

Charity registration number 1051415 (England and Wales)

FURNESS HOMELESS SUPPORT GROUP
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

FURNESS HOMELESS SUPPORT GROUP

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

President	Lady Grania Cavendish
Patron	Lord Hutton of Furness
Trustees	John Calvert Janice Sharp Simone Singleton
Management board	Janice Sharp (Chair) Julie Underwood (Treasurer)- resigned 25/03/2025 John Calvert David Morris Simone Singleton Anthony Miller Amy Loebell Stuart Smith- appointed 25/03/2025
Charity number	1051415
Independent examiner	JL Winder & Co Suite 6 Furness Gate Peter Green Way Barrow in Furness Cumbria LA14 2PE
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TRUSTEE REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are to offer support and practical help to all those in the Furness area of Cumbria who have accommodation related problems, or who are disadvantaged by unemployment, illness or other factors.

Furness Homeless Support Group offers:-

- an open door to all people who need assistance, support, resources or have accommodation related issues.
- signposting to relevant agencies
- food, clothing and household resources
- supported accommodation
- practical support to enable individuals to maintain a tenancy.

Public benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Activities

These objectives of the Charity are carried out through the operation of the following support resources.

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Day Centre and Accommodation Units (25 & 27 Bath Street, Barrow in Furness)

- The day centre is currently open Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm and offers housing and benefit assistance and practical support to all those seeking its services. In addition to this, FHSG offer a hot midday meal. It also provides a venue where people can meet and chat.
- The upper two floors of 27 Bath Street provide 24 hour fully supported accommodation for up to 5 residents. Tenancies are usually 1 to 6 months and occasionally longer. Whilst living at FHSG, residents are encouraged to partake in independent living skills, tenancy training and budgeting in preparation to live in FHSG's semi supported unit based at 25 Bath Street.
- In July 2021 we began renovating the upper two floors of one of our properties in preparation for our new project. We work closely with the local Council and Women's Community Matters (WCM) to house females who have been made homeless as a result of domestic abuse or trauma. The project needed to be safe and secure and welcoming to those who come to us as a result of a distressing situation. A grant was received from the Postcode Lottery specifically to install new UPVC windows throughout, a heavy duty composite front door and a CCTV system. This unit allows women the safety and breathing space to make steps to recover from their trauma with support from FHSG and WCM. During this time we look for suitable and sustainable accommodation for them to move on into in a planned way.

25 Bath Street- Ground Floor Flat

- This flat is used specifically to house people who require level access and longer supported accommodation.

144 Anson Street and 36 Hood Street

- Both of these properties provide longer term support to individuals who have been identified with ongoing support needs.

121 Anson Street

- A 3 bed fully furnished terraced house was purchased by the charity in late 2020. The house enables us to generate rental income by providing accommodation for families.

Training and Volunteering

- Training is an ongoing pursuit for residents, volunteers and staff. We also liaise with local colleges and training providers.

Charity Shop (23 Bath Street, Barrow in Furness)

- The charity shop and store offers reasonably priced donated second-hand goods including clothing, bedding and household items. We also have many volunteers who donate their time on a regular basis. The charity shop is in the heart of the community in which FHSG operates and has now become a focal point for many residents.

Christmas Shelter

- Our Christmas Shelter is now based in our day centre (27 Bath Street) and provides a venue for homeless people and families to spend time in a safe and secure environment.

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Achievements and performance

Our main work continues to be housing vulnerable homeless people in our supported accommodation. In our generic accommodation for single homeless we housed 13 individuals (and 1 dog!). Three of these are currently still living with us, we unfortunately had to evict 4, one abandoned their room, and 5 were housed successfully into their own long term accommodation. Each arrives with their own issues that we try to work through in order to access suitable long term accommodation. We have had Bronson the dog living with his owner here since October and he has definitely brought a lovely atmosphere to the building, worming his way into the heart of both residents and staff. He now knows the office is his never ending supply of treats department!

