 2021/22 have been received from the public as unsolicited donations to the fund in general and on occasion to benefit a specific area of the Trust's operation. Income of £733,000 exceeds Expenditure of £421,000.

The main expenditure of the Charitable funds has been the provision of community based medical equipment such as community public access defibrillators, and the equipping and supporting of the Community First Responder groups who are volunteers operating throughout the six counties covered by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

In the furtherance of charitable objectives to benefit the health of the population through the provision of patient welfare and amenities, £203,000 has been spent during the year to provide community public access defibrillators and cabinets, automated external defibrillators and other medical devices such as blood oxygenation monitors with community based first responder groups. A single project focussed on the replacement of community-based defibrillator batteries contributed to half this expenditure. This ensures the distributed communities covered by the Charity have timely local access to life saving equipment.

In the use of funds for the benefit of National Health Service staff, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust staff and volunteers have benefited from the expenditure of £177,000 on staff welfare and amenities, including the provision enhanced outdoor spaces at stations, provision of training equipment and materials, community first responder uniforms, TV licenses for stations, care packages, welfare wagons and retirement celebration contributions.

In ensuring the appropriate administration of the Charitable Fund, as well as compliance with Charity Commission requirements, the Fundraising Regulator and the Fundraising Preference Service, £41,000 has been expended on Governance costs, which comprises the independent examination of the annual accounts, recharge of the administration by the corporate Trustee, the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, expenses for the finance software costs and membership fees for NHS Charities Together.

Accumulated reserves have grown for the Charitable Fund in the current year 2021/22 by £312,000 and in 2020/21 by £232,000. The growth in accumulated reserves is driven by the restricted grants with project expenditure arising over multiple years meaning restricted reserves are largely committed. The Charitable Funds Committee of EEAST oversee and provide guidance on how accumulated unrestricted funds held in reserves will be utilised to meet the objectives of the Charity in a timely manner without excessive reserves being built up.

Whilst the annual report and accounts are dedicated to delivery throughout the whole of the 2021/22 financial year, it is important to outline the significant effort across the financial year and ongoing into the 2022/23 period, as a result of the need for the healthcare system and supporting charities and organisations to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic and pressures in the healthcare system.

The Charitable Fund has experienced increased activities to support first responder groups who on top of their responding have directed their efforts towards broader community assistance. The Charitable Fund is registered with NHS Charities Together and across the financial year has secured £500,000 in restricted grants to enhance the well-being of NHS Staff, volunteers and patients impacted by COVID-19, as part of the COVID-19 response.

While restricted reserves have grown during 2021/22 the plans to utilise these funds have been developed as part of grant application processes to NHS Charities Together in securing these restricted funds, and with grants received in 2020/21 utilised for improving the welfare and wellbeing of staff during the response to the COVID pandemic having been utilised in the development of outdoor spaces at ambulance stations, in the provision of welfare food boxes, and in the issuance of thank you cards and pin badges to staff for their dedication to EEAST during the pandemic.

Donations and fund raising:

During 2021/22 the Charity has received £182,000 from donations in support of the Charity.

The support of individuals, companies and public minded organisations has ensured that despite the challenges presented during the year by the COVID-19 pandemic the Charity has received £182,000 in donations during the year. It is not possible to name and thank every individual and organisation from whom support has been received, with such a fantastic continuation of public support for the NHS and its supporting charities. It is a sign of how appreciated the vital work of the volunteer community first responder schemes are that the majority of donations are for the benefit of these schemes.

In June £10,000 was received from Smarter Metering Services for the benefit of Newmarket First Responders Group, this wonderful donation has enabled the group to purchase lifesaving equipment to improve community health outcomes. £10,130 was received from the Aviva Community Fund to the benefit of Norwich First Responders Group to fund kit and equipment to save lives in the community.

In September £16,466 was received from HeartCare Cardiac Support Group for the benefit of Waveney Community First Responders and allocated to the operation of a responding vehicle to enhance the urgent and emergency response provided to the community served by the Waveney CFR Group.

Donated funds were allocated to the replacement of 18 Automated External Defibrillators (AED) cabinets at main line railway stations across the east of England, with an upgraded polycarbonate cabinet. These new cabinets are more robust, vandal proof and the integrated heater will protect the AED from frost to ensures the AED remains “rescue ready” at all times.

Donated funds were also utilised to support a vitamin D wellbeing research project to sample a cross section of EEASt colleagues working throughout the Trust, to identify those with or at risk of vitamin D deficiency. Evidence obtained from the trial will ensure guidance will be offered to correct any deficiency in participating colleagues, and the findings will be used to inform the development of wellbeing resources to improve vitamin D awareness across the Trust.

Grants and Legacies:

During 2021/22 the Charity has received a £23,834 legacy from the estate of Brian Matthews for the benefit of Burwell Community First Responders Group. This generous consideration will allow for enhancements to the responsive care provided to the community served by the Burwell CFR Group.

During 2021/22 a total of £527,000 of grants has been received, £500,000 of which was received from NHS Charities Together. NHS Charities Together grant income has been recognised from two multistage grants awarded. £406,951 (being 80%) of £508,700 has been recognised for specific CFR projects from the NHS Charities Together Ambulance Grant in recognition of the vital work that ambulance charities do to support the work of the NHS. The grant funds falls equipment for eighteen targeted community first responder groups, to provide initial falls training and on-going annual recertification training to volunteers to increase community resilience across the East of England. The funds also support ten new CFR roving cars, all fully equipped with falls and CFR response kit and fully trained falls volunteers, to provide a mobile resource within communities to attend patients in a much wider geographic area.

The Ambulance Grants Programme from NHS Charities Together provided a further grant of £93,299 (being 80%) of £116,624 which has been recognised to support the Unmet Needs Navigator team, to pilot a community signposting programme for patients with unmet needs to wider community support pathways. The remaining 20% of these NHSCCT grants will be recognised when conditions are met.

