

2022/2023

Impact Report



Supporting the patients, staff and services of
Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust

- ▶ **Our Vision:** Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity supports Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust to Put Patients First.
- ▶ **Our Mission:** Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity supports patients, staff and services in Worcestershire's acute hospitals. We do this through fundraising campaigns and the effective use of donations, to provide enhancements, additions and added extras which link closely with the strategic aims of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

“ As our NHS continues to be challenged by the increased demand for services our charity strives to work with the Trust to fund projects and initiatives that improve the experience for patients and make the environment more comfortable for patients, staff and volunteers. Thank you to everyone who has supported and fundraised for the charity, your contribution makes a huge difference. ”

Simon Murphy, Charitable Funds Committee Chair

Impact

Improving facilities for patients, staff and visitors

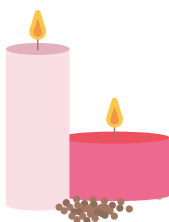
The charity has worked with the Trust on a number of different projects this year to refurbishing new patient spaces and providing products for extra support at difficult times including...



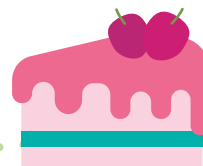
The Peony Room opened to provide a space for patients' families and loved ones as they near the end of their lives



939 Christmas gifts were bought, wrapped and delivered with the help of 15 volunteers



1000 packets of forget-me-not seeds and candles purchased for 1000 bereavement bags



Funded **10 end of treatment cakes** for children completing their cancer treatment

Supporting ongoing staff development and welfare

The charity continue to support the Trust's brilliant staff with extra support and wellbeing initiatives including...



The Financial Wellbeing Hub had **5,537 online visits** and many staff went on to access direct advice and support.



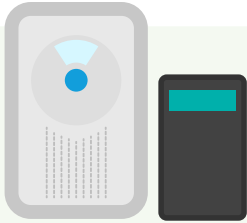
Senior Clinical Psychologist funded for 12 months



12 recognition awards given out at the annual Staff Awards ceremony attended by 320 colleagues

Funding additional medical equipment

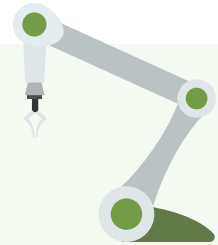
The charity aims to improve Trust's services by funding medical equipment not covered by core NHS funding including...



A **Ramblegard system** to support fall prevention for our older and more vulnerable patients



The maternity bereavement fund provided **Cuddle Cots** to support families following the loss of their baby offering precious extra time together



Bringing **Robotic Surgery** to Worcestershire with the culmination of the Rory the Robot Appeal

Fundraising

The charity exists to provide those added extras that improve the experience for everyone using or providing services at Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust. Funds provided by the charity support developments and activities which are over and above core NHS services.

The incredible projects, initiatives and enhancements delivered this year would not have been possible without our wonderful supporters.



