My University Hospitals Sussex

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Activities

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

Activities: THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS SUSSEX NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUND INVESTS IN IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NHS IN SUSSEX THROUGH SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF SERVICES PROVIDED AT THE ROYAL SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL, THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, SUSSEX EYE HOSPITAL, THE PRINCESS ROYAL HOSPITAL, SOUTHLANDS HOSPITAL, WORTHING HOSPITAL AND ST RICHARD'S HOSPITAL.

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Classification

- **How:** Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£2,736,000	£4,667,000	£11,153,000	0
2024-03-31	£2,215,000	£5,356,000	£13,118,000	0
2023-03-31	£1,434,000	£1,199,000	£12,912,000	0
2022-03-31	£1,244,262	£2,571,082	£13,577,714	0
2021-03-31	£1,606,447	£2,061,337	£13,598,611	0

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS SUSSEX NHS FOUNDATION TRUST		2021-04-01

Linked charities

- HOVE GENERAL HOSPITAL CHARITABLE FUND (1050864-1)
- SUSSEX EYE HOSPITAL CHARITABLE FUND (1050864-2)
- ROYAL SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL CHARITABLE FUND (1050864-3)
- ROYAL ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN CHARITABLE FUND (1050864-4)
- BRIGHTON GENERAL HOSPITAL CHARITABLE FUND (1050864-5)
- BRIGHTON & SUSSEX UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS TRUST GENERAL CHARITABLE FUND (1050864-6)

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Annual Report
2024-25

Dedicated Charity of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust

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A Year in Numbers

1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025



£1,516k

Patients Welfare



£853k

Staff Education and Welfare



£1,931k

Capital Grants



£4,667k

Total Charitable Expenditure

Message from the Director & Chair

It gives us great pleasure to welcome you to our annual report and to this exciting account of our progressive work over the last twelve months.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors and supporters, we have raised an outstanding £2 million and every single pound has enabled us to support our ambition to support patient benefit and staff wellbeing across University Hospitals Sussex. These funds have gone far beyond the vital services provided by the NHS, ensuring that our seven hospitals continue to offer exceptional care and life-enhancing experiences.

Here we have seen the charity make a number of strategic and notable investments including a £600k grant in favour of the Trust's Research & Innovation programme, £240k to bring feeding pumps to some of our smallest and youngest patients at all of our acute sites, and £147k to introduce Savi Scout technology into the Trust, improving outcomes for patients with breast cancer across Sussex. Just a small selection of the grants made and the impact they deliver.

Much of our focus this year has been on building the momentum the charity needs to develop its brand and fundraising mix. We have launched the private phase of our £7.75m campaign for the new Sussex Cancer Centre, which is aimed at supporting the build and commission of a state-of-the-art cancer treatment capability which will sit alongside the Louisa Martindale Building in Brighton. To be opened in 2029, this campaign sees the charity at its best - working across Sussex to build networks and supporter bases that will prosper and sustain.

All of which makes for an enduring success story at a time when the NHS is having to address significant challenges including staff retention, the increasing demands of an aging population, and the continuing long-term effects of the pandemic. It is our role as the dedicated charity of University Hospitals Sussex to draw upon our innovation and experience to help our colleagues address these challenges and more. To this end, we will continue to develop the three charity sub-strands of My Music, My Comedy and My Kidz to test and scale new ways of engaging with the communities within which we work and live.

On behalf of the Trustees and the entire team, thank you for your continued belief in My Charity and for helping us to create brighter futures for the patients and staff who need us most.

Together in Sussex we can and will achieve.



Wayne Orr
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee



Steve Crump OBE
Director of Charities & Voluntary Services

About My Charity

My Charity - University Hospitals Sussex (My Charity) is the dedicated charity supporting the University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust. It was formed in April 2023 by the merging of two former dedicated charities: Love Your Hospital and BSUH Charity.

The charity raises funds for treatment, care and research which go over and above core NHS funding, making real and tangible improvements to patients and staff every day.

We provide state-of-the-art equipment, more comfortable hospital environments and wellbeing initiatives for patients, staff and visitors.

Our work supports seven NHS hospitals across Sussex:

- Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath
- Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital, Brighton
- Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton
- Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea
- St Richard's Hospital, Chichester
- Sussex Eye Hospital, Brighton
- Worthing Hospital.

Our core priorities

- Creating more patient-friendly environments
- Providing equipment for diagnosis and treatment
- Supporting staff development to provide even better care
- Advancing understanding through research projects.

Our mission

To make life all together better. We enhance the care and experience of everyone who comes through the doors of our hospitals.

Our values

Engaging

Everything we do is about engaging with our community. It's communicating and being visible in ways that inspire and compel individuals to support the charity. It's being there for staff and volunteers as they go about their work. It's amplifying the voice of the hospital in the local community.

Optimistic

Our outlook is positive. We are here to make the day better for patients, staff and the wider community. It's a mindset that informs the way we work - looking ahead with optimism and a belief in the possible.

Personal

We are personal - with the wellbeing of our individuals in mind. Helping patients, staff and visitors to have the best experience in hospital beyond core clinical care and infrastructure. It reflects the Trust's Patient First strategy.





My Charity takes its fundraising seriously and values its donors and their privacy. The charity takes care to obtain signed written agreements between it and any commercial participators or professional fundraisers that we work with. The charity also adheres to the Chartered Institute of Fundraising and has a robust Information Governance Policy.

We are signed up with the Fundraising Regulator, which ensures that we monitor and report on the following:

- Whether a professional fundraiser or commercial participator carried out any fundraising activities on behalf of the charity
- Whether the charity or any person acting on its behalf voluntarily subscribes to recognised fundraising standards or scheme for fundraising regulation
- Any failures to comply with the standards or scheme
- The number of complaints received about the charity's fundraising
- How the charity protects the public, including vulnerable people, from unreasonable intrusion on a person's privacy, unreasonably persistent approaches or undue pressure.

During the year there were no failures to comply with the Fundraising Code of Practice, and the charity received no complaints.

My Charity is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (1050864). As a registered charity, we comply with charity law and the regulatory requirements of the Charity Commission. This includes ensuring that all gifts are spent for the maximum public benefit and in alignment with the donors' wishes. Our charity Trustees have a duty to 'have regard' for the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

It has been 12 months of change in the fundraising department, with new expertise joining the team, to ensure we can meet the increased income targets across the next three years.

During 2024-25 we saw continued support in our local community, forging relationships with local groups, associations and businesses. We received strong support from Lanes Health Club in Rustington, continuing to undertake numerous significant fundraising activities to support their local hospitals.

Masonic lodges in the area were also very supportive across the financial year, contributing over £5,000 whilst pledging their continued support for the future.

Additionally, we received significant funds from our corporate partners; Hemiko generously donated £20,000 to Worthing Hospital and Willmott Dixon contributed £10,000.

We developed a strong relationship with the Dervia Foundation who have provided funding close to £100,000 for core My Charity projects.

Thanks to all our generous donors and committed supporters who have made a positive difference to their local hospitals this year.

A Lively Year for Lanes

When it comes to fundraising, Lanes Health Club do not do things by halves. The Rustington based gym members and staff have come together to raise an impressive £2,348 to support their local hospitals.



Total raised

£2,348





From 25 brave souls tackling Tough Mudder, putting their strength, stamina and mental grit to the test with the ultimate obstacle course, to their sell-out monthly quiz night full of laughter, friendly competition and good vibes, there was no challenge too big or small for Lanes.

Laura Stennett, Group Exercise Manager at Lanes Health Club, shared: "Community and compassion are at the heart of everything we do, so to fundraise for our local NHS was really meaningful for us this year. We couldn't have done it without our amazing members who participated, donated, or simply cheered us on. Every effort made a difference. We're so proud of what we've achieved together."

Swimming for St Richard's



Total raised
£250

12-year-old Darcey raised over £250 for My Charity to support patients and staff on the Intensive Treatment Unit (ITU) at St Richard's Hospital.

After a school project tasked the class to 'be creative' on a topic such as war, love or charity, Darcey chose the last theme. She challenged herself to swim as many lengths as possible in two hours, across two days in February, to fundraise for the hospital ward her grandfather, Terry, had been cared for on before his passing in 2022. Darcey managed an impressive 107 lengths across the two hours and raised an equally impressive £250.

Darcey's adventurous streak and dedication to making a difference in the community make for an ideal fundraiser. She shared: "At seven years old I did a 13 mile walk for charity and that's when I caught the fundraising bug! Once I'm old enough I'd love to do something like a skydive for the hospital charity. I want to repay the kindness the hospital team showed my grandpa and family."

Darcey's grandmother and Terry's wife, Rosemary, worked as a nurse her whole career before retirement. She was impressed with the care Terry received at St Richard's Hospital: "After my husband had a rare reaction to the chemotherapy he was receiving for his cancer treatment, he was transferred to the ITU where he stayed until he sadly died six days later. The team of doctors and nurses were so special. They were patient-centred, family-centred and I didn't have to ask for anything. It was a sad time and I miss him very much, but I will always be grateful for the wonderful care he received during his last days."

> Darcey is truly inspiring and we're thankful for her fantastic fundraising efforts. These funds will help us continue to improve patient experience and it is such a morale boost for our staff."

Daisy Rosser
Critical Care Ward Manager



Choice in Childbirth

My Charity is committed to supporting the Trust to provide excellent care, every time, for every mother and baby across its maternity wards.





Total spend

£41,652

Birthing Pool Suite, Maternity Service, Royal Sussex County Hospital

Our midwives listen to, and value the choices of, pregnant people - ensuring the Trust's Patient First strategy is adhered to in decision making. Providing choice as part of a patient's birthing plan is vital and the charity is pleased to have helped improve this pathway for expectant mothers with the installation of a new birthing pool at Royal Sussex County Hospital.

Water births are becoming increasingly common in the UK, with approximately 10% of mothers opting to deliver in a birthing pool each year. Water is a proven natural pain reliever; immersion in warm water during childbirth supports buoyancy, easing pressure on the spine and pelvis. This, in turn, reduces the need for stronger forms of pain relief during labour for many patients. What's more, the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence emphasises the importance of availability of birthing pools on maternity units.

With no birthing pool at Royal Sussex County Hospital, choice was being limited for patients in this area. It was crucial that expectant mothers in Brighton and Hove be offered equal opportunities for their deliveries as others across the country. In partnership with the Dervia Foundation, My Charity was able to support this need into fruition by funding a brand-new birthing pool, as well as a newly installed floor suitable for water births and LED lighting and Bluetooth speakers.

The contemporary room provides a calming environment and positive experience of childbirth.

Rebecca Elms, Head of Midwifery, said: "We are so pleased that more women in the area are now able to consider a waterbirth as part of their birthing plans. The state-of-the-art room opened in February 2025 and we've already had 39 women utilise and birth in the pool."

Leah recently gave birth to her first baby, using the birthing pool in her delivery journey.

The new mum shared:

> My labour was long and challenging, but the relief when the time came to use the pool was incredible. I felt relaxed, light and free to move around, which had felt impossible before. It was amazing pain relief in a calming atmosphere. My mood was instantly lifted."

Changing Breast Cancer Care for the Better

Advancements in medical technology have been saving lives in recent years. It is evident that introducing new technology across the NHS is of vital importance to the UK health and care system.



Total spend

£147,000

Savi Scout Consoles, Breast Care Services, Cross-Site

The charity is proud to have continued its ongoing commitment to advancing healthcare in Sussex this year, helping to ensure the University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust is at the forefront of pioneering advances in UK healthcare.

My Charity has funded seven Savi Scout consoles, a new radar localisation technology used in breast cancer surgery, for use across multiple sites. Most patients diagnosed with breast cancer require a localisation procedure prior to surgery, which identifies the cancerous lesion, allowing the breast surgeons to accurately target and remove the correct tissue in theatre. The new equipment makes local excisions for early-stage breast cancer easier by pinpointing tumours for more precise removal and more successful outcomes. It provides a consistent clinical performance with non-radioactive and non-magnetic technology, improving comfort for patients compared to the traditional wire localisation.

Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in the UK, with approximately 55,000 people diagnosed annually. The introduction of this technology at our Trust will improve the experience for diagnosis for the eligible screening population of 250,000 women in Sussex.

> We've already started to see the impact of the Savi Scout on our patients. Being able to support women to experience not only less discomfort but also optimise cosmetic results for them is so important, and that is exactly what this new equipment enables us to do.
>
> As we continue to utilise the new technology, we hope to see lower re-excision and migration rates, as well as fewer interventional procedures. An outcome that is immeasurable for our patients."

Geraldine Ncube
Lead Advanced Practitioner - Mammographer

A Haven for Heroes

My Charity has the wellbeing of everyone who comes through the doors of our hospitals at its heart. Whether patients, visitors or staff, we are here to make their day better.

Bid value

£21,522

Staff Hub, Health, Wellbeing & Engagement Programme, St Richard's Hospital

For our dedicated staff, working tirelessly to support their patients, a moment's calm can be difficult to come by during their hectic shifts. The Trust's Health, Wellbeing and Engagement team have been tackling this in recent years by introducing spaces across our hospital sites to provide rare areas of peace and quiet for our NHS heroes. With St Richard's Hospital one of the last to have such a space installed, the team were quick to submit a bid to the charity for funding when a disused room became available on site. We were more than happy to ensure their vision became a reality.



Refurbishment began shortly after and now a serene, tranquil and calming room sits just past the entrance corridor of the hospital - central and easy to locate for all staff. The blue walls, comfortable sofas and enticing refreshments allow individuals to step out of their clinical environment they've been surrounded by all shift to unwind, recharge and refresh in the aptly named 'Staff Oasis.' For recently back to work mothers that wish to continue infant feeding, the room offers an expressing and feeding zone. Relaxing activities such as massages and arts & crafts will be available here on occasion too.

"The wellbeing spaces already open at other sites are well used by staff and are having a positive impact on their mental and physical health. It's somewhere to take ten minutes away from work, have a quiet conversation or simply share a cup of tea with a colleague. The charity has helped us demonstrate to our staff that their wellbeing is a priority. It's just one of the ways we can say 'we care, we value and we appreciate you'!"

Eloise O'Shea
Health, Wellbeing and Engagement team

In Through the Nose

Each day multiple gastroscopies are performed at Princess Royal Hospital. With improved systems for performing this common procedure now available, the charity is pleased to help ensure patient experience is the best it can be for those undergoing gastroscopy at University Hospitals Sussex.

Total spend

£255,424

Transnasal Endoscopes, Gastroenterology Directorate, Princess Royal Hospital



A gastroscopy is a diagnostic method to check inside your throat, oesophagus and stomach. This could be done for digestive symptoms, treatment of some conditions or to check for cancer.

Conventionally, the standard method has used transoral endoscopy, in which a thin, flexible tube is passed into the patient's mouth, down their throat and into their stomach. This method is invasive, can be sore post-procedure and usually requires sedation with subsequent recovery time.

Comparatively, the newer method of transnasal endoscopy inserts a tube through the patient's nose. Accuracy has been proven the same as the conventional method, but with numerous benefits. Since the nasal route is less sensitive and the nasal endoscopes much smaller, there is no need for sedation; patients remain awake and alert, eliminating the associated risks. Post-procedure monitoring is not needed, thus patients can resume normal activities immediately.

Most gastroscopy services in the UK are now using transnasal endoscopy as a preferable procedure in the diagnostic pathway. My Charity is thrilled to support the service at Princess Royal Hospital to become one of them.

"From increased efficiency due to reduced waiting lists to less apprehensive patients due to it being a more tolerable procedure, the benefits are plenty. The additional transnasal endoscopes are a significant advancement to our service, allowing us to provide the best experience and outcomes for our patients."

Dr Fergus Chedgy
Endoscopy Clinical Lead

Looking to the Future

During the reporting period the charity team have worked to develop and assure an all-new three-year strategy that is to be implemented with effect 1 April 2025.



Building upon the success of the charity to date, the new strategy will see work focused on four key priorities. These include:

Brand

Development of the charity brand and corporate character continues with an emphasis on community and the role of the charity as an advocate for the Trust across the county and civil society within. Furthermore, we continue to grow our social media presence and to assert ourselves as a leading healthcare funder of note, evidencing to all the impact of the work we fund and the difference it makes to both patient benefit and staff wellbeing.

Fundraising

The charity will design and delivery a fundraising strategy that whilst focusing on the Capital Appeal for the New Sussex Cancer Centre, also allows the charity to build a wider supporter base that affords year on year growth. This is through the use of fundraising methodologies such as tap to donate machines, face to face fundraising, corporate partnerships - such as the three-year partnership with the children's TV brand, Operation Ouch - special events, legacy giving and more. Central to this fundraising work will be the three charity sub-brands, My Music, My Comedy and My Kidz platforms which allow the charity to engage with audiences that would ordinarily not engage with the Trust and through events that promote and enthuse giving in favour of My Charity.

Grant Making and Funds Assurance

Over the next three years, the charity will deliver a grant making programme that will see more than £13m of funds invested in patient benefit and staff wellbeing initiatives across the seven hospital sites that make up University Hospitals Sussex. This grant making will be digitally led, seismic and impactful, utilising the latest methods for monitoring and evaluation. Independent consultants will be commissioned to evaluate large grants and the findings disseminated across the public domain. This to inform, assure and evidence that supporting the Trust charity can deliver positive outcomes.

Organisational Development

The charity will continue to develop its governance, systems and processes, ensuring organisational resilience and that the charity is able to meet the demands placed upon it by the Trust. Continuing professional development will be central to the growth of the staff team with an emphasis on opportunity - working on projects and workstreams that encourage learning, development and retention.

As the charity readies for growth, accountability to the community it serves - patients and staff - is paramount. We are committed to strengthening our communities by delivering a tangible and meaningful benefit to the people that work on each site, and to those that access care there.

The New Sussex Cancer Centre

The New Sussex Cancer Centre (NSCC), set to open in 2029, represents a monumental leap forward in cancer care for the 2.2 million people it will serve across Sussex.



This state-of-the-art facility, almost five times larger than the current centre, will bring vital services together, offering comprehensive care under one roof - from scans and routine checks to complex treatments and inpatient care, even allowing direct access for patients having acute episodes, bypassing A&E.

To make this vision truly exceptional, My Charity has launched a £7.75m Capital Appeal. This vital fundraising effort will complement government funding, enabling us to invest in groundbreaking initiatives. These include advanced radiotherapy machines with integrated scanning, and digital solutions empowering patients to spend more time at home.

Our appeal is being rolled out in two phases. The initial private phase, informed by extensive philanthropic research, aims to secure 70-80% of the appeal target. This offers individuals, corporations, and trusts & foundations a unique opportunity to make a significant contribution and receive recognition within the new centre, marking their pivotal role in this once-in-a-generation improvement.

The subsequent public phase will invite everyone to participate in shaping the future of cancer care. Through proactive engagement with community groups, schools, businesses, and the wider public, we aim to make the NSCC a true community asset, a source of pride for all of Sussex.

Realising this ambitious project is the core focus of My Charity's new three-year strategy. Leveraging expert guidance and the successful models of other NHS cancer centre appeals, our fundraising infrastructure is fully dedicated to achieving the NSCC Capital Appeal goals. The private phase, commencing in financial year 2025/26, has already garnered significant interest from businesses and individuals across East and West Sussex.

The NSCC represents an opportunity to build an exceptional regional cancer centre for Sussex. Together, through the Capital Appeal, we can make this vision a reality.

Board Directors of the Corporate Trustee

The Board of Directors at University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ensure the charity is supporting the objectives and operating alongside the Trust, complementing its core work.

All new Trustees receive an introduction to the charity explaining their role in its operation. Those directly involved with the Charitable Funds Committee may receive additional specific training if required.

Non-Executive Directors



Elizabeth Peers
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee
Term ended 10 May 2024



Wayne Orr
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee



Prof. Paul Layzell CBE



Philip Hogan



Prof. Jackie Cassell



Lucy Bloem



David Curley



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Prof. Malcolm Reed
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Prof. Gordon Ferns
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Philipa Slinger
Trust Chair
Term from 1 Jul 2024



Dr George Findlay
Chief Executive



Dr Andy Heeps
Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Operating Officer



Jonathan Reid
Chief Financial Officer
Term from 1 Nov 2024



Dr Maggie Davies
Chief Nurse



Professor Katie Urch
Chief Medical Officer



David Grantham
Chief People Officer



Darren Grayson
Chief Governance Officer
Term ended 31 Jan 2025



Roxanne Smith
Chief Strategy Officer



Sandi Drewett
Chief Culture and Organisational Development Officer



Karen Geoghegan
Chief Financial Officer
Term ended 19 May 2024



Nigel Kee
Chief Operating Officer
Term from 10 Mar 2025



Clare Stafford
Interim Chief Financial Officer
Term from 20 May 2024 to 31 Oct 2024

Administration Details and Professional Advisors

Administration

Registered name:

My University Hospitals Sussex

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My Charity

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Structure, Governance and Management

Overview

The Charitable Funds are registered with the Charity Commission (no. 1050864) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

My University Hospitals Sussex is registered as an umbrella charity, the governing document being a trust deed dated 8 September 1995 as amended by Statutory Instrument 2003/866.

The charity is constituted of 49 individual funds as at 31 March 2025 (2024: 52) and the notes to the accounts distinguish the types of fund held and disclose separately all material funds.

Charitable funds received by the charity are accepted, held and administered as funds and property held on trust for purposes relating to the health service in accordance with the National Health Service Act 2006 and these funds are held on trust by the corporate body.

Corporate Trustee

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust acted in the capacity as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds governed by the law applicable to Trusts, principally the Trustee Act 2000 and the Charities Act 2011.

Management of Funds

My University Hospitals Sussex is governed by a Trust deed. The Corporate Trustee is the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Trust Board, whilst retaining overall responsibility for the management of the funds in its capacity as Corporate Trustee, delegates responsibility to the Charitable Funds Committee. The day to day management is provided by the Charity Director and individual fund managers.

The Trust Board of the Corporate Trustee comprises Executive and Non-Executive members. Non-Executive members of the Board are appointed by the NHS Appointments Commission and Executive members of the Board are subject to recruitment by the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Corporate Trustee fulfils its legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objectives of each fund. By designating funds the Corporate Trustee respects the wishes of donors to benefit patient care and advance good health and welfare of patients, carers and staff.

The Financial Accounts Department of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, which is located in Brighton General Hospital, Elm Grove, Brighton BN2 3EW, is responsible for the day to day financial management and accounting for the charitable funds during the year.

Structure and Governance

The Charity is considered to be a subsidiary for accounting purposes of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ("Trust"), an organisation established in the United Kingdom.

The Trust has assessed its relationship to the charitable fund and determined it to be a subsidiary because the Trust is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns and other benefits for itself, patients and staff from its involvement with the charitable fund and has the ability to affect those returns and other benefits through its power over the fund.

The charitable fund's statutory accounts are prepared to 31 March in accordance with the UK Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) which is based on UK Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102. On consolidation, necessary adjustments are made to the charity's assets, liabilities and transactions to:

- Recognise and measure them in accordance with the Trust's accounting policies and
- Eliminate intra-group transactions, balances, gains and losses.

The Trust's principal purpose is to provide healthcare services for patients and service users in England.

Where funds are received which have specific restrictions set by the donor and a suitable fund is not in existence, a new restricted fund is established.

The charity holds four endowment funds which are capital in perpetuity, the income from which may be used for any purpose other than general maintenance of the hospitals.

The charity produces an induction pack for newly appointed members of the Trust Board. This pack provides information about the charity, including the Corporate Trustee's annual report and accounts, budgets, policies and minutes, and information about trusteeship, including Charity Commission booklet CC3, The Essential Trustee.

Structure, Governance and Management

Risk Management

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is the possible losses from a fall in the value of the investments and the level of reserves available to mitigate the impact of such losses.

The value of the investments is regularly monitored with the assistance of the Charity's investment advisers and there are procedures in place to ensure that both spending and firm financial commitments remain in line with income.

Objectives and Activities

The principal objective of the charity is for any charitable purpose relating to the NHS wholly or mainly for the services provided by University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

During the year the funds continued to support a wide range of health-related activities benefiting both patients and staff. In general, they are used to purchase additional goods and services that the NHS is unable to provide, for example, needed medical equipment. The funds also enable consultants and other medical staff to attend training courses not funded by the NHS. Specific research is also funded. The Corporate Trustee confirms that the activities undertaken and planned future activities are in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the charity's legal purpose.

Financial Review

The principal funding of the charity is from donations and legacies which generated income of £2,244,000 compared to £1,676,000 in 2024. Investment income was £492,000 (2024: £539,000) giving total income of £2,736,000 (2024: £2,215,000). Expenditure on raising funds was £330,000 (2024: £275,000) and expenditure on charitable activities was £4,337,000 (2024: £5,081,000). After loss on investments of £34,000 (2024: gain of £354,000) the net expenditure for the year was £1,965,000 (2024: £2,787,000).

Reserves Policy

Under SORP 2019, charitable reserves are identified as income which becomes available to the Charity and is to be spent at the Trustee's discretion in furtherance of any of the Charity's objectives, but which is not yet spent, committed or designated.

The definition of 'reserves' should exclude:

- Endowment funds
- Restricted funds
- Designated funds.

The majority of the income is classified as designated funds, for the benefit of hospital sites, divisions or individual departments.

Each department is expected to have an expenditure plan, which is updated regularly. The funds are closely and regularly monitored, ensuring they are spent within a reasonable period of time. In line with the Charity Commission's guidance, a separate Reserves Policy is not required for designated funds. The policy of the Trustee is to spend these monies in accordance with the plans of expenditure as quickly as possible, unless there is a need to save monies for a major purchase.

Unrestricted and undesignated funds allow much more flexibility, and these funds enable the charity to support the Trust's strategic aims. Where possible, fund raising encourages generic giving.

The Trustee reviews the balance of funds on a regular basis. Fund balances as at 31 March 2025 were:

Endowment funds	£471,000
Restricted funds	£900,000
Designated funds	£7,217,000
Free unrestricted general funds	£2,565,000
Total Funds as at 31 March 2025	**£11,153,000**

The Reserves Policy is to hold minimum reserves equivalent to six months operational expenses which are expected to be in the region of £749,000. At 31 March 2025 this gives an excess of £1,816,000 above minimum reserves, which provides a buffer in the event of a future drop in income.

Statement of Trustee's Responsibility

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales/ Northern Ireland 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 2019 (FRS 102)
- 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 business.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping proper 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 Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are 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.

Investment Policy

The charity manages its investments risks by retaining expert advisors and operating an investment policy that provides for a high degree of diversification of holdings within investment asset classes. The investment portfolio is managed on a full discretionary basis by Atomos Investments Limited who acts as the Trustee's nominee.

The Trustee's overall investment objective is to maintain capital in real terms and maximise income. The charity does not make use of derivatives and similar complex financial instruments and it is the Trustee's policy that no direct investment shall be made in tobacco related shares, in companies listed under alcoholic beverages or anything which does not comply with the aims and ideals of the NHS.

Whilst the charity absolutely aims to spend accumulated funds as quickly as possible in line with the priority of the Trust, where plans take longer to mature the charity always looks to invest funds wisely.

Grant-making Policy

Grants are made from the charity's funds for divisions, sites and departments. These funds are overseen by Fund Managers who make recommendations on how to spend the money within their area, within the terms of the donation and the fund. Where expenditure is to be funded by a capital grant, the Fund Managers' recommendations are subject to a full business case and approval by Trust committees (Capital Investment Group and the Medical Equipment Management Group).

Confirmation to Auditors

The Trustee confirms that they have taken steps that they ought to have taken to make them self aware of any information needed by the Charity's auditor for the purposes of their audit and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information. The Trustee is not aware of any other information of which the auditor should be aware.

Approved by the Trustee and signed on their behalf by:

Signed

Jonathan Reid

Jonathan Reid
Chief Financial Officer

Dated 25 June 2025

Independent Auditor's Report
to the Trustee of My University Hospitals Sussex

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of My University Hospitals Sussex for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2025, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions Relating to Going Concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate. Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustee with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other Information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustee's annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustee is responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are Required to Report by Exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2011 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- The information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustee's report; or
- Sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Independent Auditor's Report
To the Trustee of My University Hospitals Sussex

Responsibilities of Trustee

As explained more fully in the Trustee's responsibilities statement, the Trustee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustee is responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustee either intends to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

Capability of the Audit in Detecting Irregularities, including Fraud

Based on our understanding of the charity and industry, and through discussion with the Trustee and other management (as required by auditing standards), we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to health and safety and anti-bribery. We considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) 2019. We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) and determined that the principal risks were related to posting inappropriate journal entries to increase revenue or reduce expenditure and management bias in accounting estimates and judgemental areas of the financial statements.

Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Discussions with management and assessment of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud; and
- Identifying and assessing the design effectiveness of controls that management has in place to prevent and detect fraud; and
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates; and
- Confirmation of related parties with management, and review of transactions throughout the period to identify any previously undisclosed transactions with related parties outside the normal course of business; and
- Reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- Review of significant and unusual transactions and evaluation of the underlying financial rationale supporting the transactions.

Independent Auditor's Report
To the Trustee of My University Hospitals Sussex

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Trustee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation (i.e. gives a true and fair view).