During 2020/21 the charity was awarded grants from NHS Charities Together totalling £123.5k for the specific purpose of enhancing the wellbeing of colleagues, volunteers and communities affected by COVID-19. During 2021-22, these funds helped support several initiatives across the Trust including the distribution of over 120 benches across 80 sites to encourage the use of outside space. In addition, the charity opened a number of wellbeing gardens to provide colleagues with an area for relaxation, reflection and respite.

Governing Document and Charitable Objectives for the Public Benefit

The governing document is the Trust Deed dated 27 October 1994 updated by supplemental deed of declaration dated 31 March 2010.

The objects of the Charity as defined in the Trust Deed are: "The Trustees shall hold the trust fund upon trust to apply the income, and at their discretion, as far as may be permissible, the capital, for any charitable purpose or purposes relating to the National Health Service".

The Charitable Funds are managed to encourage charitable giving for the benefit of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust patients and staff and to provide a safe, well administered fund for the receipt and investment of Charitable Funds.

Organisational Structure

The Trustee delegates responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Charitable Fund to officers within the Finance Directorate of East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

The Board of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, acting as Corporate Trustee, have appointed a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

Various procedures have been implemented to ensure the Charity's funds are received, applied and accounted for in accordance with accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published effective 1 January 2019.

Incoming Resources are subject to the controls of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust's general receipting and recording procedure.

Relevant officers and volunteers throughout the Trust are identified as "Gatekeepers". Requests for expenditure from the Charitable Fund generated by Gatekeepers are reviewed by the Finance Directorate under the Director of Finance and Commissioning and are approved only if expenditure will be made in accordance with the Charity's objectives, and criteria for expenditure and priorities set out in the Charitable Funds Strategy. The Head of Financial Services or Deputy Head of Financial Services approves expenditure up to £1,500, the Head of Finance approves expenditure up to £5,000 and the Director of Finance and Commissioning is required to approve all expenditure requests in excess of £5,001 up to £25,000. Any expenditure request in excess of £25,000 must be approved by the Chief Executive, Director of Finance and Commissioning, and Charitable Funds Committee chair/member.

Going Concern:

The Trustee has considered the Charitable Trust's financial position at the time of signing the financial statements. Financial reserves are held which will provide for the ongoing operation of the Charity in delivering its objectives for the foreseeable future.

The Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements. Further details can be found in the note 1.2.

Policies

Reserves Policy

The reserves policy is to encourage expenditure to benefit the purpose defined by the donor whilst protecting the funds which have a defined purpose and a committed expenditure profile. The unrestricted designated funds of the Trust cover three areas of purpose and control:

- 1) Community First Responder funds reserves are required to maintain the operational activities of responder groups, which can include training, medical and response equipment, vehicles and community defibrillators.
- 2) Ambulance Station funds reserves are required to support the wellbeing of staff and to enhance patient care, through for example wellbeing services, staff training and development, and provision of equipment or facilities in addition to that ordinarily afforded by the NHS.
- 3) Other designated funds reserves are required to support the continuation of specific directed groups such as cycle paramedics, chaplains, strategic fund and Daisy the vintage ambulance funds.

The Charity has 293 Community First responder funds, 40 Station funds and 20 other funds, alongside the General Fund.

An expenditure plan is required for all groups holding a balance of over £5,000, with excess balances designated to groups without plans swept to the general undesignated fund to ensure these accumulated funds are utilised in a timely manner towards the purposes of the Charity.

The Charity holds accumulated reserves of £1,534,000 at 31 March 2022. The restricted reserves are £482,000. The level of unrestricted reserves is £1,052,000, which reflects £616,000 of Community First Responder Funds, £102,000 of Station funds, and £59,000 of Other designated funds, and the General Fund of £275,000. There is no target level of reserves specified.

Investment Policy

The Trustee has determined that the reserves and working balances of the Charity will be maintained in a bank account specifically designed for Charity use with interest added without deduction of tax.

Risk

The Trustee has considered the financial, operational and compliance risks associated with the Charitable funds and is satisfied that the appropriate systems are in place to mitigate those risks.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Nicola Scrivings
Chair of EEAST
Date: 30/01/2023



Kevin Smith
Director of EEAST
Date: 30/01/2023

Statement of Trustee's responsibilities

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accountings Standards (United Kingdom General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustee is 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and 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 Trust deed. The Trustee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

The Trustee confirms that, in exercising their powers and duties, they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



Nicola Scrivings
Chair of EEAST
Date: 30/01/2023



Kevin Smith
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Date: 30/01/2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustee of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

I report to the charity Trustee on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Larking Gowen LLP

Christopher Yeates FCA DChA

Larking Gowen LLP, Norwich

Date: 30 January 2023

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	2022 Total Funds £000	2021 Total Funds £000
Income					
Donations		181	1	182	174
Legacies		24	-	24	64
Grants		<u>27</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>527</u>	<u>146</u>
Total Donations and Legacies		232	501	733	384
Investments & other income		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>
Total income	2	<u>232</u>	<u>501</u>	<u>733</u>	<u>389</u>
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities					
Patients' welfare and amenities		105	98	203	88
Staff welfare and amenities		91	86	177	64
Governance costs	3	<u>37</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>5</u>
Total expenditure		<u>233</u>	<u>188</u>	<u>421</u>	<u>157</u>
Net movement in funds		(1)	313	312	232
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balances brought forward at 31 March 2021		1,063	159	1,222	990
Transfer between funds		<u>(10)</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances carried forward at 31 March 2022		<u>1,052</u>	<u>482</u>	<u>1,534</u>	<u>1,222</u>

The notes at pages 13 to 20 form part of this account.