10 superb Staff Awards sponsors



46 pairs of trainers laced for Worcester City Runs



32 tea parties held for the NHS Big Tea



The **3 Peaks** Challenge Completed



52 pairs of boxing gloves donned for a charity boxing tournament



25 chilli plants donated at Droitwich Food Festival

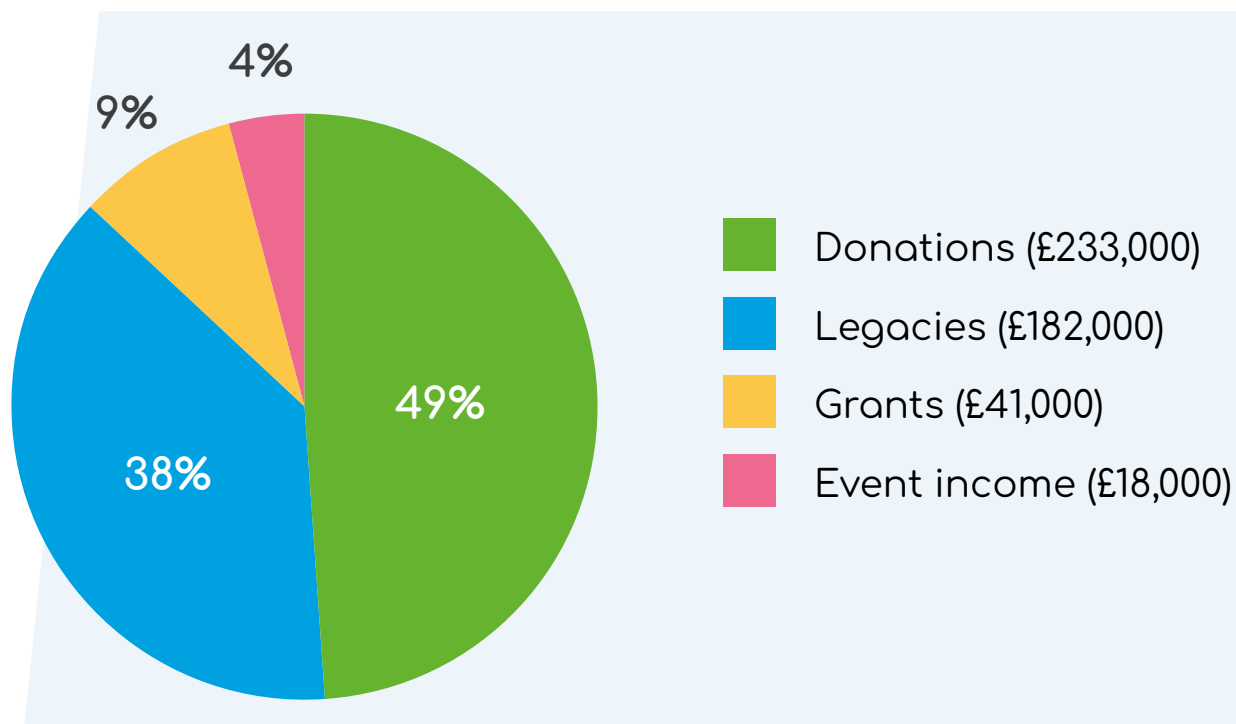


70 voices sang from Worcester Male Voice Choir

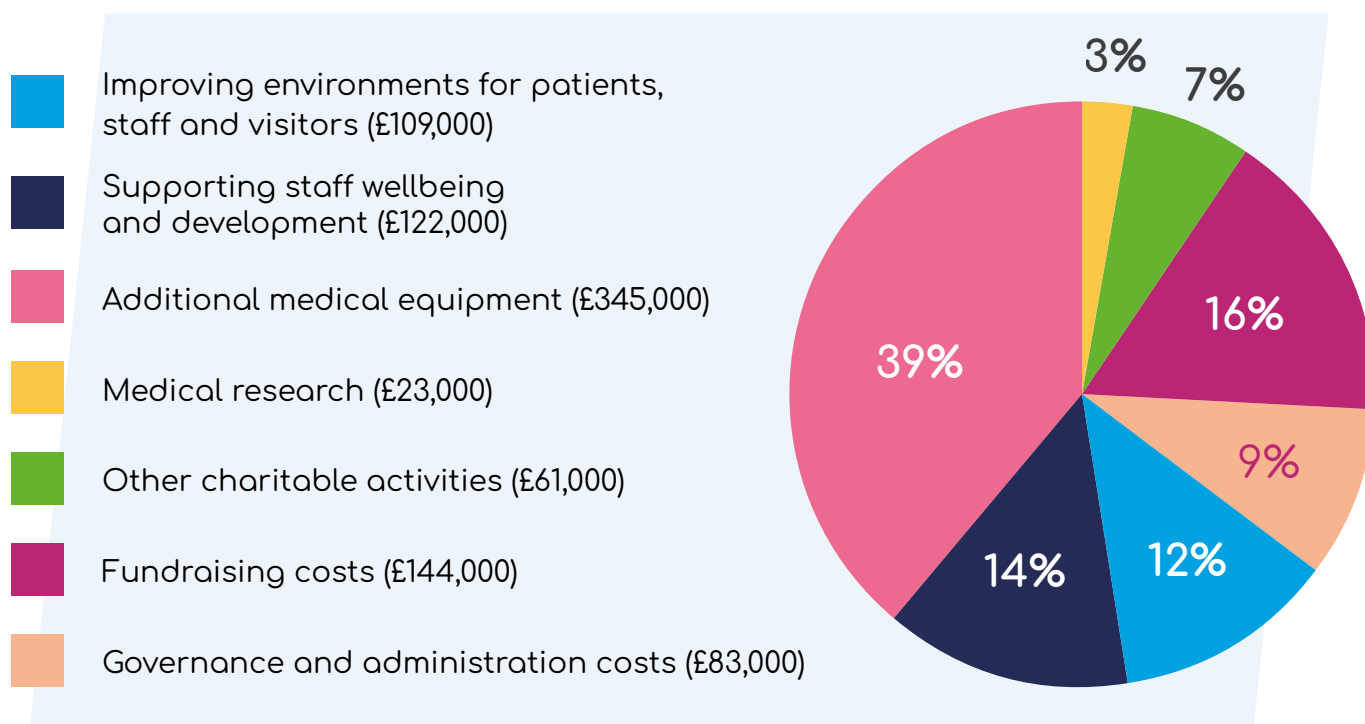


12 Teams of golfers enjoyed a golf day

Income 22/23 : £474,000



Expenditure 22/23 : £887,000



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WORCESTERSHIRE ACUTE HOSPITALS CHARITY

Charity Registration Number 1054612

Accounts for year ending 31st March 2023

The following data will be used throughout the Financial Statements:

This year: 2022/2023

Last year: 2021/2022

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity Annual Report 22/23

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity supports patients, staff and services in Worcestershire's acute hospitals. We do this through fundraising campaigns and the effective use of donations, to provide enhancements, additions and added extras which link closely with the strategic aims of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

The Trust manages three local hospitals – the Alexandra in Redditch, Kidderminster Hospital and Treatment Centre and Worcestershire Royal Hospital in Worcester – as well as providing a range of healthcare services from sites across our county.

The aim of the Charity is to make the experience, less difficult, the environment more comfortable and the working day easier. Our projects support the following three key areas:

- ❖ Improving facilities for patients, staff and visitors
- ❖ Supporting ongoing staff development and welfare
- ❖ Funding additional medical equipment

The Charity exists to provide those added extras that improve the experience for everyone using or providing services. Funds provided by the Charity support developments and activities which are over and above core NHS services. No donations are used to replace core NHS funding.