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Use of our Report

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustee, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustee those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed



Kreston Reeves LLP

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor
Chichester

Dated 25 June 2025

Kreston Reeves LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ending 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2025 £'000**	Total Funds 2024 £'000
Income from:						
Donations, legacies and other income	2	2,237	7	-	**2,244**	**1,676**
Investment income	3	492	-	-	**492**	**539**
Total Income		**2,729**	**7**	**-**	**2,736**	**2,215**
Expenditure on:						
Raising Funds	4	-330	-	-	**-330**	**-275**
Charitable activities:						
Patient welfare	5	-1,184	-332	-	**-1,516**	**-1,038**
Staff education and welfare	5	-835	-18	-	**-853**	**-1,154**
Misc	5	-37	-	-	**-37**	**-54**
Capital Grants	10	-1,917	-14	-	**-1,931**	**-2,835**
Total charitable activities		**-3,973**	**-364**	**-**	**-4,337**	**-5,081**
Total expenditure		**-4,303**	**-364**	**-**	**-4,667**	**-5,356**
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	-34	-	-	**-34**	**354**
Net income/(expenditure)		**-1,608**	**-357**	**-**	**-1,965**	**-2,787**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Net income/(expenditure)		-1,608	-357	-	**-1,965**	**-2,787**
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	**-**	**-**
Net movement in funds		-1,608	-357	-	**-1,965**	**-2,787**
Total funds brought forward		11,390	1,257	471	**13,118**	**15,905**
Total funds carried forward		9,782	900	471	**11,153**	**13,118**

Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Total Funds 2024
		£'000	£'000	£'000	**£'000**	£'000
Fixed Assets						
Investments	11	9,139	900	471	**10,510**	**12,002**
Total Fixed Assets		**9,139**	**900**	**471**	**10,510**	**12,002**
Current Assets						
Debtors	12	1,023	-	-	**1,023**	**537**
Cash at bank and in hand	13	7	-	-	**7**	**1,514**
Total Current Assets		**1,030**	**-**	**-**	**1,030**	**2,051**
Current Liabilities						
Amounts falling due within one year	14	-387	-	-	**-387**	**-935**
Total Current Liabilities		**-387**	**-**	**-**	**-387**	**-935**
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)		**643**	**-**	**-**	**643**	**1,116**
Net Assets		**9,782**	**900**	**471**	**11,153**	**13,118**
The funds of the charity:						
Restricted funds	15		900		**900**	**1,257**
Endowment	15			471	**471**	**471**
Unrestricted Funds	15	9,782			**9,782**	**11,390**
Total Charity funds		**9,782**	**900**	**471**	**11,153**	**13,118**

The notes at pages 23 to 29 form part of these accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustee and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

Signed



Wayne Orr
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee

Dated 25 June 2025

Statement of Cash Flows
Year ending 31 March 2025

	Notes	Total 2025 £'000	Total 2024 £'000
Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities			
Net Income/(expenditure) as per the Statement of Financial Activities		-1,965	-2,787
(Deduct)/Add back: Non cash movement on investments	11	34	-354
Deduct: Investment income		-492	-539
(Increase)/Decrease in Trade and Other Receivables		-487	-224
(Decrease)/Increase in Trade and Other Payables		-547	-971
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		**-3,457**	**-4,875**
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Investment Income from investments		492	539
Net Cash provided by Investing Activities		**492**	**539**
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Net Cash movement on Investments	11	1,458	4,193
Net Cash generating from financing activities		**1,458**	**4,193**
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		**-1,507**	**-143**
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of the Period		**1,514**	**1,657**
Cash and Cash Equivalents at year end	**13**	**7**	**1,514**

Analysis of Changes in Net Debt

	At 1 April 2024	Cash flows	At 31 March 2025
Cash and cash equivalents	1,514	-1,507	**7**
Debt	-	-	**-**
Net cash/(debt)	**1,514**	**-1,507**	**7**

Notes to the Financial Statements
As at 31 March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis after consideration by the Corporate Trustee that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Such consideration includes a review of committed income and expenditures, cash flows and reserves. The Corporate Trustee does not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

The accounts are prepared in GBP and rounded to the nearest £1,000.

Changes in accounting policies

There has been no change in the basis of accounting for the year.

Income and endowments

All income and endowments, including legacies, are recognised in line with FRS 102 and this is based upon the Charity having a recognised legal entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received and that the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated income recorded in the accounts is solely that which has been receipted via the cashier's office or credited directly into the Charity bank account by the donor.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Grants are only made to related NHS bodies and non NHS bodies in the furtherance of charitable activities.

Cost of generating funds

Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading. Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives.

Expenditure on charitable activities

Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in pursuit of the objects of the charity, including education and training and grant support to University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust in support of a range of charitable activities.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs have been allocated to the Unrestricted funds.

Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Funds structure

The funds are classified in the accounts in three categories, Restricted, Unrestricted and Endowment Funds.

Restricted Funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor and/or the Corporate Trustee at the inception of the fund. of the charitable objectives.

Unrestricted funds include designated funds which are not legally restricted but which the Corporate Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes.

Endowment funds are funds where the capital is held in perpetuity to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent. The income earned on these funds will be categorised as restricted or unrestricted according to the restrictions imposed by the donor.

Realised gain and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities at the year end. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sale proceeds and book cost. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening market value (or purchase if later).

Notes to the Financial Statements
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2. Donations, legacies and other income

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Total Funds 2024
	£'000	£'000	£'000	**£'000**	£'000
Donations	531	7	-	**538**	597
Legacies	1,700	-	-	**1,700**	1,070
Other income	6	-	-	**6**	9
Total donations, legacies and other income	**2,237**	**7**	**-**	**2,244**	**1,676**

3. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Total Funds 2024
	£'000	£'000	£'000	**£'000**	£'000
Fixed asset equity and similar investments	492	-	-	492	539
Total investment income	**492**	**-**	**-**	**492**	**539**

4. Analysis of expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Total Funds 2024
	£'000	£'000	£'000	**£'000**	£'000
Fund raising events	-11	-	-	-11	-61
Support costs	-291	-	-	-291	-197
Other costs	-28	-	-	-28	-17
Total	**-330**	**-**	**-**	**-330**	**-275**

5. Charitable activities and support costs

Analysis of charitable expenditure

The Charity did not undertake any direct charitable activities on its own account during the year. All of the charitable expenditure was in the form of grant funding in both the current and prior year. Of the Grants made, £168k was from Restricted Funds (2024: £128k). Grants were approved in favour of UH Sussex for the benefit of patients and staff.

Charitable Activities

	Notes	Grant funded activity	Support Costs	**Total Funds 2025**	Total Funds 2024
		£'000	£'000	**£'000**	£'000
Patient welfare		-1,230	-286	**-1,516**	**-1,038**
Staff education and welfare		-692	-161	**-853**	**-1,154**
Misc		-30	-7	**-37**	**-54**
Capital Grants	10	-1,568	-363	**-1,931**	**-2,835**
Totals		**-3,520**	**-817**	**-4,337**	**-5,081**

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses are the costs of the team employed by UH Sussex to manage the Charity. Governance costs are also included here and are those costs which are related to the strategic management of a charity. Costs are allocated between raising funds and support costs on the basis shown below.

	Fund Raising Costs	Support Costs	**Total 2025**	Total 2024	
	£'000	£'000	**£'000**	£'000	
External audit	-	-23	-23	-22	Direct allocation
Investment costs	-	-56	-56	-61	Direct allocation
Governance	**-**	**-79**	**-79**	**-83**	
Finance administration	-	-162	-162	-162	Time (%)
Charity office	-291	-576	-867	-683	Time (%)
Total	**-291**	**-817**	**-1,108**	**-928**	

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6. Analysis of staff costs and remuneration of key management personnel

The charity does not employ staff so there are no employee benefits or remuneration costs. The Charity team and the Finance staff are employees of UH Sussex, and their costs are recharged to the charity and are included within the Administrative expenses in Note 5. Employment costs such as Employers National Insurance or Pensions, are included in the recharged amount and the charity will not have liabilities of this nature.

The average head count during the year was 13 (11 in 2024) and the average number of full time equivalent employees during the year was 12 (11 in 2024). The employees were involved in fund raising and providing support services to charitable activities.

One Trust employee received benefits of more than £60,000 which fell in the banding £110,000-£120,000 (2024: £90,000-£100,000) and a second Trust employee received benefits which fell into the banding £60,000-£70,000 in the current year.

The charity considers the members of the Board of Directors of UH Sussex (the corporate trustee) to be its key management personnel. Their services are provided at no cost to the charity.

7. Auditor's remuneration

The Auditor's remuneration for the current year audit is at £18,900 net of VAT (£18,000 net of VAT in 2024). The amount included within the Governance costs is the gross value of £22,680 (£21,600 in 2024).

8. Role of volunteers

Volunteers add significant benefit to the charity, without them we would not be able to deliver the breadth of support for the trust that we do. Like all charities, the charity is reliant on a team of volunteers to assist in the running of the charity. Our volunteers perform the following roles:

- **Fundholders** - Staff who manage how the charity's designated funds should be spent. These funds are earmarked by the trustees to be spent for a particular purpose or in a particular ward or department. Each fundholder has delegated powers to spend the designated funds that they manage in accordance with the Trustee's wishes.
- **Fundraisers** - There are a number of local individuals who actively fundraise for the charity by holding events such as coffee mornings, sponsored walk/runs, collection tins, fundraising BBQ's, etc..

9. Trustee's remuneration, benefits and expenses

The Board of Directors of UH Sussex act as the corporate trustee of the charity. As stated in Note 6 their services are provided at no cost to the charity.

10. Capital Grants

All grants are made to UH Sussex to provide for the care of NHS patients and for the education and welfare of its staff. The Corporate Trustee operates a scheme of delegation, through which a grant funded activity is managed by fundholders responsible for the day to day administration of their funds. The Charity does not make grants to individuals. The Capital grants received by the beneficiary were as follows:

	Total 2025 £'000
Transnasal Endoscopes	255
Savi Scout Localisation	147
Care Cube - Real Time Digital Workflow	141
Trust-wide Cycling Facilities	130
Simulation Suite Equipment	107
Endoscopy Monitors	96
Birthing Pools	83
Echolaser TRA Treatment	72
Remote Patient Reported Outcomes Monitoring	48
B-Scan ophthalmic imaging devices	39
St. Richard's Macmillan Hub works	37
Sussex Rehab Centre Patient Kitchen	36
Cut-up Bench	35
Patient Monitors - Major Trauma	29
Dental Chair	28
Philips Azurion TSM-PRO Tablet	26
Gynacology Examination Chair	20
Wellbeing Hub works	22
Cold Cap	16
Diamond Band Saw	15
X-Ray Imaging Chair	15
Paxman Cold Cap Machine	14
Refurbishment of rest facilities	13
Radiotherapy Limbs Plate	13
Maple Suite works	12
Kitchen Storage Unit	12
Video Head Impulse Test	12
Cardiac Monitors	11
Other items <£10,000	84
Total Capital Grants	**1,568**

Notes to the Financial Statements
As at 31 March 2025

11. Fixed Asset Investments

Movement in fixed asset investment	Unrestricted Funds £000s	Restricted Funds £000s	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2025 £000s**	Total Funds 2024 £000s
Market value brought forward	10,274	1,257	471	12,002	15,841
Net movement	-1,135	-357	-	-1,492	-3,839
Market value as at 31 March	**9,139**	**900**	**471**	**10,510**	**12,002**

Fixed asset investment by type	**Total 2025 £000s**	Total 2024 £000s
Fixed Interest Funds	8,541	9,355
Equities	1,721	1,645
Unit/Investment Trust	-	-
Cash held for reinvestment	248	1,002
Total	**10,510**	**12,002**

All investments are carried at their fair value.

Analysis of current year movement	**Total 2025 £000s**
Income receipts (dividends and interest)	518
Payment of Investment Management Fees	-61
Funds paid over to Charity	-1,915
Net cash movement on Investments	-1,458
Non cash movement on investments - Unrealised loss	-34
Total net movement	**-1,492**

12. Analysis of current debtors

	2025 Total £'000	2024 Total £'000
Accrued income	992	533
Prepayments	31	4
Total debtors under 1 year	**1,023**	**537**

There are no debtors owing that are more than 1 year.

13. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2025 Total £'000	2024 Total £'000
Cash held at bank	7	1,514
Total cash and cash equivalents	**7**	**1,514**

14. Analysis of liabilities

	2025 Total £'000	2024 Total £'000
Creditors - intercompany balance owed to UH Sussex	-275	-753
Accruals	-112	-182
Total creditors under 1 year	**-387**	**-935**

There are no creditors falling due after more than 1 year.

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As at 31 March 2025

15. Analysis of charitable funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	(Gains) and losses	**Balance at 31 March 2025**
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	**£'000**
Material funds						
Restricted funds						
PGMC Education Fund	665	-	-110	-	-	555
Library Endowment fund	418	-	-166	-	-	252
Fernhurst Appeal	65	7	-27	-	-	45
NHS Charities Together	109	-	-61	-	-	48
Total Restricted Funds	**1,257**	**7**	**-364**	**-**	**-**	**900**
Endowment Funds						
Miss Hannington	401	-	-	-	-	401
Other Funds	70	-	-	-	-	70
Total Endowment Funds	**471**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**471**
Unrestricted Funds						
Designated Funds						
Cancer Funds	2,118	587	-942	13	-	1,776
Specialist Services	4,230	132	-780	-52	-	3,530
Other Funds	1,451	465	-959	954	-	1,911
Total Designated Funds	**7,799**	**1,184**	**-2,681**	**915**	**-**	**7,217**
General Funds	**3,591**	**1,545**	**-1,622**	**-915**	**-34**	**2,565**
Total Unrestricted Funds	**11,390**	**2,729**	**-4,303**	**-**	**-34**	**9,782**
Grand Total	**13,118**	**2,736**	**-4,667**	**-**	**-34**	**11,153**

Details of Material funds held at 31 March 2025

Following the group reconstruction in 2023, the Trustees reorganised funds around Trust divisions and site specific Funds. This resulted in transfers within Unrestricted Funds, but no transfers were made within Restricted or Endowment Funds.

Fund type	Name	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
Restricted funds	PGMC Education Fund	Support Post graduate medical and dental training
	Library Endowment fund	Development of library services
	Fernhurst Appeal	To provide and maintain a Cancer Day Unit at the Trust
Endowment	Miss Hannington	Capital in Perpituity
Designated funds	Cancer Funds	For the benefit of Cancer patients and staff
	Specialist Services	For the benefit of Specialist Services patients and staff including Cardiovascular
	General Funds	For the general benefit of patients and staff in the hospitals

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16. Commitments, liabilities and provisions
The Trustee recognises liabilities in the accounts once they have incurred a legal or constructive obligation to expend the funds. No provision has been included in this set of accounts as no such circumstances existed at the year end.

17. Contingencies
There were no contingent gains, losses, assets or liabilities.

18. Controlling party
The Board of Directors of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (formerly WSHFT) act as the corporate trustee of the charity, the ultimate controlling party.

With effect from 1 April 2021 the Board of Directors of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (UH Sussex) act as the corporate trustee of My University Hospitals Sussex (registered charity no. 1050864).

19. Related Party Transactions
The Board of Directors of UH Sussex acts as the corporate trustee for the charity.

None of the members of UH Sussex's Board of Directors or parties related to them has undertaken any transactions with the charity or received any benefit from the charity in payment or in kind. These directors received no honoraria or emoluments in the year. No expenses have been paid by the charity to these directors.

UH Sussex makes a number of clerical and transaction services available to the charity, by agreement with the trustee. These include fundraising, administrative and finance support services at a cost of £1,029k in 2025 (£845k in 2024).

These costs are included within support costs - see Note 5. University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust is the main creditor of the charity - see Note 14.

20. Post Balance Sheet Events
There were no Post Balance Sheet Events to report.

Statement of Financial Activities
As at 31 March 2024

21. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities (31 March 2024)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	**Total Funds 2024**
		£'000	£'000	£'000	**£'000**
Income from					
Donations, legacies and other income	2	1,641	35	-	**1,676**
Investment income	3	539	-	-	**539**
Total Income		**2,180**	**35**	**-**	**2,215**
Expenditure on					
Raising Funds		-275	-	-	**-275**
Charitable activities					
Patient welfare		-990	-48	-	**-1,038**
Staff education and welfare		-1,122	-32	-	**-1,154**
Misc		-51	-3	-	**-54**
Capital Grants		-2,790	-45	-	**-2,835**
Total charitable activities		**-4,953**	**-128**	**-**	**-5,081**
Total expenditure		**-5,228**	**-128**	**-**	**-5,356**
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	354	-	-	**354**
Net income/(expenditure)		**-2,694**	**-93**	**-**	**-2,787**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Net income/(expenditure)		-2,694	-93	-	**-2,787**
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	**-**
Net movement in funds		-2,694	-93	-	**-2,787**
Total funds brought forward		14,084	1,350	471	**15,905**
Total funds carried forward		11,390	1,257	471	**13,118**

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1 St Richard's Hospital

2 Worthing Hospital

3 Southlands Hospital

4 Princess Royal Hospital

5 Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital

6 Royal Sussex County Hospital

7 Sussex Eye Hospital



"Every day patients' hospital experiences are transformed because of the charity. We really see the Trust's motto – 'where better never stops' – in action through their work." Dr George Findlay, Chief Executive.

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The charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 have been prepared by the Corporate Trustee in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. The charity's report and accounts include all the separately established funds for which the University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust is the sole beneficiary.

On 1 April 2023, Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund (BSUH Charity) and Love Your Hospital (registered charity number: 1049201) merged. BSUH Charity then changed its name to My University Hospitals Sussex and maintains the BSUH Charity registered charity number of 1050864.

Message

from the Chair of Charitable Funds Committee



It is a great pleasure for me as the retiring Chair to introduce this annual report - the first ever for the newly established My University Hospitals Sussex.

Looking back on what has been achieved in the last 12 months, there is much to celebrate and commend. Without question, the charity has immediately made an impact, both within the Trust and beyond, and it is clear to me that it will continue to do so as it works to enhance patient benefit and support staff wellbeing as per the requirements of our Patient First programme.

It has been especially pleasing to see the charity develop its new brand and its exciting mix of sub-brands including My Comedy, My Music and My Gaming.

With regard to fundraising, and despite the current economic pressures, the charity has designed and implemented a progressive programme that sees work to raise funds from a number of constituencies including donors, high-net-worth individuals and companies. In addition, devising a Legacy and In Memoriam programme, enabling supporters to leave a gift in their will or remember loved ones.

Grant-making has been nothing short of outstanding with more than £4.3m distributed across the Trust. Grants have included £500,000 to support the Research & Innovation programme, £117,000 for the purchase of a real time ultrasound imaging system for use in the neurology theatres and £420,000 to resource the Crisis Fund, helping staff affected by the rise in cost of living.

As I look to hand over to the new Chair, Wayne Orr, it remains for me to thank the charity team for their hard work, passion and relentless energy - and for achieving so much in the last year for the benefit of others. To my colleagues on the Committee, thank you for your commitment to supporting the charity on its journey and to ensure good governance throughout. Furthermore, I must express my thanks to the Executive team for seeing the charity through its fledgling first year, to the Friends, partner charities and corporate sponsors for their unwavering support, and of course to our incredible donors and fundraisers.

I look forward to seeing My University Hospitals Sussex continue to flourish in the coming years and will follow its journey with great interest.



Lizzie Peers
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee

Welcome

from the Director of Charities and Voluntary Services



This year has been one of significant change for the charity - one that has seen a new Trust charity emerge into the public domain.

With a striking brand and a clear purpose; to support patient benefit and staff wellbeing, as per the requirements of Patient First.

To deliver such, we have recruited a new staff team and embarked upon an ambitious programme of communications, fundraising and grant-making. A programme that sees us relate to the patients and families that access our hospitals, who we are and how they can support what we do; and to our staff, the difference we make to their wellbeing and, therefore, why they should support our efforts.

Right from the outset, this programme has seen success, raising more that £1.6m in funds and distributing £4.3m in vital grants. And this is just the beginning. From the foundations laid we will continue to grow, being innovative and progressive in our approach - considered and inclusive.

It is our aim to be the NHS charity of choice in Sussex and so we will continue to grow our brand, communicate the impact of the work, fundraise ethically and grant-make at scale. We will build sustainable partnerships that will make a difference across our hospital sites and across the county.

We would not have navigated our first year without the deft support of Lizzie Peers, Chair of the Charitable Funds Committee. Lizzie has been key to the success of the new charity as we've implemented new governance systems, reporting methodologies and efficiencies. As we've laid the foundations for new income generation, Lizzie has been receptive, working across the committee to secure the necessary support. Thank you, Lizzie, for your dedication. To the wider Trustee team and our Executive Director colleagues, thank you too.

A special mention for retiring Chair of the Trust Board, Alan McCarthy, who has supported the charity at board level.

And lastly, a huge thank you to all our supporters and generous donors who have given their money and energy in support of our work. Together, we really can make a difference.



Steve Crump OBE
Director of Charities and Voluntary Services

About

My University Hospitals Sussex

My University Hospitals Sussex is the dedicated charity supporting the University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust. It was formed in April 2023 by the merging of two former dedicated charities: Love Your Hospital and BSUH Charity.

The charity raises funds for treatment, care and research which go over and above core NHS funding, making real and tangible improvements to patients and staff every day.

We provide state-of-the-art equipment, more comfortable hospital environments and wellbeing initiatives for patients, staff and visitors.

Our work supports seven NHS hospitals across Sussex:

- Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath
- Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital, Brighton
- Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton
- Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea
- St Richard's Hospital, Chichester
- Sussex Eye Hospital, Brighton
- Worthing Hospital.

Our core priorities

- Creating more patient-friendly environments
- Providing equipment for diagnosis and treatment
- Supporting staff development to provide even better care
- Advancing understanding through research projects.

Our mission

To make life all together better. We enhance the care and experience of everyone who comes through the doors of our hospitals.

Our values

Engaging

Everything we do is about engaging with our community. It's communicating and being visible in ways that inspire and compel individuals to support the charity. It's being there for staff and volunteers as they go about their work. It's amplifying the voice of the hospital in the local community.

Optimistic

Our outlook is positive. We are here to make the day better for patients, staff and the wider community. It's a mindset that informs the way we work - looking ahead with optimism and a belief in the possible.

Personal

We are personal - with the wellbeing of our individuals in mind. Helping patients, staff and visitors to have the best experience in hospital beyond core clinical care and infrastructure. It reflects the Trust's Patient First strategy.

We raise funds for treatment, care and research which go over and above core NHS funding.







My University Hospitals Sussex takes its fundraising seriously and values its donors and their privacy. The charity takes care to obtain signed written agreements between the charity and any commercial participators or professional fundraisers that we work with. The charity also adheres to the Fundraising Code of Practice and has a robust Information Governance Policy.

We are signed up with the Fundraising Regulator, which ensures that we monitor and report on the following:

- Whether a professional fundraiser or commercial participator carried out any fundraising activities on behalf of the charity
- Whether the charity or any person acting on its behalf voluntarily subscribes to recognised fundraising standards or scheme for fundraising regulation
- Any failures to comply with the standards or scheme
- The number of complaints received about the charity's fundraising
- How the charity protects the public, including vulnerable people, from unreasonable intrusion on a person's privacy, unreasonably persistent approaches or undue pressure.

During the year there were no failures to comply with the Fundraising Code of Practice, and the charity received no complaints.

My University Hospitals Sussex is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (1050864).
As a registered charity, My University Hospitals Sussex complies with charity law and the regulatory requirements of the Charity Commission. This includes ensuring that all gifts are spent for the maximum public benefit and in alignment with the donors' wishes. Our charity Trustees have a duty to 'have regard' for the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

A Year in Numbers

1 April 2023 - 31 March 2024



Patient welfare represents contributions made towards patient experience at our hospitals



Capital grants support productivity improvements in our hospitals



Staff education and welfare includes additional staff training to enable staff to provide even better care



Total charitable expenditure including patient and staff welfare, training and capital grants

A Sea View

Refurbishing the Fluoroscopy Suite

£685,831
Bid value

My University Hospitals Sussex continues to prioritise the Trust's Patient First ambition to improve patient services and quality of care.

This year, the charity has funded the refurbishment of the Fluoroscopy Suite at the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital, providing a state-of-the-art service for paediatric patients across the region.



Fluoroscopy is a procedure that makes a real-time video of the movements inside a part of the body by using x-rays. The Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital Fluoroscopy Suite provides services for both acute and elective pathways, and primarily gastric and speech and language patients.
As the hospital is the regional paediatric centre, it provides the only 24/7 dedicated paediatric fluoroscopy service to the South East.

The refurbishment of the Fluoroscopy Suite saw the Trust Capital team work successfully with the PFI owner, Kajima, and My University Hospitals Sussex to enable the delivery of a vibrant ocean-themed room, benefitting the more than 400 children a year that use the service. In addition, new imaging equipment that provides better image quality has been installed and, crucially, with software adaptable to a child's age and size, there will be a decrease in radiation dosage. Improvements to the service are evident already, with reduced waiting times and diagnostic pathways, a less stressful experience for patients and the ability to begin expanding services.

Emily Loaring, Senior Paediatric Radiographer, was thrilled with the new suite:

> **What a difference. We smile whenever we walk into the room. It is great to have the new suite and equipment, which is very easy to use. It is making the process of having the procedure done far less stressful for everybody involved.**

"I've been in fluoroscopy rooms before, but I've never seen one that is so well set up and decorated."

Robert Curtis,
parent of patient.



Together for Tomorrow

Supporting the Future of Healthcare

In November 2023, My University Hospitals Sussex held it's inaugural Together for Tomorrow Ball.

Hosted at the stunning location of Goodwood House in Chichester, the event marked a significant milestone in the charity's ongoing commitment to advancing healthcare in Sussex.

Nestled within the sprawling embrace of picturesque parkland, guests were welcomed into the historic residence, admiring its exquisite regency-style splendour as they showed their commitment to reshape the future of local NHS healthcare alongside My University Hospitals Sussex.

Corporate support was provided by McBains, People Source Consulting and the University of Sussex, with Willmott Dixon Interiors generously sponsoring the event.

The night was hosted by beloved TV broadcaster Natasha Kaplinsky, with expert speakers from the Trust, Dr Martin Llewelyn and Dr Robert Galloway, sharing valuable insights into the impact of charitable funding on medical advancements, particularly in emergency care and research. Guests enjoyed a sumptuous three-course meal, a thrilling fundraising auction and then danced the night away in the grand ballroom with live music from White Men Can't Funk and celebrity DJ Denise Van Outen.

The ball embodied the spirit of unity and shared purpose, and through the generosity of supporters the charity can invest £128,000 into changing local lives for the better. Having already funded the Da Vinci Robot Arm at the Princess Royal Hospital in Haywards Heath - the first NHS hospitals in the South East to offer robotic technology for knee replacements - this further contribution from My University Hospitals Sussex can establish a fully equipped robotics program, significantly improving patient care by reducing surgery complications and the length of stay in hospital.



Director of Charities and Voluntary Services, **Steve Crump OBE**, expressed his gratitude:

> **The theme of our Together for Tomorrow Ball was not just a concept, but a promise to invest in the relentless pursuit of excellence for patient care, to nurture innovation, and to empower our dedicated healthcare professionals across the Trust.**



Hospital in Bloom

Antenatal Garden Opens

£3,524
Total spend

In the busy hustle and bustle of a hospital, a place of calm can be difficult to come by. Fortunately for the Antenatal Clinic at Princess Royal Hospital, this is no longer the case thanks to a beautiful new garden.

When others saw rack and ruin, Debra saw potential. Debra Stokeley is the Antenatal Clinic Lead at the hospital. She approached the charity with her proposal to develop an unused terrace into a relaxing garden space with replanted raised beds and seats with a view, and they were happy to help make this vision a reality.

The area has been transformed. What was a gloomy, overgrown and neglected corner, is now a bright, calming and peaceful Antenatal Garden. The garden is painted in neutral colours, with butterfly artwork framing the space. Light, airy, with both shady and sunny spots, it provides patients and staff with somewhere to decompress.

What's more, staff have planted a tree in memory of Deena Everest, a much-loved member of the Maternity team at Princess Royal Hospital for many years. **Debra** said:

> **Some patients receive bad news and find it difficult to return. Some find it hard being in a waiting room with pregnant people when they've recently lost a baby. And others might be waiting a few hours for blood results. Having this calming garden for our department will hopefully make their experiences just that little bit more comfortable.**



Pitch Perfect

Local Choir Holds Christmas Concert

£3,000
Total raised

Without support from the local community, My University Hospitals Sussex would not be able to make a positive difference to the lives of NHS patients and staff.

From sponsored stunts to captivating concerts, our fundraisers are unparalleled in their support. And this festive season, longtime supporters, Pzazz Singers, raised an incredible £3,000 for the charity.

Pzazz Singers is a choir based in Chichester, regularly performing in the community. On 2nd December, they took to the stage for their special Christmas concert, Putting on the Glitz. Singing up a storm to a sold-out audience, they performed a spectacular showcase, which included well-loved classics such as 'Living on a Prayer' and 'Don't Stop Me Now', along with several festive favourites. Money was raised from ticket sales, a raffle and a very welcome, unexpected and generous donation on the night.



Alastair Irons, Head of Fundraising and Communications, said:

"The singers of Pzazz gave their all for the audience and for the NHS so we're deeply grateful not just for the show they put on, but for all the hours of rehearsals that proved so worthwhile. Grateful too for the kindness of everybody who attended."

Funding the Future

Medical Research Fellowship

£54,700
Bid value

“Research is vital in providing the evidence we need to transform services and outcomes” - The Five Year Forward View (Department of Health, 2017).

Research and Innovation are embedded at University Hospitals Sussex. The Trust's research studies aim to find out important information in response to a health question; a well-designed study provides reliable evidence that can help improve NHS services and treatments, the knowledge and understanding of health professionals, and give patients the best outcomes.

The charity is dedicated to supporting the Trust's Research and Innovation strategy, and as such, has committed to funding components of a three-year Medical Research Fellowship.
In partnership with the University of Sussex, My University Hospitals Sussex is supporting Dr Stephen Robinson to undertake his PhD, developing blood tests to help with diagnosis, subtyping and monitoring treatment for brain tumours.

Glioblastomas are the most common type of cancerous brain tumour in adults. Fast-growing and aggressive, they display a high recurrence rate and resistance to current common and highly invasive therapies, which include maximal surgical resection and radiotherapy. Therefore, the development of new procedures to progress diagnosis and treatment of glioblastomas is urgently needed.

The charity-funded research aims to move forward extracellular vesicles based liquid biopsies (blood tests) for the identification of glioblastoma biomarkers, leading to clinical implementation. Meaningful biological insights derived from the blood of patients with brain tumours will open the possibilities for non-invasive diagnosis, subtyping and monitoring response to treatment.

This study directly involves the local patient population in its ground-breaking clinical-translational research.