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total at 31 March 2022 £000	Total at 31 March 2021 £000
Current Assets					
Debtors and other assets	4	8	95	103	2
Cash at bank and in hand		1,092	493	1,585	1,227
Total Current Assets		<u>1,100</u>	<u>588</u>	<u>1,688</u>	<u>1,229</u>
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	5	(48)	(106)	(154)	(7)
Total Net Assets		<u>1,052</u>	<u>482</u>	<u>1,534</u>	<u>1,222</u>
Funds of the Charity					
Income Funds:					
Unrestricted		1,052	-	1,052	1,063
Restricted	7	-	482	482	159
Total Funds		<u>1,052</u>	<u>482</u>	<u>1,534</u>	<u>1,222</u>

The notes at pages 13 to 20 form part of this account.

Signed for and on behalf of the Corporate Trustee, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) by



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Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 March 2022

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2022 £000	Year ended 31 March 2021 £000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)		312	232
Reconciliation adjustments for:			
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	4	(101)	(2)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	5	147	3
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		358	233
Cash flows from investing activities:		0	0
Cash flows from financing activities:		0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		358	233
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		1,227	994
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		1,585	1,227

Notes to the Accounts**Note 1 Accounting Policies****Note 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes 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) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective 1 January 2019.

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

Note 1.2 Going concern

The Trustee has considered the charity's position at the time of signing the financial statements, including but not limited to levels of financial reserves, utilisation plans, and potential economic factors in the wider economy.

Successful applications to NHS Charities Together across 2021/22 have continued to see restricted grants received in furtherance of the Charities objectives which see funds received in advance of the expected expenditure.

In November 2021 £406,951 of grant income was received from NHS Charities Together in support of CFR and Community Response schemes supported by the Charity with £101,738 included in the award but with the conditions unmet at March 2022. In January 2022 a further £93,299 of grant income was awarded and recognised being a receivable at 31 March 2022 yearend received in April 2022, with £23,325 included in the award but with conditions unmet at March 2022.

The Charity continues to hold substantial levels of free reserves. Based on this, the Trustee has concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. They therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements.

Note 1.3 Income**a) General**

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

b) Legacies

Legacies are recognised on a case-by-case basis following the granting of probate when the administrator/executor for the estate has communicated in writing both the amount and settlement date. In the event that the gift is in the form of an asset other than cash, or a financial asset traded on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the gift being reliably measurable with a degree of reasonable accuracy and the title to the asset having been transferred to the charity. £24k of legacies were received in 2021/22. £64k of legacies were received in 2020/21.

Accounting Policies continued

Note 1.3 continued:

c) Investment Income

Investment income is recognised on the accruals concept. This relates to bank interest receivable. This is apportioned to funds on the basis of weighted fund balance over the period.

d) Grant Income

A grant is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received (or receivable) provided that the terms of the grant do not impose future performance-related conditions. If the terms of a grant do impose performance-related conditions on the recipient, the grant is only recognised in income when the performance-related conditions are met.

At 31 March 2022 two grants from NHS Charities Together have been awarded to the Charity with 80% of the value of the grant remitted to the Charity, and with 20% of the value dependant on matters relating to future performance related conditions. The 80% value has been recognised as income, with the 20% yet to be recognised as this is dependant on the Charities future performance. The payments for these grants and in two stages based on i) the award of the grant, and ii) the future performance conditions of the grant being met and the reporting of this confirmed and accepted by NHSCT 12 months into the projects the grants support.

At 31 March 2021 the grants received by the Trust from NHS Charities Together have been recognised as restricted income, reflecting that no performance-related obligations are identified to earn the grants, but that they are provided for a specific and restricted purpose.

Note 1.4 Expenditure

a) General

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings.

b) Charitable expenditure

Payments are made to third parties (including NHS bodies) in the furtherance of the funds held on trust's charitable objectives. They are accounted for on an accruals basis where the conditions for payment have been met or where a third party has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the payment. This includes payments made to NHS bodies. Payments are directly classified as patients' welfare or staff welfare dependent on the nature of the transaction.

c) Governance costs

These are accounted for on an accruals basis and are recharges of administration costs from East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, software maintenance costs and independent examination fees. These are apportioned to funds on the basis of weighted fund balance over the period. The Charity employees no staff, the Head of Charity and administrative assistants are employees of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (the corporate trustee of the Charity) and the costs recharged beginning 2021/22.

Accounting Policies continued**Note 1.5 Structure of funds**

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified in the accounts as a restricted fund. Funds where the capital is held to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent are accounted for as endowment funds. Other funds are classified as unrestricted funds. Funds which are not legally restricted but which the Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes are classified as designated funds. The major funds held within these categories are disclosed on notes 6 and 7.

Note 1.6 VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is included in resources expended.

Note 2 Details of Material Income

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2022 Funds £000	Total 2021 Funds £000
Material incoming resources				
General Fund	49	-	49	149
NHS Charities Together Restricted funds	-	500	500	126
Burwell First Responders	24	-	24	-
Waveney Car CFR	16	-	16	-
Newmarket Responders	11	-	11	-
Norwich Responders	10	-	10	10
Little Gaddesden Responders	7	-	7	-
Other funds	115	1	116	104
Total income	232	501	733	389

Note 3 Analysis of Governance Costs

	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total 2022 Funds £000	Total 2021 Funds £000
Independent Examination Fee	2	-	2	2
Software Licence	1	-	1	1
Miscellaneous fees and charges	-	4	4	2
Management resources	34	-	34	-
	37	4	41	5

To drive the achievement of charitable objectives additional management resources have been provided by the Corporate Trustee in the provision of a Head of Charity employed by the Corporate Trustee and recharged to the Charity.