To ensure the Charity has the biggest impact possible on the health of our county we work alongside the Trust to identify where your support can make a real difference. This may be by enhancing the space in new building developments, supporting the purchase of the most advanced equipment for a new treatment or service or by providing added extras towards staff wellbeing.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Charity, as stated in our governing document, are:

The Trustees shall hold the Fund upon trust to apply the income and at their discretion, so far as may be permissible the capital, for any charitable purpose or purposes relating to the NHS, wholly or mainly for the services provided by Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

Public statement by trustees of public benefit

The main purpose of the Charity is to apply income for any charitable purpose relating to the National Health Service wholly or mainly for the services provided by Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

The activities of the charity carry out these purposes for the public benefit.

In setting the objectives for the year the Trustees have regarded the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance and Key Objectives including future plans

Please refer to the Impact Report 22/23 for an outline of the main achievements of the charity based upon our key objectives of:

- ❖ Improving Facilities for patients, visitors and staff
- ❖ Supporting ongoing staff development and welfare
- ❖ Funding additional medical equipment

The 4 key objectives for the charity is 22/23 were:

1. The charity delivers an income that enables its charitable activity aims to be achieved

Income for 22/23 exceeded target by £4000 which was a good result for the charity in a challenging financial climate. The charity made good headway with building core income and raising awareness of the charity amongst staff and patients.

The charity will continue to increase its income target and aim to deliver a successful large fundraising appeal for the Trust.

2. The charity delivers charitable activity in line with Trust's strategic objectives

Expenditure on charitable activity continues to increase which is positive. Focus on specific appeals and the establishment of a general grant fund programme has contributed to a strategical approach. The charity also delivered the 2022 Staff Recognition Awards for the Trust.

The charity will continue to refine its expenditure and support staff to effectively utilise departmental funds.

3. The charity remains sustainable and delivers steady growth

Work has continued on the proper management and utilisation of the charity CRM system to improve and expand donor acquisition and establish the stewardship programme to improve donor retention. The visibility of the charity on hospital sites and in the community is increasing and the development of a charity volunteering programme has widened the charity's reach.

Income streams will continue to be monitored to identify potential growth areas for the charity and the growth of a warm supporter donor base will remain an important focus.

4. The charity demonstrates its impact and practices good governance

Considerable improvements have been made in aligning charitable activity with Trust objectives as well as developing and refining the Charity objectives. Important work began on the development of an evaluation framework and a bank of case studies.

Further work will take place on how best to evaluate the impact the charity is making and how to share these stories with a variety of audiences.

The key objectives for 23/24 remain the same.

Structure, Governance and Management

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity was created as an umbrella charity under a Trust Deed executed on 16 April 1996 and constituted with a sole Corporate Trustee, the Board of Directors of the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

The Charity was established in 1996. The CFC (the Committee) is constituted as a standing committee of the Trust Board as the Corporate Trustee. The Committee is authorised by the Trust Board to act within its terms of reference. All members of staff are directed to co-operate with any request made by the Committee.

The Committee is authorised by the Trust Board to instruct professional advisors and request the attendance of individuals and authorities from outside the Trust with the relevant experience and expertise if it considers this necessary.

The Committee must act in accordance with any statutory/legal requirements or best practice required by the Charity Commission.

The Committee has been established to manage funds held in trust either as charitable funds or as non-charitable funds. The Committee reports to the Trust Board as a Corporate Trustee.

All Board Directors are Trustees of the Trust's Worcestershire Hospitals Charity (WAH). The Committee shall be appointed by the Trust Board from amongst the Trust Board members and shall consist of three Non-Executive Directors and three Executive Directors. The Chair of the CFC will be a Non-Executive Director of the Corporate Trustee.

The CFC meetings will be held at a minimum of twice a year and members are expected to attend at least 50% of meetings. The Chair of the Committee shall draw attention of the Trust Board to any issues that require disclosure to the Full Board, or require executive action.

The Corporate Trustee (WAHT) has adopted policies for the effective management of charitable funds and has set up a CFC to drive these policies forward and make decisions about new policies and their implementation.

The CFC has delegated authority from the Corporate Trustee to approve major decisions and be responsible for the activities of the Charity. The Charity also has a number of working groups to monitor various aspects of the Charity's operations.

The role of the CFC is to act on behalf of The Trustees and is responsible for ensuring that Charitable Funds are properly managed and administered. This means that proposals by managers to undertake specific projects need to be within the overall policy objectives laid down by the Board. Managers always exercise their delegated powers in a prudent manner.

Information contained within this guide reflects the current guidance for management and administration of Charitable Funds held within the Trust's charity.

Risk Management

Internal control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the policies, aims and objectives of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust for the year ended 31 March 2023 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts.

Corporate Risk Register

The Trust has a Corporate Risk Register in place which outlines the key corporate risks for the Charity and action identified to mitigate these risks. This register has been formed from the risks identified within corporate services, Trust Committees and through other risk identification activities.

Fundraising Standards Information

Administration costs, including the salaries of staff engaged on charitable fund work and the costs of professional investment advisors are charged to charitable funds. The charges are modest and also include other relevant professional fees and commissions. These are apportioned on a regular and equitable basis across all of the General Purpose Funds.

The capital held by the Charity is retained in an investment portfolio administered on behalf of the Corporate Trustee by Investment Managers. The Corporate Trustee decides how the income from these investments is utilised after the offset of administration and fundraising costs.

