

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
FOR
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(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 Trustee Report includes the Report of the Directors' as required by company law.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's objects are:

- Promoting for the public benefit, in partnership with others, the protection of property, of people and the prevention of criminal acts.
- Advancing the education of the public in crime prevention.
- Providing recreational facilities in the interests of social welfare for young persons with the objectives of improving their conditions of life.

The charity has the general aim of enhancing the quality of life of the people of Merthyr Tydfil, and elsewhere in Wales, by reducing crime and fear of crime. However, since the advent of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, crime prevention activities now have core status on the agendas of statutory and voluntary organisations locally and nationally. Therefore the charity's business objectives are to:

- Continue to play a key role in reducing crime and the fear of crime by accessing Welsh Assembly, European and local resources to develop crime prevention initiatives in Merthyr Tydfil and wider areas.
- Assist local and national organisations to deliver effective single agency and multi-agency crime prevention measures in order to create a safer environment where economic enterprise and community life can flourish.
- Continue to share good practice with Community Safety Partners locally, regionally and nationally.

The strategy employed by the charity to achieve its aims and objectives is to develop suitable programmes of work for delivery.

Public benefit

The Trustees are aware that the Charity has a responsibility under the Charities Act to demonstrate that it has charitable aims that meet the public benefit requirement and are therefore charitable. The Trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when considering, planning and implementing the activities of the charity and comply with the duty under S17 Charities Act 2011. As Trustees, we believe that the aims of our organisation are charitable and for the public benefit. Furthermore, in our view, no detriment or harm arises from our Charity carrying out its work and we are not aware of any widespread views among others that such detriment or harm might arise.

Volunteers

Volunteer Time

The value of volunteer time is not quantified in terms of money, but the time contributed by volunteers is an invaluable resource in terms of the outstanding contribution made by them.

The number of hours contributed by volunteers in the year was 1,945 (2022: 4,823).

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STRATEGIC REPORT

Achievement and performance

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Through a Grant from Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, the charity, throughout 2022/23 has undertaken a strategic role in the coordination of domestic abuse services.

The grant is reviewed annually and makes a significant contribution toward core costs, which incorporate both strategic and operational administration of the organisation. The value of the Grant with MTCBC for the financial year 2022/23 was £37,000. However, in real terms it was significantly higher as it was this funding that allowed us to generate a turnover of £2,416,612. Conversely, the added value to the Local Authority is that this level of income contributes directly to the strategic priorities of key local and regional plans.

On behalf of the community Safety Partnership, the charity employs and manages the strategic post of Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (VAWDASV) Regional Advisor.

The charity plays a key role in assisting the Local Authority discharge its statutory functions through maintenance and delivery of high-quality programmes of work in relation to Domestic Abuse.

COMETS & ROCKETS PROGRAMME

Comets and Rockets has run since August 2012. Since 1st April 2022 the programme is funded by Bridgend CBC, RCT CBC, Merthyr CBC, Moondance and MoJ through the office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales.

The programme in Merthyr and RCT is supported by 1 fulltime Play Therapist, 2 part time Play Therapists, 2 part time Children and Young Person Support Workers and 1 part time Child IDVA. In November 2022 additional funding from Masonic Charitable Fund was awarded for 1 part time Play Therapist and 1 part time Children and Young Person Support Worker. In October 2022 additional funding for MoJ from Children Affected by Domestic Abuse (CADA) fund was awarded for 2 part time Children and Young People Support Workers for 11-17 year olds through a Wales-wide bid coordinated by Welsh Women's Aid.

The programme in Bridgend is in the 2nd year of a 2 year contract with Bridgend CBC ending in April 2023. The programme is supported by 1 part time and 1 full time Children and Young Person Workers, 2 part time Play Therapists and a Team Lead. We also host 35 hours post Child IDVA post for Bridgend.

The project supports children aged 3-17 years of age who have experienced and/or witnessed domestic abuse.

Using the STAR (safety, trust, and respect) Programme, delivery is a weekly group which takes place during school hours and after school.

The group programme aims to improve children's:

- Understanding of domestic abuse/ healthy relationships
- Social skills and development
- Communication within their family unit
- Confidence and well-being

One to One play therapy is offered in addition to the group programmes and will provide a safe and supportive environment for children to play and talk about their fears and anxieties. All one-to-one sessions are tailored to the individual child's needs.

A qualified Play Therapist utilises non-directive play to:

- Empathise and build rapport and trust with the child
- Help the individual to cope with their thoughts and emotions e.g., guilt from a family breakdown
- Develop an individual safety plan
- Provide the opportunity for the child to have fun and be themselves

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Support for Parents/Carers:

We have two parent/carers groups. The first is Child Parent Relationship Therapy group delivered one morning or afternoon per week term time, for 8 weeks. Parents/carers learn the therapeutic techniques used in the children's programmes in order to play and communicate with their child and maximise the programme's long-term impact. Heart to Heart group is our second programme, parents attend with their child and take part in parent child attachment activities. The group aims to improve the relationship between the child and parent and give them an opportunity to have fun together. The group is the final part of support and aims to help them be ready to end support.

During the financial year 2022/23 - 1/4/22 - 31/3/23 Comets and Rockets has achieved the following:

- 19 groups delivered with 87 children in Cwm Taf Morgannwg.
- 4 x 8-week parent group programs delivered across Cwm Taf Morgannwg with 15 parent/carers
- 21 families received Heart to Heart 6-week group sessions across Cwm Taf Morgannwg.
- 159 children received one to one play therapy sessions.
- Child IDVA attended MARAC meetings in Merthyr and Bridgend.
- Child IDVA supported 159 high risk children and young people victims 1-1 and group support in Merthyr and Bridgend.
- 166 11-17 year olds attended a Healthy relationship workshop session in school in Merthyr.

DOMESTIC ABUSE RESOURCE TEAM (DART)

The team provides a range of services delivered from the Teulu Multi Agency Centre, based in the centre of Merthyr Tydfil as well as providing services within the community from outreach posts and supporting people within their own homes.

DART works collaboratively with other SMT projects, providing holistic family support services. These services are integrated within the program of work delivered by DART and has enabled the focus to shift from just providing a crisis led response to enabling victims and their families to gain the necessary tools to empower them to access appropriate services and become more self-sufficient, working towards eliminating the 'revolving door' of victims and highlighting the potential of survivors.

The aim of the project is to provide a holistic approach to supporting those affected by domestic abuse aged 16+ and their children.

We also aim to:

- Encourage victims to report domestic abuse.
- Provide practical help and support to victims of domestic abuse and their families.
- Coordinate and improve services to adults and children experiencing domestic abuse through multi-agency working.
- Raise public awareness of domestic abuse and its consequences.
- Provide a range of Recovery Programmes and activities.

DART Community Support 2022-2023

1314 referrals received and processed, with more than 60% of which were successfully contacted and offered support. 567/799 of those contacted accepted support and accessed direct practical and emotional support on either a single support or ongoing basis. In total during 2022 - 2023, 651 survivors of domestic abuse were supported by the team.