Note 4 Analysis of Debtors and other assets	31 March 2022 £000	31 March 2021 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Grants receivable from NHSCT	93	-
Prepayments and other receivables	7	2
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	3	-
Total debtors	103	2

Note 5 Analysis of Creditors	31 March 2022 £000	31 March 2021 £000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Accruals	26	3
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	128	4
Total creditors falling due within one year	154	7

Note 6 Analysis of Funds**Note 6.1 Unrestricted Funds 2021/22**

	Balance 31 March 2021 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2022 £000
Designated funds				
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Wisbech Ambulance Station	21	-	-	21
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	16	-	5	11
Head Office Fund	20	-	-	20
Wroxham Responders	20	-	-	20
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	16	4	11	9
Chafford Hundred First Responders	16	3	1	18
Burwell First Responders	4	24	-	28
Death Levy	12	-	-	12
Waveney Car CFR	-	16	-	16
Beccles Community Responders	9	-	-	9
Necton Responders	8	-	-	8
Cambridge University Student and CFR	11	-	-	11
Glemsford First Responders	7	-	1	6
Haverhill First Responders	8	5	3	10
Wrentham and Area First Responders	8	-	-	8
Suffolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	7	-	-	7
Luton First Responders	11	4	6	9
Other Funds	844	176	216	804
Total	1,063	232	243	1,052

Other funds expended includes the £10k transfer to restricted reserves

Note 6.1 Unrestricted Funds 2020/21

	Balance 31 March 2020 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2021 £000
Designated funds				
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Wisbech Ambulance Station	21	-	-	21
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	20	-	4	16
Head Office Fund	20	-	-	20
Wroxham Responders	20	-	-	20
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	17	-	1	16
Chafford Hundred First Responders	15	2	1	16
Harwich Responders	13	-	9	4
Death Levy	12	-	-	12
Soham First Responders	11	1	9	3
Beccles Community Responders	10	-	1	9
Necton Responders	8	-	-	8
Cambridge University Student and CFR	8	4	1	11
Glemsford First Responders	8	-	1	7
Haverhill First Responders	8	-	-	8
Wrentham and Area First Responders	8	-	-	8
Suffolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	7	-	-	7
Luton First Responders	7	4	-	11
Other Funds	717	252	128	841
Total	955	263	155	1,063

Designated unrestricted funds are regularly reviewed and the designations removed where these have been identified as limiting the utilisation of these funds in line with the Charity's Reserves Policy.

Note 6.2 Details of Material Funds - Unrestricted Funds

Name of fund	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
Norfolk First Responder Co-Ordinator	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county of Norfolk
March Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of March Ambulance Station
Head Office Fund	To provide various benefits to the patients and staff of the ambulance service
Mundesley & Roughton First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Mundesley & Roughton area
First Responders East of England	To provide vehicles for first emergency response purposes
Death Levy	To provide financial compensation to the families of members of staff who die in service.
Beccles Community First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Beccles area

Glensford First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Glensford area
Cambridge University Students Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Cambridge area
Haverhill Community First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Haverhill area
Necton Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Necton area
Wisbech Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of Wisbech Ambulance Station
Suffolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Suffolk area
Wroxham Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Wroxham area
Chafford Hundred First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Chafford Hundred area
Burwell First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Burwell area
Wrentham and Area First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for Wrentham and the surrounding areas
Waveney Car CFR	To assist with the provision of CFR car for the Waveney area
Luton First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Luton area
Other Funds	To provide various benefits to the patients and staff of the ambulance service

Note 7 Analysis Funds

Note 7.1 Restricted Funds 2021/22

	Balance 31 March 2021 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2022 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	124	500	188	436
Bernstein RRV	34	-	-	34
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Mental Health and counselling	0	10	0	10
Other funds	0	1	0	1
Total	159	511	188	482

Mental Health and counselling income includes a £10k transfer from unrestricted funds

Other funds

Ambulance Equipment Fund £430 has been received in 2021/22
Newman - James Paget £200 has been received in 2017/18

Note 7.1 Restricted Funds 2021/22

	Balance 31 March 2020 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2021 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	-	126	2	124
Bernstein RRV	34	-	-	34
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Total	35	-	-	159
Other funds				
Newman - James Paget	£200 has been received in 2017/18			

Note 7.2 Details of Material Funds Restricted Funds

<u>Name of fund</u>	<u>Description of the nature and purpose of each fund</u>
NHS Charities Together	During 2021/22 £500,250 has been recognised as income from two multistage grants awarded. £406,951 being 80% of £508,689 has been recognised for the CFR projects. £93,299 being 80% of £116,624 has been recognised in the Unmet Needs Navigator grant. The remaining 20% of these NHSCT grants will be recognised when conditions are met. During 2020/21 £125,600 was received from 4 distributions from NHS Charities Together for the purpose of enhancing the provision of welfare and staff and patient services during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Mental Health and counselling	During 2020/21 paramedic Dionne Jones an apprentice emergency care support worker at the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), walked ten kilometres a day for 30 days around Bedfordshire, while shielding, to raise over £10,000 to support colleagues who were working on the front line during the pandemic, to go towards mental health and well-being of ambulance staff including counselling and therapy. This has been classified as a restricted reserve in 2021/22.
Bernstein RRV	To provide ambulance services for the Cromer Area
WB Wright - Cambridge City	To provide medical equipment for the Cambridge City area
Newman - James Paget	£200 to provide equipment for Ambulances operating to James Paget Hospital
Ambulance Equipment Fund	£430 has been received in 2021/22

Note 8 Connected Organisations

East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust is the Charities' Corporate Trustee and as such is a connected organisation

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provide emergency and urgent care, non-emergency patient transport services, and telephone and online clinical advice services to the six counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire. During the year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 EEAST has continued to play a critical role in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board of EEAST, acting as Corporate Trustee, have appointed a Charitable Funds Committee whose role is to advise the Board on the appropriate receipt, use and security of charitable monies, provide oversight, assurance monitoring of the charitable funds' strategy and approach. It specifically gives detailed scrutiny to proposed expenditure and the annual charitable accounts and report.

	<u>2021/22</u>	<u>2020/21</u>
Turnover of EEAST £'000	400,345	402,193
Net surplus/(deficit) for EEAST after impairments and revaluations £'000	(9,695)	436

*Values disclosed above are prepared and audited in line with the DHSC Group Accounting Manual

The full annual report of EEAST is available on their website at:

<https://www.eeastamb.nhs.uk/about-us/current-annual-report-and-quality-account-documents.htm>

Note 9 Other

During the year neither the Trustee nor members of the key management staff or parties related to them has undertaken any material transactions with the Charitable Trust.