Fundraising for the charity is only carried out by paid members of the charity. Supporters wishing to fundraise for the charity are supported and advised by charity staff. The charity do not employ an external public fundraising companies. The charity follow all GDPR guidelines and contact consent in the charity's privacy policy.

The charity is registered with the Fundraising Regulator. Registering shows our commitment to fundraising in line with the Code of Fundraising Practice in a way that is legal, open, honest and respectful. The charity makes use of the Fundraising Badge – the logo that says 'registered with Fundraising Regulator' – on our fundraising materials and is listed in the public directory to show we are signed up to fundraising best practice.

The charity received no complaints about fundraising activity.

Financial Review

Income and Expenditure

The accounts and annual report are prepared to comply with the Charities Act 2011.

Overall, the assets of the Charity as 31 March 2023 were £4.370 million, compared to £4.859 million in 2021/2022, a decrease of £489,000.

In the year 2022/2023, income for our Charity totalled £474,000. Expenditure for our Charity totalled £887,000. Losses on revaluation of the Ethical Investment Fund were £76,000. Net movement in funds for year 2022/2023 were -£489,000. Investments within the Ethical Investment Funds are within the responsibilities and priorities of the NHS.

Income – how we have been supported during 2022/2023:

Income during the year increased by £192,000 to £474,000 compared to the previous year's income of £282,000. Income comprises of donations, legacies, in memory gifts, grants and investments.

The main reason for the increase in income for 2022/2023 was due to an increase in General Donations and Legacies. We received grants from NHS Charities Together of £41,150 in 2022/2023.

Expenditure what we have supported during 2022/2023:

Expenditure during the year increased by £460,000 to £887,000 compared to the previous year's expenditure of £427,000.

The main reason for the increase in expenditure for 2022/2023 is due to the increase in purchases of additional Medical Equipment.

Investment and Reserves

Investment Management

The key objective is to provide a safe investment with regular income. The Trust invests charitable fund monies in Ethical Investments only and any dividends are reinvested, increasing the market value of its investments.

Investments within the Ethical Investment Funds are within the responsibilities and priorities of the NHS.

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity Reserves Policy

Introduction

The corporate Trustee of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust are committed to utilising its Charitable Fund within the objects of the Charity, and not to accumulate funds unless this is necessary to meet the cost of purchase of a particular item or service.

In accordance with the Charity Commission guidance, the Corporate Trustee acknowledges that there is a requirement to hold a minimum reserve balance. This is to allow freedom to initiate expenditure when required, in advance of donations, and to mitigate the impact of unforeseen circumstances. The policy of the corporate Trustee is that charitable funds should be spent rather than conserved. The corporate Trustee would normally expect that, in the course of any financial year, charitable funds expenditure should at least equal the value of income received in the form of donations, grants and legacies.

It is important, however, that funds are spent prudently and not expended simply to reduce the level of reserves held.

Definition of reserves

Charity Reserves are those funds which become available to the charity to be spent at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the charity's objectives, but which are not yet spent or committed or could only be realised through the disposal of fixed assets. These are therefore classified as 'free'. Reserves can be categorised as follows:

- a) Restricted Funds – funds which are subject to specific terms e.g. legacies/Grant of Probate (wills) – not free.
- b) Designated funds – funds which have been donated for a specific area e.g. Ward 8 – not free.
- c) Unrestricted Funds – funds which are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees, or designated in consideration of donor's wishes e.g. Trustwide General Purpose fund– free.
- d) Endowment Funds – funds which are to be held as capital and only the income generated can be expended – not free.

Of the above, the WAH Charity currently has all types of fund except Endowment Funds. At each Charitable Funds Committee meeting the committee will receive a breakdown of the above reserves giving details of the fund balance, the number of funds and plans to spend the reserves (expenditure plans).

Reasons for holding reserves

In this document the term Reserves is used to describe that part of the charities funds that are freely available for general purposes. Reserves are therefore the resources a charity has, or can make available, to spend on any or all of the charities purposes once it has met its commitments and covered planned expenditure.

The corporate Trustee considers it necessary to retain reserves over the longer term to:

- a) Reduce the impact of risks from the external environment should the levels of income reduce significantly that the charity cannot meet its obligations
- b) To ensure the charity can cover its on-going operational costs to process outstanding commitments
- c) Meet the closure or transfer of the charity's affairs should the need arise

Level of reserves required

The Charitable Funds Committee has been actively seeking to identify appropriate and beneficial uses for accumulated funds. It is intended that reserves will be monitored on an on-going basis to ensure that existing and new funds are used within a reasonable timescale.

The corporate Trustee has agreed the minimum level of the reserves should range between £100,000 and £150,000 which is equivalent to one year's operational costs and estimated annual commitments. *Note: annual commitments are not absolute and are reviewed regularly and agreed by the Trustees each year.*

Maintaining, monitoring and reviewing the policy.

Day to day management of designated funds has been delegated to specific fund managers throughout the Trust, thus ensuring that funds remain under the control of those staff best able to decide on how the funds should be spent in line with donors' wishes.

Fund managers are encouraged wherever possible to combine existing funds, and funds with balances below £500 will be reviewed every 2 years in consultation with fund managers, with the aim of amalgamating these with similar funds, or closing funds where the balance is insufficient for meaningful use, and where further income is not anticipated. In the case of closure, balances will be transferred to General Purpose's charitable funds.