Our year began with a new contract with Women's Community Matters (WCM) to offer supported accommodation for women fleeing domestic abuse. One of our support workers completed the IDVA training and is now our qualified specialist DAPA worker. In March some of our staff and residents took part in the Women's March, organised by WCM's to celebrate International Women's Day. This year we housed 13 individuals in this building (and 1 dog!). Eight have been housed successfully in their own accommodation, 2 went to an asylum intake centre, 2 were unfortunately evicted, and 1 abandoned their room.

As always, we try to maintain our accommodation to a high standard. This year has been no exception, with renovations to our kitchen being carried out, along with full decoration of 27 Bath Street, new flooring in each bedroom at 25 once a room is empty, and the chimney breast being removed from the kitchen and room 6 at 27 to create more space.

Our day centre once again opened its doors in October to run through the colder months of the year. It is always so well attended with anything from 25-35 meals being served each Tuesday. It is not only a place for people to come for warm home-made food and drinks, it is very much a social hub helping to alleviate loneliness on what can be dark and miserable days. We have run theme days including Halloween and Valentines Day. We had a visit from ZwiebelFish CIC who spent time in our day centre writing poetry with service users, and we also had the Hep C Trust visit with their testing van.

This year our Manager, a Support Worker, a Board member and one of our Volunteers took part in the Forty Winks for Furness Sleep out. It was well attended, and they even managed to get some sleep! Though it turns out most were awake in the early hours watching the heavy rain pour down (while all remaining silent worrying about waking others!). Over £8000.00 was raised which is incredible. Much thanks goes to Paul Griffiths who works hard organising it each year. Thank you to all who slept out or sponsored.

In the run up to Christmas staff and residents made bracelets to be sold at a local Christmas market organised by Barrow Bid. The stall was a great success, we sold out of bracelets, and raised funds along the way.

Christmas is where we began, and this year was once more a great success. We never fail to be genuinely surprised and amazed at how people remember us each year. Some people/local companies return year in year out with donations to ensure we can provide for all. Once again Father Christmas arrived with sacks full of gifts for all of our residents. Around 40 people joined us for Christmas dinner, and the same again on Boxing Day. Everyone that came also received a gift, and were given hats gloves etc that had been kindly donated. It is such a joyous day here and it was nice to see new people who chose to come as they did not want to spend Christmas alone. The time and effort from staff and volunteers to ensure the day goes smoothly should never be underestimated. We are eternally grateful to all.

We were kindly awarded a grant from Tesco via Groundwork. We applied for money to do social activities with our residents and throughout the year we have done several activities ranging from lantern making, trips to the zoo, VE Day celebrations and a day out at the Lakes taking the steam train, and then the steamer on the lake, with a trip round the aquarium too (finishing off with chips in Bowness!). Residents have really enjoyed the activities and benefited greatly spending social time together.

We are very proud of our little team here at FHSG. We continue to be staffed 24-7, 365 days a year and residents appreciate that we are literally always here for them. None of the work we do could be done if it wasn't for our magnificent support workers, volunteers and Board Members who guide us along the way. Thank you!

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TRUSTEE REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Financial review

Income increased this year, and totalled £285,110 (2024 - £264,217). The main sources of income are shop takings of £42,100 (2024 - £40,211) which continued to improve after the national lockdowns in 2020 and 2021. Housing benefit increased from £123,560 to £141,476. In the year the charity received funds from a new contract with Women's Community Matters, regarding providing support for domestic abuse victims- £38,000

Other income was resident contributions of £7,118 (2024 - £6,983), income from donations and grants was £74,166 (2024 - £39,938). Fundraising events totalled £8,720 (2024-£11,220). Investment income received was £11,530 (2024 - £9,804). £7,850 (2024 - £7,200) of this related to rental income from the investment property - 121 Anson Street.

Resources expended amounted to £306,319 (2024 - £259,403)

The deficit for the year was £21,209 (2024 - surplus of £14,264). This is split between a deficit on unrestricted funds of £18,803 (2024 - surplus of £13,882) and a deficit on restricted funds of £2,406 (2024 - surplus of £382).