In 2022-2023 DART had one full-time manager, one full-time Team Lead, two full-time IDVA, one part-time IDVA, and two part-time triage workers. Over the course of 2022-2023, a full-time frontline staff member supported on average 130 victims to address risk and needs management. We provided tailored ongoing, single and triage support as required. The team also provided Drop-In at Teulu MAC which was reinstated on daily basis following limited provision during Covid allowing for those with non-planned crisis presentation to be supported in a timely manner to reduce risk in the immediate and facilitate ongoing support where required.

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The nature of the work undertaken by SMT Domestic Abuse Resource Team continued to have a significant impact on staff workload and capacity as service users continued to present with additional needs and often having limited access to other support services such as mental health. This increase in complexity of cases resulted in more cases being opened and more cases staying open for longer than we have traditionally seen pre-Covid. We increased frontline capacity by appointing a part-time admin-only post and uplifting triage hours in the final quarter where finances allowed.

DART Court Support 2022-2023

Court IDVA attended a total of 37 weekly Special Domestic Violence Court at Merthyr Tydfil Combined Court Centre, including Family Court and Criminal Justice Proceedings, supporting and advocating for a total of 217 victims at plea hearings, Trials, and sentencing hearings - an increase on 2021-2022. 21 additional victims utilized our Safe Video Evidence Site located at Teulu MAC, where they were able to provide best evidence in Criminal, Civil, and Family Court proceedings.

The difficulties experienced by the Criminal Justice System, including Covid-19 and industrial action (barrister strike) continued to have an impact on the effectiveness of the process, with many victims seeing court hearings adjourned, and their recovery delayed as a result. Court IDVA played a key role in managing victim attrition as well as victim experience.

The effectiveness of the role ensured outcomes were met despite challenges beyond our control:

- 209/217 reported improved health and wellbeing following Court IDVA Support
- 204/217 reported increased feelings of safety following Court IDVA Support
- 215/217 reported feeling better informed and empowered to cope with aspects of daily life following Court IDVA Support
- 206/217 reported feeling better able to cope and build resilience to move forward with daily life following Court IDVA Support

Women's Recovery Programmes 2022-2023

SMT were able to successfully source 2yr funding to continue Recovery support in Merthyr Tydfil. This supported our delivery in Bridgend where we are commissioned to deliver licenced Recovery programmes:

- **FREEDOM PROGRAMME:** a twelve-session domestic violence programme to inform women of behaviours and tactics utilized by male perpetrators to exert power and control over their partners / ex-partners.
- **OWN MY LIFE:** a twelve-session programme for women who have been subjected to domestic abuse to enable women to regain ownership of their lives after they have been in a relationship with someone who has hurt them.
- **RECOVERY TOOLKIT:** a twelve-session programme for women who have been subjected to domestic abuse and who have separated from their abuser to assist women in looking at ways to develop positive coping strategies to deal with the psychological distress caused by the abuse.

We delivered 9 groups during 2022-2023, including 3 Freedom Programme, 3 Own My Life, and 3 Recovery Toolkit. We received 450 referrals for Recovery support, with 272 individuals accessing support. This is more than double in comparison to 2021-2022. All survivors who accessed our service were supported to address their Recovery needs, with many accessing multiple programmes in furtherance of their recovery following domestic abuse.

Following completion of the Recovery Programmes, survivors reported positive outcomes including:

- 97% agree support has resulted in positive change.
- 92% feel more confident following support.
- 100% report benefitting from meeting other victims.
- 91% feel hopeful about the future.
- 88% feel more assertive.
- 89% report now being able to make sense of their abuser's behaviour
- 100% now expected to be respected in a relationship.
- 97% feel able to respond to abusive behaviour safely.
- 99% now feel less alone in their experience of domestic abuse.

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92% no longer blame themselves for their abuser's behaviour.
100% can now recognize an unhealthy relationship.
DART Staff Achievements 2022 - 2023

RECRUITMENT - Some staff left SMT to seek career progression elsewhere which resulted in vacancies within the team that were difficult to fill due to a recruitment crisis within the sector. We successfully recruited a DRIVE IDVA, a triage worker, a new Women's Recovery Worker, and an admin worker. Many staff also transitioned into new roles within the team during this period highlighting positive progression pathways within the organisation. All were successfully inducted and accessed relevant training in line with their role and personal development plan.

TRAINING - Staff learning & Development continued, most notably with one staff member successfully completing, and another starting, SafeLives IDVA training. One staff member also completed SafeLives DA Matters 'Train-the-Trainer' Training, become the local specialist provider to deliver specialist DA training to South Wales Police First Responders. All staff completed Adult and Children Safeguarding Training. All staff accessed training via social care calendar, including Professional Curiosity - Thinking Outside the Box, Understanding DASH MARAC, MARAC Rep Training, and Motivational Interviewing. Staff also accessed specialist DA Training via SMT-sourced providers, including Own My Life Training, Freedom Programme Facilitator Training, SARA (Spousal Abuse Risk Assessment) V3 Training, Surviving Economic Abuse Training, Non-Fatal Strangulation and Suffocation Training, Stalking in the Modern Day Training, Sexual Violence Awareness Training, Gender & Trauma Informed Practice Training, Intersectionality and Unconscious Bias Training, Working with Male Victims, and Working with Marginalized Communities Training.

TRAINING DELIVERY - Domestic Abuse Training was provided to partner agencies across Cwm Taf, including housing, education, social care and police. SMT also delivered two sessions of DA Matters to South Wales Police First Responders. The Training is a bespoke cultural change programme for police officers and staff in England and Wales, designed to transform the police response to domestic abuse, ensuring the voice of the victim is placed at the centre, and controlling and coercive behaviour is better understood. SMT were also commissioned to deliver bespoke training to Early Years Workers in Cwm Taf. The 'Understanding Domestic Abuse' training was co-written and delivered by our Adult DA Victim Service and Children's DA Victim Service, ensuring both adult- and child-victim voice was central, and highlighted how essential SMT is to meeting the DA-related needs of the whole family.

STAFF WELLBEING - Ensuring the needs of staff members personally and professionally is as paramount as meeting the needs of service users. Funding was secured to ensure continued access to additional clinical supervision for staff as required. The support enabled staff to maintain boundaries, address any potential for countertransference, and prioritise self-care whilst working with complex cases, thus preventing burnout or vicarious trauma.

RECONNECT 50+ Volunteer led Mentoring Project

Reconnect is a mentoring service operating across Merthyr Tydfil. Delivered by trained volunteers, clients are assisted in making a plan towards specific, life changing goals via small, achievable steps.

The aim of the project is to assist individuals aged 50+ who are lonely and isolated get "Reconnected" back into the community, building social interaction and networks by means of one to one support, interactive group activities and opportunities to learn or share skills.

During 2022/23 the Project achieved the following:

- 13 volunteers supported throughout the year.
- 88 beneficiaries received mentoring support.
- 838 volunteering hours contributed to the project.
- 6 Reconnect activity groups delivered throughout the year.

Community events:

- Allotment open day attended by residents, volunteers, beneficiaries and The Mayor of Merthyr Tydfil
- Networking and community event at The Bryncynon Strategy, RCT
- New group established at Mountain Ash library due to an identified need in the community.
- Cynon Linc group delivered in partnership with Age Connects Morgannwg.
- Older Persons Commissioner (Helena Herklots) and (Peredur Owen Evans MS) visited Reconnect Groups in Merthyr Tydfil to consult with project beneficiaries.