Dr Stephen Robinson is a Clinical Oncology Registrar at the Trust specialising in systemic therapy and radiation for cancer treatment.
He is one year into the Medical Research Fellowship, with spend so far at £19,750. He said:

> **Pushing our collective knowledge forward has been a driving force throughout my career, and this fellowship is a great opportunity to do just that. Our lab's research into developing a liquid biopsy will tackle many of the difficulties that come with diagnosing and treating glioblastomas.**

> **If a blood test can inform us about a person's brain tumour, then we can refine our ability to provide a prognosis and decide on a treatment plan. This capability would enable more frequent monitoring, lessen costs and delays, and reduce anxiety for both doctors and patients. It would be a significant step-forward. And to have the Trust working with the University of Sussex is a fantastic opportunity to learn, improve and evolve cancer treatment.**



£19,750
Spend so far

Muddy Miles

Tackling Tough Mudder

£1,702
Total raised

Wading through mud, tackling obstacles and battling rain; Brighton's Stroke Unit team didn't let anything stop them go the extra mile (or 6.2 to be exact) for their patients.

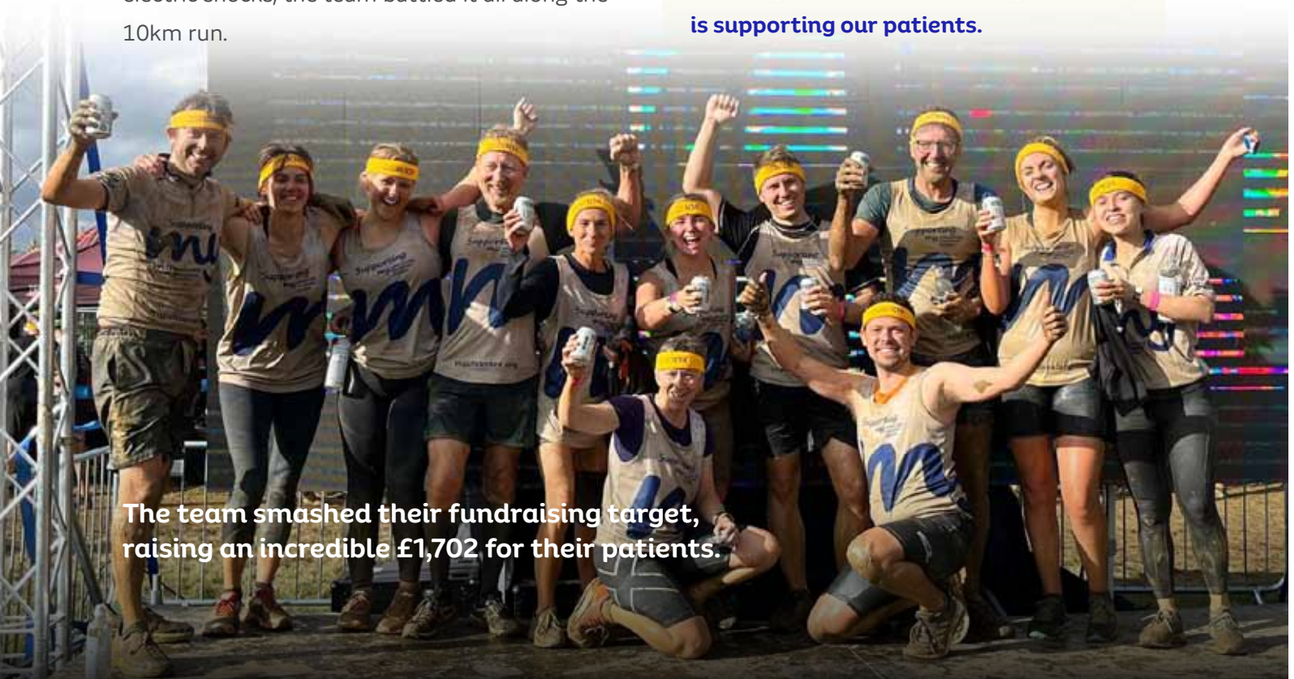
Twelve of Royal Sussex County Hospital's staff members took on the infamous Tough Mudder to fundraise for the charity. The dedicated multidisciplinary team decided to tackle the epic challenge to make a difference to the lives of patients supported on the Stroke Unit.

Having recently relocated to their new home - the Louisa Martindale Building - the team of doctors, nurses and therapists used the opportunity to raise some vital extra funding to ensure the best possible care for people recovering from stroke.

From ice pools to climbing walls, muddy pits to electric shocks, the team battled it all along the 10km run.

Tom De'Ath, Stroke Registrar, said:

> **We are lucky to work in a friendly and supportive team with good camaraderie and passion for the job. We wanted to use our team-working skills that we use every day looking after our stroke patients to take on a challenge for them. It certainly wasn't easy, but we pushed through and made it to the finish line together - and all in one piece! It was a great accomplishment, made all the more meaningful because the money we raised is supporting our patients.**



The team smashed their fundraising target, raising an incredible £1,702 for their patients.

Representing Renal

Brighton Go for Gold

£4,433
Total spend

In 2021, Callum was having daily dialysis sessions because his kidneys were failing; in 2023, he was winning medals for cycling.

In July, just a year after he had his kidney transplant, Callum Fairclough joined the 'Dolphins', and headed to Coventry for the British Transplant Games. In its 45th year, this was the first time Brighton was represented with its own team.

Taking place in different host cities every summer, the Games see teams from hospitals across the UK come together to compete in an exciting assortment of sports. Over four days around 1,000 transplant athletes and more than 1,700 supporters gather for the event. Organised on behalf of Transplant Sport, the Games aim to raise awareness of the need for organ donation, encourage transplant recipients to regain fitness and show appreciation for, and remember, donors and their families.

The 'Dolphins' comprised of a group of transplant recipients, live donors and family members, treated at Sussex Kidney Centre in the Royal Sussex County Hospital. With a fee to compete, along with travel and accommodation costs, My University Hospitals Sussex were able to make this exciting opportunity a reality by funding £4,433 to ensure each of the 'Dolphins' was able to take part and enjoy this incredible experience.

Across the team, a wide range of games were enjoyed, including swimming, football and badminton.

Callum competed in two cycling races, the 5km Time Trial and the 10km Road Race, and won two silver medals for his efforts. He said:

> **Being part of the British Transplant Games is a wonderful experience. It's impossible not to feel inspired by all the incredible people that get involved. The atmosphere is friendly, supportive, and totally uplifting. Getting a medal is of course a great feeling, but a lot of the reason I feel pride for the achievement is that I can show my donor, my family, and the nurses and doctors involved in getting to the health I am in now. It sort of feels like I'm representing my donor, and the hospital, more than myself personally.**



Comfort after Childbirth

Aiding Patient Healing

Every person's experience with birth is different, and for some it can be painful. The charity is committed to supporting the Trust to provide excellent care, every time, for every mother and baby across their maternity wards.

And so, in 2023, My University Hospitals Sussex funded the Endoanal Ultrasound Scanner to benefit patients at both Worthing and St Richard's Hospitals. Many women experience perianal tears during childbirth; ranging from first degree, which usually heal naturally, to third and fourth degree, which cause Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injury (OASI). Unfortunately, as common as these injuries are, they can greatly affect a person's quality of life - physically, psychologically and financially.



£77,522
Total spend

Consequences of each case can be difficult to determine accurately without a scanner; women can experience various symptoms such as perineal pain and incontinence, as well as difficulties in subsequent births.

Previously, any patients requiring an endoanal ultrasound scan had to travel to University Hospital Southampton or Croydon University Hospital, but with the rate of OASI growing (perhaps due to increased recognition), the necessity for the Trust's own machine was fast becoming apparent.

The Endoanal Ultrasound Scanner, which is mobile for use across both Worthing and St Richard's Hospitals, is already making a difference in assisting the multidisciplinary assessment of patients in the new Perineal Tears Clinic. Through suitable scanning, the team can reduce risks and enhance experience. Alongside the patient they can determine best birthing options, ensure counselling to support their decisions is provided, and prevent problems in later life with focused physiotherapy.

Georgina Fraser, Consultant Gynaecologist, shared her appreciation for the charity's funding of the scanner:



For women who have sustained birth injuries, a multidisciplinary team of a midwife, physiotherapist and consultant is best practice. But that wouldn't be possible without this new piece of kit. We can now provide an 'ongoing package' for our patients.

Lorna Gisborne, Pelvic Health Midwife, added:

"With this scanner, our service for birth trauma is now gold-standard. The addition of this equipment is improving women's health across the Trust."

Chuckles for Charity

A Hat-Trick of Comedy

£6,324 Total raised

The introduction of the My University Hospitals Sussex brand brings with it the development of an eclectic group of sub-brands, including My Music and My Gaming. But the first to launch, and successfully so, was My Comedy.

In June, My Comedy's first gig, Covert Comedy, welcomed an intrigued audience with high expectations and hunger for a mid-week laugh. The aptly named show keeps the names of those bringing the laughs under wraps until the night, providing an exciting surprise for audiences.



And they were not disappointed. With two more shows following, in November and February respectively, each Covert Comedy has brought first-class comedy to Sussex, with stellar stand-ups from across the circuit as seen on TV shows such as Mock the Week, Live at the Apollo and 8 Out of 10 Cats. Maisie Adam, Alasdair Beckett-King and Tom Ward are just a few of the comedians to leave the audience in stitches with their sharp wit, salacious stories and impeccable timing.

Audiences have continued to grow with each event as recommendation spreads across both public and staff from entertained audience members.

In association with 3 Word Group and The Charmandean, these fantastic events are all hosted at no cost to the charity, with the comedians and the venue generously supplying their time and space free of charge.

After the charity's hat-trick, Covert Comedy continues into the new year with another knock-out show already scheduled. With £6,324 raised so far, and with My Comedy evolving with each event, the charity can't wait to see how much can be added over the coming year.

November's headliner, **Maisie Adam**, shared:

> **It's incredibly important to support causes like this. It's vital to have our hospitals in the best state they can possibly be in, and that relies on brilliant charities like My University Hospitals Sussex. It was a wonderful evening for a wonderful charity - a real pleasure.**

Sights Set

New Equipment for Eye Clinic

£69,500 Total spend

The charity is committed to supporting outstanding patient care through the provision of modern equipment.

This year saw Southlands Hospital introduce the latest scanning technology for effective eye-imaging. Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) is a non-invasive imaging method that generates pictures of the back of the eye (retina). It can be used to diagnose and manage many diseases, such as glaucoma, diabetes-related retinopathy and age-related macular degeneration.

The necessity of reliable, versatile and high-quality imaging in the ophthalmology service has been increasing in recent years. With healthcare providers within a variety of fields using OCT more frequently and the existing number of OCT scanners across the service at Southlands Hospital being used to capacity, the need for an additional machine was evident.

The newest arrival, funded by My University Hospitals Sussex, is increasing diagnostic capability, improving monitoring of patients and enhancing the clinic. A more advanced version than the standard OCT machine, it can provide detailed scans of the blood vessels at the back of the eye.

Cymon Kelly, Ophthalmology Charge Nurse, said:

"The new OCT machine has helped us continue to work toward the Trust's Patient First approach here at Southlands. We're improving care, transforming our systems and working more efficiently already."



Beyond the Treatment

Small Acts of Friendship

£57,040
Total spend

Small Acts of Friendship is a unique programme that improves the wellbeing of inpatients across our hospitals. In its sixth year of operation, My University Hospitals Sussex is committed to ensuring the programme continues to grow and benefit more patients.

Offering personal services, therapies and activities through comfort, connection and therapeutic touch, Small Acts of Friendship supports patients' emotional state, sense of dignity and self-expression whilst in hospital. It also helps with preparation for transition back home to the community, mobility and social activity - providing a safe space for patients to interact, form friendships and share similar experiences.

From haircuts and reflexology to music sessions and art therapy, the acts of friendship are varied, person-centred and tailored to the individual.



The programme aligns with the Patient First strategy, helping the Trust provide outstanding care for patients. In fact, this was recognised by the Care Quality Commission. They stated:



"Staff highly valued people's emotional and social needs and we saw these were not only embedded in their care and treatment but went over and beyond to innovate the 'Small Acts of Friendship' programme.

Primarily focused at Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton and Princess Royal Hospital in Haywards Heath on the elderly care, respiratory and intensive care wards, 4,616 patients were supported in 2023.

Recipient feedback across all areas reported the difference the small acts of friendship have had on hospital experiences:

"For the duration of the reflexology treatment, I was taken away from the stresses and strains of my hospital admission. At the end I felt a feeling of hope."

"The music was beautiful and calmed my breathing."

"Very relaxing, better than the pain patches, and has more impact than the morphine."

Staff on the wards have also praised the programme, with one doctor sharing:

"The Small Acts of Friendship team do wonderful work. It's so supportive and helps each patient with their recovery and ongoing treatment."

Small Acts of Friendship is funded through a blended solution, with Friends of Brighton and Hove Hospitals and Princess Royal Hospital League of Friends contributing financially for provision of the programme, alongside My University Hospitals Sussex.

It is vital that patients are stimulated, motivated and engage in daily routines of activity, self-care and connection. Small Acts of Friendship helps enable patients to achieve this, feeling more in control of their lives. **Paula O'Sullivan**, Small Acts of Friendship Co-ordinator, summarised: **"The patients' testimonies speak for themselves. These treatments reduce pain, increase self-confidence and help people cope with life in hospital."**

Board Directors

of the Corporate Trustee

The Board of Directors at University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ensure the charity is supporting the objectives and operating alongside the Trust, complementing its core work.

All new Trustees receive an introduction to the charity explaining their role in its operation. Those directly involved with the Charitable Funds Committee may receive additional specific training if required.

Non-Executive Directors		
Lizzie Peers	Chair of Charitable Funds Committee (to 10.05.2024)	Term of Office to 10.05.2024
Wayne Orr	Chair of Charitable Funds Committee (from 11.05.2024)	Term of Office from 19.02.2024
Lucy Bloem		
Patrick Boyle		Term of Office to 30.06.2023
Jackie Cassell		
David Curley		
Philip Hogan		Term of Office from 01.01.2024
Claire Keatinge		Term of Office to 31.03.2024
Professor Paul Layzell CBE		
Sadie Mason MBE		Term of Office to 30.11.2023
Lillian Phillps		Term of Office to 29.04.2023
Professor Malcolm Reed		
Bindesh Shah		
Executive Directors		
Alan McCarthy MBE DL	Trust Chairman	
Dr George Findlay	Chief Executive	
Dr Andy Heeps	Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Operating Officer	
Dr Maggie Davies	Chief Nurse	
Sandi Drewett	Chief Culture and Organisational Development Officer	Term of Office from 21.11.2023
Karen Geoghegan	Chief Financial Officer	
David Grantham	Chief People Officer	
Darren Grayson	Chief Governance Officer	
Leanne McLean	Interim Chief Nurse	Term of Office to 30.09.2023
Roxanne Smith	Chief Strategy Officer	Term of Office from 02.06.2023
Professor Katie Urch	Chief Medical Officer	

Structure, Governance and Management

Overview

The charitable funds are registered with the Charity Commission (no.1050864) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

My University Hospitals Sussex is registered as an umbrella charity, the governing document being a trust deed dated 8 September 1995 as amended by Statutory Instrument 2003/866.

The charity is constituted of 52 individual funds as at 31 March 2024 (2023: 357) and the notes to the accounts distinguish the types of fund held and disclose separately all material funds.

Charitable funds received by the charity are accepted, held and administered as funds and property held on trust for purposes relating to the health service in accordance with the National Health Service Act 2006 and these funds are held on trust by the corporate body.

Corporate Trustee

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust acted in the capacity as Corporate Trustee of the charitable funds governed by the law applicable to Trusts, principally the Trustee Act 2000 and the Charities Act 2011.

Management of Funds

My University Hospitals Sussex is governed by a trust deed. The Corporate Trustee is the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Trust Board, whilst retaining overall responsibility for the management of the funds in its capacity as Corporate Trustee, delegates responsibility to the Charitable Funds Committee. The day to day management is provided by the Charity Director and individual fund managers.

The Trust Board of the Corporate Trustee comprises Executive and Non-executive Members.
Non-executive Members of the Board are appointed by the NHS Appointments Commission and Executive Members of the Board are subject to recruitment by the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Corporate Trustee fulfils its legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objectives of each fund. By designating funds the Corporate Trustee respects the wishes of donors to benefit patient care and advance good health and welfare of patients, carers and staff.

The Financial Accounts Department of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, which is located in Brighton General Hospital, Elm Grove,

Brighton BN2 3EW, is responsible for the day to day financial management and accounting for the charitable funds during the year.

Structure and Governance

The charity is considered to be a subsidiary for accounting purposes of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, an organisation established in the United Kingdom.

The Trust has assessed its relationship to the charitable fund and determined it to be a subsidiary because the Trust is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns and other benefits for itself, patients and staff from its involvement with the charitable fund and has the ability to affect those returns and other benefits through its power over the fund.

The charitable fund's statutory accounts are prepared to 31 March in accordance with the UK Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) which is based on UK Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102. On consolidation, necessary adjustments are made to the charity's assets, liabilities and transactions to:

- Recognise and measure them in accordance with the Trust's accounting policies and
- Eliminate intra-group transactions, balances, gains and losses.

The Trust's principal purpose is to provide healthcare services for patients and service users in England.

Where funds are received which have specific restrictions set by the donor and a suitable fund is not in existence, a new restricted fund is established.

The charity holds four endowment funds which are capital in perpetuity, the income from which may be used for any purpose other than general maintenance of the hospitals.

The charity produces an induction pack for newly appointed members of the Trust Board. This pack provides information about the charity, including the Corporate Trustee's annual report and accounts, budgets, policies and minutes, and information about trusteeship, including Charity Commission booklet CC3, The Essential Trustee.

Risk Management

The major risk to which the charity is exposed is the possible losses from a fall in the value of the investments and the level of reserves available to mitigate the impact of such losses.

The value of the investments is regularly monitored with the assistance of the charity's investment advisers and there are procedures in place to ensure that both spending and firm financial commitments remain in line with income.

Objectives and Activities

The principal objective of the charity is for any charitable purpose relating to the NHS wholly or mainly for the services provided by University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

During the year the funds continued to support a wide range of health-related activities benefiting both patients and staff. In general, they are used to purchase additional goods and services that the NHS is unable to provide, for example, needed medical equipment. The funds also enable consultants and other medical staff to attend training courses not funded by the NHS. Specific research is also funded. The Corporate Trustee confirms that the activities undertaken and planned future activities are in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the charity's legal purpose.

Financial Review

The principal funding of the charity is from donations and legacies which generated income of £1,676,000 compared to £1,458,000 in 2023. Investment income was £539,000 (2023: £446,000) giving total income of £2,215,000 (2023: £1,904,000). Expenditure on raising funds was £275,000 (2023: £75,000) and expenditure on charitable activities was £5,081,000 (2023: £1,843,000). After gains on investments of £354,000 (2023: loss of £1,068,000) the net expenditure for the year was £2,787,000 (2023: £1,082,000).

Reserves Policy

Under SORP 2019, charitable reserves are identified as income which becomes available to the charity and is to be spent at the Trustee's discretion in furtherance of any of the charity's objectives, but which is not yet spent, committed or designated.

The definition of 'reserves' should exclude:

- Endowment funds
- Restricted funds
- Designated funds.

The majority of the income is classified as designated funds, for the benefit of hospital sites, divisions or individual departments. Each department is expected to have an expenditure plan, which is updated regularly. The funds are closely and regularly monitored, ensuring they are spent within a reasonable period of time. In line with the Charity Commission's guidance, a separate Reserves Policy is not required for designated funds. The policy of the Trustee is to spend these monies in accordance with the plans of expenditure as quickly as possible, unless there is a need to save monies for a major purchase.

Unrestricted and undesignated funds allow much more flexibility, and these funds enable the charity to support the Trust's strategic aims. Where possible, fundraising encourages generic giving.

The Trustee reviews the balance of funds on a regular basis. Fund balances as at 31 March 2024 were :

• Restricted funds	£1,257,000
• Endowment funds	£471,000
• Designated funds	£7,799,000
• Free unrestricted general funds	£3,591,000
Total funds	**£13,118,000**

The Reserves Policy is to hold minimum reserves equivalent to six months operational expenses which are expected to be in the region of £653,000. At 31 March 2024 this gives an excess of £2,938,000 above minimum reserves, which provides a buffer in the event of a future drop in income.

Statement of Trustee's Responsibility

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee's annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales/Northern Ireland 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 2019 (FRS 102)
- 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 business.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping proper 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 Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are 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.

Investment Policy

The charity manages its investment risks by retaining expert advisors and operating an Investment Policy that provides for a high degree of diversification of holdings within investment asset classes. The investment portfolio is managed on a full discretionary basis by Atomos Investments Limited who acts as the Trustee's nominee.

The Trustee's overall investment objective is to maintain capital in real terms and maximise income. The charity does not make use of derivatives and similar complex financial instruments and it is the Trustee's policy that no direct investment shall be made in tobacco related shares, in companies listed under alcoholic beverages or anything which does not comply with the aims and ideals of the NHS.

Whilst the charity absolutely aims to spend accumulated funds as quickly as possible in line with the priority of the Trust, where plans take longer to mature the charity always looks to invest funds wisely.

Grant-making Policy

Grants are made from the charity's funds for divisions, sites and departments. These funds are overseen by fund managers who make recommendations on how to spend the money within their area, within the terms of the donation and the fund. Where expenditure is to be funded by a capital grant, the fund managers' recommendations are subject to a full business case and approval by Trust committees (Capital Investment Group and the Medical Equipment Management Group).

Confirmation to Auditors

The Trustee confirms that they have taken steps that they ought to have taken to make them self aware of any information needed by the charity's auditor for the purposes of their audit and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information. The Trustee is not aware of any other information of which the auditor should be aware.

Approved by the Trustee and signed on their behalf by:

Signed *Clare Stafford*

Clare Stafford, Chief Financial Officer.
Dated 26 June 2024

Independent Auditor's Report

to the Trustee of My University Hospitals Sussex

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of My University Hospitals Sussex for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2024, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions Relating to Going Concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate. Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustee with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other Information

The other information comprises the information included in the Trustee's annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustee is responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are Required to Report by Exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2011 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- The information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustee's report; or
- Sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustee

As explained more fully in the Trustee's responsibilities statement, the Trustee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
In preparing the financial statements, the Trustee is responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustee either intends to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.
The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

Capability of the Audit in Detecting Irregularities, including Fraud

Based on our understanding of the charity and industry, and through discussion with the Trustee and other management (as required by auditing standards), we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to health and safety and anti-bribery.
We considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102) 2019.
We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to posting inappropriate journal entries to increase revenue or reduce expenditure and management bias in accounting estimates and judgemental areas of the financial statements.

Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Discussions with management and assessment of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud; and
- Identifying and assessing the design effectiveness of controls that management has in place to prevent and detect fraud; and
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates; and
- Confirmation of related parties with management, and review of transactions throughout the period to identify any previously undisclosed transactions with related parties outside the normal course of business; and
- Reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- Review of significant and unusual transactions and evaluation of the underlying financial rationale supporting the transactions.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance.

The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.
We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the charity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Trustee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.
If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion.
Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation (i.e. gives a true and fair view).

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Use of our Report

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustee, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.
Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustee those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Kreston Reeves LLP
Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor
Chichester

Date 27 June 2024

Kreston Reeves LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ending 31st March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	Total Funds 2024 £'000	Total Funds 2023 £'000
Income from						
Donations, legacies and other income	2	1,641	35	-	**1,676**	**1,458**
Investment income	3	539	-	-	**539**	**446**
Total income		**2,180**	**35**	**-**	**2,215**	**1,904**
Expenditure on						
Raising funds	4	-275	-	-	**-275**	**-75**
Charitable activities						
Patient welfare	5	-990	-48	-	**-1,038**	**-668**
Staff education and welfare	5	-1,122	-32	-	**-1,154**	**-805**
Misc	5	-51	-3	-	**-54**	**-152**
Capital grants	10	-2,790	-45	-	**-2,835**	**-218**
Total charitable activities		**-4,953**	**-128**	-	**-5,081**	**-1,843**
Total expenditure		**-5,228**	**-128**	-	**-5,356**	**-1,918**
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	354	-	-	**354**	**-1,068**
Net income/(expenditure)		**-2,694**	**-93**	-	**-2,787**	**-1,082**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Net income/(expenditure)		-2,694	-93	-	**-2,787**	**-1,082**
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	**-**	**-**
Net movement in funds		-2,694	-93	-	**-2,787**	**-1,082**
Total funds brought forward		14,084	1,350	471	**15,905**	**16,987**
Total funds carried forward		11,390	1,257	471	**13,118**	**15,905**

Statement of Financial Position

As at 31st March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	Total Funds 2024 £'000	Total Funds 2023 £'000
Fixed assets						
Investments	11	10,274	1,257	471	**12,002**	**15,841**
Total fixed assets		**10,274**	**1,257**	**471**	**12,002**	**15,841**
Current assets						
Debtors	12	537	-	-	**537**	**313**
Cash at bank and in hand	13	1,514	-	-	**1,514**	**1,657**
Total current assets		**2,051**	**-**	**-**	**2,051**	**1,970**
Current liabilities						
Amounts falling due within one year	14	-935	-	-	**-935**	**-1,906**
Total current liabilities		**-935**	**-**	**-**	**-935**	**-1,906**
Net current assets/(liabilities)		**1,116**	**-**	**-**	**1,116**	**64**
Net assets		**11,390**	**1,257**	**471**	**13,118**	**15,905**
The funds of the charity:						
Restricted funds	15	-	1,257	-	**1,257**	**1,350**
Endowment funds	15	-	-	471	**471**	**471**
Unrestricted funds	15	11,390	-	-	**11,390**	**14,084**
Total charity funds		**11,390**	**1,257**	**471**	**13,118**	**15,905**

The notes at pages 41 to 52 form part of these accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustee and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

Signed 

Lizzie Peers, Chair of Charitable Funds Committee.
Dated 26 June 2024

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ending 31st March 2024

	Notes	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£'000	£'000
Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities			
Net income/(expenditure) as per the Statement of Financial Activities		-2,787	-1,082
(Deduct) / add back : non cash movement on investments	11	-354	1,068
Deduct : investment income		-539	-446
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables		-224	1,148
(Decrease)/Increase in trade and other payables		-971	-563
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		**-4,875**	**125**
Cash flows from investing activities			
Investment income from investments		539	446
Net cash provided by investing activities		**539**	**446**
Cash flows from financial activities			
Net cash movement on investments		4,193	20
Net cash generating from financing activities		**4,193**	**20**
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		**-143**	**591**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		**1,657**	**1,066**
Cash and cash equivalents at year end	13	**1,514**	**1,657**

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ending 31st March 2024

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis after consideration by the Corporate Trustee that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Such consideration includes a review of committed income and expenditures, cash flows and reserves. The Corporate Trustee does not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

The accounts are prepared in GBP and rounded to the nearest £1,000.

Group reconstruction

On 1 April 2023, Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund (BSUH Charity, registered charity number 1050864) and Love Your Hospital (LYH, registered number 1049201) merged to become My University Hospitals Sussex (registered charity number 1050864). All the assets and liabilities of LYH transferred to BSUH Charity. Both charities were under the control of the same Corporate Trustee, University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust. This resulted in a group reconstruction which has been accounted for using merger accounting with the prior year comparatives combined for both entities.

Changes in accounting policies

There has been no change in the basis of accounting for the year.

Income and endowments

All income and endowments, including legacies, are recognised in line with FRS102 and this is based upon the charity having a recognised legal entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received and that the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated income recorded in the accounts is solely that which has been receipted via the cashier's office or credited directly into the charity bank account by the donor.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Grants are only made to related NHS bodies and non NHS bodies in the furtherance of charitable activities.

Cost of generating funds
Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading. Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives.

Expenditure on charitable activities
Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in pursuit of the objects of the charity, including education and training and grant support to University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust in support of a range of charitable activities.

Allocation and apportionment of costs
Overhead and support costs have been allocated to the unrestricted funds.

Irrecoverable VAT
Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Funds structure
The funds are classified in the accounts in three categories, restricted, unrestricted and endowment funds.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor and/or the Corporate Trustee at the inception of the fund.

Unrestricted funds are those which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Unrestricted funds include designated funds which are not legally restricted but which the Corporate Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes.

Endowment funds are funds where the capital is held in perpetuity to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent. The income earned on these funds will be categorised as restricted or unrestricted according to the restrictions imposed by the donor.

Realised gain and losses
All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities at the year end. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sale proceeds and book cost. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening market value (or purchase if later).

Pooling scheme
An official pooling scheme is operated for investments relating to Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Funds which is regulated by the Declaration of Trust dated 1 February 2005.

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Year ending 31st March 2024

2. Donations, legacies and other income

	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	Total Funds 2024 £'000	Total Funds 2023 £'000
Donations	562	35	-	**597**	**367**
Legacies	1,070	-	-	**1,070**	**1,008**
Other income	9	-	-	**9**	**83**
Total donations, legacies and other income	**1,641**	**35**	**-**	**1,676**	**1,458**

3. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	Total Funds 2024 £'000	Total Funds 2023 £'000
Fixed asset equity and similar investments	539	-	-	**539**	**446**
Total investment income	**539**	**-**	**-**	**539**	**446**

4. Analysis of expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	Total Funds 2024 £'000	Total Funds 2023 £'000
Fundraising events	-61	-	-	**-61**	-34
Support costs	-197	-	-	**-197**	-28
Other costs	-17	-	-	**-17**	-13
Total	**-275**	**-**	**-**	**-275**	**-75**

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5. Charitable activities and support costs

Analysis of charitable expenditure

The charity did not undertake any direct charitable activities on its own account during the year. All of the charitable expenditure was in the form of grant funding in both the current and prior year. Of the grants made, £128k was from restricted funds (2023 £66k). Grants were approved in favour of UH Sussex for the benefit of patients and staff.