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provides administrative and management services to the Charitable Trust, for which a charge of £34,397 (reflecting actual costs) has been made for the 2021/22 financial year (£400 for 20/21). At 31 March 2022 the Charity has a payable to EEAST of £127,818 arising from transactions settled by EEAST on behalf of the Charity.

All members of the NHS Trust Board act on behalf of the Trust in its capacity as the Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Trust.

Note 10 Independent Examiner Remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration of £2,100 including VAT (2020/21: £1,524) related solely to the independent examination with no other additional work undertaken.

Accounts

**East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Charitable Funds**

Funds Held on Trust

Annual Report and Accounts 2020/2021

Charity Registration No: 1047987

Registered Address : East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Hospital Lane
Hellesdon
Norwich NR6 5NA

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Trustee's Report

Legal and Administrative Information

Registered Name: East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

Charity Commission Number: 1047987

Principal Office: Hospital Lane, Hellesdon, Norwich, NR6 5NA

Bankers: Barclays Bank, Norwich

Independent Examiners: Larking Gowen LLP, King Street House, 15 Upper King Street, Norwich, NR3 1RB

Trustee

The Charitable Trust, constituted by the Trust Deed, is administered and managed by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds.

Members of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board from 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021 were:

Nicola Scrivings, Trust Chair

Neville Hounsome, Non-Executive Director

Wendy Thomas, Non-Executive Director

Carolyn Davidge, Non-Executive Director

Alison Wigg, Non-Executive Director

Mrunal Sisodia OBE, Non-Executive Director (from 1 May 2020)

Julie Thallon, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 4 January 2021)

Victoria Corbishley, Associate Non-Executive Director (from 1 February 2021)

Tom Spink, Non-Executive Director (to 30 June 2020)

Dr Tom Davis, Interim Chief Executive and Medical Director

Kevin Smith, Director of Finance and Commissioning

Marcus Bailey, Chief Operating Officer

John Syson, Interim Director of HR

Juliet Beal, Director of Nursing, Clinical Quality and Improvement (from 4 November 2020)

Dorothy Hosein, Chief Executive (to 7 January 2021)

Members who joined the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Board after 31 March 2021:

Tom Abell - Chief Executive Officer

Bob Champion - Interim Director of Workforce

Marika Stephenson - Director of People Services

Kiran Mahil, Associate Non-Executive Director

Emma DeCarteret - Director of Corporate Affairs & Performance

Dr Simon Walsh - Interim Medical Director

Tom Burton - Interim Director of Strategic Planning

Charitable Objectives for the Public Benefit

The Charitable Funds are managed to encourage charitable giving for the benefit of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust patients and staff and to provide a safe, well administered fund for the receipt and investment of Charitable Funds.

Organisational Structure

The Trustee delegates responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Charitable Fund to officers within the Finance Directorate of East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

Various procedures have been implemented to ensure the Charity's funds are received, applied and accounted for in accordance with accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective 1 January 2019.

Incoming Resources are subject to the controls of the NHS Trust's general receipting and recording procedure.

Relevant officers throughout the Trust are identified as "Gatekeepers". Requests for expenditure from the Charitable Fund generated by Gatekeepers are reviewed by the Finance Directorate under the Director of Finance and Commissioning and are approved only if expenditure will be made in accordance with the Charity's objectives, and criteria for expenditure and priorities set out in the Charitable Funds Strategy. The Head of Financial Services or Deputy Head of Financial Services approves expenditure up to £1,500, the Head of Finance approves expenditure up to £5,000 and the Director of Finance and Commissioning is required to approve all expenditure requests in excess of £5,000 but less than £25,000. Any expenditure request in excess of £25,000 must be approved by the Chief Executive, Director of Finance and Commissioning, and Charitable Funds Committee chair/member.

Governing Document

The governing document is the Trust Deed dated 27 October 1994 updated by supplemental deed of declaration dated 31 March 2010.

Activities 2020/21

The Trust administers a number of funds under the single umbrella registration. The funds for 2020/21 have been received from the public as unsolicited donations to the fund in general and on occasion to benefit a specific area of the Trust's operation. Income of £389,000 exceeds Expenditure of £157,000.

The main expenditure of the Charitable funds has been the provision of community based medical equipment such as community public access defibrillators, and the equipping and supporting of the Community First Responder groups who are volunteers operating throughout the six counties covered by the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

In the furtherance of charitable objectives to benefit the health of the population through the provision of patient welfare and amenities, £88,000 has been spent during the year to provide community public access defibrillators and cabinets, automated external defibrillators and other medical devices such as blood oxygenation monitors with community based first responder groups. A single project focussed on the replacement of community based defibrillator batteries contributed to half this expenditure. This ensures the distributed communities covered by the Charity have timely local access to life saving equipment.

In the use of funds for the benefit of National Health Service staff, East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust staff and volunteers have benefited from the expenditure of £64,000 on staff welfare and amenities, including the provision of training equipment and materials, uniforms, TV licenses for stations, care packages, and £50 retirement gift contributions.

In ensuring the appropriate administration of the Charitable Fund, as well as compliance with Charity Commission requirements, the Fundraising Regulator and the Fundraising Preference Service, £5,000 has been expended on Governance costs, which comprises the independent examination of the annual accounts, recharge of the administration by the corporate Trustee, the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, expenses for the finance software costs and membership fees for NHS Charities Together.

Accumulated reserves have grown for the Charitable Fund in the current year 2020/21 by £232,000 and in the previous year 2019/20 by £48,000. In 2019/20 the Corporate Trustee has instigated a Charitable Funds Committee to oversee and provide guidance on how accumulated funds held in reserves will be utilised to meet the objectives of the Charity in a timely manner without excessive reserves being built up.