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- Extended allotment site to enhance opportunities for beneficiaries.
- Community consultations with stakeholders in Trefechan and Hirwaun with a view to commencing new Reconnect groups.
- Volunteer recruitment and project awareness raising in Merthyr Town Centre.

Volunteer training:

- Mentoring; personal and professional boundaries
- First Aid
- Mental Health First Aid
- Safeguarding Adults level 2

Reconnect experienced challenges during this year, in particular a delay in the funding decision to continue the project, which affected the motivation of volunteers and staff. One member of staff left the project however recruitment was necessarily delayed, and referral pathways closed until a funding decision was received. Staff ensured client support was maintained, unfortunately volunteers left and sourced other opportunities due to the unknown status of the project, which reduced the overall outputs compared to the previous year.

Written confirmation of continued funding was not received until the beginning of June which is when recruitment for a new Project Manager commenced. The successful candidate was selected and commenced the role in September 2022.

Approaching the end of 22/23 saw another delay in funding decisions which further affected the project however commitment of a six-month period of continuation funding was received, which extended project delivery into the next financial year.

IRIS (Identification and Referral to Increase Safety)

IRIS is a collaboration between primary care and third sector organisations specialising in Domestic Abuse and Violence (DVA). Core areas of the programme include ongoing training, education and consultancy for the clinical team and administrative staff, care pathways for primary health care practitioners and an enhanced referral pathway to specialist domestic violence services for patients with experience of DVA.

The IRIS programme is an evidence-based, effective, and cost-effective intervention to improve the primary care response to DVA and is nationally recognised.

IRIS improves the General Practice response to DVA and essentially improves the safety, quality of life and wellbeing of survivors of DVA.

Support for practices:

- In-house specialist domestic violence training sessions to become better equipped to respond to concerns and disclosures of DVA from all patients including perpetrators. This includes training for all clinicians, as well as reception/administrative team.
- Ongoing support and DVA consultancy after training is completed from a named Advocate Educator.
- Literature (posters and cards) for practices explaining that they are a DVA aware practice.
- Developed and enhanced safeguarding responses to both children and adults.
- A simple referral pathway for patients to a named Advocate Educator, reducing time required from GPs and practices to respond to disclosures and related issues.
- A certificate for each clinician who attends training, counting towards their CPD points.
- Regular attendance from the Advocate Educator at practice meetings to remind staff about the service and provide support with challenging cases.

Support for patients:

- Emotional support, a safe place to talk about how DVA has affected them and the impact this can have on their emotional/physical well-being. The Advocate Educator works in a patient centred way, at the patient's pace, outlining options and choices.

- Practical support, including advice around finances/benefits, referrals into counselling/group work, housing, legal advice, safety planning, referrals to MARAC/safeguarding, support reporting to Police or attending court.

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IRIS is delivered across the Cwm Taf Morgannwg region by Safer Merthyr Tydfil in Merthyr Tydfil, Cynon and Bridgend and RCT Domestic Abuse Services in Rhondda and Taff areas.

At 31st March 2023, IRIS had received a total of 1277 referrals for specialist support since its inception in 2015. This is compared to 5 referrals from GP practices in the year 2014/15, prior to IRIS delivery.

2022-23 IRIS impact data and outcomes:

- 100% of practices in Merthyr Tydfil and RCT are designated IRIS aware practices (all 3 training sessions completed)
- 95% of practices in Bridgend have undertaken IRIS training
- 274 patients referred for support
- 94.5% (259/274) of patients referred engaged with support
- 87 clinicians trained
- 15 reception and admin staff trained

IRIS outcomes:

- 79.5% of patients reported they accessed their GP less as a result of engagement with IRIS
- 88% of patients reported feeling safer and more able to cope
- 83% of patients reported their physical and mental health had improved
- 82.5% of patients reported feeling more positive about their future
- 100% of GPs and clinicians reported an increased understanding of the complexities of DVA and felt more confident using targeted enquiry to identify DVA

The patient engagement rate for IRIS referrals this year remained high at 94.5%, which evidences the unique and trusted relationship between patient and GP, who are able to recognise symptoms that present as a result of historic and/or current domestic abuse and signpost patients for specialist DVA support via the practice Advocate Educator.

2022-23 saw significant pressure on general practice, working in partnership, IRIS was on hand to provide support to clinicians and patients alike. In response to practices' requests, IRIS continued to deliver remote training and provided support to patients according to their needs using a variety of remote communication methods and also face to face appointments.

THE FAMILY PROGRAMME

Funded by the South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner, the programme offers specialist support for families who are or have experienced domestic abuse and wish to remain together safely or be supported to separate amicably and positively co-parent.

It is a whole family model which works collaboratively with SMT DA services and it aims to:

- Bring the whole family closer together.
- Strengthen and improve family safety, well-being, and positive relationships.
- Ensure the family is seen through the child/young person's eyes with their well-being paramount.
- Ensure the responsibility for the abuse lies with the abusive parent.
- Ensure safety and risk always remain central to the model.

Programme Overview

- **INFORMATION GATHERING** - Relevant family history in relation to risk and need facing all family members is obtained from agencies.

- **PHASE ONE (ASSESSMENT)** - Individual and Couples Risk and Needs Assessments completed with Abusive Parent and Non-Abusive Parent.

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- **PHASE TWO (EDUCATION and BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE)** - Tailored 1-1, Couples and Children/Young People Sessions completed to address the specific areas identified to reduce risk of harm in the family home.

- **PHASE THREE (EXTENSION SESSIONS)** - Additional recommended or requested Sessions for Individuals, Couples, or the Whole Family.

Key engagement data for 2022-2023:

- Total number of referrals 22-23: 53
- Total number of families in 22-23: (including families carried from 21-22) 62
- Total number of beneficiaries 22-23: 41
(where contact was made and family were offered phone support/signposting at minimum)
- Total number of families not identified as beneficiaries 22-23: 21
- Families who accessed ongoing support 22-23: 39
(where families progressed to phase one assessment, attended face-to-face support)
- Total number of CYP who accessed direct support 22-23: 16
- Total families who accessed phase 2 sessions 22-23: 18
- Total families who accessed Phase 3 extension sessions 22-23: 2

Key Reported Outcomes:

Families noted as beneficiaries against the following outcomes:

- 36/62 Families reported improved health & wellbeing
- 45/62 Families reported increased feelings of safety
- 44/62 Families reported feeling better able to cope and build resilience to move forward with daily life
- 44/62 Families reported feeling better informed and empowered to cope with aspects of everyday life

Families not noted as beneficiaries against these outcomes report there was no change and this can be attributed to factors such as long term mental ill health still being present, cases being assessed as high-risk and referred on to appropriate services to address ongoing risk and needs management factors, and some cases still being in their infancy so limited positive change at this stage in terms of health and wellbeing. Only 2 Families reported a deterioration, and this can be directly attributed to them having their children removed from the care during pre-existing care proceedings prior to engagement with our service.

Key Staff Information:

RECRUITMENT - two team members left Family Programme during 2022-2023 (one moved internally to DRIVE and the other sought a career change and joined South Wales Police. This resulted in vacancies within the team that were filled via one internal appointment from DART Women's Recovery. We successfully recruited another who started at the same time and both were successfully inducted and accessed relevant training in line with their role and personal development plan.