The Charity reserves at the year end totalled £634,852 on unrestricted funds and £1,720 on restricted funds.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Major risks

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, governance and management

The charity was established by a charitable trust deed on 13th December 1995. It is a joint church and community organisation.

Trustees are appointed following suggestions which are brought before the board meeting and, if agreed, that person is then approached and asked if they are willing to undertake the role of trustees for FHSG. Appointment and induction procedures are then followed.

The trustees delegate the day to day running to the manager, Christine Bainbridge, and the other staff at FHSG. Several members of the management board also play an active role.

The trustees and management board examine the major risks that the charity faces each financial year when preparing budgets and discussing plans for the year ahead. The trustees have developed systems to monitor and control these risks on a regular basis, reviewing the position at each management board meeting, in order to mitigate the impact they may have on the charity.

Various other legal and administrative details, including the members of the management board are shown on the first page of the financial statements package.

The Trustees who served during the year were:

John Calvert
Janice Sharp
Simone Singleton

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None of the Trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the Trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The company's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to:

- ☐ settle the terms of payment with suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction;
- ☐ ensure that suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts; and
- ☐ pay in accordance with the company's contractual and other legal obligations.

The Trustee report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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John Calvert

Date:22/01/26

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF FURNESS HOMELESS SUPPORT GROUP

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Furness Homeless Support Group (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, the independent examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 23/01/2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes						
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	26,166	48,000	74,166	23,313	16,625	39,938
Charitable activities	4	199,414	-	199,414	214,475	-	214,475
Investments	5	11,530	-	11,530	9,804	-	9,804
Total income		237,110	48,000	285,110	247,592	16,625	264,217
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	6	1,007	-	1,007	5,031	-	5,031
Charitable activities	7	254,906	50,406	305,312	238,129	16,243	254,372
Total expenditure		255,913	50,406	306,319	243,160	16,243	259,403
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	-	-	-	9,450	-	9,450
Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds		(18,803)	(2,406)	(21,209)	13,882	382	14,264
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		653,655	4,126	657,781	639,773	3,744	643,517
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		634,852	1,720	636,572	653,655	4,126	657,781

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

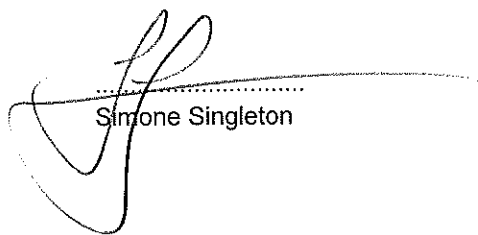
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	13		270,117		278,735
Investment property	14		105,645		105,645
			<u>375,762</u>		<u>384,380</u>
Current assets					
Debtors	15	12,757		12,771	
Cash at bank and in hand		251,119		268,955	
		<u>263,876</u>		<u>281,726</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(3,066)		(8,325)	
Net current assets			<u>260,810</u>		<u>273,401</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>636,572</u>		<u>657,781</u>
The funds of the charity					
Restricted income funds	18		1,720		4,126
Unrestricted funds	19		634,852		653,655
			<u>636,572</u>		<u>657,781</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 22/01/2026


Simone Singleton

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Land and buildings	2% straight line
Computers and equipment	20/33% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	15% straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Investment properties

Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, is initially recognised at cost, which includes the purchase cost and any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequently it is measured at fair value at the reporting end date. The surplus or deficit on revaluation is recognised in profit or loss.