Whilst the annual report and accounts are dedicated to delivery throughout the whole of the 2020/21 financial year, it is important to outline the significant effort across the financial year and ongoing into the 2021/22 period, as a result of the need for the healthcare system and supporting charities and organisations to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Charitable Fund has experienced increased activities to support first responder groups who on top of their responding have directed their efforts towards broader community assistance. The Charitable Fund is registered with NHS Charities Together and across the financial year has been awarded £125,600 in restricted grants to enhance the well-being of NHS Staff, volunteers and patients impacted by COVID-19, as part of the COVID-19 response.

While unrestricted and restricted reserves have grown during 2020/21 the plans to utilise these funds have been developed and enacted during the 2021/22 financial year, with grants funded for improving the welfare and wellbeing of staff during the response to the COVID pandemic having been utilised in the development of outdoor spaces at ambulance stations, in the provision of welfare food boxes, and in the issuance of thank you cards and pin badges to staff.

Donations and fund raising:

During 2020/21 the Charity has received £174,000 from donations in support of the Charity.

The support of individuals, companies and public minded organisations has ensured that despite the challenges presented during the year by the COVID-19 pandemic the Charity has received £174,000 in donations during the year. It is not possible to name and thank every individual and organisation from whom support has been received, with such a fantastic upswelling of public support for the NHS and its supporting charities. It has been particularly heartwarming to receive donations, drawings and letters of support from children and primary schools.

Notable highlights include:

Dionne Jones, who works as an apprentice emergency care support worker at the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), walked ten kilometres a day for 30 days around Bedfordshire, while shielding, to raise over 10 thousand pounds to support her colleagues who were working on the front line during the pandemic.

Cadets from the Cambridge University Officers' Training Corps, the army reserve unit for university students across East Anglia, have raised nearly £6,000 for EEAST after running, cycling and hiking the distance from Cambridge to Cape Town during lockdown.

RWE Renewables UK Ltd has provided £10,000 as a donation in support of the Charity.

Grants and Legacies:

During 2020/21 the Charity has received £63,733 from 3 legacies being £10,096 as a final distribution from Megan Hilda Carter, £51,956 from S J Teatheredge, and £1,681 Thelma Bond. During 2019/20 the Charity received £301,039 from 3 legacies being £168,000 from Megan Hilda Carter, £123,227 Margaret A Hemming and £9,812 Grace Kent. Legacies are only recognised when probate is granted and amounts as well as settlement dates are known, or the funding received. The legacy from Megan Hilda Carter has provided the funding from which the community defibrillator battery replacement project has been funded in 2019/20, seeing 1000 community defibrillators batteries replaced, and in 2020/21 the provision of replacement equipment to ensure the continued operation of these defibrillators.

During 2020/21 a total of £146,100 in grants has been received. During 2020/21 £125,600 was received from 4 distributions from NHS Charities Together for the purpose of enhancing the provision of welfare and staff and patient services during the COVID-19 pandemic. NHS Charities Together is the national charity and membership organisation working with NHS Charities, made up of 241 NHS charity members based with hospitals, mental health, ambulance and community health services across the UK.

£10,000 was received from Norwich City Council in support of the Norwich Community First Responders scheme. £8,000 was received from the Masonic Charitable Foundation Relief Chest Scheme for the benefit of Hadleigh First Responders Scheme and utilised in the provision of a community response vehicle. £2,500 was received from Croxley Green Parish Council in support of the Croxley Green First Responders scheme.

2019/20 £3,581 of grants were received for the furtherance of specific expenditure by community first responder groups.

Going Concern:

The trustees have considered the Charitable Trust's financial position at the time of signing the financial statements, and in particular the current issues caused by Covid-19 and its impact on the Charity and the wider economy. The Charity has remained operational throughout the pandemic providing vital services to NHS staff, patients and the wider community.

The Trustees have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. Therefore they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements. Further details can be found in the note 1.2.

Policies

Reserves Policy

The reserves policy is to encourage expenditure to benefit the purpose defined by the donor whilst protecting the funds which have a defined purpose and a committed expenditure profile. The unrestricted designated funds of the Trust cover three areas of purpose and control:

- 1) Community First Responder funds reserves are required to maintain the operational activities of responder groups, which can include training, medical and response equipment, vehicles and community defibrillators.
- 2) Ambulance Station funds reserves are required to support the wellbeing of staff and to enhance patient care, through for example wellbeing services, staff training and development, and provision of equipment or facilities in addition to that ordinarily afforded by the NHS.
- 3) Other designated funds reserves are required to support the continuation of specific directed groups such as cycle paramedics, chaplains, strategic fund and Daisy the vintage ambulance funds.

The Charity has 255 Community First responder funds, 29 Station funds and 20 other funds, alongside the General Fund.

An expenditure plan is required for all groups holding a balance of over £5,000, with excess balances designated to groups without plans swept to the general undesignated fund to ensure these accumulated funds are utilised in a timely manner towards the purposes of the Charity.

The level of free reserves is £1,063,000, which reflects £546,000 of Community First Responder Funds, £100,000 of Station funds, and £58,000 of Other designated funds, and the General Fund of £359,000.

Investment Policy

The Trustee has determined that the reserves and working balances of the Charity will be maintained in a bank account specifically designed for Charity use with interest added without deduction of tax.

Risk

The Trustee has considered the financial, operational and compliance risks associated with the Charitable funds and is satisfied that the appropriate systems are in place to mitigate those risks.

Nicola Scrivings
Chair
Date: 26/01/2022



Kevin Smith
Trustee
Date 26/01/22



Statement of Trustee's responsibilities

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accountings Standards (United Kingdom General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustee is 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and 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 Trust deed. The Trustee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustee is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

The Trustee confirms that, in exercising their powers and duties, they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

By Order of the Trustee

Chair



Trustee



Nicola Scrivings

Kevin Smith

Date: 26/01/22

Date: 26/01/22

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Charitable Funds

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. 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.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.