TRAINING - Staff learning & Development continued. All staff completed Adult and Children Safeguarding Training. All staff accessed training via social care calendar, including Professional Curiosity - Thinking Outside the Box, Understanding DASH MARAC, MARAC Rep Training, and Motivational Interviewing. Staff also accessed specialist DA Training via SMT-sourced providers, including Own My Life Training, SARA (Spousal Abuse Risk Assessment) V3 Training, and Ahimsa Training.

STAFF WELLBEING - Ensuring the needs of staff members personally and professionally is as paramount as meeting the needs of service users. Clinical Supervision enabled staff to maintain boundaries, address any potential for countertransference, and prioritise self-care whilst working with complex cases, thus preventing burnout or vicarious trauma.

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THE DRIVE PROJECT

National response to perpetrators of domestic abuse. DRIVE knits together existing services, complementing and enhancing existing interventions already in place. DRIVE South Wales currently operates within the Cwm Taff Morgannwg area covering Merthyr Tydfil, Rhondda Cynon Taff, and Bridgend. We also are now fully set up and delivering in Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan and the Western Bay area (Swansea / Neath and Port Talbot).

DRIVE advocates a multi-model approach that interlaces support and disruption interventions for those who perpetrate domestic abuse and currently works with those perpetrators whose victims are assessed as "high risk" through the MARAC process. Therefore, referrals to the project are selected via the respective area MARAC (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference).

The team currently consists of 12 Case Managers, 3 Team leaders, 1 x Service Manager.

The team works with service users compiling comprehensive risk and needs assessment throughout the intervention period of up to 12 months. Detailed, innovative, and holistic Individual Intervention Plans are completed for all service users and close partnership working with IDVA services and other multi-agency partners is fundamental to the safe practice that underpins the DRIVE model.

To date, DRIVE has worked with:

745 perps 817 victims 1258 CYP in Cwm Taff
441 perps 522 victims and 939 CYP in Cardiff
182 Perps 209 victims and 392 CYP in Western Bay

Within South Wales, we have also experienced good levels of service user contact and engagement, higher than the DRIVE average nationally.

From the inception of the Project, Drive has been able to demonstrate good examples of multi-agency working with partners such as the IDVA service, Children's Services, Police and NPS/CRC which clearly demonstrates it is contributing effectively to the reduction of harm and improving victim and CYP safety. We have received several accolades and examples of positive feedback from our partners in respect of work that has been done with perpetrators and the outcomes that have been achieved in respect of positive impact on victims and families.

We have been able to demonstrate good examples of the impact of behavioural change work with engaged service users and examples of disrupt interventions with those service users not engaged or with whom we are not in contact due to safety or other reasons. Disrupt work involves monitoring and facilitating appropriate case actions from a distance which will prohibit the perpetrator from carrying out further abusive behavior or which improves risk for the victim.

DRIVE has now been extended into HMP Swansea. Although we have only just started delivering we currently have 9 service users assigned to us and are having very good engagement.

Suite of interventions in Cardiff and the Vale:

SMT are the service provider for DRIVE Project, Driving Change and CLEAR, a suite of perpetrator interventions that provide risk based, tiered levels of support throughout Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan. Having begun implementing the model of work/delivery model, we believe that this integrated way of working will improve the public sector response to violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence by reducing the number of victims, holding perpetrators to account for their behaviour, and promoting a desire for significant attitudinal and behavioural change in perpetrators. In partnership with others, improving the consistency, quality and join-up of service provision in relation to supporting and holding perpetrators to account in Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan is the fundamental aim of SMT.

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DRIVING CHANGE

Medium/Standard Harm Driving Change is a therapeutic treatment programme for men who have been violent towards an intimate partner. The core aim of the programme is to support and maintain the safety and wellbeing of all women and children, whilst holding perpetrators of domestic violence and abuse to account for their behaviour. Driving Change provides challenge and also support to enable individuals to cease their violent and abusive behaviour with a view to them developing respectful, loving and responsible attitudes towards not only those around them but also towards themselves. Driving Change combines both one-to-one and group-based work, adopting a cognitive-behavioural and feminist approach within an explicit emotional and feeling framework rooted in psychotherapeutic and spiritual practice. As in DRIVE, Driving Change will work very closely with partner support services.

We are now also delivering Driving Change in Cwm Taff Morgannwg.

CLEAR

Early Intervention CLEAR is a 6-week course which facilitates men to identify their abusive tactics, take responsibility for them, and learn new tools and strategies that can be used to promote a healthier relationship. 6 sessions are run weekly on a one-to-one basis and are tailored to meet the needs of each individual. Each session lasts for approximately 1 hour - 1 1/2 hours. The course focuses on: -

- Raising awareness of violence against women and girls
- Identifying the impact of abusive behaviour on others
- Gendered inequalities
- Abusive tactics - identifying these behaviours within their own relationships
- Tools to promote healthier relationships - e.g., Time out
- Goal setting - to promote wellbeing and healthier relationships

The aim is that a Service user will be supported in the most appropriate programme intervention and not 'fall out' of service simply because of associated risk criteria - early indications suggest this approach is beneficial.

PARTICIPATION PROJECT

This project is commissioned out to Safer Merthyr Tydfil by Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council. The aim of the project is to support young people in Merthyr Tydfil to participate in the decision-making processes about services that affect them. Young people can participate in the Merthyr Tydfil Borough Wide Youth Forum and become a Youth Cabinet member or be elected by a democratic process as the Youth Mayor/Deputy Youth Mayor of Merthyr Tydfil.

There is a current Youth Mayor, Deputy Youth Mayor and a Youth Cabinet who have identified their roles in the local community as follows:

- Representing the views of local young people to decision-makers
- Campaigning and identifying issues that are important to young people.
- Inspecting local youth services
- Providing feedback to the local council - or carry out local consultations on their behalf.

Highlights:

Seven young people wrote a successful funding bid to the community lottery for the Snakes 'N' Ladders - The Other Pandemic project securing 1.2 million. Those young people now sit on the youth advisory panel alongside other young people from across the borough. Additionally, the Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor sit on the strategic partnership board advocating for young people and representing Merthyr Tydfil Borough Wide Youth Forum (MTBWYF).

Successfully inaugurated the Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor of Merthyr Tydfil with limited restrictions, the event was attended by 100 people.

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Young people's achievements and successes were celebrated at the Academy of Success Awards 2022, in the first post COVID in person awards ceremony.

Young person sat on the interviewing panel for their schools new headteacher.

Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor successfully interviewed 2 community engagement officers for the Snakes 'N' Ladders - The Other Pandemic project.

12 young people attended a mental health and wellbeing residential weekend where they were highly commended by the staff for their work, commitment, empowerment, and confidence.

Friday 15th July, MTBWYF were invited to deliver a workshop around child exploitation as well as to share best practice about the participation service in Merthyr Tydfil. The workshop was delivered to 34 young people and the best practice was shared in conference with young people and professionals.

Youth Mayor Samee Furreed was a Baton Barrer for the commonwealth baton being brought through Merthyr Tydfil alongside many other inspirational individuals.