	Notes	Grant Funded Activity	Support Costs	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Charitable activities					
Patient welfare		-889	-149	**-1,038**	**-668**
Staff education and welfare		-988	-166	**-1,154**	**-805**
Misc		-46	-8	**-54**	**-152**
Capital grants	9	-2,427	-408	**-2,835**	**-218**
Totals		**-4,350**	**-731**	**-5,081**	**-1,843**

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses are the costs of the team employed by UH Sussex to manage the charity. Governance costs are also included here and are those costs which are related to the strategic management of a charity. Costs are allocated between raising funds and support costs on the basis shown below.

	Fund Raising Costs	Support Costs	Total 2024	Total 2023	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
External audit	-	-22	**-22**	-22	Direct allocation
Investment costs	-	-61	**-61**	-82	Direct allocation
Governance	-	**-83**	**-83**	**-104**	
Finance administration	-	-162	-162	-79	Time (%)
Charity office	-197	-486	-683	-415	Time (%)
Total	**-197**	**-731**	**-928**	**-598**	

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6. Analysis of staff costs and remuneration of key management personnel

The charity does not employ staff so there are no employee benefits or remuneration costs. The Charity team and the Finance staff are employees of UH Sussex, and their costs are recharged to the charity and are included within the administrative expenses in Note 5. Employment costs such as Employers National Insurance or Pensions, are included in the recharged amount and the charity will not have liabilities of this nature.

The average head count during the year was 15 (12 in 2023) and the average number of full time equivalent employees during the year was 10.55 (7.21 in 2023). The employees were involved in fundraising and providing support services to charitable activities.

One Trust employee received benefits of more than £60,000 which fell in the banding £90,000 - £100,000 in the current and preceding year.

The charity considers the members of the Board of Directors of UH Sussex (the corporate trustee) to be its key management personnel. Their services are provided at no cost to the charity.

7. Auditor's remuneration

The auditor's remuneration for the current year audit is at £18,000 net of VAT (£18,250 net of VAT in 2023). The amount included within the governance costs is the gross value of £21,600.

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8. Role of volunteers

Volunteers add significant benefit to the charity, without them we would not be able to deliver the breadth of support for the Trust that we do. Like all charities, the charity is reliant on a team of volunteers to assist in the running of the charity. Our volunteers perform the following roles:

- **Fundholders** - Staff who manage how the charity's designated funds should be spent. These funds are earmarked by the Trustees to be spent for a particular purpose or in a particular ward or department. Each fundholder has delegated powers to spend the designated funds that they manage in accordance with the Trustee's wishes.

- **Fundraisers** - There are a number of local individuals who actively fundraise for the charity by holding events such as coffee mornings, sponsored walk/runs, collections, fundraising BBQs, etc. Albeit during the COVID-19 pandemic many of these events were postponed or scaled back to meet government guidelines in place at the time.

9. Trustee's remuneration, benefits and expenses

The Board of Directors of UH Sussex act as the Corporate Trustee of the charity. As stated in Note 6 their services are provided at no cost to the charity.

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10. Capital grants

All grants are made to UH Sussex to provide for the care of NHS patients and for the education and welfare of its staff. The Corporate Trustee operates a scheme of delegation, through which a grant funded activity is managed by fundholders responsible for the day to day administration of their funds. The charity does not make grants to individuals. The capital grants received by the beneficiary were as follows:

	Total 2024
	£'000
Endoanal Ultrasound Scanners	78
Cardiology Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT)	90
Ophthalmics OCT	70
MacMillan Information and Support Hub	20
Armed Forces Garden	61
North Wing Garden refurbishment	80
Bioletic Laser systems	20
Simulation Suite equipment	297
Patient Lockers	11
SPYPHI Camera System	81
Bladder Scanner	12
Audiology Reception works	10
Transcutaneous Monitors	13
Exo View 200	92
Intraoperative Ultrasound	117
Self Service Library Kiosks	45
Fluoroscopy Ward refurbishment	579
CT Scanner	571
Physio Gym equipment	22
ITU Echo System	43
Small equipment for new hospital building	21
MACView 360	12
Children's Sensory Garden	16
Maternity Digital Communications Tool	32
Leoni Ventilator	27
Other items < £10,000	7
Total capital grants	**2,427**

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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
11. Fixed asset investments					
Movement in fixed asset investment					
Market value brought forward	14,020	1,350	471	15,841	16,929
Net movement	-3,746	-93	-	-3,839	-1,088
Market value as at 31 March	**10,274**	**1,257**	**471**	**12,002**	**15,841**

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£'000	£'000
Fixed asset investment by type		
Fixed interest funds	9,355	8,333
Equities	1,645	4,538
Unit/investment trust	-	986
Cash held for reinvestment	1,002	1,984
Total	**12,002**	**15,841**

All investments are carried at their fair value

	Total 2024
	£'000
Analysis of current year movement	
Income receipts (dividends and interest)	487
Payment of investment management fees	-66
Funds paid over to charity	-4,614
Net cash movement on Investments	-4,193
Non cash movement on investments - unrealised gain	354
Total net movement	**-3,839**

Funds paid over to charity include approved drawdowns (£4.2m) that were instructed by the Trustee.

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	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£'000	£'000
12. Analysis of current debtors		
Accrued income	533	311
Prepayments	4	2
Total debtors under 1 year	**537**	**313**

There are no debtors owing that are more than 1 year

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£'000	£'000
13. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash held at bank	1,514	1,657
Total cash and cash equivalents	**1,514**	**1,657**

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£'000	£'000
14. Analysis of liabilities		
Creditors - intercompany balance owed to UH Sussex	-753	-1,806
Accruals	-182	-100
Total creditors under 1 year	**-935**	**-1,906**

There are no debtors owing that are more than 1 year

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Year ending 31st March 2024

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	(Gains) and losses	Balance at 31 March 2024
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
15. Analysis of charitable funds						
Material funds						
Restricted funds						
PGMC Education Fund	670	-	-5	-	-	665
Library Endowment Fund	516	-	-98	-	-	418
Fernhurst Appeal	38	35	-8	-	-	65
NHS Charities Together	126	-	-17	-	-	109
Total restricted funds	**1,350**	**35**	**-128**	**-**	**-**	**1,257**
Endowment funds						
Miss Hannington	401	-	-	-	-	401
Other funds	70	-	-	-	-	70
Total endowment funds	**471**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**471**
Unrestricted funds						
Designated funds						
Cancer funds	1,855	191	-47	119	-	2,118
Cardiovascular funds	3,064	123	-129	-3,058	-	-
Specialist services	-	106	-300	4,424	-	4,230
Other funds	3,450	374	-888	-1,485	-	1,451
Total designated funds	**8,369**	**794**	**-1,364**	**-**	**-**	**7,799**
General funds	**5,715**	**1,386**	**-3,864**	**-**	**354**	**3,591**
Total unrestricted funds	**14,084**	**2,180**	**-5,228**	**-**	**354**	**11,390**
Grand total	**15,905**	**2,215**	**-5,356**	**-**	**354**	**13,118**

Details of material funds held at 31 March 2024

Following the group reconstruction, the Trustees reorganised funds around Trust divisions and site-specific funds.
This resulted in transfers within unrestricted funds, but no transfers were made within restricted or endowment funds.

Fund type	Name	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
Restricted funds	PGMC Education Fund	Support post graduate medical and dental training
	Library Endowment Fund	Development of library services
	Fernhurst Appeal	To provide and maintain a Cancer Day Unit at the Trust
Endowment funds	Miss Hannington	Capital in perpituity
Designated funds	Cancer funds	For the benefit of cancer patients and staff
	Cardiovascular funds	For the benefit of cardiovascular patients and staff (now part of specialist services)
	Specialist services	For the benefit of specialist services patients and staff including cardiovascular
	General funds	For the general benefit of patients and staff in the hospitals

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16. Commitments, liabilities and provisions

The Trustee recognises liabilities in the accounts once they have incurred a legal or constructive obligation to expend the funds. No provision has been included in this set of accounts as no such circumstances existed at the year end.

17. Contingencies

There were no contingent gains, losses, assets or liabilities.

18. Controlling party

The Board of Directors of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust act as the Corporate Trustee of the charity, the ultimate controlling party.

With effect from 1 April 2021 the Board of Directors of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust act as the Corporate Trustee of My University Hospitals Sussex (registered charity no. 1050864).

19. Related party transactions

The Board of Directors of UH Sussex acts as the Corporate Trustee for the charity.

None of the members of UH Sussex's Board of Directors or parties related to them has undertaken any transactions with the charity or received any benefit from the charity in payment or in kind. These directors received no honoraria or emoluments in the year. No expenses have been paid by the charity to these directors.

UH Sussex makes a number of clerical and transaction services available to the charity, by agreement with the Trustee. These include fundraising, administrative and finance support services at a cost of £845k in 2024 (£494k in 2023). These costs are included within support costs - see Note 5.

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust is the main creditor of the charity - see Note 14.

20. Post Balance Sheet events

There were no post Balance Sheet events to report.

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ending 31st March 2024

21. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities (31 March 2023)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income from					
Donations, legacies and other income	2	1,456	2	-	**1,458**
Investment income	3	446	-	-	**446**
Total Income		**1,902**	**2**	**-**	**1,904**
Expenditure on					
Administrative expenses		**-75**	-	-	**-75**
Charitable activities					
Patient		-660	-8	-	**-668**
Staff education and welfare		-760	-45	-	**-805**
Misc		-139	-13	-	**-152**
Capital grants		-218	-	-	**-218**
Total charitable activities		**-1,777**	**-66**	**-**	**-1,843**
Total expenditure		**-1,852**	**-66**	**-**	**-1,918**
Net gains/(losses) on investments	10	-1,068	-	-	**-1,068**
Net income/(expenditure)		**-1,018**	**-64**	**-**	**-1,082**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Net income/(expenditure)		-1,018	-64	-	**-1,082**
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	**-**
Net movement in funds		**-1,018**	**-64**	**-**	**-1,082**
Total funds brought forward		**15,102**	**1,414**	**471**	**16,987**
Total funds carried forward		**14,084**	**1,350**	**471**	**15,905**

Administration Details and Professional Advisors

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Princess Royal Hospital



Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital



Royal Sussex County Hospital



Sussex Eye Hospital

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The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 have been prepared by the Corporate Trustee in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. The Charity's report and accounts include all the separately established funds for which the University Hospitals Sussex NHS Trust is the sole beneficiary.

Message from our Chair

It is with delight I share with you the closing annual report and accounts for Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals (BSUH) Charity. As the dedicated charity for the Royal Sussex County Hospital, the Princess Royal Hospital, the Sussex Eye Hospital and the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital, BSUH Charity has worked to make a real difference to patients and staff wellbeing across the Trust footprint.



Lizzie Peers
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee

In just the last five years, BSUH Charity has raised more than £9.2m in charitable funds and committed in excess of £10.4m for a range of programming and projects.

This is no small investment and one that demonstrates the commitment of the Charity's Trustees to truly impact upon work of the Trust and its day-to-day clinical provision. Much has been funded and the examples are numerous. But particular examples include the state-of-the-art RITA system, which enables patients to use apps, games and music as part of their hospital recovery, and the funding of the long service awards in 2022-2023 to support staff recognition – a notable and significant investment as colleagues across the Trust began the process of post-Covid recovery.

And of course, none of this would be possible without the support of the many who have fundraised and donated to **BSUH Charity**; from those who have sky-dived from 15,000 feet to those who pounded the streets of Brighton to complete the Brighton 10K course! So many have fundraised and so many have benefitted.

As the Chair of the Charitable Funds Committee, it has been my privilege to oversee the process of merger and to see **BSUH Charity** join together with **Love Your Hospital** to establish the all-new My University Hospitals Sussex. This new entity gives us a Trust-wide charity capability that will enable us to continue to support, shape and add value to healthcare provision in Sussex.

And it is this support from patients, their families, staff, local businesses and more that we are looking to continue to draw from as we close **BSUH Charity** and complete our merger. So, whilst we close the door on one chapter, we're opening the door to another – to a new journey of excitement and endeavour. To all of you who have fundraised and worked in support of **BSUH Charity** – thank you for your love, your commitment and your enterprise. Together, now, we look forward to new horizons and to new experiences.



Lizzie Peers
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee

Welcome from the Director of Charities and Voluntary Services

As the Trust's Director of Charities and Voluntary Services, I am writing to welcome you to the Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals (BSUH) Charity annual report and accounts for the year 2022-2023; a year that has seen the Charity continue to work to improve patient experience and to progress staff wellbeing.



Steve Crump OBE
Director of Charities & Voluntary Services

Despite these difficult times, the Charity has continued to raise vital funds to advance patient care and to support that ever important staff wellbeing. Notable fundraising successes have included the ECG machine and the introduction of POD lockers in the Emergency Department. Real winners that have demonstrated both the versatility and commitment of our warmly appreciated fundraisers!

For staff, there has been much to celebrate and, of course, our inaugural Brighton Pavilion Ice Skate, sponsored by Morgan Sindall, which enabled our hard-working colleagues to enjoy a night on the ice with their families. A real treat and one that will now become a part of our annual events calendar.

Alongside all of this incredible work, the Charity has been readying for its merger with **Love Your Hospital** and for the launch of an all-new trust-wide charity titled '**My University Hospitals Sussex**'. This in itself is a significant achievement and one that deserves applause as behind the scenes, the Charity team and Trust staff have worked to design the new charity structure and prepare a new strategic and operational plan that will see **My University Hospitals Sussex** fundraise and grant make at scale.

All of this builds upon the heritage and success of **BSUH Charity**. This is the result of a commendable enterprise and one that all involved with Charity should be proud. It demonstrates like nothing else, the steadfast and compassionate community that has come together to make **BSUH Charity** the best it can be for patients, staff and those connected across the Trust's wider geography.

It's been a full-on year and, as you might expect, a team effort. So, I would like to take the opportunity to place on record my thanks to the **BSUH Charity** team – Steph, Jess, Tim, Rachael and Sam – who have worked tirelessly to deliver the fundraising and grant management programme whilst readying for a merger with **Love Your Hospital**. For the team, whilst there has been success, there has also been sadness as we lost our dear friend Sam Craycraft to cancer in December 2022. The driver behind our events fundraising, Sam was key to our running events and to the Pavilion Ice Skate. It is to Sam's memory that I dedicate this **BSUH Charity** annual report.



Steve Crump OBE
Director of Charities
& Voluntary Services

About BSUH Charity

BSUH Charity is a dedicated NHS charity for University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust. We raise funds to support the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Princess Royal Hospital, Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital and the Sussex Eye Hospital.

About our Trust

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ('UHSussex') was formed on 1 April 2021. The Trust was created by a merger of Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust, running hospitals in Brighton and Haywards Heath, and Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, running hospitals in Shoreham-by-Sea, Worthing and Chichester. UHSussex now runs seven hospitals across East and West Sussex.

Our vision

To improve the experience of every patient and enhance the Trust's care and services, helping us to go above and beyond outside of core government funding.

We aim to do this by partnering with University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust to deliver great outcomes and experiences for patients, by fundraising and investing in equipment, training and causes that directly benefit them.

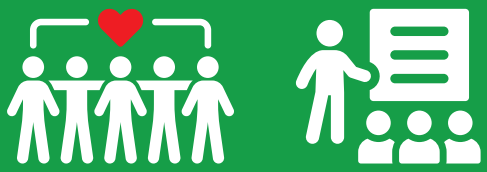
Our core priorities

- Creating more patient-friendly environments
- Providing equipment for diagnosis and treatment
- Supporting staff development to provide even better care
- Advancing our understanding through research projects

BSUH Charity is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (1050864). As a registered charity, **BSUH Charity** complies with charity law and the regulatory requirements of the Charity Commission. This includes ensuring that all gifts are spent for the maximum public benefit and in alignment with the donors' wishes. Our charity trustees have a duty to 'have regard' for the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

A Year in Numbers

STAFF WELFARE & TRAINING



This includes additional staff training to enable staff to provide even better care

£0.42m

PATIENT WELFARE



Patient welfare represents contributions made to towards patient experience at our hospitals

£0.30m

TOTAL CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE



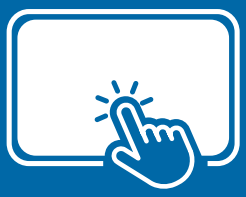
inc. staff and patient welfare, training and capital grants

£1.20m

CAPITAL GRANTS EXAMPLES



£45,504
RITA digital therapy system



£11,922
GE Mac VU ECG

Capital grants support productivity improvements in our hospitals.

£0.9m

'RITA' supports patient rehabilitation at UHSussex

Total spent
£45,504

BSUH Charity supports the Trust's Patient First ambition to continually improve patient services and quality of care. Funding from the charity has enabled the purchase of a state-of-the-art digital toolkit to enhance the rehabilitation of patients in critical care.

RITA, which stands for Reminiscence Interactive Therapy Activities, is an innovative, evidence-based digital therapy system that allows patients to use apps, games and other leisure activities as part of their hospital recovery.

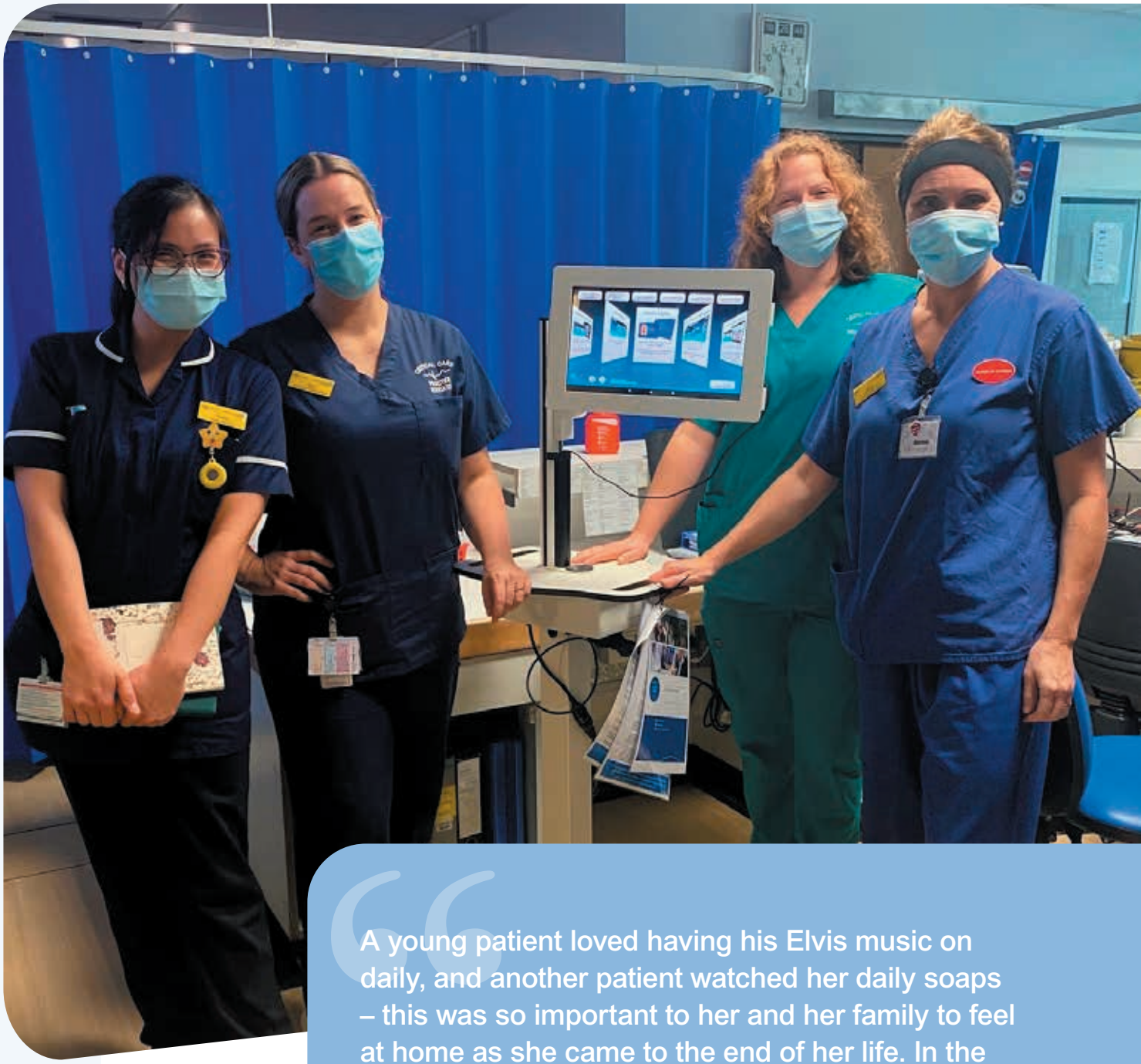
The interactive touch screen system allows patients to enjoy relaxing music, watch archive BBC news footage, view old photographs, and to listen to famous historical speeches, all of which have been shown to help spark memories and to start conversations on the wards.

Its interactive design helps to motivate and support rehabilitation and engagement for neurologically impaired patients, and the Intensive Care Units also find the tool helpful in supporting patients with critical care delirium.

Alice Smith, Critical Care Practice Educator at the Princess Royal Hospital, said "The RITA system is a great tool in continuing to support the delivery of person-centred care. It's easy-to-use software supports staff, therapists, and carers to utilise it at any point during the day or night. The Intensive Care Unit is an environment where patients can experience acute confusion or delirium and feel agitated or withdrawn; the wide range of music, movies, games, and imagery can support relaxation offering a range of patients' favourite music and films on offer. The RITA system also incorporates a CAM-ICU assessment tool to help staff assess delirium in patients."

"Much of the feedback has been very positive, especially the range of games. Recently, a young patient loved having his Elvis music on daily, and another patient watched her daily soaps – this was so important to her and her family to feel at home as she came to the end of her life. In the future, we will continue to encourage rehabilitation exercise sessions for patients who are able to participate, and to promote a daily rehab timetable."

The RITA system has been introduced in the Critical Care Units at the Royal Sussex County Hospital and the Princess Royal Hospital, and at the Sussex Neuro Rehabilitation Centre at the Princess Royal Hospital.



"A young patient loved having his Elvis music on daily, and another patient watched her daily soaps – this was so important to her and her family to feel at home as she came to the end of her life. In the future, we will continue to encourage rehabilitation exercise sessions for patients who are able to participate, and to promote a daily rehab timetable."

Alice Smith
Critical Care Practice Educator
at the Princess Royal Hospital

Runners lace up raising funds and spirits



Raised £995



Local residents Karen Feast and Sue Leppard completed a 10K trail run to raise funds to support the Gynaecology and Neurology wards at the Royal Sussex County Hospital. They were inspired to fundraise in gratitude for the brilliant care that Karen's two sisters had recently received at the RSCH, and together Karen and Sue raised a fantastic £995!

Karen also organised an extra special treat for the wards – together with her friends in a local volunteer group, she collected lots of goodies including sweet treats and pampering toiletries, and she created six beautiful gift hampers for the ward staff. The hampers were beautifully wrapped and included handwritten cards of thanks. Two hampers each were delivered to the Neurology, Gynaecology, and Geriatric wards, and the staff were absolutely delighted to receive them!

> We were very touched by the generosity of Karen – the hampers brought a smile to everyone on the ward that day. We shared the sweet treats and were struck by the kindness shown to us.
>
> **Jo Simpson**
> Head of Nursing for Neurosurgery, Spinal, Major Trauma and Plastics



A new ECG machine for Renal Out-Patients

A key priority for the Charity is the provision of new equipment to support outstanding patient care. To that end, in 2022, the BSUH Charity approved funding for the GE Mac VU ECG machine at a cost of £11,922 for the Renal Out-Patients Department at the Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton.

Total spent £11,922

The outpatient service supports patients with kidney disease including transplantation and vasculitis (inflammation of the blood vessels). The service provides helps to improve patients' quality of life and wellbeing, and to encourage independence, rehabilitation and self-care.

The new device plays a key role in offering patients electrocardiograms – a tool needed to record electrical signals in the heart. It's a common and painless test used to quickly detect heart problems and monitor the heart's health.



Staff Nurse, Melissa Theodosius, with the GE Mac VU ECG machine.

> **We are so grateful to the BSUH Charity for the support they've given us. The additionality that the new ECG machine brings to the department is enormous – this has resulted in less waiting times for our patients which we all welcome.**
>
> **Melissa Theodosius**
> Staff Nurse

Previously, the Renal OPD department shared an ECG machine with the Haemodialysis Unit. During that time both the haemodialysis unit and OPD department have expanded (OPD also has a day case room where procedures are carried out and patients are brought in for urgent review). Having a dedicated machine for Renal OPD has reduced the time patients have to wait for an ECG and for review, thus providing a better service. Additionally, the device reduces the need to send the patient to another department on the day or avoid generating another appointment resulting in a smoother care pathway.

Transplant Sister, Sally Chapman, was delighted with the agreement to fund: "Many of our patients will be visiting the Department regularly for appointments and systematic follow-ups. It's crucial that we make the experience as easy as possible for them. The funding will make a huge difference enabling a smoother care pathway."

Running the 10k to make a difference

A team of staff from Willmott Dixon Interiors Limited, a leading UK construction and property services company, also put their running shoes on this year, raising funds by running the Brighton 10K, one of the oldest races in the South East.

Raised £1,160



From left to right, Steve Crump from the University Hospital Sussex NHS Trust, Kevin Davidson, Justin Champneys and James Howard from Willmott Dixon Interiors.

> Taking on the Brighton 10K challenge was a rewarding experience for all of us at Willmott Dixon Interiors. Completing the run with the team for a well-deserving cause was a great achievement.
>
> **James Howard**
> Operations Manager

All members of the mixed ability team completed the course along the iconic Brighton & Hove seaside, with the final runner clocking in at a leisurely 77 minutes.

After totting up all the donations collected, together they raised a marvellous £1,160 to help improve patient care at our hospitals.

James Howard, Operations Manager, said, “Taking on the Brighton 10K challenge was a rewarding experience for all of us at Willmott Dixon Interiors. Completing the run with the team for a well-deserving cause was a great achievement. As a team working with University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust on multiple projects to improve facilities around the hospitals, we wanted to give back more and raise money for the charity to make a donation that will make a difference to patients.”

Patient lockers putting patients first

The BSUH Charity supported the purchase of 19 lockers at a cost of £15,385.44 for the Acute Admissions Unit at the Royal Sussex County Hospital (RSCH) in 2022. The Acute Admissions Unit is the 'front door' for the majority of patients requiring emergency treatment.

Total spent
£15,385.44

The unit provides care for all levels of sickness from walk-in to high-dependency cases. It is an extremely busy environment with over 85,000 patients attending the Emergency Department at the RSCH in the last twelve months alone.

The funding enables the use of patients' own drugs (PODs) to be administered directly from bedside lockers. The bedside cabinets are made of polymer, easy to clean and support best practice in infection control measures.



From Left to Right: AAU staff Samantha Aplin, Lolita Billate and Riezel Paniza with the new lockers.

> **We provide high quality, rapid assessments for patients with acute medical and surgical problems. The introduction of the lockers will make a huge difference to our patients and we are so grateful for the charity's generous support.**
>
> **Riezel Paniza**
> Matron

The POD scheme has several advantages; asking patients to bring their own drugs to the hospital improves the accuracy of the medication history record on admission. It also helps the patient continue to receive medication with which they are familiar and it prevents potential dose omissions that might occur if a medicine is not stocked when the patient is admitted to the Acute Admissions Unit.

Additionally, Matron, Riezel Paniza, explained that "Patients need to feel safe and secure when admitted and the worry of losing any valuables they may have brought with them is removed. Secure patient lockers brings a sense of security to the patient and their families."

The lockers have also made a positive impact on discharge times too – since their arrival, staff have seen faster discharge times as medication can be locked away ready for when the patient is fit to go home and the wait for the Pharmacy to dispense items is removed therefore speeding up the whole process. This supports the Trust's Patient First ambition ensuring that patient experience is at the heart of what we do.

Royal Pavilion Ice Skate

UHSussex staff and volunteers were treated to a first ice skate of the season as a thank you for going above and beyond for patient care.

> The Royal Pavilion Ice Rink has a magical quality about it, especially when illuminated at night. This was a real treat for our hard-working and dedicated staff who go above and beyond for the patients in their care every day.
>
> **Steve Crump**
> Director of Charities and Voluntary Services



Staff from across UHSussex take to the ice for the first ice skate of the Winter season.

The Royal Pavilion Ice Rink in Brighton opened its doors early, ahead of its public opening on Saturday 29 October 2022, especially for staff and volunteers at University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The rink, which is managed by Laine Ltd, has a reputation for having one of the most beautiful settings in the United Kingdom. With the Royal palace as the backdrop, the BSUH Charity welcomed more than 400 staff members and their loved ones to skate across two one-hour sessions.

The event, which was kindly sponsored by the leading British Construction & Regeneration group, Morgan Sindall Construction, took place on the evening of Friday 28 October 2022.

Guy Hannell, Area Director for Morgan Sindall Construction Southern Home Counties, said: “Everyone, no matter who is touched by the NHS in some way throughout their lives and Morgan Sindall Construction is so proud to be able to help enhance the facilities of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust by designing and constructing healthcare buildings.”



UHSussex Trust Chief Executive, George Findlay, thanks the team at Laine Ltd for opening up the rink a day early to host NHS workers.

UHSussex Trust Chief Executive, George Findlay and Guy Hannell, Area Director for Morgan Sindall Construction, the official sponsor of the event.

The NHS celebrates its 75th anniversary in 2023 and the last few years have been as challenging as any in all that time. The opportunity to support an event such as this to recognise and thank UHSussex staff is a real privilege."

Dr George Findlay, Chief Executive of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, said: "This was a really special event and a great way to thank our colleagues and volunteers for the hard work they do to put our patients first, and for the incredible effort staff have gone to over the past couple of years to support our communities through the pandemic."

Steve Crump, Director of Charities and Voluntary Services, added: "The Royal Pavilion Ice Rink has a magical quality about it, especially when illuminated at night. This was a real treat for our hard-working and dedicated staff who go above and beyond for the patients in their care every day.

A heartfelt thank you to Laine Ltd and Morgan Sindall Construction & infrastructure Limited for making this special event a reality and showing our staff they are truly appreciated."