Christopher Yeates FCA DChA
Larking Gowen LLP, Norwich

26 January 2022

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	2021 Total Funds £000	2020 Total Funds £000
Income					
Donations		174	-	174	174
Legacies		64	-	64	301
Grants		20	126	146	4
Total Donations and Legacies		258	126	384	479
Investments & other income		5	-	5	3
Total income	2	263	126	389	482
Expenditure					
Charitable Activities					
Patients welfare and amenities		88	-	88	250
Staff welfare and amenities		64	-	64	180
Governance costs	3	3	2	5	4
Total expenditure		155	2	157	434
Net movement in funds		108	124	232	48
Reconciliation of funds					
Fund balances brought forward at 31 March 2020		955	35	990	942
Fund balances carried forward at 31 March 2021		1,063	159	1,222	990

All income received and expenditure incurred in the 2019/20 financial year was unrestricted

The notes at pages 9 to 16 form part of this account.

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £000	Restricted Funds £000	Total at 31 March 2021 £000	Total at 31 March 2020 £000
Current Assets					
Debtors and other assets	4	1	1	2	0
Cash at bank and in hand		1,069	158	1,227	994
Total Current Assets		<u>1,070</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>1,229</u>	<u>994</u>
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	5	(7)	-	(7)	(4)
Total Net Assets		<u>1,063</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>1,222</u>	<u>990</u>
 Funds of the Charity					
Income Funds:					
Unrestricted		1,063	-	1,063	955
Restricted	7	-	159	159	35
Total Funds		<u>1,063</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>1,222</u>	<u>990</u>

The notes at pages 9 to 16 form part of this account.

Nicola Scrivings
Chair
Date: 26/01/22

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Kevin Smith
Trustee
Date: 26/01/22

Kevin Smith

Notes to the Accounts

Accounting Policies

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1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes 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) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective 1 January 2019.

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

1.2 Going concern

The trustees have considered the charity's position at the time of signing the financial statements, including but not limited to levels of financial reserves, utilisation plans, and potential ongoing issues caused by Covid-19 and its impact on the charity and the wider economy.

The 2021/22 financial year will inevitably be impacted by the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, however the Charity has remained operational throughout the ongoing pandemic providing vital support and services to NHS staff, patients and the wider community. A successful application to NHS Charities Together in November 2021 sees £406,951 of grant income received in 2021/22 from NHS Charities Together in support of Community Response schemes supported by the Charity. The Charity continues to hold substantial levels of free reserves.

Based on this, the trustees have concluded that they have a reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of signing these financial statements. They therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing these financial statements.

Accounting Policies
continued

1.3 Income

a) General

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

b) Legacies

Legacies are recognised on a case by case basis following the granting of probate when the administrator/executor for the estate has communicated in writing both the amount and settlement date. In the event that the gift is in the form of an asset other than cash or a financial asset traded on a recognised stock exchange, recognition is subject to the value of the gift being reliably measurable with a degree of reasonable accuracy and the title to the asset having been transferred to the charity. £64k of legacies were received in 2020/21. £301k of legacies were received in 2019/20.

c) Investment Income

Investment income is recognised on the accruals concept. This relates to bank interest receivable. This is apportioned to funds on the basis of weighted fund balance over the period.

d) Grant Income

A grant is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received (or receivable) provided that the terms of the grant do not impose future performance-related conditions. If the terms of a grant do impose performance-related conditions on the recipient, the grant is only recognised in income when the performance-related conditions are met. At 31 March 2021 the grants received by the Trust from NHS Charities Together have been recognised as restricted income, reflecting that no performance-related obligations are identified to earn the grants, but that they are provided for a specific and restricted purpose.

Accounting Policies
continued

1.4 Expenditure

a) General

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings.

b) Charitable expenditure

Payments are made to third parties (including NHS bodies) in the furtherance of the funds held on trust's charitable objectives. They are accounted for on an accruals basis where the conditions for payment have been met or where a third party has a reasonable expectation that they will receive the payment. This includes payments made to NHS bodies. Payments are directly classified as patients welfare or staff welfare dependent on the nature of the transaction.

c) Governance costs

These are accounted for on an accruals basis and are recharges of administration costs from East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust, software maintenance costs and independent examination fees. These are apportioned to funds on the basis of weighted fund balance over the period.

1.5 Structure of funds

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified in the accounts as a restricted fund. Funds where the capital is held to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent are accounted for as endowment funds. Other funds are classified as unrestricted funds. Funds which are not legally restricted but which the Trustees have chosen to earmark for set purposes are classified as designated funds. The major funds held within these categories are disclosed on notes 6 and 7.

1.6 VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is included in resources expended.

Details of Material Income	2		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
			Funds	Funds	2021	2020
			£000	£000	Funds	Funds
					£000	£000
		Material incoming resources				
		General Fund	149	-	149	344
		NHS Charities Together Restricted fund	-	126	126	-
		Colchester Responders	6	-	6	29
		Chafford Hundred First Responders	2	-	2	19
		Stalham & Smallburgh Responders	-	-	-	17
		Harwich Responders	-	-	-	10
		Soham First Responders	1	-	1	9
		Canvey Island First Responder	4	-	4	1
		Wroxham Responders	-	-	-	10
		Luton First Responders	4	-	4	-
		Hadleigh First Responders	12	-	12	-
		Norwich Responders	10	-	10	-
		Military Co-Response East of England	5	-	5	-
		Cambridge University Student and CFR	4	-	4	-
		Wayland Responders	5	-	5	-
		Basildon Ambulance Station	5	-	5	-
		Ramsey Responders	5	-	5	-
		Essex First Responder Co-ordinator Group	8	-	8	-
		Flitwick First Responders	6	-	6	-
		Other funds	37	-	37	43
		Total income	263	126	389	482