Successfully delivered the first post COVID face to face democratic Deputy Youth Mayor hustings in all comprehensive schools across the borough including Ysgol Rhydywaun, The College Merthyr Tydfil, PRU and at the Civic Centre for those not in education and or training.

Successful appointment of the Deputy Youth Mayor Dylan Morgan Thomas.

4 members of MTBWYF made up the youth led funding panel and awarded £5,000 to youth led project across the borough.

Young people adapted and delivered their domestic abuse animation 'IN MY HOUSE' at the school conference online to 16 young people aged 8-10.

Three young people delivered the 'Caught in Traffic' child exploitation workshop at Aberdare college. The workshop was delivered twice in one day to 56 young people aged 17-23.

MTBWYF supported the Snakes 'N' Ladders - The Other Pandemic at their Roadshow event, Wednesday 7th December 2022.

Five young people attended the Public Health Wales residential and workshop day to begin work on their Aged accreditation.

Youth Cabinet has recruited new members, 6 of whom are young careers.

Friday 16th September 2022, Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor attended the Service of Prayer and Reflection for the late Queen Elizabeth II.

Youth Cabinet member won Silver at the mental health and wellbeing awards, after being shortlisted and attending the ceremony Monday 10th October 2022.

Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor have attended various events over the past year including Aberfan disaster, Remembrance Day, Christmas light switch on, Diwrnod Shwamae event and High Sheriff charity event to name but a few.

Priorities for 2023-2024

- Continue to build on the cohesive approach to partnership working across the borough. Continue to share good practice and opportunities available for young people to get involved.

- Continue to work with Merthyr Tydfil Youth Service for a more joined up approach to meet key targets and avoid duplication.

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- Work closely with schools and school councils to increase involvement in the local participation agenda. Involve more schools and organisations in the Make Your Mark campaign and the democratic process for voting for the Youth Mayor.
- Continue to raise awareness about the National Participation Standards through Young People Say training and linking it to the organisations signing up to the new participation charter.
- Celebrate the success of young people within the borough through the Academy of Success, Volunteering Awards and the High Sheriff Awards through the media and any other opportunities that come about.
- Support MTBWYF in the development of their next project.
- Support the Snakes and Ladders mental health and well-being Project in its development.
- Pilot an engagement project within primary schools.

SNAKES 'N' LADDERS

Snakes 'N' Ladders the Other Pandemic Mental Health and Wellbeing project is unique. This is a coproduction partnership for 11- to 25-year-old in Merthyr Tydfil. It is led by the Local Authority of which SMT is a key partner. Young people take a lead role in the project and have a desire to improve the mental health and wellbeing of young people living in the Borough.

The partnership was awarded a 'Mind Our Futures' National Lottery Community Fund Grant to the amount of £1.2m over the next 5 years. The project is hosted in SMT at the request of the young people from Merthyr Tydfil Borough Wide Youth Forum who were key to the award of the Lottery bid, other partners are the Youth Mayor, The Deputy Youth Mayor of Merthyr Tydfil Borough Wide Youth Forum, Voluntary Action Merthyr Tydfil (VAMT), Barnardo's Cymru, Safer Merthyr Tydfil and Stephens and George Charity.

The first year of the project is the development stage; young people are working together with project partners and have formed a 'Youth Advisory Panel'.

The aim of the project is to reach as many young people as possible. To enable them to share their lived experiences so that others can learn and be helped by them.

It is about empowering the young people of Merthyr Tydfil to inform the development of support and services that enable them to build resilience and maintain their own mental wellbeing.

The Youth Advisory panel currently has 32 members 11 to 25 years of age who meet monthly:

- The Youth Advisory Panel makes sure that young people are at the heart of the decision-making process holds the project board and partners to account for any actions.
- The Youth Advisory Panel gives young people a voice to share their experiences.
- The Chairperson of the Youth advisory panel is a member of the strategic project board.
- The project won the Mental Health and Wellbeing Award at the local Academy of Success Awards.
- Young people are trained to design, develop and take a lead role in focus group/consultations and find out from young people their lived experiences what services work well and what needs to change to make sure that services meet the needs of young people.
- They provide feedback to the Strategic Partnership board.

'We want the voices of young people to be heard and we want changes to be made!'

Highlights 2022/23:

- 22 young people received training in Co production, Public Speaking, Research and Safeguarding
- 7 young people have received Podcast training and developed a pilot podcast about mental health and wellbeing.
- The Young people in the project won a High Sheriff Award for the excellent work around mental health and wellbeing.
- The Chairperson of the Youth Advisory panel was awarded the VAMT under 25's Volunteer of the Year Award.

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- Young people have developed and launched an online questionnaire to find out what impacts on young people's mental health, the data collected will be used to direct the delivery stage of the project.
- The project has gained 2 new partners, Merthyr Mind and Cwm Taf Morgannwg Public Health Wales. The project also works closely with the Lloyds Foundation whose agenda in Merthyr Tydfil is Young Peoples Mental Health and Wellbeing.
- The Youth Advisory Panel have held focus groups in 3 High Schools in Merthyr Tydfil and the Welsh school Ysgol Rhydywaun.
- The young people also led the focus groups in 2 Merthyr Tydfil Primary Schools.
- Consultations have also been undertaken in 2 Youth Provisions, Merthyr Scouts, a Drama group a boy's group and a dozen one to one interview.
- The 9-month development stage was successfully extended to 12 months, this will enable the project to have the time to complete the work required move forward into the delivery stage.

Quotes:

'It is an honour to be allowed to be part of this project, I have learned a lot and become much more confident'.

'Being involved in this project has helped me to make new friends and to feel more comfortable and talk about things that worry me'.

Priorities for 2023-2024

- Utilise the data from the consultations to Pilot some projects to target issues that young people have raised.
- Develop the Podcast initiative and link with partners who are doing similar work.
- Continue to raise awareness about the project and issues that affect young people around mental health wellbeing and resilience.
- Continue to recruit and train young people for the Youth Advisory Panel
- Support the Youth Advisory Panel and MTBWYF to develop peer led Safeguarding training.

Covid-19

Covid-19 seems like a distant memory, 2022/23 was the year we all went back to 'normal' or more importantly embracing a 'new' normal as for SMT the legacy has left some changes. Trustees have updated the organisation's infectious disease policy to include Covid-19 and we continue to adopt many of the measures put in place to reduce spread, such as non-attendance at work-based environments if displaying symptoms, hand hygiene regimes etc. As a direct result of Covid-19 hybrid working and remote meetings are now very much integrated into work-based policy and procedure and have, to a larger degree, had a real positive impact on staff and those who access services. Trustees are optimistic that this year is the last that Covid-19 will have a specific mention in the annual trustee report!

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

The trustees have established a policy whereby unrestricted funds not designated, held by the charity will be based on the following :

- Redundancy payments for eligible staff
- Salary in lieu of notice
- Minimum of six months' overheads/running costs
- Sufficient funds to cover any deficit in resources for restricted projects
- Cover for core activity that may not be funded in the future
- To provide for the potential risk of funding being reclaimed

General reserves are held in an interest-bearing deposit account, in line with the charity's investment policy and are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity. At this level current activities of the charity would be able to continue if there was a significant drop in short-term funding. SMT currently has £568,284 in general reserves at 31/03/23 against annual turnover of £2,416,612 equates to 23.5% of its intended target.