Requests to set up new funds are submitted to the Charitable Funds Manager and referred to the Deputy Director of Finance for approval.

Income and Expenditure is monitored by the Finance Department and reported to the CFC. The intention of the monitoring is to ensure compliance with Standing Orders and Standing Financial Instructions, to ensure value for money, and to check that advantage is taken of all available concessions, e.g. the ability to obtain exemption from VAT on qualifying equipment. Fund Managers will be reminded that they are not permitted to accumulate funds unless they are saving for a particular item, and managers need to adhere to the Expenditure Plan Policy.

Expenditure plans are monitored by the Finance Department and reported to the CFC. Action will be taken to ensure that managers utilise their funds in an appropriate and timely manner. The Committee reserves the right to:

- a) identify appropriate uses for any funds not being utilised.
- b) appoint alternative fund managers.
- c) approve expenditure on behalf of the fund manager.

Approval and ratification process

This process will be reviewed by the Charitable Funds Committee and ratified by the Board of Directors as Corporate Trustee.

The liquidation of investments and the withdrawal of funds from the Charities investment portfolio will require Committee approval. Liquidation of funds will only be requested in exceptional circumstances and the full details of any such transaction will be reported to the Charitable Funds Committee and also to the corporate trustee at the next available Trust Board meeting.

Short and long term investments should not be liquidated with immediate effect and only be realised in line with their notice period. In the intervening period the Charity will maintain a creditor balance with the Trust's revenue account until the balance can be cleared without incurring a loss of interest.

The Charity will reimburse the Trust for expenses incurred on a quarterly basis.

Should the Charitable Funds Committee decide that cash reserves within the investment portfolio are required to meet estimated commitments; the Committee will delegate responsibility to the Deputy Director of Finance, Head of Financial Services and Financial Planning or Financial Accountant to liaise with the Charities investment managers to transfer cash to and from the Charities Business Call account.

Reporting arrangements

Should there be a requirement to liquidate a proportion of the investments in to cash resources the corporate Trustee will require the Charities investment managers to provide full details of the transaction. The full details will be notified to the Charitable Fund Committee and also to the corporate Trustee at the next available Trust Board meeting.

Review of the reserves policy.

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Charitable Funds Committee

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Accounts for year ending 31st March 2023

Foreword

The Trust Board, as Corporate Trustee of the Charitable Fund, act as Trustees on behalf of the Trust in the management and administration of the Charity. These accounts have been prepared by the Trustees under section 98(2) of the National Health Service Act 1977 (as amended) in the forms which the Secretary of State has, with the approval of Treasury, directed.

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity 1054612 is registered with the Charity Commission and includes funds donated for the benefit of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

Main purpose of the Charity

The main purpose of the Charity is to apply income for any charitable purpose relating to the National Health Service wholly or mainly for the services provided by Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

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The Worcestershire Royal Hospital, The Alexandra Hospital and Kidderminster Hospital are a group of three hospitals working together under the umbrella of the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity, registered charity no 1054612.

Putting Patients First

We put patients first in everything we do, by supporting the services of the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Trust which includes the Alexandra Hospital Redditch, Kidderminster Hospital, Worcestershire Royal Hospital, as well as community sites in Bromsgrove, Evesham, Malvern and Tenbury.

All funding provided by the charity is for over and above core NHS Trust services. Your donation is never used to replace NHS Trust services within the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.

WORCESTERSHIRE ACUTE HOSPITALS CHARITY 1054612

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for:

* keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the funds of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the 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, and safeguarding assets

* establishing arrangements for the prevention and detection of fraud and corruption

The trustees are required under the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice 2015: Accounting and Reporting by Charities to prepare accounts for each financial year which show a true and fair view of the charity's incoming resources and application of resources during the year, and of its state of affairs at the end of the year. In preparing those accounts, the trustees are required to:

* apply on a consistent basis suitable accounting policies

* make judgements and estimates which are reasonable and prudent

* state that applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts

* prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume the charity will continue its activities

The trustees confirm that they have met the responsibilities set out above and complied with the requirements for preparing the accounts:

* as far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware


* they have taken all appropriate steps as required in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information, and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information

The financial statements set out on pages 10 to 24 attached have been compiled from and are in accordance with the financial records maintained by the trustees.

By Order of the Trustees

Signed: Neil Cook - Chief Finance Officer

Trustee



Date 8 January 2024

*the Board may authorise another trustee to sign in place of the Chairman.

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity 1054612

Unconsolidated Statement of Financial Activities for year ending 31 March 2023

	Note(s)	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Total
		2022/23 £,000	2022/23 £,000	2022/23 £,000	2021/22 £,000
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	3	305	110	415	171
Grants	3	41	-	41	80
Trading Activities	3	18	-	18	31
Total:		364	110	474	282
Expenditure on:					
Charitable Activities	4	591	23	614	245
Fundraising Costs	4	239	-	239	165
Other	4	34	-	34	17
Total:		864	23	887	427
Net Income before gains/(losses) on investments		(500)	87	(413)	145
Gains and losses on investment assets		(76)	-	(76)	395
Net Movement in funds	14	(576)	87	(489)	250
Prior Year Adjustment		0	0	0	0
Total Funds brought forward 1 April		2,796	2,063	4,859	4,609
Total Funds carried forward		2,220	2,150	4,370	4,859