The Sara Stedy improving patients' mobilisation

Total spent £960

Staff at UHSussex work tirelessly to ensure the care patients receive in our hospitals is the very best it can be, and this includes making sure our patients can move around the ward safely as they mobilise. To this end, the Charity supported the funding of a Sara Stedy for Ansty Ward at the Princess Royal Hospital.



The Sara Stedy is a transfer aid that enables patients to perform a sit to stand movement from one place to another. These transfer aids are ideal pieces of equipment when the patient's being moved as they can actively participate in the sit to stand motion. This allows someone to be moved safely and easily from a seated to standing position.

The device also helps patients achieve normal everyday tasks and increase movability during their hospital stay giving patients' greater autonomy and independence.

Kellie Bryan, Quality Improvement Incident Investigator & Patient Safety Specialist and Visiting Clinical Lecturer Brighton and Sussex Medical School explained:

"Inpatient slips, trips and falls account for the Trust's highest number of reported safety incidents, and have significant impact on patients and staff. Reducing the harm to patients from falls is a 'True North' objective for UHSussex Trust (with an aim to reduce harms by at least 10%).

The reasons for falls in hospital are multifactorial, and reducing the potential for patients to fall requires a variety of approaches. An important part of this involves assisting patients to preserve, and where possible, increase mobility. Mobility aids are vital in promoting patient independence during mobilisation, while also helping to protect staff from injury.

The Sara Stedy enables staff to help promote mobilisation for patients with sit to stand transfers (i.e. from bed to chair) and the device encourages patients to be active during the transfers, which helps increase independence and improve strength."

> **Having our own Sara Stedy has made a real difference to patient experience on Ansty Ward – the mobility aid is used every day. We are hugely grateful for the BSUH Charity's generous support.**
>
> **Elizabeth Bevins**
> PA & Rota Co-ordinator for Ansty Ward

Daredevil fundraisers leap for their local hospitals!

For fundraisers looking for once in a lifetime challenge, our charity sky dive in August 2022 provided the perfect opportunity – a chance to experience the freedom of flight with a sponsored 10,000ft or 15,000ft free-fall parachute jump.

Raised £609



Steph Kirby takes a moment before her first sky dive.

> It was an absolutely incredible experience! It's something I've always wanted to do, and knowing that the money we've raised together is all going to a great cause gave me the extra courage to go for it.
>
> **Steph Kirby**
> First-time sky-diver

The fearless group of five, which included some brave UHSussex staff and volunteers, made their way to the skydive 'drop zone' based at Salisbury in Wiltshire. This was the first time a sky dive was part of the Charity's fundraising programme and due to the success of the event it is set to become a key annual event.

A team of professional sky dive instructors experienced in more than 50,000 jumps and specially trained to work with first-time tandem skydivers guided our fundraisers through the safety briefing and helped them get into their jumpsuits and harnesses. Then with their adrenaline pumping, it was time to take to the skies!

Long Service Awards recognising colleagues for their commitment and contribution



Total spent £7,000

The BSUH Charity was delighted to fund the Long Service Awards programme to thank our colleagues for their outstanding commitments and contributions over the years.

The awards, that have been postponed since 2019 due to the pandemic, were held at the Brighton Hilton Metropole and at Fontwell Racecourse, where colleagues were recognised for their long service over 20 years, 30 years, 40 years and 40+ years.

Colleagues enjoyed an afternoon tea before Dr George Findlay, Chief Executive, and Alan McCarthy, UHSussex Chairman, personally thanked them as they were called up to collect their long service certificates.

At the awards, George said: “It’s great to be back together face to face. This is the first time in four years we have been able to get people together to say thank you in person so it is really lovely to celebrate together.

“We want to recognise the commitment and investment of time, energy and effort looking after our patients and helping to run the Trust.”

Ralph Woolgar, Head of Compliance and Performance in the Facilities and Estates Team, joined the Trust in 1982 on a youth opportunity programme. This led to an engineering apprenticeship and Ralph soon became an engineer for the Trust.

Reflecting on the day, he said: “It’s not just about me, it’s about everyone here. It’s celebrating a fantastic achievement of all the staff that have that dedication and heart still in the NHS.”

Pearl Green was a volunteer for two years before officially joining the Trust in 1979 as a cleaner. She became an Auxiliary Nurse, before being offered sponsorship to complete her training as a nurse.











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>
> **Dr George Findlay**
> Chief Executive

Pearl is now a Ward Sister and said: "I wouldn't have been a trained nurse if I hadn't have started working here. It's lovely today to see everyone who has served so many years and lovely to see the smiling faces."

The Awards were made possible thanks to charitable funding from **Love Your Hospital** and BSUH Charity. The funding enabled Trust staff to gather, celebrate and reflect on reaching some fantastic milestones in their career at the Trust. Director of Charities and Voluntary Services, Steve Crump, commented "Our staff collectively play a vital role in the lives of thousands of families across Sussex. The awards gave us a unique opportunity to celebrate together years of dedicated service."



Board Directors of our Corporate Trustee

Our Board of Directors at University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ensure the Charity is supporting the objectives of the Trust and that we operate alongside the Trust, complementing its core work. All new Trustees receive an introduction to the Charity explaining their role in its operation. Those directly involved with the Charitable Funds Committee may receive additional specific training if required.

Non-Executive Directors



Alan McCarthy MBE DL
Trust Chairman
Chair of the Executive Appointments and Remuneration Committee
(1.10.2018 – 21.3.2024)



Patrick Boyle
Deputy Chairman, Chair of People Committee
(20.1.2018 – 30.6.2023)



Bindesh Shah
Non-Executive Director
Chair of Systems & Partnership Committee
(1.7.2022 – 30.6.2025)



David Curley
Non-Executive Director & Chair of the Audit Committee
(1.7.2022 – 30.6.2025)



Professor Malcolm Reed
Non-Executive Director
(1.3.2023 – 28.2.2026)



Professor Paul Layzell CBE
Non-Executive Director
(1.9.2022 – 31.7.2025)



Sadie Mason MBE
Associate Non-Executive Director
(1.7.2022 – 30.6.2025)



Lizzie Peers
Chair of the Sustainability Committee & Chair of Charitable Funds Committee
(Term of Office to 11.5.2024)



Jackie Cassell
Non-Executive Director
Chair of the Patient Committee until 31.3.2023.
(Term of Office until 30.6.2023)



Jon Furmston
(Left 30.6.2022)



Joanna Crane
(Left 30.6.2022)



Lillian Philip
Associate Non-Executive Director
(Leaves 29.4.2023)



Claire Keatinge
Non-Executive Director
(From 1.7.2021)
Chair of Patient Committee
(From 1.4.2023)



Lucy Bloem
Chair of Quality Committee
Non-Executive Director
(Term of Office 1.7.2021 to 30.6.2024)

Executive Directors



Dr George Findlay
Chief Executive
(Returned from secondment on 1.6.2022)



Dr Andy Heeps
Deputy Chief Executive & Chief Operating Officer
(Interim Chief Executive from 1.4.2022 to 31.5.2022)



Dr Charlotte Hopkins
Chief Medical Officer
(Left 31.7.2022)



Dr Rob Haigh
Interim Chief Medical Officer
(From 1.8.2202 to 31.3.2023)



Ellis Pullinger
Interim Chief Operating Officer
(Left 30.6.2022)



Karen Geoghegan
Chief Financial Officer



Dr Maggie Davies
Chief Nurse



Leanne Mclean
Interim Chief Nurse
(Joined 20.3.2023)



David Grantham
Chief People Officer



Darren Grayson
Chief Governance Officer

**Member of the Charitable Funds Committee*

Structure, Governance and Management

Overview

The Charitable Funds are registered with the Charity Commission (no.1050864) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Funds are registered as an umbrella charity, the governing document being a trust deed dated 8 September 1995 as amended by Statutory Instrument 2003/866.

The charity is constituted of 197 individual funds as at 31 March 2023 (2022: 200) and the notes to the accounts distinguish the types of fund held and disclose separately all material funds.

Charitable funds received by the charity are accepted, held and administered as funds and property held on trust for purposes relating to the health service in accordance with the National Health Service Act 2006 and these funds are held on trust by the corporate body.

Corporate Trustee

On 1 April 2021, Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust acquired the assets, liabilities and operations of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust, forming University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust through a merger by acquisition under section 56A of the NHS Act 2006.

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust acted in the capacity as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds governed by the law applicable to Trusts, principally the Trustee Act 2000 and the Charities Act 2011.

Management of Funds

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund is governed by a Trust deed. The Corporate Trustee is the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Trust Board, whilst retaining overall responsibility for the management of the funds in its capacity as Corporate Trustee, delegates responsibility to the Charitable Funds Committee. The day to day management is provided by the Charity Director and individual fund managers.

The Trust Board of the Corporate Trustee comprises Executive and Non-Executive members. Non-Executive members of the Board are appointed by the NHS Appointments Commission and Executive members of the Board are subject to recruitment by the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Corporate Trustee fulfils its legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objectives of each fund. By designating funds the Corporate Trustee respects the wishes of donors to benefit patient care and advance good health and welfare of patients, carers and staff.

The Financial Accounts Department of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, which is located in Brighton General Hospital, Elm Grove, Brighton BN2 3EW, is responsible for the day to day financial management and accounting for the charitable funds during the year.

Structure and Governance

The Charity is considered to be a subsidiary for accounting purposes of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ("Trust"), an organisation established in the United Kingdom.

The Trust has assessed its relationship to the charitable fund and determined it to be a subsidiary because the Trust is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns and other benefits for itself, patients and staff from its involvement with the charitable fund and has the ability to affect those returns and other benefits through its power over the fund.

The charitable fund's statutory accounts are prepared to 31 March in accordance with the UK Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) which is based on UK Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102. On consolidation, necessary adjustments are made to the charity's assets, liabilities and transactions to:

- recognise and measure them in accordance with the Trust's accounting policies and
- eliminate intra-group transactions, balances, gains and losses.

The Trust's principal purpose is to provide healthcare services for patients and service users in England.

Where funds are received which have specific restrictions set by the donor and a suitable fund is not in existence, a new restricted fund is established.

The charity holds four endowment funds which are capital in perpetuity, the income from which may be used for any purpose other than general maintenance of the hospitals.

Structure, Governance and Management *continued*

The charity produces an induction pack for newly appointed members of the Trust Board. This pack provides information about the charity, including the Corporate Trustee's annual report and accounts, budgets, policies and minutes, and information about trusteeship, including Charity Commission booklet CC3, The Essential Trustee.

Risk Management

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is the possible losses from a fall in the value of the investments and the level of reserves available to mitigate the impact of such losses.

The value of the investments is regularly monitored with the assistance of the Charity's investment advisers and there are procedures in place to ensure that both spending and firm financial commitments remain in line with income.

Objectives and Activities

The principal objective of the charity is for any charitable purpose relating to the NHS wholly or mainly for the services provided by University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

During the year the funds continued to support a wide range of health-related activities benefiting both patients and staff. In general, they are used to purchase additional goods and services that the NHS is unable to provide, for example, needed medical equipment. The funds also enable consultants and other medical staff to attend training courses not funded by the NHS. Specific research is also funded. The Corporate Trustee confirms that the activities undertaken and planned future activities are in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the charity's legal purpose.

Reserves Policy

It is the Charity's intention to commit income in the year that it is received. It may do this by designation of resources to long-term projects or by the allocation of monies to grants. Monies not needed for immediate use are 'pooled' and invested in line with the Charity's investment policy.

Members of the Charitable Funds Committee receive information on commitments against various funds and review the detail on the level of reserves and the reason for their retention on a half yearly basis. The day-to-day monitoring of the policy is the responsibility of the delegated Director and fund managers who are expected to bring any issues to the attention of the Corporate Trustee.

Investment Policy

The investment portfolio is managed on a full discretionary basis by Atomos Investments Limited who acts as the Trustee's nominee.

The Trustee's overall investment objective is to maintain capital in real terms and maximise income. It is the Trustee's policy that no direct investment shall be made in tobacco related shares, in companies listed under alcoholic beverages or anything which does not comply with the aims and ideals of the NHS.

The Charity's funds as at 31 March 2023 were £12.91m (2022: £13.58m), of which:

- £1.19m (2022: £1.20m) were restricted funds
- £11.25m (2022: £11.91m) unrestricted
- £0.47m (2022: £0.47m) endowment

The level of reserves and expenditure plans are reviewed annually to ensure that the Charity expenditure is in line with income and reduces the level of reserves held.

A Review of our Finances, Achievements and Performance

The net assets of the Charitable Funds as at 31 March 2023 were £12.91m (2022: £13.58m). This is a reflection of the contributions made towards charitable activities and a downturn in the value of investments.

The charity continues to rely on donations, legacies and investment income as the main sources of income. Total income during the year was £1.43m (2022: £1.24m).

Of the total expenditure of £1.20m (2022: £2.57m), charitable expenditure on direct charitable activity amounted to £0.88m (2022: £2.38m) which includes staff and patient welfare, training and capital grants.

Structure, Governance and Management *continued*

Staff Education and Welfare

Expenditure relating to staff education and welfare was £0.42m (2022: £0.32m). Staff education costs are attributed to external training courses, training related travel and attendance at conferences which the Trust would not normally provide.

Patient Welfare

Expenditure on items for patient welfare was £0.30m (2022: £0.12m). Patient welfare includes the provision of items of furniture, fittings and medical equipment.

Three posts were funded by the charity. They were a fixed-term arts project manager and two fixed term patient experience posts.

Capital Grants

For all building or equipment purchases costing more than £5,000 the applicant must detail what benefit it will provide and it must be approved by the Trust's Capital Investment Group.

Expenditure on capital projects during the year was £0.09m (2022: £1.92m) and a list of the Capital Grants is set out in note 9 to the Accounts.

Investments

The Corporate Trustee invests its charitable funds with Atomos Investments Limited with the objective of achieving a balance between income and capital growth.

Value of Investments held

	31 March 2023 £'000	31 March 2022 £'000	Change %
Value of fund	**14,447**	**15,368**	**5.99%**

Future Plans

The priorities for spending charitable funds will be largely influenced by the five year strategic plan and future needs of the Trust.

Public Benefit

In awarding grants the Corporate Trustee is aware of its responsibilities under charity law in ensuring the maintenance of public benefit in all aspects of its work. Funding patient and staff welfare, improvements and amenities is, by definition, meeting public benefit.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's purpose and goals in their plans for future activities.

Thank you for your support

On behalf of the staff and patients who have benefited from improved services and facilities as a result of donations and legacies we would like to thank all patients, relatives and staff who have made charitable donations.

Approved on behalf of the Corporate Trustee:

Name Karen Geoghegan

Dated 28 June 2023

Name Lizzie Peers

Dated 28 June 2023

Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the funds held on trust and to enable it to ensure that the accounts comply with requirements in the Charities Act 2011 and those outlined in the directions issued by the Secretary of State;
- establishing and monitoring a system of internal control;
- establishing arrangements for prevention and detection of fraud and corruption; and
- safeguarding assets and ensuring their proper application under charity law.

The Corporate Trustee is required under the Charities Act 2011 to prepare accounts for each financial year. The Secretary of State, with the approval of the Treasury, directs that these accounts give a true and fair view of the financial position of the funds held on trust, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. In preparing those accounts, the Corporate Trustee is required to:

- apply on a consistent basis accounting policies laid down by the Secretary of State with the approval of the Treasury;
- make judgements and estimates which are responsible and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 27 to 36 have been compiled from and are in accordance with the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

By Order of the Corporate Trustee signed:

Name Karen Geoghegan

Dated **28 June 2023**

Name Lizzie Peers

Dated **28 June 2023**

Report of the Independent Auditors

to the trustees of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Corporate Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Corporate Trustee with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception
We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Report of the Independent Auditors *continued*

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the Corporate Trustee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Corporate Trustee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Corporate Trustee is responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Corporate Trustee either intends to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements
We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charity through discussions with the Corporate Trustee and other management, and from our commercial knowledge and experience of charities;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the company, including
  - Charities SORP FRS 102,
  - Data protection laws (including UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR))
  - Anti-bribery
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

Report of the Independent Auditors *continued*

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims; and
- reviewing legal costs for any potential claims

There was no contradictory evidence found.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Corporate Trustee, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Corporate Trustee those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the Corporate Trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Hannah Doherty FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006
For and on behalf of Galloways Accounting
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Date: **28 June 2023**

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2023 £'000**	Total Funds 2022 £'000
Income from						
Donations, legacies and other income	2	1,039	–	–	**1,039**	951
Investment income	3	395	–	–	**395**	293
Total income		**1,434**	**–**	**–**	**1,434**	**1,244**
Expenditure on:						
Administrative expenses	4	(322)	–	–	**(322)**	(196)
Charitable activities:						
Patient welfare	4	(298)	–	–	**(298)**	(119)
Staff education and welfare	4	(400)	(15)	–	**(415)**	(317)
Misc	4	(73)	(1)	–	**(74)**	(18)
Capital Grants	9	(90)	–	–	**(90)**	(1,921)
Total charitable activities		**(861)**	**(16)**	**–**	**(877)**	**(2,375)**
Total expenditure		**(1,183)**	**(16)**	**–**	**(1,199)**	**(2,571)**
Net gains/(losses) on investments	10	(901)	–	–	**(901)**	1,306
Net income/(expenditure)		**(649)**	**(16)**	**–**	**(666)**	**(21)**
Reconciliation of funds						
Net income/(expenditure)		(649)	(16)	–	**(666)**	(21)
Transfer between funds		–	–	–	**–**	–
Net movement in funds		(649)	(16)	–	**(666)**	(21)
Total funds brought forward		11,905	1,202	471	**13,578**	13,599
Total funds carried forward		11,256	1,186	471	**12,912**	13,578

The Notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Position

For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2023 £'000**	Total Funds 2022 £'000
Fixed Assets						
Investments	10	12,790	1,186	471	**14,447**	15,368
Total Fixed Assets		**12,790**	**1,186**	**471**	**14,447**	**15,368**
Current Assets						
Debtors	11	109	–	–	**109**	390
Cash at bank and in hand	12	6	–	–	**6**	29
Total Current Assets		**115**	**–**	**–**	**115**	**419**
Current Liabilities						
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(1,650)	–	–	**(1,650)**	(2,209)
Total Current Liabilities		**(1,650)**	**–**	**–**	**(1,650)**	**(2,209)**
Net Current Assets/(Liabilities)		**(1,535)**	**–**	**–**	**(1,535)**	**(1,790)**
Net Assets		**11,255**	**1,186**	**471**	**12,912**	**13,578**
The funds of the charity:						
Restricted funds	14		1,186		**1,186**	1,202
Endowment	14			471	**471**	471
Unrestricted Funds	14	11,255			**11,255**	11,905
Total Charity funds		**11,255**	**1,186**	**471**	**12,912**	**13,578**

The notes at pages 30 to 36 form part of these accounts.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustee and authorised for issue on and signed on their behalf by:

Name Lizzie Peers

Dated 28 June 2023

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ending 31 March 2023

	Notes	Total 2023 £'000	Total 2022 £'000
Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities			
Net Income/(expenditure) as per the Statement of Financial Activities		**(666)**	(21)
Add back: Movement on investments	10	**921**	(1,306)
Add back: Investment income		**(395)**	(293)
(Increase)/Decrease in Trade and Other Receivables		**281**	(238)
(Decrease)/Increase in Trade and Other Payables		**(560)**	1,571
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		**(418)**	(287)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Investment Income from investments		**395**	293
Net Cash provided by Investing Activities		**395**	293
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		**(23)**	6
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of the Period		**29**	23
Cash and Cash Equivalents at year end	12	**6**	29

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis after consideration by the Corporate Trustee that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Such consideration includes a review of committed income and expenditures, cash flows and reserves. The Corporate Trustee does not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

Changes in accounting policies

There has been no change in the basis of accounting for the year.

Income and endowments

All income and endowments, including legacies, are recognised in line with FRS102 and this is based upon the Charity having a recognised legal entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received and that the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated income recorded in the accounts is solely that which has been receipted via the cashier's office or credited directly into the Charity bank account by the donor.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Grants are only made to related NHS bodies and non NHS bodies in the furtherance of charitable activities.

Cost of generating funds

Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities

Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in pursuit of the objects of the charity, including education and training and grant support to University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust in support of a range of charitable activities.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs have been allocated to the Unrestricted funds.

Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Funds structure

The funds are classified in the accounts in three categories, Restricted, Unrestricted and Endowment Funds.

Restricted Funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor and/or the Corporate Trustee at the inception of the fund.

Unrestricted funds are those which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Unrestricted funds include designated funds which are not legally restricted but which the Corporate Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes.

Endowment funds are funds where the capital is held in perpetuity to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent. The income earned on these funds will be categorised as restricted or unrestricted according to the restrictions imposed by the donor.

Realised gain and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities at the year end. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sale proceeds and book cost. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening market value (or purchase if later).

Pooling Scheme

An official pooling scheme is operated for investments relating to Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Funds which is regulated by the Declaration of Trust dated 1 February 2005.

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

For the year ended 31 March 2023

2. Donations, legacies and other income

	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2023 £'000**	Total Funds 2022 £'000
Donations	239	–	–	**239**	403
Legacies	770	–	–	**770**	528
Other income	30	–	–	**30**	20
Total donations, legacies and other income	1,039	–	–	**1,039**	951

3. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2023 £'000**	Total Funds 2022 £'000
Fixed asset equity and similar investments	395	–	–	**395**	293
Total investment income	395	–	–	**395**	293

4. Charitable activities and support costs

Analysis of charitable expenditure

The Charity did not undertake any direct charitable activities on its own account during the year. All of the charitable expenditure was in the form of grant funding in both the current and prior year. Grants were approved in favour of UH Sussex for the benefit of patients and staff.

Charitable Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2023 £'000**	Total Funds 2022 £'000
Patient welfare		(298)	–	–	**(298)**	(129)
Staff education and welfare		(400)	(15)	–	**(400)**	(343)
Misc		(73)	(1)	–	**(74)**	(19)
Capital Grants	9	(90)	–	–	**(90)**	(2,080)
Totals		(861)	(16)	–	**(877)**	(2,571)

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses are the costs of the team employed by UH Sussex to manage the Charity. Governance costs are also included here and are those support costs which are related to the strategic management of a charity.

	2023 Total £'000	2022 Total £'000
External audit	**(12)**	(12)
Investment costs	**(72)**	–
Governance	**(84)**	(12)
Finance administration	**(30)**	(30)
Charity office	**(208)**	(154)
Total	**(322)**	(196)

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

For the year ended 31 March 2023

5. Analysis of staff costs and remuneration of key management personnel

The charity does not employ staff so there are no employee benefits or remuneration costs. The Charity team and the Finance staff are employees of UH Sussex, and their costs are recharged to the charity and are included within the Administrative expenses in Note 4. Employment costs such as Employers National Insurance or Pensions, are included in the recharged amount and the charity will not have liabilities of this nature.

The average head count during the year was 8 (9 in 2022) and the average number of full time equivalent employees during the year was 3.90 (4.83 in 2022). The employees were involved in providing support services to charitable activities.

No employees received employee benefits of more than £60,000 in the current or preceding year.

The charity considers the members of the Board of Directors of UH Sussex (the corporate trustee) to be its key management personnel. Their services are provided at no cost to the charity.

6. Auditor's remuneration

The Auditor's remuneration for the current year audit is at £10,000 net of VAT (£10,000 net of VAT in 2022). The amount included within the Governance costs is the gross value of £12,000.

7. Role of volunteers

Volunteers add significant benefit to the charity, without them we would not be able to deliver the breath of support for the trust that we do. Like all charities, the charity is reliant on a team of volunteers to assist in the running of the charity. Our volunteers perform the following roles:

- Fundholders – staff who manage how the charity's designated funds should be spent. These funds are earmarked by the trustees to be spent for a particular purpose or in a particular ward or department. Each fundholder has delegated powers to spend the designated funds that they manage in accordance with the Trustee's wishes.
- Fundraisers – there are a number of local individuals who actively fundraise for the charity by holding events such as coffee mornings, sponsored walk/runs, collection tins, fundraising BBQ's, etc. Albeit during the COVID-19 pandemic many of these events were postponed or scaled back to meet government guidelines in place at the time.

8. Trustee's remuneration, benefits and expenses

The Board of Directors of UH Sussex act as the corporate trustee of the charity. As stated in Note 5 their services are provided at no cost to the charity.

9. Capital Grants

All grants are made to UH Sussex to provide for the care of NHS patients and for the education and welfare of its staff. The Corporate Trustee operates a scheme of delegation, through which a grant funded activity is managed by fundholders responsible for the day to day administration of their funds. The Charity does not make grants to individuals. The Capital grants received by the beneficiary were as follows:

	2023 Total £'000
ECG System	12
Critical Care Digital Toolkit	38
Bedside cabinets	15
Pre-Assessment 3D OCT	25
Total Capital Grants	90

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

For the year ended 31 March 2023

10. Fixed Asset Investments

Movement in fixed asset investment	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	**Total Funds 2023 £'000**	Total Funds 2022 £'000
Market value brought forward	13,695	1,202	471	**15,368**	14,062
Net movement	(905)	(16)	–	**(921)**	1,306
Market value as at 31 March	12,790	1,186	471	**14,447**	15,368

Fixed asset investment by type	**Total 2023**	Total 2022
Fixed Interest Funds	**7,449**	3,210
Equities	**4,131**	1,540
Unit/Investment Trust	**986**	10,241
Cash held for reinvestment	**1,881**	377
Total	**14,447**	15,368

All investments are carried at their fair value.

11. Analysis of current debtors

	2023 Total £'000	2022 Total £'000
Accrued income	**108**	390
Prepayments	**1**	0
Total debtors under 1 year	**109**	390

There are no debtors owing that are more than 1 year.

12. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2023 Total £'000	2022 Total £'000
Cash held at bank	**6**	29
Total cash and cash equivalents	**6**	29

13. Analysis of liabilities

	2023 Total £'000	2022 Total £'000
Creditors – intercompany balance owed to UH Sussex	**(1,567)**	(2,189)
Accruals	**(83)**	(20)
Total creditors under 1 year	**(1,650)**	(2,209)

There are no creditors falling due after more than 1 year.

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

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14. Analysis of charitable funds

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Transfers £'000	(Gains) and losses £'000	Balance at 31 March 2023 £'000
Material funds						
Restricted funds						
PGMC Education Fund	681	0	(11)	0	0	670
Library Endowment fund	521	0	(5)	0	0	516
Total Restricted Funds	1,202	0	(16)	0	0	1,186
Endowment Funds						
Miss Hannington	401	0	0	0	0	401
Other Funds	70	0	0	0	0	70
Total Endowment Funds	471	0	0	0	0	471
Unrestricted Funds						
Designated Funds						
Cancer Funds	1,569	57	(12)	0	0	1,614
Cardiovascular Funds	2,711	92	(23)	0	0	2,780
Other Funds	1,630	753	(121)	0	0	2,262
Total Designated Funds	**5,910**	**902**	**(156)**	**0**	**0**	**6,656**
General Fund	**5,995**	**533**	**(1,027)**	**0**	**(901)**	**4,599**
Total Unrestricted Funds	**11,905**	**1,434**	**(1,183)**	**0**	**(901)**	**11,255**
Grand Total	**13,578**	**1,434**	**(1,199)**	**0**	**(901)**	**12,912**

Details of Material funds

Fund type	Name	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
Restricted funds	PGMC Education Fund	Support Post graduate medical and dental training
	Library Endowment fund	Development of library services
Endowment	Miss Hannington	Capital in Perpituity
Designated funds	Cancer Funds	For the benefit of Cancer patients and staff
	Cardiovascular Funds	For the benefit of Cardiovascular patients and staff
	General Funds	For the general benefit of patients and staff in the hospitals

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15. Commitments, liabilities and provisions

The Trustee recognises liabilities in the accounts once they have incurred a legal or constructive obligation to expend the funds. No provision has been included in this set of accounts as no such circumstances existed at the year end.

16. Contingencies

There were no contingent gains, losses, assets or liabilities.

17. Controlling party

The Board of Directors of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (formerly WSHFT) act as the corporate trustee of the charity, the ultimate controlling party.

With effect from 1 April 2021 the Board of Directors of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (UH Sussex) act as the corporate trustee of both Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund (registered charity no. 1050864) and Western Sussex Hospitals Charity (registered charity no. 1049201).

18. Related Party Transactions

The Board of Directors of UH Sussex acts as the corporate trustee for the charity.

None of the members of UH Sussex's Board of Directors or parties related to them has undertaken any transactions with the charity or received any benefit from the charity in payment or in kind. These directors received no honoraria or emoluments in the year. No expenses have been paid by the charity to these directors.

UH Sussex makes a number of clerical and transaction services available to the charity, by agreement with the trustee. These include fundraising, administrative and finance support services at a cost of £238k in 2023 (£184k in 2022). These costs are included within support costs – see Note 4.

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust is the main creditor of the charity – see Note 13.

19. Post Balance Sheet Events

Merger

On 1 April 2023, University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, the Corporate Trustee of Western Sussex Hospitals Charity (T/A **Love Your Hospital** or **LYH**, registration number 1049201), approved the transfer of **LYH**'s assets and liabilities to **BSUH Charity** (registration number 1050864). **BSUH Charity** has the same Corporate Trustee and the merger of **LYH** and **BSUH Charity** will mean that the newly merged charity will support the wider Trust and it's seven hospitals which are spread across East and West Sussex: The Royal Sussex County Hospital (Brighton), Princess Royal Hospital (Haywards Heath), Sussex Eye Hospital (Brighton), Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital (Brighton), Worthing Hospital, St Richard's Hospital (Chichester) and Southlands Hospital (Shoreham-by-Sea). The newly formed Charity also changed it's name on 1 April 2023, to be My University Hospitals Sussex.