Principal Funding Sources

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The trustees recognise that certain aspects of the charity's activity are reliant on annual grant funding, which hinders longer term planning and is always a major consideration in our risk management strategy. Procurement and tendering have potential to provide the voluntary sector with alternative options and therefore allow for lesser dependence on grant funding, albeit those opportunities are few and competitive. Trustees are committed to continue to explore any and/or all potentials for development of future initiatives.

The principal funding sources for the charity are predominantly through grant income. However, trustees are committed to attaining a varied funding mix where possible.

Of significant benefit to SMT continuing into 22/23 was its business relationship with the local branch of Nationwide. The Team there supported SMT's Domestic Abuse Resource Team, through fundraising activities (including a successful application to the Nationwide Community Grant), awareness raising and the offer of volunteering. We are fortunate to continue to benefit from the Community Grant, which is in its second and final year.

SMT were very excited to have been selected as one of the chosen charities of Samworth Brothers in 22/23 and, as a result of their staff annual fundraising activities which took place in Merthyr Tydfil and the surrounding areas, they presented SMT with a cheque for £20,000 during their celebration evening. This is by far the largest single donation (outside of grant funding) that SMT has received and a significant amount of money that will be of enormous benefit - for which we are exceptionally grateful.

Investment Policy and objectives

Under the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, trustees have the power to invest in any way deemed beneficial. The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of maintaining its key programmes of work and, in line with its reserves policy, operates a policy of keeping funds in an interest-bearing deposit account. The trustees seek to achieve a rate of deposit interest which matches or exceeds Bank of England base rates.

Given the current economic climate and prolonged period of extremely low interest rates the Trustees will continue to monitor and if appropriate review Safer Merthyr Tydfil's investment policy during 2023/2024.

Future Developments

The Trustees have recently updated the organisations strategic plan and identified that the key priorities for SMT remain unchanged. Therefore, the focus is to continue with its current key activities in the forthcoming years and to work closely with its key funders in order to do so. As is usual, for SMT and other third sector organisations all its work is subject to satisfactory funding arrangements, however, in line with its strategic plan SMT does take a very proactive approach in developing and pursuing its opportunities.

Trustees are mindful of ongoing public sector spending constraints the legacy of Covid-19 merging with a significant cost of living crisis of which SMT are not immune, organisational costs are impacted as overhead costs significantly increase, so too the demand on services. Therefore, it is critical that the organisation demonstrates its strategic fit in order that it can maintain its existing services at or around their current levels of funding. SMT continues to achieve growth and with this relative short term-stability; looking ahead to 2023/24, this continues, and as we enter the new financial year we do so with the assurance that a significant proportion of project funding is secure to 2025 (pending ongoing need). This is an exceptional position for the SMT, but trustees recognise that consolidation of growth is also key a priority over the coming years if long-term stability is to be achieved.

Fundraising activities

The charity does not carry out significant fundraising activities.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Furthermore, Safer Merthyr Tydfil is a registered charity, with its governing document its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 16/04/1997 and amended to allow for current governance arrangement on 12/05/2006.

Safer Merthyr Tydfil was incorporated on 29th April 1997 and in the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £10.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the Board of Trustees.

Trustees are elected to serve for a period of three years, after which they must be re-elected at the next Annual General Meeting.

One third of the trustees retire by rotation at each year's Annual General Meeting. Those making themselves available for re-appointment and any new nomination (under the terms of governing documents) are then seconded and appointed by a simple majority of those remaining members present at the meeting.

Due to the diversity of the charity an effort is made to maintain representation of our communities. In addition we also seek to attain a broad skill mix of trustees. In the event of skills being lost due to retirement, suitable individuals are approached to offer themselves for election to the Board. To enhance the scope of recruitment for key positions the charity will also recruit through open advertisement.

The gendered nature of Domestic Abuse Means that where practicable, SMT actively seeks to recruit female Trustees so there is a balanced gender mix of Trustees, similarly, the organisations policy is supporting a female into at least one of the roles of Officer roles of Chair of Vice Chair.

Furthermore, Trustees are supported by Advisers, who bring specific skills and knowledge to Board meetings but have no voting rights or legal responsibility for the charity. Advisers are nominated annually at the Annual General Meeting and during 2022/23 the Board benefited from the support of 1 Advisers.

Organisational structure

As set out in the Articles of Association Safer Merthyr Tydfil's Board of Trustees consists of not less than three members with (unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution), no maximum number.

The Board of Trustees meets as minimum on a quarterly basis and is responsible for governance, strategic direction and policy of the charity. The trustees have a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity. A Chief Executive Officer is appointed by the board of trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity. To facilitate effective operations, the Chief Executive Officer has delegated authority, within the terms of delegation approved by the trustees, for operational matters including finance, employment, and all project related activity. The Chief Executive Officer is supported by a Management Team comprising a Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Business Support Officer and 6 Programme Managers.

Induction and training of new trustees

Some Trustees may already be familiar with the work of the charity. However, the induction process for any newly appointed trustees comprises initial meetings with the Chief Executive Officer, Chair and Board of Trustees followed by an orientation day to brief them on their legal obligations under charity and company law, the contents of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the decision-making process, the business strategy, and recent financial performance of the charity (all within a Trustee Handbook). During induction new trustees meet with key employees and familiarise themselves with projects. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external training events where these will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

Key management remuneration

Within the general trustee board meetings, Safer Merthyr Tydfil review the remuneration framework, terms of employment and any changes, including remuneration, policy and scope for pension arrangements, basis of bonus and bonus awards, incentive and benefit plans etc. as and when it is required.

Related parties

In so far as it complements the charity's objects, the charity is guided by both local and national policy (devolved and non-devolved). At a national level, community safety is governed by the Crime & Disorder Act 1998, at a local level the Public Service Board and delegated strategic fora have responsibility for its implementation. The local partnerships include representatives from Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council, Bridgend County Borough Council, South Wales Police, Cwm Taf Morgannwg Local Health Board, South Wales Fire & Rescue Service, National Probation Service, County Voluntary Councils, and others.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Internal Financial risks are minimised by robust policy and procedure including operating 'dual control' systems and all transactions are authorised accordingly. Periodic completion of Charity Commission questionnaire on financial controls is undertaken to ensure there is no deviation from best practice and the charity is externally audited on an annual basis.

Safer Merthyr Tydfil employs the services of an Insurance Broker whose advice and support is sought in ensuring that the charity is appropriately and adequately insured. Similarly, the charity contracts the services of a national organisation who advise on employment and health and safety related matters.

Systematic procedures are in place for compliance of Health and Safety legislation with 6-monthly inspections and risk assessments undertaken at operational level with appropriate action taken, to minimise any identified risk. This is also supported by a comprehensive Health & Safety Policy and Training Programme.

Annual cyclical funding and a dependence on grant funding continue to pose the greatest risks to the charity's project work. The charity's strategy is, to work with commissioners and funders to promote the benefits of multi-year funding, where possible develop projects with a balanced funding mix, similarly also explore opportunities that may present through a procurement route, provided they fit with the organisations key aims and objectives.