Analysis of Governance Costs	3		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
			Funds	Funds	2021	2020
			£000	£000	Funds	Funds
					£000	£000
		Independent Examination Fee	2	-	2	2
		Software Licence	1	-	1	1
		Miscellaneous fees and charges	0	2	2	1
			3	2	5	4

Analysis of	4	31 March	31 March
Debtors and other assets		2021	2020
		£000	£000
Amounts falling due within one year:			
Prepayments and other receivables		2	-
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust		-	-
Total debtors		<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>

Analysis of	5	31 March	31 March
Creditors		2021	2020
		£000	£000
Amounts falling due within one year:			
Accruals		3	2
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust		4	2
Total creditors falling due within one year		<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>

Analysis of 6
Funds

6.1 Unrestricted Funds 2020/21

	Balance 31 March 2020 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2021 £000
Designated funds				
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Wisbech Ambulance Station	21	-	-	21
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	20	-	4	16
Head Office Fund	20	-	-	20
Wroxham Responders	20	-	-	20
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	17		1	16
Chafford Hundred First Responders	15	2	1	16
Harwich Responders	13	-	9	4
Death Levy	12	-	-	12
Soham First Responders	11	1	9	3
Beccles Community Responders	10	-	1	9
Necton Responders	8	-	-	8
Cambridge University Student and CFR	8	4	1	11
Glemsford First Responders	8	-	1	7
Haverhill First Responders	8	-	-	8
Wrentham and Area First Responders	8	-	-	8
Suffolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	7	-	-	7
Luton First Responders	7	4	-	11
Other Funds	717	252	128	841
Total	955	263	155	1,063

Unrestricted Funds 2019/20

	Balance 31 March 2019 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2020 £000
Designated funds				
March Ambulance Station	25	-	-	25
Wisbech Ambulance Station	21	-	-	21
Norfolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	24	-	4	20
Head Office Fund	20	-	-	20
Wroxham Responders	10	10	-	20
Mundesley and Roughton First Responders	16	2	1	17
Chafford Hundred First Responders	15	19	19	15
Harwich Responders	3	10	-	13
Death Levy	12	-	-	12
Soham First Responders	5	9	3	11
Beccles Community Responders	10	-	-	10
Necton Responders	8	-	-	8
Cambridge University Student and CFR	8	1	1	8
Glemsford First Responders	9	-	1	8
Haverhill First Responders	11	-	3	8
Wrentham and Area First Responders	8	1	1	8
Suffolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	8	-	1	7
Luton First Responders	12	-	5	7
Other Funds	682	430	395	717
Total	907	482	434	955

**Details of
Material
Funds -
Unrestricted
Funds**

6.2 Name of fund	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
Norfolk First Responder Co-Ordinator	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the county of Norfolk
March Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of March Ambulance Station
Head Office Fund	To provide various benefits to the patients and staff of the ambulance service
Mundesley & Roughton First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Mundesley & Roughton area
First Responders East of England	To provide vehicles for first emergency response purposes
Death Levy	To provide financial compensation to the families of members of staff who die in service.
Beccles Community First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Beccles area
Glemsford First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Glemsford area
Cambridge University Students Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Cambridge area
Haverhill Community First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Haverhill area
Necton Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Necton area
Wisbech Ambulance Station	For the benefit of the crew of Wisbech Ambulance Station
Suffolk First Responder Co-ordinator Fund	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Suffolk area
Wroxham Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Wroxham area
Chafford Hundred First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Chafford Hundred area
Soham First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Soham area
Wrentham and Area First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for Wrentham and the surrounding areas
Harwich Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Harwich area
Luton First Responders	To assist with the provision of first emergency response for the Luton area
Other Funds	To provide various benefits to the patients and staff of the ambulance service

Analysis of Funds

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7.1 Restricted Funds

	Balance 31 March 2020 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2021 £000
Material funds				
NHS Charities Together	-	126	2	124
Bernstein RRV	34	-	-	34
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Total	35	126	2	159

	Balance 31 March 2019 £000	Incoming Resources £000	Resources Expended £000	Balance 31 March 2020 £000
Material funds				
Bernstein RRV	34	-	-	34
WB Wright - Cambridge City	1	-	-	1
Total	35	-	-	35

Other funds

Newman - James Paget £200 has been received in 2017/18

Details of Material Funds -**7.2 Name of fund**

Description of the nature and purpose of each fund

Restricted Funds

NHS Charities Together	During 2020/21 £125,600 was received from 4 distributions from NHS Charities Together for the purpose of enhancing the provision of welfare and staff and patient services during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Bernstein RRV	To provide ambulance services for the Cromer Area
WB Wright - Cambridge City	To provide medical equipment for the Cambridge City area
Newman - James Paget	£200 to provide equipment for Ambulances operating to James Paget Hospital

Connected Organisations

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Name, nature of connection, description of activities undertaken and details of any qualifications expressed by their auditors.	2021		2020	
	Turnover of Connected Organisation £000	Net surplus/ (deficit) for the Connected Organisation after impairments and revaluations £000	Turnover of Connected Organisation £000	Net surplus/ (deficit) for the Connected Organisation after impairments and revaluations £000
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust Corporate Trustee (as stated under DOHSC Group Accounting Manual)	402,193	436	324,171	50

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provide emergency and urgent care, non-emergency patient transport services, and telephone and online clinical advice services to the six counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire. During the year 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 EEAST has played a critical role in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other

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During the year neither the Trustee nor members of the key management staff or parties related to them has undertaken any material transactions with the Charitable Trust.

The East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST) provides administrative and management services to the Charitable Trust, for which a charge of £400 (reflecting actual costs) has been made for the 2020/21 financial year (£400 for 19/20). At 31 March 2021 the Charity has a payable to EEAST of £3,848.52 arising from transactions settled by EEAST on behalf of the Charity.

All members of the NHS Trust Board act on behalf of the Trust in its capacity as the Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Trust.

Independent Examiner Remuneration

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The independent examiner's remuneration of £1,524 (2019/20: £1,476) related solely to the independent examination with no other additional work undertaken.