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity 1054612**Balance sheet as at 31 March 2023**

	Note	2022/23 £,000	2021/22 £,000
Fixed assets			
Investments	8	3,731	3,808
Total fixed assets		3,731	3,808
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand	13	853	1,120
Total current assets		853	1,120
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	214	69
Net current assets		639	1,051
Total assets less current liabilities		4,370	4,859
Total net assets		4,370	4,859
The funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted funds	14	2,220	2,796
Restricted income funds	14	2,150	2,063
Total charity funds		4,370	4,859

The financial statements on pages 10 to 24 were authorised for issue by the Trustees on

Signature: 

Name: Neil Cook - Chief Finance Officer

Date: 8 January 2024

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity 1054612
Cash Flows for year ending 31 March 2023

	Note	Total funds 2022/2023 £,000	Total funds 2021/2022 £,000
See Note 13			
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	13	(267)	(154)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of investments		0	0
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		0	0
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(267)	(154)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	13	1,120	1,274
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	13	853	1,120

Section C Notes to Accounts

Note 1

1.1 Basis of Preparation

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

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

1.2 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at fair value, in accordance with:

Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP);

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 2.1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied by the charity.

Fund Structure	Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified in the accounts as a restricted fund. Funds where capital is held to generate income for charitable purposes and cannot itself be spent are accounted for as endowment funds. Other funds are classified as unrestricted or designated funds. Funds which are not legally restricted but which the Trustees have chosen to earmark for set purposes are designated funds.
Incoming Resources	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: <ul style="list-style-type: none">· the charity becomes entitled to the resources;· the trustees consider it probable they will receive the resources; and· the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Gifts in kind	<p>Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.</p> <p>Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity.</p> <p>Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.</p>
Incoming Resources from Legacies	These are accounted for as income resources once the receipt of the legacy becomes reasonably certain. This will be once confirmation has been received from the representatives of the estates that payment of the legacy will be made or property transferred and once all conditions attached to the legacy have been fulfilled.
Resources expended and irrecoverable VAT	All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to each category of expense shown in the Statement of Financial Activities. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.
Recognition of expenditure and associated liabilities as a result of grant	<p>Grant payable are payments made to linked, related party of third party NHS bodies and non-NHS bodies, in furtherance of the charitable objective of the funds held on trust, primarily relief of those who are sick.</p> <p>Grant payments are recognised as expenditure when the conditions for their payment have been met or where there is a constructive obligation to make payment.</p>
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts if receivable.
Fixed asset investments	Fixed asset investments are initially recognised at their transaction value and are subsequently measured at their fair value (market value) as at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on the revaluation and disposals throughout the year.
Cash and Cash equivalents	Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due. Cash equivalents are managed by our Investment Fund Managers and are always invested in Ethical Funds.

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 2.2 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied by the charity.

Creditors	Creditors are amounts owed by the Charity. They are measured by the amount the charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt.
Debtors	Debtors are amounts owed to the Charity. They are measured on the basis of their recoverable amount.
Allocation of support costs	Are those costs which do not relate directly to a single activity. These include some staff costs, costs of administration, internal and external audit costs and IT support. Support costs have been paid from general funds between fundraising costs and charitable activities on an appropriate basis. The analysis of support costs are shown in note 4. Governance costs are classified as a support cost and have therefore been apportioned between fundraising activities and charitable activities.
Fundraising Costs	The costs of generating funds are those costs attributable to generating income for the Charity, other than those costs incorrect in undertaking charitable activities.
Charitable activities	Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the charity. These costs, where not wholly attributable, are apportioned between the categories of charitable expenditure.
Realised gains and losses	All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between the sales proceeds and opening carrying value. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and opening carrying value (or purchase date if later).

Note 3 Income

		Year Ending 31 March 2023	Year Ending 31 March 2022
		£,000	£,000
3.1 Income from donations and legacies	Analysis		
	Donations from individuals and suppliers	233	167
	Legacies	182	4
	Total	415	171
		Year Ending 31 March 2023	Year Ending 31 March 2022
		£,000	£,000
3.2 Analysis of income from Grants	Analysis		
	Grants from NHS Charities Together	41	14
	Other Grants	0	66
	Total	41	80
		Year Ending 31 March 2023	Year Ending 31 March 2022
		£,000	£,000
3.3 Analysis of income Trading Activities	Analysis		
	Events organised by the fundraising team	18	31
	Total	18	31

Investment Income

CCLA Dividends are paid directly into our Ethical Investment Fund so there is no income for 2022/23 from CCLA.
Investment fees in 2022/23 are taken directly from the Investment Dividends.