The Board of Trustees recognise employment related issues are an inherent risk. With an average of 54 members of staff throughout the year the charity commits approximately 60% of its incoming resources as expendable against staff related costs. Given the charity's dependency on grant funding, redundancy situations become a high-risk but managed risk factor.

SMT's Core Funding is received via a grant to voluntary organisations from Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council. The Trustees have been informed by MTCBC that this grant will be awarded for the financial year 2023/2024 but continues to be subject to annual review beyond that period. The Charity further benefits from the support of The Leathersellers' Foundation, this spanning a 4-year period which will end on 31/07/2025.

Through its risk register and management procedures, the key aim of the Board of Trustees is to ensure sustainability, provide stability and mitigate any associated risk to the charity. The trustees foresee no material funding issues for the forthcoming financial year 2023/2024.

However, the Trustees will as always continue to assess organisational needs and where practicable make adequate provision for contingencies and any future funding shortfalls through the charity's reserves policy which is reviewed regularly.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

03361902 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1062150

Registered office

89 -90 High Street
Merthyr Tydfil
Mid Glamorgan
CF47 8UH

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Trustees

P Flynn (Chair)
M Jehu
W Smith
Mrs M Thomas (Vice Chair)
Ms V Slade
C B Jones (Treasurer)

The Advisors who served during the year are as follows:

Claire Jones (MTCBC)
Sharon Richards (VAMT)

Chief Executive Officer

Nicola Mahoney

Auditors

Baker Knolly Audit Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
Orbit Business Centre
Rhydycar Business Park
Merthyr Tydfil
CF48 1DL

Bankers

HSBC
127 - 128 High Street
Merthyr Tydfil
Mid Glamorgan
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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The trustees (who are also the directors of Safer Merthyr Tydfil Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT - continued

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Baker Knyle Audit Limited, have expressed their willingness to be re-appointed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Report of the trustees, incorporating a strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 10 November 2023 and signed on the board's behalf by:

Mrs M Thomas - Trustee

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF
SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Safer Merthyr Tydfil Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company'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, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company 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 charitable company'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 trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

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

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

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; 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, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) 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 charitable company'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 charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our sector experience through discussion with the Officers and other management (as required by auditing standards).
- We had regard to laws and regulations in areas that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting (including related trade union legislation) and taxation legislation. We considered that extent of compliance with those laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.
- With the exception of any known or possible non-compliance, and as required by auditing standards, our work in respect of these was limited to enquiry of the Officers.
- We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.
- We addressed the risk of fraud through management override of controls, by testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

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 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 are to become aware of it.

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF
SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Richard Phillips FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Baker Knogle Audit Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
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13 November 2023

SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	73,173	1,325	74,498	74,206
Charitable activities	4				
Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services		-	636,730	636,730	581,083
Mentoring and Befriending support for individuals 50+ and socially isolated		-	41,468	41,468	46,937
GP based domestic violence and abuse training, support and referral project		-	103,903	103,903	104,040
Perpetrators Services		-	1,004,149	1,004,149	713,555
Administration coordination/support for MARAC process		-	-	-	75,848
CYP Participation and Engagement		-	83,700	83,700	50,941
Children and Young People Domestic Abuse Services		-	245,444	245,444	186,577
Children & Young People and Adult Recovery DA Services		-	137,125	137,125	95,454
Family Domestic Abuse Support		-	88,500	88,500	93,958
Investment income	3	1,095	-	1,095	13
Total		<u>74,268</u>	<u>2,342,344</u>	<u>2,416,612</u>	<u>2,022,612</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	5	2,898	1	2,899	2,595
Charitable activities	6				
Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services		48,303	528,135	576,438	591,666
Mentoring and Befriending support for individuals 50+ and socially isolated		3,415	32,974	36,389	53,857
GP based domestic violence and abuse training, support and referral project		8,558	96,192	104,750	103,053
Perpetrators Services		85,622	805,033	890,655	674,360
Administration coordination/support for MARAC process		-	-	-	81,127
CYP Participation and Engagement		6,893	70,143	77,036	41,055
Children and Young People Domestic Abuse Services		22,278	216,937	239,215	163,610
Children & Young People and Adult Recovery DA Services		11,293	118,687	129,980	69,266
Family Domestic Abuse Support		7,288	62,225	69,513	75,975
Total		<u>196,548</u>	<u>1,930,327</u>	<u>2,126,875</u>	<u>1,856,564</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(122,280)	412,017	289,737	166,048
Transfers between funds	19	<u>219,718</u>	<u>(219,718)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		97,438	192,299	289,737	166,048
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		477,477	427,289	904,766	738,718

The notes form part of these financial statements

SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>574,915</u>	<u>619,588</u>	<u>1,194,503</u>	<u>904,766</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	14	107,829	108,378
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	15	686,178	478,343
Cash at bank and in hand		681,257	542,820
		<u>1,367,435</u>	<u>1,021,163</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	16	(280,761)	(224,775)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,086,674</u>	<u>796,388</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,194,503</u>	<u>904,766</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,194,503</u>	<u>904,766</u>
FUNDS	19		
Unrestricted funds		574,913	477,477
Restricted funds		619,590	427,289
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>1,194,503</u>	<u>904,766</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10 November 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

M Thomas - Trustee

SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	140,102	141,806
Net cash provided by operating activities		140,102	141,806
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(2,760)	-
Interest received		1,095	13
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		(1,665)	13
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		138,437	141,819
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		542,820	401,001
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		681,257	542,820

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SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	289,737	166,048
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	3,309	3,125
Interest received	(1,095)	(13)
Increase in debtors	(207,835)	(84,907)
Increase in creditors	55,986	57,553
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Net cash provided by operations	<u>140,102</u>	<u>141,806</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/4/22	Cash flow	At 31/3/23
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	542,820	138,437	681,257
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	542,820	138,437	681,257
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Total	<u>542,820</u>	<u>138,437</u>	<u>681,257</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

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

The following specific policies are applied:

Voluntary Income received by way of grants, gifts or donation is included in full on receipt unless it is subject to a condition when it is treated as deferred income.

Government Grant Income is included in full on receipt unless it is subject to a condition when it is treated as deferred income.

Deferred Income Income or grants received in advance are held as deferred income and carried forward to future accounting periods to be released when the defined purpose of the work or project have been completed, approved or certified.

Gifts in kind are included in the income and expenditure account where they are applied in carrying out charitable activities, where the company would otherwise have to purchase the donated facility and the benefit is both quantifiable and material. The quantifiable benefit is shown as both incoming and expended resources within the appropriate funds. Where the gift is an asset it is treated as income and taken to stock or fixed assets as appropriate.

The value of services provided by volunteers is not quantified.

Investment Income is included when receivable.

Trading Income is recognised when earned.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Expenditure includes VAT which cannot be fully recoverable.

Costs of raising funds include the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes the costs that can be attributed directly to those activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Pension costs are contributions made by the charitable company to both employees own personal pension schemes together with contributions made to the employees government work place pension scheme.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

Support costs Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Plant and machinery	- 25% on reducing balance

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost (or deemed cost) or valuation less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributed to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

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

Designated funds are those unrestricted funds set aside for a specific purpose by the Board.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Leased assets

Fixed assets acquired under finance leases are included in the balance sheet at historic cost less accumulated depreciation. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. Interest payable in each period is charged as an expended resource in proportion to the amount outstanding under the lease. Operating lease rentals are charged as expended resources as incurred.