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

For the year ended 31 March 2023

20. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities (31 March 2022)

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £'000	Restricted Funds £'000	Endowment Funds £'000	Total Funds 2022 £'000
Income from :					
Donations, legacies and other income	2	951	–	–	**951**
Investment income	3	293	–	–	**293**
Total Income		**1,244**	**–**	**–**	**1,244**
Expenditure on :					
Administrative expenses		(196)	–	–	**(196)**
Charitable activities :					
Patient		(118)	(1)	–	**(119)**
Staff		(267)	–	–	**(267)**
Training		(35)	(15)	–	**(50)**
Misc		(18)	–	–	**(18)**
Capital Grants		(1,897)	(24)	–	**(1,921)**
Total charitable activities		**(2,335)**	**(40)**	**–**	**(2,375)**
Total expenditure		**(2,531)**	**(40)**	**–**	**(2,571)**
Net gains/(losses) on investments	10	1,306	–	–	**1,306**
Net income/(expenditure)		**19**	**(40)**	**–**	**(21)**
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Net income/(expenditure)		19	(40)	–	**(21)**
Transfer between funds		–	–	–	**–**
Net movement in funds		19	(40)	–	**(21)**
Total funds brought forward		11,886	1,242	471	**13,599**
Total funds carried forward		**11,905**	**1,202**	**471**	**13,578**

Administration details and professional advisors

Registered name:

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals
NHS Trust Charitable Fund

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BSUH Charity

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Princess Royal Hospital



Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital

Royal Sussex County Hospital





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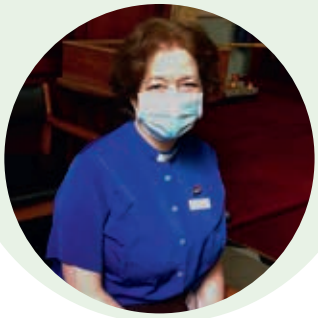
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The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 have been prepared by the Corporate Trustee in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. The Charity's report and accounts include all the separately established funds for which the University Hospitals Sussex NHS Trust is the sole beneficiary.

Message from our Chair

I am delighted to share with you the 2021/22 Annual Report for **BSUH Charity** after what has been another year of challenges and triumphs.



In response to the significant turmoil our seven hospitals have undergone, I am extremely proud of how our NHS staff have continued to go above and beyond for patient care, and also our charity team who has continued to support a wide range of hospital projects, examples of which you'll be able to learn more about in the main body of this report.

We have remained focused on improving staff spaces, providing a place to reflect and unwind away from the main hospital sites, and continued to improve the patient experience through the funding of new and vibrantly coloured outpatient seating and a significant investment enabling the introduction to robotic-assisted surgery to the Trust for the first time.

Crucially, **BSUH Charity** has embraced mutual working with **Love Your Hospital**, the Trust's dedicated NHS charity for St Richard's, Worthing and Southlands Hospitals. This has enabled great learning and shared experiences between the teams, and to look forward to a new and merged entity which will see both charities restructure into one dedicated charity for University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (UHSussex).

This truly is an exciting time for **BSUH Charity** and **Love Your Hospital** as we develop a new and long-term strategy that will see us centre our energies on delivering innovative and agile fundraising to ensure we can continue to provide vital support to local patients today and for future generations.

At the heart of our successes is everyone who has donated and fundraised for **BSUH Charity** this year. I would like to take this opportunity to give a heartfelt thank you to every single person, community group, local business and our partner charities here at the Trust, who has supported our Charity. I hope this report will showcase how we invest the love for your local hospital in to providing a healthier future for families across East Sussex.



Lizzie Peers
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee

Welcome from Director of Charities



It is my great pleasure to welcome you to **BSUH Charity's** latest annual report and accounts; a set of documents which set out with great clarity the incredible work of the charity over the last 12 months.

The COVID-19 pandemic has continued to dominate and alongside our colleagues in the wider Trust, we have continued to work through this most challenging and unprecedented of times. Yet through challenge comes opportunity and much has been achieved. As a result, we are delighted to report that we have had our most successful fundraising year to date raising £1.24 million and awarding more than £1.92 million in grants. No mean achievement given the challenge of the pandemic.

At a strategic level we have worked with the Trust Executive and partners such as NHS Charities Together to design and deliver a number of interventions in support of the Trust's overall pandemic response. Crucially, this has included health and wellbeing workshops for more than 450 staff during the summer and improvements to staff-only areas to provide space for rest and relaxation.

At an operational and more local level, we have worked with community groups, local businesses and other such stakeholders to fund a range of projects such as providing new and vibrant outpatient seating at the Princess Royal Hospital and a state-of-the-art ultrasound machine to reduce waiting time and lower risks for haematology patients at Royal Sussex County Hospital.

Throughout, we have continued to fundraise with our intrepid supporters raising valuable funds through sponsored skydives, sponsored walks and quiz nights. We have also continued to benefit from Legacy and In Memoriam gifts for which we are most grateful and most touched.

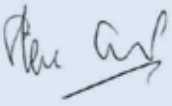
It's been a full-on year and, as you might expect, a team effort. So, I would like to take the opportunity to place on record my thanks to the **BSUH Charity** team – Steph Kirby, Jess Burgess, Sam O'Mahoney and Sam Craycraft – who have worked tirelessly to add value to patient and staff experience through their management of our fundraising and grant making activities. All of which have further emphasised the important role that NHS charities like ours play in supporting our hospitals, their patients and their local community.

As we move forward, we are about to enter a period of change as **BSUH Charity** readies for its merger with **Love Your Hospital**, the dedicated charity of St Richard's, Worthing and Southlands Hospitals. This merger has come about as a result of the wider Trust amalgamation and has been approved by the Corporate Trustees of the both Trust charities. To this end, the **BSUH Charity** team will be working with its **Love Your Hospital** colleagues to build an all-new Trust wide charity; one that will continue to support the four hospitals across Brighton and Haywards whilst also supporting the greater Trust-wide enhancements to patient and staff experience.

The merged charity will enable the Trust to maximise fundraising potentials at the same time as maintaining that all important local focus. In addition, it will allow the resultant single charity to develop a grant making programme that makes a real, lasting and tangible difference – investing at scale into critical areas such as patient experience, staff Health & Wellbeing, the Trust estate, sustainability programmes, medical equipments such as surgical robots and scanners, cutting edge research and more. Alongside this, developing a reporting framework that enable us to demonstrate value for money and impacts that directly improve healthcare provision across the region.

To all of you that supported the work of **BSUH Charity** over the years, through donations, messages and more, our heartfelt thanks. Suffice to say, the Trustees and Charity team look forward to your ongoing support as we continue our work through the platform of the new single charity.

With very best wishes,



Steve Crump OBE
Interim Director of Charities & Voluntary Services

About BSUH Charity

BSUH Charity is a dedicated NHS charity for University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (UHSussex). We raise funds to support the Royal Sussex County Hospital, Princess Royal Hospital, Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital and the Sussex Eye Hospital.



About our Trust

UHSussex was formed on 1 April 2021. The Trust was created by a merger of Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust, running hospitals in Brighton and Haywards Heath, and Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, running hospitals in Shoreham-by-Sea, Worthing and Chichester. UHSussex now runs seven hospitals across Brighton & Hove and West Sussex.

Our vision

To improve the experience of every patient and enhance the Trust's care and services, helping us to go above and beyond outside of core government funding.

We aim to do this by partnering with UHSussex Trust to deliver great outcomes and experiences for patients, by fundraising and investing in equipment, training and causes that directly benefit them.

Our core priorities

- Creating more patient-friendly environments
- Providing equipment for diagnosis and treatment
- Supporting staff development to provide even better care
- Advancing our understanding through research projects

BSUH Charity is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (1050864). As a registered charity, **BSUH Charity** complies with charity law and the regulatory requirements of the Charity Commission. This includes ensuring that all gifts are spent for the maximum public benefit and in alignment with the donors' wishes. Our charity trustees have a duty to 'have regard' for the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

A Year in Numbers

£2.57m

Total charitable expenditure

inc. staff and patient welfare, training and capital grants

£0.32m

Staff welfare and training

This includes additional staff training to enable staff to provide even better care

£0.12m

Patient welfare

Patient welfare represents contributions made to towards patient experience at our hospitals

£1.92m

Capital Grants

Examples

£1.75m Robotic Assisted Surgery

£17,556 Ultrasound Kidney Machine

Please see note 4 of accounts



Outpatients seating

Total spent: £10,798

BSUH Charity supports the Trust's Patient First ambition to continually improve patient services and quality of care. This includes improving patient waiting areas by making departments more accessible and comfortable wherever possible.



"We've have had great feedback from the patients and staff. Patients have found it so much easier finding the waiting area that they need and it's a great burst of colour to the department. A huge thank you to **BSUH Charity** for supporting this purchase"

Jay Chaney, Outpatients Administrator

The outpatient team at Princess Royal Hospital approached the Charity for support in providing upgraded seating for patients. Using brightly colour-coded 'beam' seating in purple, orange and yellow for different areas in the department, patients are now welcomed with striking hues and can now easily identify where they should be prior to their appointments.

Staff Nurse, Debbie Holland, said: "Since replacing all our worn our seating, we've found that patients are much less likely to be found sat in the wrong waiting areas. This means our clinics are less likely to be delayed and run much more smoothly."

Upholstered in anti-microbial vinyl with ample padding, the seating is comfortable, hard-wearing and easy to clean, perfect for areas in our hospital that see high-frequency usage and creating a much more positive environment for patients, visitors and staff.

Ultrasound Kidney Machine

Total spent: £17,556



A key priority for the Charity is the provision of new equipment to aid with diagnosis and treatment. Earlier in 2021, funding from the charity's Haematology fund enabled the purchase of a new, cutting-edge Ultrasound machine.

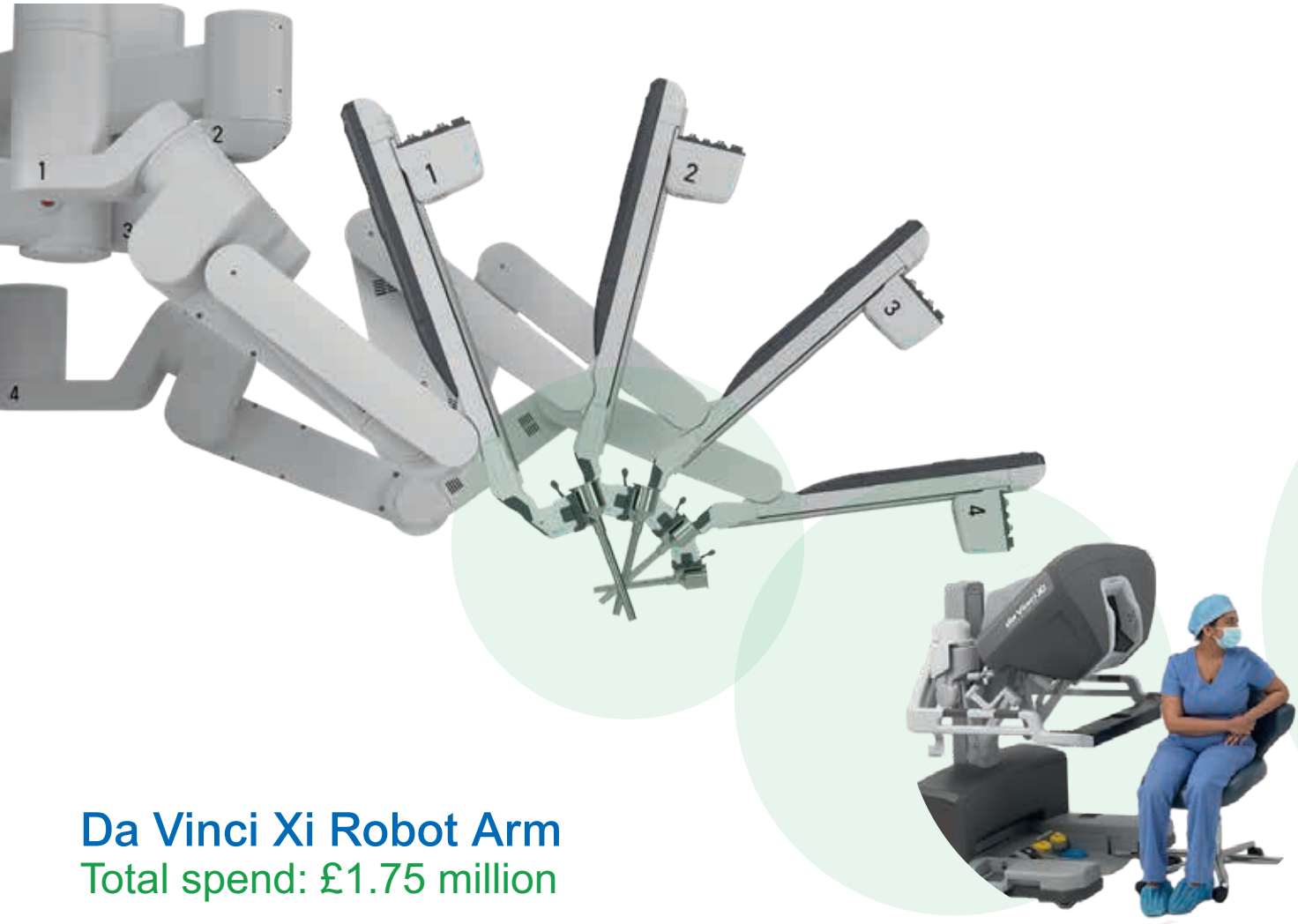
"Having our own ultrasound machine makes a real difference. We have improved the patient experience by being able to work more precisely with patients with difficult venous access and have reduced waiting times for those needing urgent central venous access."

Stephanie Faber,
Trainee Advanced Clinical Practitioner at RSCH

The equipment is used by the Haematology team at RSCH, when placing PICC lines for Haematology and Oncology patients. A PICC line (peripherally inserted central catheter) is a thin, soft, long catheter (tube) that is inserted into a vein in a patients arm, leg or neck. Using the PICC in connection with the ultrasound makes it much easier for clinical staff to locate the patient's veins, for a smoother, less invasive process.

The benefits of this clinical equipment are many. For the Haematology team, having this equipment dedicated to their area means reduced waiting times for patients receiving chemotherapy.

Placing PICC lines also carries a lower infection risk than other methods, and can be carried out by a broader range of clinical staff. Utilising the ultrasound also reduces psychological trauma to patients who attend the day unit three times a week for treatment and blood tests, by reducing or eliminating needle injuries.



Da Vinci Xi Robot Arm

Total spend: £1.75 million

Across the South of England, many neighbouring Trusts have implemented robotic-assisted surgery (RAS) including Eastbourne, Portsmouth, Frimley and Guildford with many having more than one robot. Staff from our surgery division highlighted that UHSussex was the only teaching Trust in the country that had not introduced RAS to be used in complex surgical procedures.

In addition, UHSussex East Sussex urology patients, requiring surgery for pelvic cancer, were being referred for robotic surgery at Eastbourne, patients requiring the same surgery in West Sussex were being referred from Worthing and St Richard's to Guildford, and cancer patients requiring removal of abnormally growing cells from the kidney, were having to travel to Frimley for their procedures.

Providing charitable funding would not only eradicate the needs for patients to travel out of their area for treatment, but also many other multiple organisational benefits such as commitment to robotic surgery, levelling up to other teaching trusts, research and development opportunities and the continued ability to recruit and retain surgeons.

Ammar Alanbuki, Consultant Urological Surgeon, Lead of Kidney Cancer and UHSussex Robotic Lead, said, "Robotic-assisted surgery enables us to deliver sophisticated treatments with less downtime. The Da Vinci Xi uses specialised technology to deliver precise care, even in hard-to-reach areas, and enables quicker recovery, less blood loss and early discharge for better bed utilisation. Surgeons are able to perform the surgery sitting down, reducing physical strain for complex and long surgeries, protecting their skills and wellbeing for longer."



Surgical procedure using Da Vinci xi







The Charity provided £1.75 million to support the purchase of the Da Vinci Xi Robot Arm. The vision of the surgical division team is that this initial investment will enable the Trust to establish a full robotic programme including the introduction of RAS into benign surgery in future years.

What is robotic-assisted surgery?

Robotic surgery provides a natural extension to the surgeon's eyes and hands allowing them to perform many types of complex procedures with more precision, flexibility and control than is possible with conventional techniques. In the case of surgical procedures, it typically involves a doctor operating a robot via a console nearby with attachments such as a camera, mechanical arm and tiny tools for smaller, more precise movements.

Meet Da Vinci Xi

The Da Vinci Xi is from a new generation of integrated systems developed by Intuitive, a leader in surgical robotics. The Da Vinci system has performed more than 10 million procedures in 69 countries worldwide, and this particular model is currently the most advanced platform designed for minimally invasive surgery. The console, from which the surgeon operates the four robotic arms, provides see a 3D high-definition image of the surgical site and benefits from a built-in innovation, such as a tremor filtration and set up automation. The smaller, thinner robotic arms have newly designed joints offering a greater range of motion for narrow access surgery, and moveable overhead architecture rather than the fixed floor-mounted existing systems.

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Critical Care Team Arts Session

Total spent: £94.47



During the pandemic, a high number of patients hospitalised with COVID-19 needed support with breathing and other critical care services that our units provide. Critical care is already a pressured environment for our teams to work in, and this increased significantly with the arrival coronavirus.

> Adding a creative element to our away day really did give us a chance to relax and engage with each other in a way we couldn't have back in work. We all enjoyed making something we could take away as a memento of our day together."
>
> Dan Lewis, Critical Care Charge Nurse

To help combat the stress and burnout amongst staff, the critical care team at Royal Sussex County Hospital arranged a team away day on 1 October 2021, to create a space to come together, reflect and regroup after an incredibly intensive period of providing patient care.

Dan Lewis, Critical Care Charge Nurse, said, "Our team has been working very long days and was under huge pressure throughout the pandemic. We needed a day away from the challenges on the unit to support each other, and a part of that was holding an arts and craft session to help us decompress."

The cost of art supplies provided by the Charity, is a great example of how a small spend can make a big difference. Studies clearly show that creative work is really important to mental health, and can also increase feelings of resilience and alleviate anxiety, depression and stress. The Charity's support forms part of a wider wellbeing initiative at the Trust called 'Onward Arts', which seeks to improve the experience of patients, visitors and staff and create a healing hospital environment for all.

During the session, the Critical Care team were able to talk through their personal and shared experiences on the unit, the impact of losing patients and the joy of helping them recover and return home.

Dan added, "Adding a creative element to our away really did give us a chance to relax and engage with each other in a way we couldn't have back in work. We all enjoyed making something we could take away as a memento of our day together."

Pastoral Support for Staff

Total spent: £4,900



At UHSussex, our Chaplains play an important role in providing confidential support for anyone in our hospitals. Whether related to faith or not, they are available to talk through anything and provide a non-judgemental and listening ear. This is particularly important for staff who can request an informal conversation or make a self-referral if they need advice and support.

> Unsurprisingly, we've seen an increase in staff reaching out through the pandemic. They were stressed, anxious and very tired from caring for patients and their families, but with very little time to care for themselves. We really needed to increase the pastoral support to meet this need."
>
> Reverend Joanna Elliot, Trust Chaplain

As part of the health and wellbeing programme at the Trust, the **BSUH Charity** was approached by the chaplaincy team to provide funding for additional pastoral support for one day a week for six months.

Reverend Joanna Elliot said, "We are committed to providing confidential, independent support and information to all staff here at the Trust. Unsurprisingly, we've seen an increase in staff reaching out through the pandemic. They were stressed, anxious and very tired from caring for patients and their families, but with very little time to care for themselves. We really needed to increase the pastoral support to meet this need."

Additional support started in January 2022 with positive feedback including interactions with over 200 staff members in the four months since the beginning of the year, and 93 one-to-one support sessions with staff up until March. It was reported that the highest number of staff who sought pastoral counsel came from Accident and Emergency followed by AAU, Theatres and Intensive Care.

As well as individual sessions, the additional pastoral support worker had also conducted two team debrief sessions, starting with one hour as a group and then one-to-one time with each staff member if required. Follow up with line managers has been encouraged where appropriate and provision of ongoing support put in place.

Jump for the Bump

Total raised: £14,976.52



For our maternity units here at the Trust, the pandemic presented plenty of challenges. Visiting restrictions during lockdown had been difficult for expectant families, and supporting women in labour with social distancing measures in place was hard for staff too.

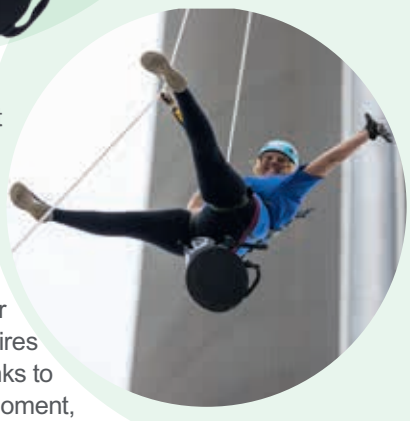
When Maternity Rota Co-ordinator, Katie Collett, first laid eyes on an advert for the British Airways i360 abseil, she immediately saw a great opportunity to boost morale amongst her colleagues and raise funds for the maternity services at The Royal Sussex County Hospital too.

Katie said, “It’s been such a trying and testing year through the pandemic and I thought this would be a really positive experience for us all to get involved with. I just knew it would do us the world of good.”

Made up of sixteen midwives, health care assistants and nurses, team ‘Jump for the Bump’ was born with each staff member signing up to take on the 450 foot drop down one of South of England’s most iconic landmarks.

Staff abseiler, Sophie Standing, said, “Katie posted on our work Facebook group and I decided I wanted a challenge in my life. I’d given birth to my daughter during the first lockdown and also supported our patients through their own birthing journeys, so I understood how it felt to be on both sides. Taking on the abseil meant I could give something back to the unit and acknowledge local families who hadn’t had the best of maternity experiences due to COVID-19 restrictions.”

The response to the call for participants was so positive, that the team had to split their abseils over two days. On 11 September 2021, Katie, Sophie and the larger team made the ascent up the i360 looking out over Brighton and beyond.



“There was a mixed vibe of excitement and nervousness amongst the team,” said Sophie. “We’d had a training session on the ground and now we were really doing it. They opened a side section of the pod we were in and one-by-one we were dangling in the air high above the pavement below. My wires got a bit tangled on the way down thanks to a gust of wind, so there was a scary moment, but we all got down safely and it was amazing to hear colleagues cheering each other on as they reached the ground!”

The first team completed their abseil on in July 2021 bringing the grand total raised to more than £14,900 to support maternity patients and improve the staff room environment.

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>
> Sophie Standing, Midwife



Great Barnum's Bonanza Ball

Total raised: £6,000



To honour the hard work and dedication of NHS staff throughout COVID-19, Brighton Regency 10, a local group who thrive in giving back to the local community, chose **BSUH Charity** as the main beneficiary for their Great Barnum's Bonanza Ball. The charity gala event, which has been running for 20 years, took place on Saturday 4th September after it was postponed the previous year amid the pandemic.

James Mortimer of Brighton Round Table said, "We really want to thank our front-line workers for all they have done for the city by putting on an amazing show for them. From NHS staff to carers, bus drivers to waste disposal officers, police to retail workers and fire officers to delivery drivers, they all deserve our thanks."

Hosted at The Grand Hotel in Brighton, guests were treated to live music, a three-course meal and spectacular circus-themed acts, including a wow-factor performance from World Record Holder, Daniella D'Ville, with a bed of nail and sword balancing. A silent-auction, virtual racing, raffles and head and tails helped to bring the overall total raised from the event to a fantastic £6,000.

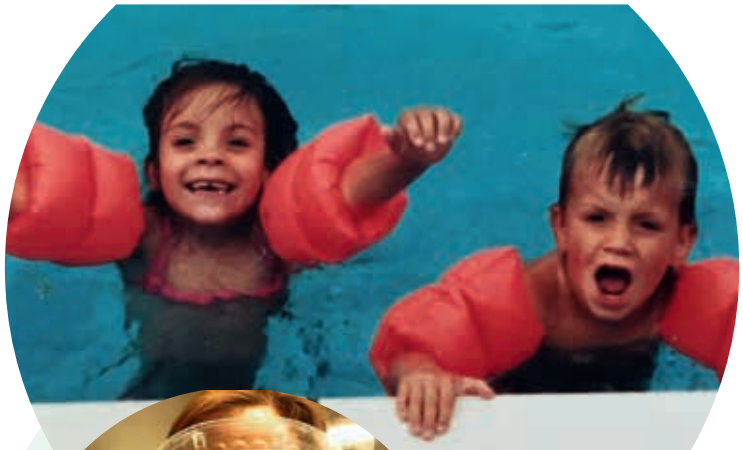
Co-organiser, Dave Moon, said, "We pride ourselves not only on raising funds for the local community, but also on giving everyone a really fun night out they will remember forever. This year we want key workers to have that opportunity too – the people who put their lives at risk to keep our communities safe and functioning."

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Co-organiser Dave Moon, Brighton Round Table

Annie's Big Swim

Total raised: £17,775.87



With my brother enjoying a swim!



I love my work with patients at the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital

On Christmas Eve 2018, as Deputy Sister, Annie Shotton got ready for her last shift at the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital before the festive break, she left a written note for her three children to wake up to. It read, "Happy Christmas Eve, my babes. I love you and I can't wait to see you after work for stockings. P.S. I am going to swim to France in 2021!"

After a tough year, Annie wanted to do something significant with the next phase of her life and, driven by her lifelong passion for swimming, she officially set herself the challenge of swimming across the English Channel to support the hospital she has been a part of for 13 years.



My wetsuit came in handy on those cold sea swimming sessions

"People don't really want to spend time in hospital, but sometimes we just have to and I count it as such a privilege that I get to try and make that time as good as it can be," said Annie. "I wanted to raise funds so that we can go above and beyond in our care and provision for all the children and families that come through the doors of the Alex."

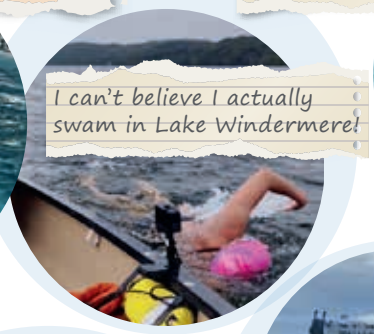


My family were such a huge support through it all

As the New Year rolled in, the serious business of training got underway. Each week, Annie pushed herself to swim for longer periods starting at one hour and 30 minutes covering 4,500m, then two hours over 6,000m. Investing in swim coaching, Annie fine-tuned her technique to increase stamina and reduce injury, and in August 2019, she embarked on her longest swim yet starting from Brighton Marina and reaching eight miles out to the Rampion Windfarm.

Ear infections, jelly fish attacks, an injured shoulder and COVID-19 followed. As the world shut down, Annie became ever more appreciative of the sea which remained accessible and very much open. The training continued amid difficult working conditions in PPE, family zoom calls and home schooling. In September 2020, Annie swam Lake Windermere in seven and a half hours (or 12,712 strokes), a massive undertaking and her longest swim to date.


Swim coaching helped to improve my technique and stamina


Training was hard some days and I wondered if I could really do it

I can't believe I actually swam in Lake Windermere!


Meeting a tanker on the world's busiest shipping route


As I set off from Dover, a large rainbow appeared and gave me hope!


France is finally in my sights!


I did it! I actually did it!


A final swim time of 12 hours and 45 minutes


A much-needed hug from my husband Dan

> I have been totally overwhelmed by the support, encouragement and donations from far and wide! I definitely would never have made it without my crew, so my biggest thanks and love to my husband, family and friends for supporting, encouraging and praying for me too. I had such a brilliant day on the swim and I'm so thankful that such a great amount of cash was raised. I can't wait to see all the good that it's going to do!"
>
> Annie Shotton,
> Deputy Sister and English Channel Swimmer

As 2021 rolled round, the reality of this once-in-a-lifetime challenge really set in. Annie had spent two and half years in training fighting injury and a pandemic to prepare her for taking on the world's busiest shipping lane. After a false start with bad weather, she finally got her chance to put all the practice into action and, on 3rd August 2021, she set off from the Samphire Hoe Beach in Diver at 6am.

Flanked by a boat and her support crew, including husband Dan and friends, Annie was kept going with regular snacks and drinks along the route as well as plenty of encouragement.

"There were a couple of points that felt really hard," she recalls. "I got a nasty sting from a jelly fish which made me cry! I knew I could stop at any time by putting both hands on the boat, but my training kicked in and I knew from experience that I could keep going."

After an incredible 12 hours and 45 minutes of non-stop swimming, Annie felt the sand beneath her feet as she walked out of the sea onto France soil, much to the amusement of beach-goers strolling by. If that wasn't enough of an achievement, Annie sailed past her initial fundraising target of £5,000 raising more than £17,700 to support care for young patients at the Royal Alexandra Hospital.

Board Directors of our Corporate Trustee

Our Board of Directors at University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ensure the Charity is supporting the objectives of the Trust and that we operate alongside the Trust, complementing its core work. All new Trustees receive an introduction to the Charity explaining their role in its operation. Those directly involved with the Charitable Funds Committee may receive additional specific training if required.