Note 4

Resources expended

		Year Ending 31 March 2023 £,000	Year Ending 31 March 2022 £,000		
Analysis					
4.1 Expenditure					
	Audit Remuneration (see Note 5.2)	11	21		
	Bought in services from NHS	23	17		
	Computer Hardware and Software	2	3		
	Furniture, Furnishing and Fittings	48	24		
	Medical and Surgical Equipment	345	31		
	Office Equipment	-	1		
	Other	1	6		
	Patient functions and events	24	1		
	Patient therapeutics	9	15		
	Patients welfare and amenities	24	9		
	Printing, Stationary, Books and Journals		1		
	Rebuilding and refurbishment	4	7		
	Research - Salaries	23	29		
	Computer Software	10	2		
	Staff education and resources	14	8		
	Staff Welfare and amenities	108	87		
	Subscription Fees including Memberships	2	-		
	Total	648	262		
4.2 Fundraising Costs					
	Fundraising Salaries - Income Generation	86	86		
	Fundraising Salaries - Charitable Activities	58	22		
	Fundraising Salaries - Grant Support	37	22		
	Fundraising Event Costs and Consumables	58	35		
	Total	239	165		
4.3 Changes in Resources Available for Charity Use					
		Year Ended 31 March 2023 £,000	Year Ended 31 March 2022 £,000		
	Net Movement in Funds for the Year				
	Unrestricted funds	(576)	280		
	Restricted funds	87	(30)		
	Total	(489)	250		
4.4 Analysis of Support Costs					
		Expenditure £,000	Governance Costs £,000	Total 2023 £,000	Total 2022 £,000
	Expenditure prior to apportionment (if relevant)	963	22	985	49
	Adjust for reapportionment of Support costs*	-	(22)	(22)	(17)
	Expenditure as restated	963	-	963	32

*All support costs are paid from the General Funds on a monthly basis

The Charity does not make grants to individuals. All are grants are made to the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust within our charitable aims. The trustee operates a scheme of delegation under which fund advisors approve expenditure from the funds they are responsible for.

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 5 Details of certain items of expenditure

5.1 Trustee expenses

	2022/2023	2021/2022
Number of trustees who were paid expenses	-	-
No expenses paid during the year	-	-

5.2 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

	Year Ended 31 March 2023	Year Ended 31 March 2022
	£,000	£,000
Auditor's fees for reporting on the accounts *	11	21

Note 6 Paid employees

The charity has no direct paid employees; staffing is provided by way of bought-in services re-charged from Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust. This arrangement enables flexibility in the use of staff time between the Trust and its charity.

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 7 Grant making

7.1 Total value of grants

Purpose for which grants made		2022/2023	As restated
		Total £,000	2021/2022
Charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service in Worcestershire		637	Total £,000
			241
Total		637	241

7.2 Grants made to institutions

WORCESTERSHIRE ACUTE HOSPITALS CHARITY	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £,000 2022/2023
Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust: grants £1000 or over	Charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service in Worcestershire	563
Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust: grants under £1000	Charitable purposes relating to the National Health Service in Worcestershire	74
Total grants to institutions		637

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 8 Investment assets

8.1 Fixed assets investments

	£,000
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	3,808
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	(77)
Carrying (market) value at end of year	<u>3,731</u>

Analysis of investments

	8.2 Year ended 31 March 2023 £,000	Year ended 31 March 2022 £,000
Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange or held in common investment funds, open ended investment companies, unit trusts or other collective investment schemes	3,731	3,808

Total	<u>3,731</u>	<u>3,808</u>
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	Year ended 31 March 2023 £,000	Year ended 31 March 2022 £,000
Breakdown of holdings at 8.2 above:		
COIF Ethical Fund	3,731	3,808
TOTAL	<u>3,731</u>	<u>3,808</u>

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 9 Debtors and prepayments

There was no accrued income this year as CCLA reinvest our dividends from January 2020.

Note 10 Creditors and accruals

10.1 Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000
Other creditors	214	69	-	-
Total	214	69	-	-

The Trustees recognise liabilities in the accounts once they have incurred either a legal or constructive obligation to expend funds.

Commitments amount to £441k, as detailed below; there are no liabilities and provisions

	£,000	£,000
Total as at 31 March 2022		441
Amounts charged to SoFA in year 2022/23	441	
Amounts released due to change in value		(441)
Still outstanding as at 31 March 2023		-
Items arising during the year ended 31 March 2023		576
Commitment's as 31 March 2023		576

This total relates to sums reserved where, for example, a purchase order has been raised for which no invoice has yet been received. This ensures that funds are not over-committed. The actual costs may differ from the amounts set aside to cover any liability.

It is anticipated that £576k will be either charged to the SoFA in the year

10.3 Security over assets - None

Note 11 There were no Endowment Funds in 2022/23 but there were Restricted Funds

	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000
Restricted Funds in Year 2022/23	2,150	2,063

Note 12

The only transactions with related parties are with the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals as corporate trustee.

All expenditure paid for on behalf of the charity is reimbursed to the Trust.

The total paid to the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals in 2022/2023 was £700k and the amount owing as at 31st March 2023 was £214k.

The total paid to the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals in 2021/2022 was £411k and the amount owing as at 31st March 2022 was £69k.

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 13 Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity Cash Flow Statement 2022/2023

	Year Ended 31 March 2023 £,000	Year Ended 31 March 2022 £,000
13.1 Reconciliation of Net Movement in Funds to net cash flow from Operating Activities		
Net Movement in Funds for reporting period (As per statement of Financial Activities)	- 490	250
Adjustments for:		
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	77	-395
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	146	(9)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	- 267	(154)
13.2 Cash in hand		
	Year Ended 31 March 2023 £,000	Year Ended 31 March 2022 £,000
Cash in hand	853	1,120
Total Cash and cash equivalents	853	1,120

Section C Notes to accounts (cont.)

Note 14

Additional Disclosures

The following are significant matters which are not covered in other notes.

The Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity processed transfers between funds of £52k. This is due to Fund closures and mergers. These transfers do not effect the total funds carried forward figure.