1.8 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.10 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.12 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and gifts	26,166	-	26,166	23,313	-	23,313
Grants	-	48,000	48,000	-	16,625	16,625
	<u>26,166</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>74,166</u>	<u>23,313</u>	<u>16,625</u>	<u>39,938</u>
Grants						
Groundwork	-	-	-	-	1,125	1,125
Grantscape	-	10,000	10,000	-	15,000	15,000
Barrow Police	-	-	-	-	500	500
Women's Community Matters	-	38,000	38,000	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,625</u>	<u>16,625</u>

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Shop takings	42,100	40,211
Fundraising event- 40 winks	8,720	11,221
Barrow Council funding	-	32,500
Housing benefit	141,476	123,560
Resident contributions	7,118	6,983
	<u>199,414</u>	<u>214,475</u>

5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Rental income	7,850	7,200
Interest receivable	3,680	2,604
	<u>11,530</u>	<u>9,804</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

6 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Trading costs		
Operating charity shops	952	-
Investment management	55	5,031
Total costs	1,007	5,031

7 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Direct costs		
Staff costs	195,116	167,333
Depreciation and impairment	9,320	9,818
Day centre costs	2,277	2,907
Rates	6,734	4,875
Cleaning	2,515	1,377
Insurance	10,242	9,509
Heat and Light	11,713	13,062
Repairs and renewals	30,158	12,684
Telephone	958	917
Shop salaries	22,741	21,718
Shop insurance	838	778
Shop heat and light	1,466	1,404
Shop rates	326	772
Shop telephone	240	240
Other charitable expenditure	10,668	6,978
	305,312	254,372
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	254,906	238,129
Restricted funds	50,406	16,243
	305,312	254,372

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

8	Net movement in funds	2025	2024
		£	£

The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):

Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	9,320	9,818
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

9 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025	2024
	Number	Number
Total	10	10
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Employment costs	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	178,414	154,256
Social security costs	13,050	9,755
Other pension costs	3,652	3,322
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	195,116	167,333
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Aggregate compensation	67,113	61,733
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

11 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	funds	funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investment properties	-	9,450
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Computers and equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2024	335,501	36,904	38,391	410,796
Additions	-	702	-	702
At 31 March 2025	335,501	37,606	38,391	411,498
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2024	65,806	30,982	35,273	132,061
Depreciation charged in the year	6,710	1,885	725	9,320
At 31 March 2025	72,516	32,867	35,998	141,381
Carrying amount				
At 31 March 2025	262,985	4,739	2,393	270,117
At 31 March 2024	269,695	5,922	3,118	278,735

14 Investment property

	2025
	£
Fair value	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	105,645

The fair value of the investment property has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation provided by Ross Estate Agency in September 2024, who are not connected with the Charity. The valuation was made on an open market value basis by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties.

15 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	8,797	4,399
Prepayments and accrued income	3,960	8,372
	<u>12,757</u>	<u>12,771</u>

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16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	2,132	6,702
Accruals and deferred income	934	1,623
	<u>3,066</u>	<u>8,325</u>

17 Retirement benefit schemes

	2025 £	2024 £
Defined contribution schemes		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	<u>3,652</u>	<u>3,322</u>

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

18 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2025 £
Fixed Assets	1,382	-	(513)	869
Grantscape	1,250	10,000	(11,250)	-
Groundwork	1,125	-	(643)	482
Barrow Police	369	-	-	369
Women's Community Matters	-	38,000	(38,000)	-
	<u>4,126</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>(50,406)</u>	<u>1,720</u>

Previous year:

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
Fixed Assets	2,494	-	(1,112)	1,382
Grantscape	1,250	15,000	(15,000)	1,250
Groundwork	-	1,125	-	1,125
Barrow Police	-	500	(131)	369
	<u>3,744</u>	<u>16,625</u>	<u>(16,243)</u>	<u>4,126</u>

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19 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	653,655	237,110	(255,913)	-	634,852
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	639,773	247,592	(243,160)	9,450	653,655

20 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
At 31 March 2025:			
Tangible assets	269,248	869	270,117
Investment properties	105,645	-	105,645
Current assets/(liabilities)	259,959	851	260,810
	634,852	1,720	636,572
	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
At 31 March 2024:			
Tangible assets	277,353	1,382	278,735
Investment properties	105,645	-	105,645
Current assets/(liabilities)	270,657	2,744	273,401
	653,655	4,126	657,781

21 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).