Non-Executive Directors



Alan McCarthy MBE DL
Chair of the Executive Appointments and Remuneration Committee
Chairman from 1-10-18
(Term of Office to 31-3-24)



Patrick Boyle
Chair of the People Committee & Chair of the Systems & Partnerships Committee
Deputy Chair from 1-6-21
(Term of Office to 19-1-2024)



Joanna Crane
Chair of the Quality Committee
Senior Independent Director
(Term of Office to 30-6-2022)



Jon Furmston
Chair of the Audit Committee
(Term of Office to 30-6-2022)



Lizzie Peers
Chair of the Sustainability Committee & Chair of Charitable Funds Committee
(Term of Office to 10-5-2023)



Jackie Cassell
Chair of the Patient Committee
(Term of Office to 31-3-2024)



Denise Holt
Non-Executive Director
(Term of Office 1-7-2021 to 7-3-2022)



David Curley
Non-Executive Director & Chair of the Trust's Audit Committee
(Term of Office from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2025)



Lucy Bloem
Non-Executive Director
(Term of Office 1-9-2021 to 30-6-2024)



Kirstin Baker
Non-Executive Director
(Term of Office 1-4-2021 to 31-5-2021)



Claire Keatinge
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(Term of Office 1-7-2021 to 30-6-2024)



Mike Rymer
Non-Executive Director
(Term of Office 1-4-2021 to 31-5-2021)



Bindesh Shah
Non-Executive Director
(Term of Office from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2025)



Lillian Philip
Associate Non-Executive Director
(Term of Office to 29-4-2023)
(non-voting member of the board)

Executive Directors



Dame Marianne Griffiths
Chief Executive
(to 31 March 2022)



Dr George Findlay
Chief Executive
(from 1 June 2022 previously Seconded to Medway NHS FT from 30 April 2021)



Karen Geoghegan
Chief Financial Officer



Pete Landstrom
Chief Delivery and Strategy Officer
(to 31 March 2022)



Dr Rob Haig
Interim Chief Medical Officer
(from 1 September 2022)



Kate Slemeck
Managing Director – East
(for the period 1 September 2021 to 4 February 2022)



Professor William Roche
Interim Chief Medical Officer
(for the period 1 May 2021 to 31 December 2021)



Carolyn Morrice
Chief Nurse
(for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 August 2021)



Denise Farmer
Culture and Organisational & Development Officer
Director (non-voting member of the Board to 31 March 2022)



Dr Maggie Davies
Chief Nurse



David Grantham
Chief People Officer
(from 14 July 2021)



Dr Andy Heeps
Deputy Chief Executive & Chief Operating Officer
(previously interim CEO from 1 April 2022 until 31 May 2022)



Dr Charlotte Hopkins
Chief Medical Officer
(from 1 January 2022 until 31 August 2022)



Darren Grayson
Chief Governance Officer
(from 2 March 2022)

**Member of the Charitable Funds Committee*

Structure, Governance and Management

Overview

The Charitable Funds are registered with the Charity Commission (no.1050864) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Funds are registered as an umbrella charity, the governing document being a trust deed dated 8 September 1995 as amended by Statutory Instrument 2003/866.

The charity is constituted of 200 individual funds as at 31 March 2022 (2021: 204) and the notes to the accounts distinguish the types of fund held and disclose separately all material funds.

Charitable funds received by the charity are accepted, held and administered as funds and property held on trust for purposes relating to the health service in accordance with the National Health Service Act 2006 and these funds are held on trust by the corporate body.

Corporate Trustee

On 1 April 2021, Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust acquired the assets, liabilities and operations of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust, forming University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust through a merger by acquisition under section 56A of the NHS Act 2006.

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust acted in the capacity as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds governed by the law applicable to Trusts, principally the Trustee Act 2000 and the Charities Act 2011.

Management of Funds

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund is governed by a Trust deed. The Corporate Trustee is the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Trust Board, whilst retaining overall responsibility for the management of the funds in its capacity as Corporate Trustee, delegates responsibility to the Charitable Funds Committee. The day to day management is provided by the Charity Director and individual fund managers.

The Trust Board of the Corporate Trustee comprises Executive and Non-Executive members. Non-Executive members of the Board are appointed by the NHS Appointments Commission and Executive members of the Board are subject to recruitment by the Trust Board of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

The Corporate Trustee fulfils its legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objectives of each fund. By designating funds the Corporate Trustee respects the wishes of donors to benefit patient care and advance good health and welfare of patients, carers and staff.

The Financial Accounts Department of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust, which is located in Brighton General Hospital, Elm Grove, Brighton BN2 3EW, is responsible for the day to day financial management and accounting for the charitable funds during the year.

Structure and Governance

The Charity is considered to be a subsidiary for accounting purposes of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ("Trust"), an organisation established in the United Kingdom.

The Trust has assessed its relationship to the charitable fund and determined it to be a subsidiary because the Trust is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns and other benefits for itself, patients and staff from its involvement with the charitable fund and has the ability to affect those returns and other benefits through its power over the fund.

The charitable fund's statutory accounts are prepared to 31 March in accordance with the UK Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) which is based on UK Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102. On consolidation, necessary adjustments are made to the charity's assets, liabilities and transactions to:

- recognise and measure them in accordance with the Trust's accounting policies and
- eliminate intra-group transactions, balances, gains and losses.

The Trust's principal purpose is to provide healthcare services for patients and service users in England.

Where funds are received which have specific restrictions set by the donor and a suitable fund is not in existence, a new restricted fund is established.

The charity holds four endowment funds which are capital in perpetuity, the income from which may be used for any purpose other than general maintenance of the hospitals.

The charity produces an induction pack for newly appointed members of the Trust Board. This pack provides information about the charity, including the Corporate Trustee's annual report and accounts, budgets, policies and minutes, and information about trusteeship, including Charity Commission booklet CC3, The Essential Trustee.

Structure, Governance and Management *continued*

Risk Management

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is the possible losses from a fall in the value of the investments and the level of reserves available to mitigate the impact of such losses.

The value of the investments is regularly monitored with the assistance of the Charity's investment advisers and there are procedures in place to ensure that both spending and firm financial commitments remain in line with income.

Objectives and Activities

The principal objective of the charity is for any charitable purpose relating to the NHS wholly or mainly for the services provided by University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

During the year the funds continued to support a wide range of health related activities benefiting both patients and staff. In general they are used to purchase additional goods and services that the NHS is unable to provide, for example much needed medical equipment. The funds also enable consultants and other medical staff to attend training courses not funded by the NHS. Specific research is also funded. The Corporate Trustee confirms that the activities undertaken and planned future activities are in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the charity's legal purpose.

Reserves Policy

It is the Charity's intention to commit income in the year that it is received. It may do this by designation of resources to long term projects or by the allocation of monies to grants. Monies not needed for immediate use are 'pooled' and invested in line with the Charity's investment policy.

Members of the Charitable Funds Committee receive information on commitments against various funds and review the detail on the level of reserves and the reason for their retention on a half yearly basis. The day to day monitoring of the policy is the responsibility of the delegated Director and fund managers who are expected to bring any issues to the attention of the Corporate Trustee.

Investment Policy

The investment portfolio is managed on a full discretionary basis by Sanlam UK Wealth who acts as the Trustee's nominee.

The Trustee's overall investment objective is to maintain capital in real terms and maximise income. It is the Trustee's policy that no direct investment shall be made in tobacco related shares, in companies listed under alcoholic beverages or anything which does not comply with the aims and ideals of the NHS.

The Charity's funds as at 31 March 2022 were £13.58 million (2021: £13.60 million) of which £1.20 million (2021: £1.24 million) were restricted funds, £11.90 million (2021: £11.89 million) unrestricted and £0.47 million (2021: £0.47 million) endowment. The level of reserves and expenditure plans are reviewed annually to ensure that the Charity expenditure is in line with income and reduces the level of reserves held.

A Review of our Finances, Achievements and Performance

The net assets of the Charitable Funds as at 31 March 2022 were £13.58 million (2021: £13.60 million). This is a reflection of the additional contributions made towards charitable activities, an upturn in the value of investments and an increase in Charitable activities expenditure, particularly Capital Grants.

The charity continues to rely on donations, legacies and investment income as the main sources of income. Total income during the year was £1.24 million (2021: £1.61 million).

Of the total expenditure of £2.57 million (2021 £2.06 million), charitable expenditure on direct charitable activity amounted to £2.38 million (2021: £1.80 million) which includes staff and patient welfare, training and capital grants.

Staff Training and Welfare

Expenditure relating to staff welfare was £0.27 million (2021: £0.39 million) whilst staff training costs was £0.05 million (2021: £0.08 million). Training costs are attributed to external training courses, training related travel and attendance at conferences which the Trust would not normally provide.

Structure, Governance and Management *continued*

Patient Welfare

Expenditure on items for patient's welfare was £0.12 million (2021: £0.29 million). Patient welfare includes the provision of items of furniture, fittings and medical equipment.

Capital Grants

For all building or equipment purchases costing more than £5,000 the applicant must detail what benefit it will provide and it must be approved by the Trust's Capital Investment Group.

Expenditure on capital projects during the year was £1.92 million (2021: £0.89 million) and a list of the Capital Grants is set out in note 4.

Investments

The Corporate Trustee invests its charitable funds with Sanlam UK Wealth with the objective of achieving a balance between income and capital growth.

The valuation of the fund was:

	31 March 2022 £	31 March 2021 £	Gain %
Value of fund	**15,368**	**14,062**	**9.29%**

Future Plans

The priorities for spending charitable funds will be largely influenced by the 5 year strategic plan and future needs of the Trust.

Public Benefit

In awarding grants the Corporate Trustee is aware of its responsibilities under charity law in ensuring the maintenance of public benefit in all aspects of its work. Funding patient and staff welfare, improvements and amenities is, by definition, meeting public benefit.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's purpose and goals in their plans for future activities.

Thank you for your support

On behalf of the staff and patients who have benefited from improved services and facilities as a result of donations and legacies we would like to thank all patients, relatives and staff who have made charitable donations.

Approved on behalf of the Corporate Trustee

Name Karen Geoghegan

Dated 10 November 2022

Name Lizzie Peers

Dated 10 November 2022

Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the funds held on trust and to enable it to ensure that the accounts comply with requirements in the Charities Act 2011 and those outlined in the directions issued by the Secretary of State;
- establishing and monitoring a system of internal control;
- establishing arrangements for prevention and detection of fraud and corruption; and
- safeguarding assets and ensuring their proper application under charity law.

The Corporate Trustee is required under the Charities Act 2011 to prepare accounts for each financial year. The Secretary of State, with the approval of the Treasury, directs that these accounts give a true and fair view of the financial position of the funds held on trust, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. In preparing those accounts, the Corporate Trustee is required to:

- apply on a consistent basis accounting policies laid down by the Secretary of State with the approval of the Treasury;
- make judgements and estimates which are responsible and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 27 to 33 have been compiled from and are in accordance with the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

By Order of the Corporate Trustee signed:

Name *Karen Geoghegan*

Dated **10 November 2022**

Name *Lizzie Peers*

Dated **10 November 2022**

Report of the Independent Auditors

to the trustees of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Corporate Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Corporate Trustee with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Report of the Independent Auditors *continued*

to the trustees of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the Corporate Trustee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Corporate Trustee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Corporate Trustee is responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Corporate Trustee either intends to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charity through discussions with the Corporate Trustee and other management, and from our commercial knowledge and experience of charities ;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the company, including
  - Charities SORP FRS 102,
  - Data protection laws (including UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR))
  - Anti-bribery
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

Report of the Independent Auditors *continued*

to the trustees of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims; and
- reviewing legal costs for any potential claims.

There was no contradictory evidence found.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Corporate Trustee, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Corporate Trustee those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the Corporate Trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

For and on behalf of



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Statutory Auditors
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Date 28/11/22

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 March 2022

		Year ended 31 March 2022				
	Note	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Total Funds 2021 £
Income and endowments from						
Donations, legacies and other income		950,854	–	–	**950,854**	1,325,560
Investment income	2	293,408	–	–	**293,408**	280,887
Total		**1,244,262**	**–**	**–**	**1,244,262**	1,606,447
Expenditure on:						
Administrative expenses	3	196,055	–	–	**196,055**	261,744
Charitable Activities:						
Patient		118,360	501	–	**118,861**	290,849
Staff		267,253	76	–	**267,329**	384,717
Training		34,657	14,955	–	**49,612**	81,744
Misc		17,877	67	–	**17,944**	149,866
Capital Grants		1,897,281	24,000	–	**1,921,281**	892,417
Total		2,531,484	39,599	–	**2,571,082**	2,061,337
Net gains/(losses) on investments		1,305,923	–	–	**1,305,923**	2,454,846
Net income/(expenditure)		18,702	(39,599)	–	**(20,897)**	1,999,956
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		11,885,960	1,241,740	470,911	**13,598,611**	11,598,655
Transfer between Funds		–	–	–	**–**	–
Total funds carried forward		**11,904,622**	**1,202,141**	**470,911**	**13,577,714**	**13,598,611**

The Notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Position

For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Total Funds 2021 £
Fixed Assets						
Investments	6	13,695,189	1,202,141	470,911	**15,368,241**	14,062,317
Total Fixed Assets						
Current Assets						
Debtors	7	390,338	–	–	**390,338**	151,954
Cash at bank and in hand		28,909	–	–	**28,909**	23,324
		419,247	–	–	**419,247**	175,278
Creditors						
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(2,209,774)	–	–	**(2,209,774)**	(638,984)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		(1,790,527)			**(1,790,527)**	(463,706)
Total assets less current liabilities		11,904,662	1,202,141	470,911	**13,577,714**	13,598,611
Net Assets		11,904,662	1,202,141	470,911	**13,577,714**	13,598,611
Funds	9					
Unrestricted funds:						
General fund					**11,904,662**	11,885,960
Restricted funds:						
Restricted					**1,202,141**	1,241,740
Endowment funds:						
Endowment					**470,911**	470,911
Total Funds					**13,577,714**	**13,598,611**

The Notes form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of the Corporate Trustee on and were signed on its behalf by:

Name *Karen Geoghegan*

Dated **10 November 2022**

Name *Lizzie Peers*

Dated **10 November 2022**

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ending 31 March 2022

	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net Movement in Funds	**(20,897)**	1,999,956
Income from Investments	**(293,408)**	(280,887)
Net (gains)/losses on Investments	**(1,305,923)**	(2,454,846)
Increase in Trade and Other Receivables	**(238,384)**	(130,560)
Increase in Trade and Other Payables	**1,570,789**	483,659
Net Cash (used in) Operating Activities	**(287,823)**	(382,678)
Cash flows from Investing Activities:		
Investment Income from Investments	**293,408**	280,887
Net cash provided by Investing Activities	**293,408**	280,887
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period	**5,585**	(101,792)
Net (decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	**5,585**	(101,792)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the period	**23,324**	125,116
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the year end	**28,909**	23,324

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2022

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis after consideration by the Corporate Trustee that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Such consideration includes a review of committed income and expenditures, cash flows and reserves. The Corporate Trustee does not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

Changes in accounting policies

There has been no change in the basis of accounting for the year.

Income and endowments

All income and endowments, including legacies, are recognised in line with FRS102 and this is based upon the Charity having a recognised legal entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received and that the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated income recorded in the accounts is solely that which has been receipted via the cashier's office or credited directly into the Charity bank account by the donor.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Grants are only made to related NHS bodies and non NHS bodies in the furtherance of charitable activities.

Cost of generating funds

Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities

Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in pursuit of the objects of the charity, including education and training and grant support to University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust in support of a range of charitable activities.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs have been allocated to the Unrestricted funds.

Irrecoverable vat

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Funds structure

The funds are classified in the accounts in three categories, Restricted, Unrestricted and Endowment Funds.

Restricted Funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor and/or the Corporate Trustee at the inception of the fund.

Unrestricted funds are those which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Unrestricted funds include designated funds which are not legally restricted but which the Corporate Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes.

Endowment funds are funds where the capital is held in perpetuity to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent. The income earned on these funds will be categorised as restricted or unrestricted according to the restrictions imposed by the donor.

Realised gain and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities at the year end. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sale proceeds and book cost. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening market value (or purchase if later).

Pooling Scheme

An official pooling scheme is operated for investments relating to Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Funds which is regulated by the Declaration of Trust dated 1 February 2005.

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

For the year ended 31 March 2022

2. Investment income

	2022 £	2021 £
Investment income	**293,408**	280,887

3. Administrative expenses

	2022 £	2021 £
Administrative expenses	**196,055**	261,744

The Audit Fee of £12,000 is included in the above Administrative expenses (2021: £12,000).

4. Capital grants

All grants are made to University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust and the Corporate Trustee operates a scheme of delegation, through which a grant funded activity is managed by fund holders responsible for the day to day administration of their funds. The Charity does not make grants to individuals. The grants received by, the beneficiary was as follows:

	£
Electronic Discharge Planer	18,000
Ultrasound Machine	17,556
Urology Chair	9,872
Orsim Bronchospic Trainer	24,000
Heroes Lounge	16,937
Volumetric Pumps	11,970
Cooling Mattress	15,150
Holmium Laser Enucleation	40,498
Seating (OPD)	10,798
Robotic Assisted Surgery	1,756,500
Total	**1,921,281**

5. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

The Corporate Trustee did not receive any remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Trustees' expenses

The Charity did not pay any expenses to the Corporate Trustee neither for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

6. Fixed asset investments

	Listed Investments £
Market value	
At 1 April 2021	14,062,317
Net gains	1,305,923
At 31 March 2022	15,368,240
Net book value	
At 31 March 2022	15,368,240
At 31 March 2021	14,062,317

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

For the year ended 31 March 2022

7. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	–	–
Other debtors	**390,338**	151,954
	390,338	151,954

8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Intercompany balance with UH Sussex NHS Foundation Trust	**2,189,397**	620,804
Other creditors	**20,377**	18,180
	2,209,774	638,984

9. Contingent liabilities

At 31 March 2022 there were no contingent liabilities in the Charity (2021 Nil).

10. Related party disclosures

The Charity is considered to be a subsidiary for accounting purposes of University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust ("Trust"), an organisation established in the United Kingdom, because the Trust is deemed to exercise control in accordance with IFRS10 requirements. The Trust's principal purpose is to provide healthcare services for patients and service users in England.

Pharm@Sea Limited is also a member of the group structure. However, the Charity has no transactions with this company.

During the year the following capital grants totalling £1,921,281 (2021: £892,417) were made to the Trust.

The Trust recharged £196,055 as support for administering the Charity during the year (2021: £261,744)

The intercompany balance which is owed to the Trust is shown in note 8 above.

Notes to the Financial Statements *continued*

For the year ended 31 March 2022

11. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities (31 March 2021)

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	2021 Total funds £
Income and endowments from					
Donations, legacies and other income		1,325,560	–	–	1,325,560
Investment income	2	280,887	–	–	280,887
Total		1,606,447	–	–	1,606,447
Expenditure on					
Administrative expenses	3	261,744	–	–	261,744
Charitable activities					
Patient		285,640	5,209	–	290,849
Staff		358,748	25,969	–	384,717
Training		32,173	49,571	–	81,744
Misc		148,549	1,317	–	149,866
Capital grants		840,217	52,200	–	892,417
Total		**1,927,071**	**134,266**	**–**	**2,061,337**
Net gains/(losses) on investments		**2,454,846**	–	**–**	**2,454,846**
Net income/(expenditure)		**2,134,222**	**(134,266)**	**–**	**1,999,956**
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total funds brought forward		**9,751,738**	**1,376,006**	**470,900**	**11,598,655**
Transfer between Funds		**–**	–	**–**	**–**
Total funds carried forward		**11,885,960**	**1,241,740**	**470,911**	**13,598,611**

12. Post balance sheet events

COVID-19

The outbreak of the COVID-19 virus occurred caused a global pandemic which was recognised by the World Health Organisation (WHO). In respect of the current COVID 19 situation the Charity has reviewed its business and has been relatively unaffected by this and therefore have made no adjustments to the accounts. We expect the situation not to have an impact on the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The Corporate Trustee continues to monitor the situation as it changes and will react to further developments accordingly.

Merger decision

As we move forward, we are about to enter a period of change as the BSUH Charity readies for it's merger with Western Sussex Hospitals Charity (trading as **Love Your Hospital** (**LYH**)), the dedicated Charity for three hospitals across West Sussex: Worthing, St Richard's and Southlands Hospitals. This merger has come about as a result of the wider Trust amalgamation and has been approved by the Corporate Trustees of both charities. To this end, the BSUH Charity team will be working with it's **LYH** colleagues to build an all-new Trust wide charity; one that will continue to support The Royal Sussex County, Princess Royal, Sussex Eye and Royal Alexandra Children's Hospitals whilst also supporting the greater Trust-wide enhancements to patient and staff experience.

Material decline in the market value of investments

After the balance sheet date, the investment portfolio held with Sanlam LLP reduced in value following world events such as the war in Ukraine. At the 30th September 2022, the investment portfolio had fallen in value by £1,572,210 (10.2%). As stated in the Trustees' Annual Report, the Charity continues to take a long-term view of its investments and seeks to avoid short-term measures that would limit its longer-term impact solely because of the market movements. As a result, the Charity is taking the necessary steps to ensure that its finances are effectively managed.

Administration details and professional advisors

Registered name:

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund

Working names:

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals Charity
BSUH Charity

Registered address:

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The Sussex Eye Hospital
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The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 have been prepared by the Corporate Trustee in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. The Charity's report and accounts include all the separately established funds for which the Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust is the sole beneficiary.



Lizzie Peers
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee

Message from the Chair

I am delighted to present the BSUH Charity Annual Report and Accounts 2020/21. In what has been a profoundly difficult year for so many in the NHS and beyond, the charity has made a real difference to the lives of patients and staff.

Our income for 2020/21 was £1.61 million pounds. This is a remarkable achievement, given the obvious fundraising challenges presented by a global pandemic and national lockdown. This would simply not have been possible without the support of our brilliant donors and creative fundraisers alike.

Further on in the document you will find the detailed accounts, showing just how this money has been invested to make things better across our four hospitals: The Royal Sussex County, The Royal Alexandra Children's, The Princess Royal and The Sussex Eye Hospitals.

This income was also significantly boosted by the incredible community response to the BSUH Charity *Help Our Hospitals Fight Covid-19* campaign, which will be showcased throughout this report.

You may also be aware that on 1st April 2021 Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (WSHT) and Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals Trust (BSUH) merged to become University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust. BSUH Charity is continuing in its current form until further notice - dedicated to University Hospitals Sussex and supporting our four hospitals.

Following the merger, my colleague Kirstin Baker will be taking over as Chair of the Charitable Funds Committee for the new merged trust. I'd like to offer a warm welcome to Kirstin, and look forward to seeing what great things can be achieved in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a heart-felt thank you to all the fundraisers, donors and volunteers who have supported us this year. The Annual Report is our chance to demonstrate just how much of a difference the charity has made, and can continue to make, with the invaluable backing of our supporters.

Lizzie Peers
Chair of Charitable Funds Committee



Sarah Tasker
Director BSUH Charity

Message from the Director

It has been a year like no other. Through a difficult time, BSUH Charity has continued to make a difference for patients and staff across our four hospitals.

In March 2020, the UK went into its first lockdown, as a result of the global spread of Covid-19. The effects of the virus were far-reaching and devastating, and had a profound impact on staff and patients at hospitals across the country. Existing charity plans for the year were, of course, either majorly disrupted or cancelled, as the country battled to curb the infection rate.

Many in-person charity events, individual fundraisers and community mass participation events all had to be cancelled. It was set to be an extremely challenging year.

However, we were overwhelmed by the collective community desire to support the people at our hospitals through these unprecedented times. It was this support that led us to launch our *Help Our Hospitals Fight Covid-19* campaign on March 30th 2020.

To date, we have raised an incredible £0.59 million pounds through the Covid-19 fund alone. Alongside this, we were also the beneficiary of a number of grants totalling £0.265 million pounds from the central NHS Charities Together Covid-19 appeal. This received a massive boost from the fundraising efforts of Sir Captain Tom Moore.

Alongside our Covid fund, our general fund continued to enable important purchases at our hospitals. One major example of this is the provision of a brand new mobile breast screening unit for the Brighton, Hove and East Sussex Breast Screening Service. The vehicle, funded solely by donations to BSUH Charity, is fitted out with state of the art Mammography equipment and new changing facilities, ensuring a calmer experience for all.

We continue to connect with team members, hospitals, departments and wards across sites, to understand the ways in which charity funds can make things better.

It was the year where everything changed, but it was also the year that the nation got behind our beloved NHS. We are so pleased to have this opportunity to say thank you and to showcase the far-reaching impact of your support.

Sarah Tasker
Director BSUH Charity

The Year in Numbers

£2.06 million

Total charitable expenditure

inc. staff and patient welfare, training and capital grants

£0.47m
Staff welfare and training

This includes additional staff training to enable staff to provide even better care

£0.29m
Patient welfare

Patient welfare represents contributions made to towards patient experience at our hospitals

£0.89m
Capital Grants

Examples

£0.4m	Breast Screening Vehicle
£0.1m	Reporting workstations

Please see note 4 of accounts

ABOUT BSUH CHARITY

Our vision: to improve the experience of every patient

Our core priorities:

- Creating more patient-friendly environments
- Providing equipment for diagnosis and treatment
- Supporting staff development to provide even better care
- Advancing our understanding through research projects

Our Hospitals: we are dedicated to raising funds for our four local hospitals.

BSUH Charity Royal Sussex County Hospital making it better

BSUH Charity Princess Royal Hospital making it better

BSUH Charity Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital making it better

BSUH Charity Sussex Eye Hospital making it better

How we helped: Launching our Covid-19 Relief Fund

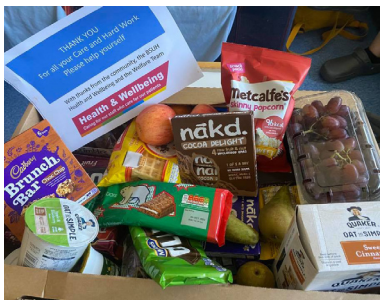
Upon launching the Covid-19 fund in March 2020, the immediate focus was on supporting staff on the front line across hospitals. The charity team moved quickly to set up the relevant campaign materials and communications to enable us to spread the word.

As community donations began to be made, the fund was further boosted by additional grant support from the central NHS Charities Together fund.

Initial spend was focused on smaller comfort items, which would have the biggest impact on improving staff wellbeing:

- Hand creams and water bottles were purchased and allocated amongst staff
- Quiet rooms were set up - solely for staff use - creating calm areas where staff could grab a few moments of rest
- Covers for electronic tablets were provided. This enabled staff and patients to communicate with loved ones while visiting restrictions were in place





Our supportive community also sent in a wide assortment of non-financial donations. With the food, drinks and toiletries received, we were able to make up care boxes; these were delivered to staff during the peak of the first wave.

Partnering with the Trust's Health and Wellbeing Team, we were able to deliver care boxes to over 2,000 staff across 57 areas on a regular basis; this included wards, outpatients, Allied Health Professionals, and Facilities and Estates.

Faye Heffernan, Engagement, Health and Wellbeing Manager said:



"We were able to achieve so much in supporting the welfare of our frontline staff, with the incredible support from the local community. Their kind donations enabled us to put together jam-packed boxes full of food, drinks and treats, which really helped to boost the spirits of our front-line staff in the most difficult of times."

How we helped:
Continuing to support staff through Covid-19

As the effects of the pandemic continued to be felt, staff at our hospitals had to embrace new ways of working. Longer shifts and personal protective equipment made working conditions increasingly difficult. Donations to the charity allowed us to make things a little easier for our staff, as they adapted to the changing working conditions.



- The cardiac team were provided with new blood pressure monitors. Patients could keep the monitors at home for a short period, enabling consultations to take place over the phone rather than in person, keeping staff and patients safer.
- Staff at Sussex Eye Hospital were able to purchase the equipment required to carry out additional safety tests around the infection risk posed by Covid-19 to staff during cataract surgery.
- Additional external supervision was provided for the palliative care team, so they could discuss any Covid-19 issues affecting them at work with a trusted impartial supervisor.
- Two new dummies were purchased by the manual handling team, to enable them to carry out safe demonstrations during periods of social distancing.



HELP Staff Counselling Service

The health and wellbeing of staff is a top priority for the trust. The charity continued to partner with the Health and Wellbeing team to carry out a staff wellbeing survey. This focused on questions around how staff thought charity funds could best be invested.

A recurring theme in staff feedback was the importance of mental health support. In response to this, £62,212 of charity money was spent on the ongoing funding and development of the Health Employee Learning and Psychotherapy (HELP) service.

The service provides staff with confidential support, counselling and psychotherapy to support them with a range of mental health challenges, an area of particular importance during the pandemic.

“The Charity Funds have had a positive impact on the HELP Service by enabling us to reduce waiting times and provide early intervention to our staff members (clients). This early intervention means that the staff’s psychological health does not deteriorate further whilst waiting for an appointment. The wider impact of the charity funds has meant that those staff who have been supported have maintained their own health thus enabling them to support/care for NHS patients, meaning everybody benefits.” Denise Guy-Davies, HELP Service Coordinator.

How we helped: Major purchases through our Covid-19 fund

As the year progressed, our Covid-19 fund continued to attract significant community support. This enabled the charity to invest in some larger-scale purchases, to make things better for patients and staff alike.

Study pods for the library



As a University Hospital, training and teaching is of fundamental importance. One of the core priorities of the charity is to support staff development, to enable the teams to provide even better care.

With medical student numbers on the rise, the library at the Audrey Emerton Building at the Royal Sussex County Hospital is set to become even busier over the coming year. £52,200 of charity funds were spent on the provision of four study pods and a purpose-built group study room, for the use of students at the library.

Educational upgrades became a necessity this year, as a result of the changing working landscape brought about by the pandemic and subsequent social distancing rules. These new pods allow people to work safely and privately, while still adhering to distancing measures when they are in place.

Ben Skinner, Head of Libraries, Knowledge and Learning Technology said:

"We were very pleased to be able to use charitable funding to purchase four new two-person study pods, which have increased the options for quiet study spaces in the library. Students and staff can now book out a pod if they need to work in pairs without disturbing others, or if they need a private space to make a Teams call. This will allow even more people to make use of our library spaces for research and study."





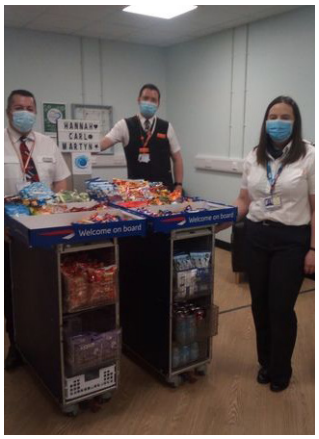
New staff room, fit for heroes



In February 2021, the *Heroes' Lounge* staff room was officially opened at the Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath, thanks to generous donations to the BSUH Charity Covid-19 campaign.

£49,321.28 was invested in the creation of the room, which provides a quiet space for staff to relax in with colleagues and take a moment's rest. *Project Wingman*, a charity run by airline pilots and crew, is also based at the Heroes' Lounge five days a week to support frontline-workers over a cup of tea, sharing experiences of working in a high-pressured environment.

A second staff room *The Bolthole* was also opened in May 2021, for staff at The Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton to enjoy.