Details of Material Funds

Fund Balances have been amended as some Restricted Funds have been changed to Designated so now included in Unrestricted Fund Balances.

14.1 Unrestricted Funds

	Fund balance brought forward 1 April 2022	Fund balance brought forward 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Fund balance carried forward 31 March 2023	
	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000
Specialist Medicine	286	268	15	27	9	286
Surgical	575	579	9	-	4	575
Women & Children	287	266	82	57	36	287
Specialised Clinical Services	238	213	161	61	36	238
Corporate	103	165	45	16	78	103
Other(Incl. General)	111	224	52	119	232	111
Investment Gain/Loss	1,196	801	-	395	-	1,196
	2,796	2,516	364	675	395	2,796

14.2 Restricted Funds

	Fund balance brought forward 1 April 2022	Fund balance brought forward 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Fund balance carried forward 31 March 2023	
	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000	2022/2023 £,000	2021/2022 £,000
Specialist Medicine	545	545	-	-	-	545
Surgical	-	-	110	-	-	-
Specialised Clinical Services	370	400	-	2	32	370
Corporate	1,148	1,148	-	-	-	1,148
Other(Incl. General)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2,063	2,093	110	2	32	2,063

14.3 Details of Material Funds - Restricted

Name of Fund	Description of the nature and purpose of each fund
Avis Irene Austin Legacy - Rheumatology Only	Any charitable purpose relating to Rheumatology.
F I Archer Legacy - Diabetes	For the sole purpose of Diabetes Care.
In Memory Mr Trevor Protheroe	For the sole purpose of Equipment, Haematology, Worcester.
Marjorie Capewell Legacy	Any charitable purpose relating to Oncology, Alexander Hospital.
Mrs Dorothy Hackney Legacy	To purchase Cardiac Equipment only.
Mrs Dorothy Hackney Legacy	For purposes of Research into Myeloma and Heart Disease only
Walter&Olive Baldock Asset Protection Trust	Any charitable purpose relating to Kidderminster Hospital.
County Air Ambulance Trust	For the sole purpose of the Helipad.
TIAS Help Appeal	Further development of the Helipad will be proposed in 2024/2025 after discussions and agreement with the Donor.
Mrs B Morris Legacy	For the sole use of the Orthopaedics at Alexandra Hospital.

Note 15 Additional Disclosures Prior Year Analysis

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity 1054612

Unconsolidated statement of financial activities for year ended 31 March 2022

	Unrestricted funds 2021/22 £,000	Restricted funds 2021/22 £,000	Total 2021/22 £,000	Total 2020/21 £,000
Income from:				
Donations and Legacies	169	2	171	1,254
Grants	80	-	80	191
Trading Activities	31	-	31	-
Total:	280	2	282	1,445
Expenditure on:				
Charitable Activities	213	32	245	269
Fundraising Costs	165	-	165	115
Other	17	-	17	19
Total:	395	32	427	403
Net Income before gains/(losses) on investments	(115)	(30)	(145)	1,042
Gains and losses on investment assets	395	-	395	555
Net Movement in funds	280	(30)	250	1,597
Prior Year Adjustment	645	(645)	0	0
Total Funds brought forward 1 April	2,516	2,093	4,609	3,012
Total Funds carried forward	2,796	2,063	4,859	4,609

Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Charity (the 'Charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including 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 2023, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 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 Trustees' 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 Trustees 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 Trustees' Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are 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 2008 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 Trustees' report; or
- the Charity has not kept adequate accounting records; 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 Trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 10 the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees 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 Trustees are 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 Trustees either intend to liquidate the Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor 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:

The procedures undertaken in order to identify and assess risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, are as follows:

- We have considered the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and Charity's performance;
- We have considered the results of our enquiries of management and those charged with governance about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- For any matters identified we have obtained and reviewed the Charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud; and
 - the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- We have considered the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud, which included incorrect recognition of income and accounting estimates, and these were identified as the greatest potential area for fraud.

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the charitable company operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and Charities Act 2011.

In addition, we have considered provisions of other laws and regulations that do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the charity's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty. These included the accounting requirements of the National Health Service Act 1977 (as amended) and Data Protection Regulations.

Our procedures to respond to the risks identified included the following:

- Reviewing the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- Documenting and validating the control environment for income and carrying out walkthrough testing;
- Undertaking substantive sample-based testing or proof in total calculations on all material income streams to ensure income has been recognised appropriately and accurately;
- Enquiring of management and those charged with governance concerning actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- Reading and reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; and assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias.

We also communicated relevant identified laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

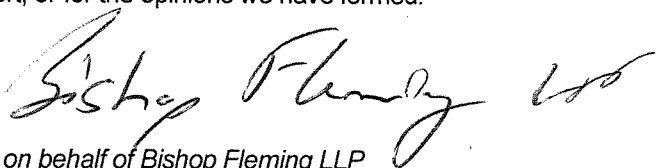
Our audit procedures were designed to respond to risks of material misstatement in the financial statements, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from an error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery, misrepresentations or through collusion. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures performed and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the FRC's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditors/audit-assurance/auditor-s-responsibilities-for-the-audit-of-the-fi/description-of-the-auditor%E2%80%99s-responsibilities-for>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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 Trustees, 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 Trustees 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 Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



For and on behalf of Bishop Fleming LLP
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Date: 29th January 2024.

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