FUNDRAISING ACHIEVEMENTS

The pandemic posed a raft of added challenges for fundraisers across the country. Many of the major annual charity fundraising events were put on hold or cancelled. The Brighton 10km, the Half Marathon and the Marathon were all delayed, modified or eventually cancelled. The annual charity abseil down the British Airways i360 in Brighton was also postponed for over a year.

However, not to be disheartened, the charity team and local community got creative and found unique ways to rise to the challenge. A wide range of imaginative fundraising ideas came to life, such as a virtual pet show, lockdown festivals, virtual quizzes and a read-a-thon.

Over one hundred JustGiving and Virgin Money pages were opened in 2020/21 for BSUH Charity. Many of these were set up by fundraisers specifically wanting to help support our Covid-19 campaign. These individuals raised £127,521.30 and some of their stories are below.



Kevin Keehan and Scott Kirkwood united footballers from across Sussex to 'Run 5km for the NHS'. The idea really caught on throughout the footballing community with players, supporters and referees from different teams all taking on the challenge. England Manager, Gareth Southgate, even made a surprise call to congratulate the guys on their fundraising. Over £50k was raised, with 3,285 supporters getting behind them – an outstanding achievement.



A group of Fathers and sons from a local football club, came together in a 'Clip for Carers' special fund-raiser, collectively shaving their heads for the NHS and raising £3k+ as a result. Darren Austin, who organised the activity said:

"Local NHS staff do an amazing job of looking after our community. This was our chance to help look after them."



David Moon-Watson hosted two online dance parties with a collective of DJs. Each show lasted ten hours and featured sets from some of the finest DJs from across Brighton and Hove. They raised over £2k and got a lot of people up and dancing from their lounges!

Joe Stilgoe is an 'internationally acclaimed singer, pianist and songwriter', who lives in Hove. Inspired by the work of his friends working in our hospitals during the winter wave, Joe performed a series of musical events, live from his shed and streamed via youtube.



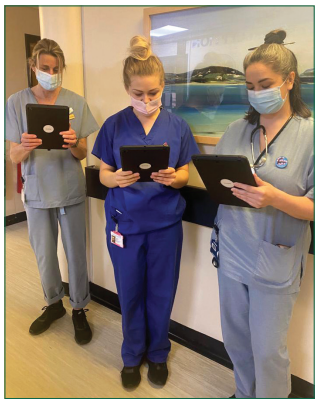
Alongside the shed sessions, which took place three times a week, Joe also organised a Mother's Day auction event. The auction had some super lots on offer, including tickets to see Rob Brydon or for Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club.

Joe and his supporters raised over £20k, which was used to provide front-line staff with hot meals. Joe said:

"Having recently been looked after by the brilliant staff at The Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton, I wanted to do my part to help the NHS go above and beyond, as they deal with the pandemic. The staff at the trust do a phenomenal job of looking after our community."

More ways we have helped

The front-line teams adapted heroically to the constantly shifting demands placed on them by the continuing pandemic. This meant that from September 2020, the charity was able to expand support to other services, wards and departments across the four hospitals.



Badgernet Maternity Software

£29,920 of charity funds were invested in purchasing Badgernet - a modern maternity software programme. The programme enables women, people and healthcare professionals to access their maternity information right through the pregnancy journey and following delivery.

Badgernet is a full end-to-end electronic maternity patient record, meaning clinicians can now access a pregnant woman or person or new parent's appointments, clinical care history, blood results and scans all in one place. The system allows real-time recording of all events wherever they occur: in the hospital, the community, or at home. Midwife Stephanie Moss said:

"Badgernet helps to ease communication between professionals and reduce the amount of double documentation that can occur. It also comes with a 'patient portal' so that women and people can view and access their own maternity records online, helping to empower them to feel more involved in their care."

Onward Arts

Onward Arts is the permanent arts programme for our hospitals, and is funded by BSUH Charity. From May this year, the charity also provided funding for a fixed-term post for an Arts Project Manager who will coordinate this work, focusing on improving existing healthcare environments, and the wellbeing of staff through arts engagement.

Chapel Refurbishment

One of the projects the new Onwards Arts Coordinator has helped to deliver is the refurbishment of the Chapel space at The Princess Royal Hospital. A further £8,867.74 of charity funds have been spent on modernising the chapel, to enhance the room and create a multi-purpose space.The addition of a new green carpet, forest wall mural, new plants and sage green furniture have all helped to bring the outside in, enhancing the air of tranquillity at the room. New prayer mats have also been installed in the Muslim Prayer Room on site.







Joanna Elliot, Lead Chaplain at Royal Sussex County and Princess Royal Hospitals said:

"The aspiration was to create a space that was different from the rest of the hospital, a calming place that could be used to reflect and recharge. We wanted to create a Chapel and rest space together. The room has a dual purpose – to fit the different needs within a hospital setting. This is a space that is open to everyone, and the reaction has been really positive."

More ways we have helped

A new mobile unit for the Breast Screening Service





£378,100 of charity funds were spent on a new state-of-the-art mobile breast screening unit, for the Brighton, Hove and East Sussex Breast Screening Service.

The unit is fitted out with the latest Mammography kit, providing images that are of the highest quality in terms of sharpness and detail. Image readers can interpret images more clearly and more easily asses possible abnormalities.

Women from all over East Sussex between the ages of 50 – 70 can access the Well Woman breast screening service. This mobile unit is one of three that are at different sites around the county. Along with the cutting-edge medical kit, the unit also offers a covid-safe layout and new changing facilities.

Fiona Smith, Superintendent Radiographer for the service, said:

"The new Breast Screening mobile has enhanced the experience for the hundreds of local women attending for their screening mammograms. New changing facilities, wall mural, and a Covid-friendly layout, make a tremendous difference. This pleasant, well-designed space helps us to reduce anxiety and make for a calmer experience for all."

OSRIM Training Simulator for Anaesthetic Teams





In April 2021, £24,000 of charity funds were invested in the latest 'OSRIM' (operating room simulator) training device, for the Anaesthetic teams at the Royal Sussex County and Princess Royal Hospitals.

OSRIM is an augmented reality, state-of-the-art, training device that is designed to allow anaesthetists to practice flexible bronchoscopy. Simulation continues to gain importance in medical practice; it leads to better clinical skills and outcomes, allowing training to occur in a safe environment.

Dr. Tanya Hall, Advanced Trainee in Airway Management said:

"OSRIM is a fantastic addition to our training tools. It provides us with fidelity training so that we can continually hone our skills and keep up to date. The device supports us in providing excellent specialist care for our patients."

Examples of 2020-2021 fundraising activity

1. Horsted Keynes FC quite literally went *the extra mile*, to support local NHS staff. A team of footballers took 2.5 weeks to run the 1577km between Land's End and John o' Groates, raising £2,280 for their local hospital – The Princess Royal Hospital.

2. From March 2020, local Aikido instructor Paul Bonett took his lessons online, to help raise funds for the charity. For a whole year, he taught lessons seven days a week, and was the charity's longest serving fundraiser. He raised £2,305.67 and is now starting a new fundraising programme to support staff health and wellbeing.

3. Lauren Whitehead, 21, raised £837 for the Trevor Mann Baby Unit at Brighton's Royal Sussex County Hospital by parting with 18 inches of hair!

4. The Reed Recruitment team raised £1650 for the purchase of nibbles, toys and treats for the children at The Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital over Christmas 2020, in lieu of their annual advent calendar donation.

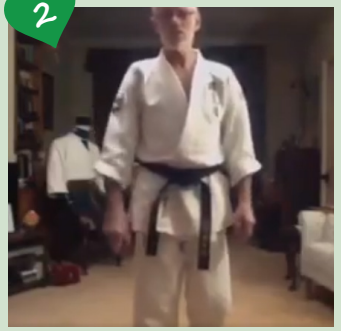
5. Jack, aged 8, walked 200 laps around his garden in memory of Sir Captain Tom Moore. He raised £1,500.

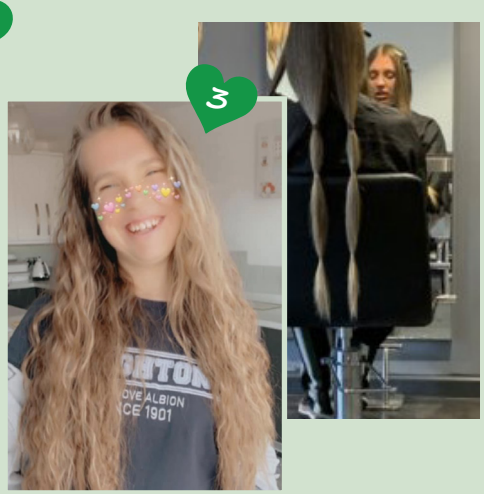
6. Nine-year-old Sebby took on a great trek to raise money for his local NHS. He walked Steyning Horseshoe six times in one day, which amounted to a rather impressive 18km walk and a total of £1,277 raised.

*Figures correct at time of publication

7. The local community sent in over 800 cards to the charity, as part of the Valentine's campaign. Messages of love and support flooded in, and were distributed amongst staff across all wards and hospitals.















Raising awareness, localising our approach

Following the merger, we refreshed the charity logo, with a view to making our approach more site-specific. It is important to the charity that local people know that their donations are being directed towards the ward, department or hospital that is closest to their hearts.

Our aim is to increase the connection between local communities and their local hospital. The charity heart symbol has been integrated into all logos, but each hospital features a different colour, to give each a unique identity while retaining the overall BSUH Charity look and feel.

BSUH Charity continues to fundraise to make it better for all wards and departments at our four hospitals. You can see our refreshed hospital specific logos below:

BSUH Charity
Royal Sussex County Hospital
making it better
Charity Reg No.1050864

BSUH Charity
Princess Royal Hospital
making it better
Charity Reg No.1050864

BSUH Charity
Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital
making it better
Charity Reg No.1050864

BSUH Charity
Sussex Eye Hospital
making it better
Charity Reg No.1050864

The little things that made a big difference

- 30 new picnic benches were purchased and installed across The Princess Royal (PRH) and The Royal Sussex County Hospital (RSCH) sites, for staff to enjoy when on their breaks
- 4 new footstalls were provided for the Discharge Lounge at RSCH, for patients who are waiting to be discharged
- 750 hot meals provided for staff who worked on Christmas Day 2020 at PRH and RSCH
- 2 fridges purchased for the Audiology team





Partner Charities

We are grateful for the work our partner charities do to raise funds for BSUH hospitals and patients. Our historical partner charities are: Early Birth Association, Friends of Brighton and Hove Hospitals, League of Friends of the Princess Royal Hospital, League of Friends of the Hurstwood Park Neuro Centre, Rockinghorse Children's Charity, Sussex Cancer Fund, Sussex Stroke and Circulation Fund and The Sussex Heart Charity.

Reference and Administrative Details

Registered Name	Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund
Working Names	Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals Charity BSUH Charity
Registered Address	The principle office for the Charity and the Corporate Trustee, it's Parent entity, is the same: Royal Sussex County Hospital Eastern Road Brighton East Sussex BN2 5BE
Contact Details	E-mail: UHSussex.charity@nhs.net Tel: 01273 664708
Registered Charity Number	1050864
Principle Professional Advisors	**Bankers:** Nat West Government Banking Services Branch Premier Place 2½ Devonshire Square London EC2M 4BA **Investment fund managers:** Sanlam UK Wealth Exchange Building St John's Street Chichester West Sussex PO19 1UP **Auditors:** Cardens Accountants LLP The Old Casino 28 Fourth Avenue Hove BN3 2PJ

Financial Report and Accounts 2020-21

The members of the NHS Trust Board who served during the year were as follows:

Our Board of Directors 01 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

- **Alan McCarthy, Chairman (Term of Office to 30-09-21)**
- **Patrick Boyle, Deputy Chair (Term of Office to 19-01-24)**
- **Mike Rymer (Term of Office to 31-05-2021)**
- **Kirstin Baker (Term of Office to 31-03-22)**
- **Lizzie Peers (Term of Office to 11-05-23)**
- **Jackie Cassell (Term of Office to 31-10-22)**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Dame Marianne Griffiths, Chief Executive

Dr George Findlay, Chief Medical Officer and Deputy Chief Executive

Karen Geoghegan, Chief Financial Officer

Pete Landstrom, Chief Delivery and Strategy Officer

Denise Farmer, Chief Workforce and Organisational Development Director

Carolyn Morrice, Chief Nurse

Jayne Black, Chief Operating Officer (on secondment to NHSE/I from 1/01/2021)

Katy Jackson, Interim Chief Operating Officer (from 1/01/2021 to 31/03/2021)

The Charitable Funds are registered with the Charity Commission (no. 1050864) in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Funds are registered as an umbrella charity, the governing document being a trust deed dated 8 September 1995 as amended by Statutory Instrument 2003/866.

The charity is constituted of 204 individual funds as at 31 March 2021 (2020: 245) and the notes to the accounts distinguish the types of fund held and disclose separately all material funds.

Charitable funds received by the charity are accepted, held and administered as funds and property held on trust for purposes relating to the health service in accordance with the National Health Service Act 2006 and these funds are held on trust by the corporate body.

Corporate Trustee

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust entered into a management contract with Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust from 1 April 2017. The Executive team and Chairman of Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is also the Executive team and Chairman of the Trust. They act in their capacity as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Funds governed by the law applicable to Trusts, principally the Trustee Act 2000 and the Charities Act 2011.

On 1 April 2021, Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust acquired the assets, liabilities and operations of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust, forming University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust through merger by acquisition under section 56A of the NHS Act 2006.

Management of Funds

Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund is governed by a Trust deed. The Corporate Trustee is the Executive team and Chairman of Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. They hold their office by virtue of their appointment to the Trust Board.

The Trust Board, whilst retaining overall responsibility for the management of the funds in its capacity as Corporate Trustee, delegates responsibility to the Charitable Funds Committee. The day to day management is provided by the Charity Director and individual fund managers.

The Trust Board of the Corporate Trustee comprises Executive and Non-Executive members. Non-Executive members of the Board are appointed by the NHS Appointments Commission and Executive members of the Board are subject to recruitment by the Trust Board of Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

The Corporate Trustee fulfils its legal duty by ensuring that funds are spent in accordance with the objectives of each fund. By designating funds the Corporate Trustee respects the wishes of donors to benefit patient care and advance good health and welfare of patients, carers and staff.

The Financial Services Department of Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust, which is located in Brighton General Hospital, Elm Grove, Brighton BN2 3EW, is responsible for the day to day financial management and accounting for the charitable funds during the year.

Structure and Governance

The Charity is considered to be a subsidiary for accounting purposes of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust ("Trust"), an organisation established in the United Kingdom.

The Trust has assessed its relationship to the charitable fund and determined it to be a subsidiary because the Trust is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns and other benefits for itself, patients and staff from its involvement with the charitable fund and has the ability to affect those returns and other benefits through its power over the fund.

The charitable fund's statutory accounts are prepared to 31 March in accordance with the UK Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) which is based on UK Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102. On consolidation, necessary adjustments are made to the charity's assets, liabilities and transactions to:

- recognise and measure them in accordance with the Trust's accounting policies and
- eliminate intra-group transactions, balances, gains and losses.

The Trust's principal purpose is to provide healthcare services for patients and service users in England.

Where funds are received which have specific restrictions set by the donor and a suitable fund is not in existence, a new restricted fund is established.

The charity holds three endowment funds which are capital in perpetuity, the income from which may be used for any purpose other than general maintenance of the hospitals.

The charity produces an induction pack for newly appointed members of the Trust Board. This pack provides information about the charity, including the Corporate Trustee's annual report and accounts, budgets, policies and minutes, and information about trusteeship, including Charity Commission booklet CC3, The Essential Trustee.

Risk Management

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is the possible losses from a fall in the value of the investments and the level of reserves available to mitigate the impact of such losses.

The value of the investments is regularly monitored with the assistance of the Charity's investment advisers and there are procedures in place to ensure that both spending and firm financial commitments remain in line with income.

Objectives and Activities

The principal objective of the charity is for any charitable purpose relating to the NHS wholly or mainly for the services provided by University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust.

During the year the funds continued to support a wide range of health related activities benefiting both patients and staff. In general they are used to purchase additional goods and services that the NHS is unable to provide, for example much needed medical equipment. The funds also enable consultants and other medical staff to attend training courses not funded by the NHS. Specific research is also funded. The Corporate Trustee confirms that the activities undertaken and planned future activities are in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the charity's legal purpose.

Reserves Policy

It is the Charity's intention to commit income in the year that it is received. It may do this by designation of resources to long term projects or by the allocation of monies to grants. Monies not needed for immediate use are 'pooled' and invested in line with the Charity's investment policy.

Members of the Charitable Funds Committee receive information on commitments against various funds and review the detail on the level of reserves and the reason for their retention on a half yearly basis. The day to day monitoring of the policy is the responsibility of the delegated Director and fund managers who are expected to bring any issues to the attention of the Corporate Trustee.

Investment Policy

The investment portfolio is managed on a full discretionary basis by Sanlam UK Wealth who acts as the Trustee's nominee.

The Trustee's overall investment objective is to maintain capital in real terms and maximise income. It is the Trustee's policy that no direct investment shall be made in tobacco related shares, in companies listed under alcoholic beverages or anything which does not comply with the aims and ideals of the NHS.

The Charity's funds as at 31 March 2021 were £13.60m (2020: £11.59m) of which £1.24m (2020: £1.37m) were restricted funds, £11.89m (2020: £9.75m) unrestricted and £0.47m (2020, £0.47m) endowment. The level of reserves and expenditure plans are reviewed annually to ensure that the Charity expenditure is in line with income and reduces the level of reserves held.

A Review of our Finances, Achievements and Performance

The net assets of the Charitable Funds as at 31st March 2021 were £13.60m (2020: £11.59m). This is a reflection of the additional contributions made towards charitable activities and an upturn in the value of investments in excess of the total income received during the year.

The charity continues to rely on donations, legacies and investment income as the main sources of income. Total income during the year was £1.61m (2020: £1.96m).

Of the total expenditure of £2.06m (2020: £2.02m), charitable expenditure on direct charitable activity amounted to £1.80m (2020: £1.77m) which includes staff and patient welfare, training and capital grants.

Staff Training and Welfare

Expenditure relating to staff welfare was £0.39m (2020: £0.16m) whilst staff training costs was £0.08m (2020: £0.15m). Training costs are attributed to external training courses, training related travel and attendance at conferences which the Trust would not normally provide.

Patient Welfare

Expenditure on items for patient's welfare was £0.29m (2020: £0.50m). Patient welfare includes the provision of items of furniture, fittings and medical equipment.

Salaries

No salaries were funded for fixed term research posts and other short term contracts in 2020-21 (2020 £nil).

Capital Grants

For all building or equipment purchases costing more than £5,000 the applicant must detail what benefit it will provide and it must be approved by the Trust's Capital Investment Group.

Expenditure on capital projects during the year was £0.89m (2020: £0.90m) and a list of the Capital Grants is set out in note 4.

Investments

The Corporate Trustee invests its charitable funds with Sanlam UK Wealth with the objective of achieving a balance between income and capital growth. Newton Investment manages the underlying assets the fund is operated and administered by BNY Mellon.

The valuation of the fund was:

	31 March 2021	31 March 2020	Gain %
	£000	£000	
Value of fund	14,062	11,607	21.1%

Future Plans

The priorities for spending charitable funds will be largely influenced by the 5 year strategic plan and future needs of the Trust.

Public Benefit

In awarding grants the Corporate Trustee is aware of its responsibilities under charity law in ensuring the maintenance of public benefit in all aspects of its work. Funding patient and staff welfare, improvements and amenities is, by definition, meeting public benefit.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's purpose and goals in their plans for future activities.

Thank you for your support

On behalf of the staff and patients who have benefited from improved services and facilities as a result of donations and legacies we would like to thank all patients, relatives and staff who have made charitable donations.

Approved on behalf of the CorporateTrustee

Karen Geoghegan Date: 4/11/2021
Karen Geoghegan

Lizzie Peers Date: 4/11/2021
Lizzie Peers

Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the funds held on trust and to enable it to ensure that the accounts comply with requirements in the Charities Act 2011 and those outlined in the directions issued by the Secretary of State;
- establishing and monitoring a system of internal control;
- establishing arrangements for prevention and detection of fraud and corruption; and
- safeguarding assets and ensuring their proper application under charity law.

The Corporate Trustee is required under the Charities Act 2011 to prepare accounts for each financial year. The Secretary of State, with the approval of the Treasury, directs that these accounts give a true and fair view of the financial position of the funds held on trust, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. In preparing those accounts, the Corporate Trustee is required to:

- apply on a consistent basis accounting policies laid down by the Secretary of State with the approval of the Treasury;
- make judgements and estimates which are responsible and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Corporate Trustee confirms that it has met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts. The financial statements set out on pages 21 to 31 have been compiled from and are in accordance with the financial records maintained by the Corporate Trustee.

By Order of the Corporate Trustee signed :

Karen Geoghegan Date: 4/11/2021
Karen Geoghegan

Lizzie Peers Date: 4/11/2021
Lizzie Peers

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF BRIGHTON AND SUSSEX UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUND

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Charitable Fund (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Corporate Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Corporate Trustee with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Corporate Trustee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially

inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the Corporate Trustee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Corporate Trustee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Corporate Trustee is responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Corporate Trustee either intends to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the

appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charity through discussions with the Corporate Trustee and other management, and from our commercial knowledge and experience of charities ;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the company, including
  - Charities SORP FRS 102,
  - Data protection laws (including UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR))
  - Anti-bribery
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
-identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:
- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:
- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:
- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims; and
- reviewing legal costs for any potential claims

There was no contradictory evidence found.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the directors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Use of our report
This report is made solely to the Corporate Trustee, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Corporate Trustee those matters we are

required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the Corporate Trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Hannah Doherty FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006
For and on behalf of Cardens Accountants LLP
The Old Casino
28 Fourth Avenue
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East Sussex
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Date: 4/11/21

BRIGHTON & SUSSEX UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations, legacies and other income		1,325,560	-	-	1,325,560	1,581,534
Investment income	2	280,887	-	-	280,887	374,947
Total		1,606,447	-	-	1,606,447	1,956,481
EXPENDITURE ON						
Administrative expenses	3	261,744	-	-	261,744	251,508
Charitable activities						
Patient		285,640	5,209	-	290,849	496,563
Staff		358,748	25,969	-	384,717	162,965
Training		32,173	49,571	-	81,744	152,167
Misc		148,549	1,317	-	149,866	58,849
Capital Grants		840,217	52,200	-	892,417	900,282
Total		1,927,071	134,266	-	2,061,337	2,022,334
Net gains/(losses) on investments		2,454,846	-	-	2,454,846	(1,149,619)
NET INCOME/ (EXPENDITURE)		2,134,222	(134,266)	-	1,999,956	(1,215,471)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		9,751,738	1,376,006	470,911	11,598,655	12,814,126
Transfer between Funds		-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		11,885,960	1,241,740	470,911	13,598,611	11,598,655

The notes form part of these financial statements

BRIGHTON & SUSSEX UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS						
Investments	6	12,349,666	1,241,740	470,911	14,062,317	11,607,471
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	7	151,954	-	-	151,954	21,394
Cash at bank and in hand		23,324	-	-	23,324	125,116
		175,278	-	-	175,278	146,510
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(638,984)	-	-	(638,984)	(155,326)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		(463,706)	-	-	(463,706)	(8,816)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		11,885,960	1,241,740	470,911	13,598,611	11,598,655
NET ASSETS		11,885,960	1,241,740	470,911	13,598,611	11,598,655
FUNDS	9					
Unrestricted funds:						
General fund					11,885,960	9,751,738
Restricted funds:						
Restricted					1,241,740	1,376,006
Endowment funds:						
Endowment					470,911	470,911
TOTAL FUNDS					13,598,611	11,598,655

The financial statements were approved by the Board of the Corprorate Trustee on 4/11/21 and were signed on its behalf by:

Karen Geoghegan
Karen Geoghegan

Lizzie Peers
Lizzie Peers

The notes form part of these financial statements

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STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS
AT 31 MARCH 2021

	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net movement in funds	1,999,956	(1,215,471)
Income from investments	(280,887)	(374,947)
Net (gains)/losses on investments	(2,454,846)	1,149,619
(Increase)/Decrease in Trade and Other Receivables	(130,560)	269,081
(Decrease)/Increase in Trade and Other Payables	483,659	(185,271)
Net cash (used in) Operating Activities	(382,678)	(356,990)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Investment Income from investments	280,887	374,947
Net Cash provided by Investing Activities	280,887	374,947
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period	(101,792)	17,957
Net (decrease)/ increase in cash and cash equivalents	(101,792)	17,957
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of the Period	125,116	107,159
Cash and Cash Equivalents at year end	23,324	125,116

BRIGHTON & SUSSEX UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis after consideration by the Corporate Trustee that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Such consideration includes a review of committed income and expenditures, cash flows and reserves. The Corporate Trustee does not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

Changes in accounting policies
There has been no change in the basis of accounting for the year.

Income and endowments
All income and endowments, including legacies, are recognised in line with FRS102 and this is based upon the Charity having a recognised legal entitlement to the income. It is probable that the income will be received and that the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donated income recorded in the accounts is solely that which has been receipted via the cashier's office or credited directly into the Charity bank account by the donor.

Expenditure
Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred.

Grants are only made to related NHS bodies and non NHS bodies in the furtherance of charitable activities.

Cost of generating funds
Raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities, events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities
Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in pursuit of the objects of the charity, including education and training and grant support to Brighton and Sussex NHS Trust in support of a range of charitable activities.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Overhead and support costs have been allocated to the Unrestricted funds.

Irrecoverable vat
Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Funds structure
The funds are classified in the accounts in three categories, Restricted, Unrestricted and Endowment Funds.

Restricted Funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor and/or the Corporate Trustee at the inception of the fund.

Unrestricted funds are those which the Corporate Trustee is free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives. Unrestricted funds include designated funds which are not legally restricted but which the Corporate Trustee has chosen to earmark for set purposes.

Endowment funds are funds where the capital is held in perpetuity to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent. The income earned on these funds will be categorised as restricted or unrestricted according to the restrictions imposed by the donor.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Realised gain and losses
All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities at the year end. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sale proceeds and book cost. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening market value (or purchase if later).

Pooling Scheme
An official pooling scheme is operated for investments relating to Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS 1 trust Charitable Funds which is regulated by the Declaration of Trust dated 1 February 2005.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Investment income	280,887	374,947

3. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Administrative expenses	261,744	251,508

The Audit Fee of £12,000 is included in the above Administrative expenses (2020: £12,000)

4. CAPITAL GRANTS

All grants are made to Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust and the Corporate Trustee operates a scheme of delegation, through which a grant funded activity is managed by fund holders responsible for the day to day administration of their funds. The Charity does not make grants to individuals. The grants received by, the beneficiary were as follows:

	£
Breast screening Van	378,100
Reporting Workstations	105,000
ED Trauma Simulation	65,759
Library Study Pods	52,200
Body Plethymograph	49,793
Ventilators	43,165
Biopsy Ultrasound	27,000
Health & Wellbeing Refurb	26,612
Endoscopy Training Link	24,196
Video Laryngoscope	15,600
OCT machine	13,000
Transcutaneous CO2 Monitor	12,871
Cerebral Function Monitor	12,441
Other schemes < £10,000	66,680
Total	**892,417**

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The Corporate Trustee did not receive any remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Trustees' expenses
The Charity did not pay any expenses to the Corporate Trustee neither for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2020	11,607,471
Net gains	2,454,846
At 31 March 2021	14,062,317
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2021	14,062,317
At 31 March 2020	11,607,471

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	-	-
Other debtors	151,954	21,394
	151,954	21,394

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Intercompany balance with BSUH NHS Trust	620,804	100,770
Other creditors	18,180	54,557
	638,984	155,326

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

9. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At 31st March 2021 there were no contingent liabilities in the Charity (2020 Nil)

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Charity is considered to be a subsidiary for accounting purposes of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust ("Trust"), an organisation established in the United Kingdom, because the Trust is deemed to exercise control in accordance with IFRS10 requirements. The Trust's principal purpose is to provide healthcare services for patients and service users in England.

Pharm@Sea Limited is also a member of the group structure. However, the Charity has no transactions with this company.

During the year the following capital grants totalling £892,417 (2020, £900,232 were made to the Trust.

The Trust recharged £261,744 as support for administering the Charity during the year (2020: £251,508)

The intercompany balance which is owed to the Trust is shown in note 8 above.

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (31 March 2020)

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total 2020 funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations, legacies and other income		1,581,534	-	-	1,581,534
Investment income	2	374,947	-	-	374,947
Total		1,956,481	-	-	1,956,481
EXPENDITURE ON					
Administrative expenses	3	251,508	-	-	251,508
Charitable activities					
Patient		495,597	966	-	496,563
Staff		159,348	3,618	-	162,965
Training		138,486	13,681	-	152,167
Misc		55,072	3,777	-	58,849
Capital Grants		900,282	-	-	900,282
Total		2,000,293	22,041	-	2,022,334
Net gains/(losses) on investments		(1,149,619)	-	-	(1,149,619)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(1,193,430)	(22,041)	-	(1,215,471)

BRIGHTON & SUSSEX UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL NHS TRUST CHARITABLE FUND

12. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

On 19th March 2021, the Trust Boards of Western Sussex Hospitals and Brighton and Sussex Hospitals made a joint application to NHS Improvement for their merger by way of the acquisition of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust by Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust under section 56A of the NHS Act 2006.

The Grant of Application for the Acquisition took effect on 1st April 2021. On this date, Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals was dissolved and Western Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust acquired the assets and business of Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust. The newly merged Trust is known, from 1st April 2021, as University Sussex Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

The outbreak of the COVID-19 virus occurred caused a global pandemic which was recognised by the World Health Organisation (WHO). In respect of the current COVID 19 situation the Charity has reviewed its business and has been relatively unaffected by this and therefore have made no adjustments to the accounts. We expect the situation not to have an impact on the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The Corporate Trustee continues to monitor the situation as it rapidly changes and will react to further developments accordingly.