Legal Status of the Charity

The Charity is a private company, incorporated in England & Wales, limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price.

Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist.

SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	22,498	36,399
Grants	15,000	807
Service Level Agreement	37,000	37,000
	<u>74,498</u>	<u>74,206</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
VAMT	-	807
Leathersellers	15,000	-
	<u>15,000</u>	<u>807</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,095</u>	<u>13</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2023	2022
		£	£
DART/DAC/IDVA/CIDVA	Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services	636,730	556,527
Lloyds Foundation Salary Contribution	Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services	-	24,556
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	Mentoring and Befriending support for individuals 50+ and socially isolated	41,468	46,937
Identification and Referral to Increase Safety	GP based domestic violence and abuse training, support and referral project	103,903	104,040
DART/DAC/IDVA/CIDVA	Perpetrators Services	89,588	49,828
Domestic Violence Perpetrator Programme	Perpetrators Services	914,561	663,727
	Administration coordination/support for		
DART/DAC/IDVA/CIDVA	MARAC process	-	75,848
Youth Mentoring	CYP Participation and Engagement	83,700	50,941
	Children and Young People Domestic Abuse		
DART/DAC/IDVA/CIDVA	Services	245,444	186,577
	Children & Young People and Adult		
DART/DAC/IDVA/CIDVA	Recovery DA Services	137,125	95,454
Domestic Violence Perpetrator Programme	Family Domestic Abuse Support	88,500	93,958
		<u>2,341,019</u>	<u>1,948,393</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2023	2022
	£	£
Staff costs	2,899	2,595
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6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services	550,217	26,221	576,438
Mentoring and Befriending support for individuals 50+ and socially isolated GP based domestic violence and abuse training, support and referral project	34,611	1,778	36,389
Perpetrators Services	100,295	4,455	104,750
CYP Participation and Engagement	847,608	43,047	890,655
Children and Young People Domestic Abuse Services	73,448	3,588	77,036
Children & Young People and Adult Recovery DA Services	227,618	11,597	239,215
Family Domestic Abuse Support	124,101	5,879	129,980
	65,719	3,794	69,513
	<u>2,023,617</u>	<u>100,359</u>	<u>2,123,976</u>

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Human resources £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services	25,281	940	26,221
Mentoring and Befriending support for individuals 50+ and socially isolated GP based domestic violence and abuse training, support and referral project	1,714	64	1,778
Perpetrators Services	4,295	160	4,455
CYP Participation and Engagement	41,503	1,544	43,047
Children and Young People Domestic Abuse Services	3,459	129	3,588
Children & Young People and Adult Recovery DA Services	11,181	416	11,597
Family Domestic Abuse Support	5,668	211	5,879
	3,658	136	3,794
	<u>96,759</u>	<u>3,600</u>	<u>100,359</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

7. SUPPORT COSTS - continued

Support costs have been allocated on an percentage of activity basis.

8. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023	2022
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	3,600	2,880
Depreciation - owned assets	3,309	3,125
Other auditor services	4,620	4,368
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9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

10. STAFF COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	1,457,416	1,195,576
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	<u>1,457,416</u>	<u>1,195,576</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Crime Prevention & Counselling etc	54	47
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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Included within the wages and salaries cost is £109,727 (2022: £86,133) relating to Social Security Costs.

The charity operates both a defined contribution pension scheme and contributes to employees' own personal pensions together with a government work placed pension scheme. Included within the wages and salaries cost is £70,925 (2022: £58,032) relating to contributions paid by the charity to the schemes.

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the Chief Executive Officer and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer. The total employee benefits of the key personnel of the charity and group were £94,089 (2022: £84,521).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	74,206	-	74,206
Charitable activities			
Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services	-	581,083	581,083
Mentoring and Befriending support for individuals 50+ and socially isolated	-	46,937	46,937
GP based domestic violence and abuse training, support and referral project	-	104,040	104,040
Perpetrators Services	-	713,555	713,555
Administration coordination/support for MARAC process	-	75,848	75,848
CYP Participation and Engagement	-	50,941	50,941
Children and Young People Domestic Abuse Services	-	186,577	186,577
Children & Young People and Adult Recovery DA Services	-	95,454	95,454
Family Domestic Abuse Support	-	93,958	93,958
Investment income	13	-	13
Total	74,219	1,948,393	2,022,612
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	2,593	2	2,595
Charitable activities			
Victim/Survivor Domestic Abuse Services	44,503	547,163	591,666
Mentoring and Befriending support for individuals 50+ and socially isolated	3,267	50,590	53,857
GP based domestic violence and abuse training, support and referral project	7,242	95,811	103,053
Perpetrators Services	58,224	616,136	674,360
Administration coordination/support for MARAC process	5,279	75,848	81,127
CYP Participation and Engagement	3,544	37,511	41,055
Children and Young People Domestic Abuse Services	8,920	154,690	163,610
Children & Young People and Adult Recovery DA Services	6,644	62,622	69,266
Family Domestic Abuse Support	-	75,975	75,975
Total	140,216	1,716,348	1,856,564
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(65,997)	232,045	166,048
Transfers between funds	151,857	(151,857)	-
Net movement in funds	85,860	80,188	166,048
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	391,617	347,101	738,718

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	477,477	427,289	904,766

12. TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES

	2022 £	2022 £
MTCBC	747,301	687,424
Welsh Women's Aid	102,187	8,678
Miscellaneous Grants & Donations	2,048	36,399
WCVA	1,085	6,554
Samworth Brothers	20,000	-
Cwm Taf UHB	103,903	104,040
Bridgend CBC	110,740	95,454
Henry Smith	-	58,200
South Wales Police Crime Commissioner	889,294	805,568
Cardiff CBC	85,580	49,828
Lloyds Foundation	-	24,556
RCTCBC	181,119	-
MTCBC SLA	37,000	37,000
Masonic Charitable Fund	29,992	-
Voluntary Action Merthyr Tydfil (VAMT)	41,722	1,257
BAWSO	5,447	3,249
Leathersellers	22,500	-
Moondance	24,363	24,182
Llamau	11,236	-
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Interest received	2,415,517 1,095	2,022,599 13
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Total Incoming Resources	2,416,612	2,022,612

13. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the charity's Auditors for the audit of the charity's financial statements	3,600	2,880

Amounts payable to Auditors in relation to accountancy and other services provided to the charity were £4,620 (2022: £4,368).

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14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	110,000	109,577	219,577
Additions	-	2,760	2,760
At 31 March 2023	110,000	112,337	222,337
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	7,700	103,499	111,199
Charge for year	1,100	2,209	3,309
At 31 March 2023	8,800	105,708	114,508
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	101,200	6,629	107,829
At 31 March 2022	102,300	6,078	108,378

15. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	13,643	7,734
Other debtors	668,419	470,609
Prepayments	4,116	-
	686,178	478,343

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	177,709	140,264
Social security and other taxes	27,309	20,487
Other creditors	17,629	15,298
Deferred income	58,114	48,726
	280,761	224,775

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR - continued

Deferred Income

	2023 £	2022 £
Opening Balance	48,726	-
Movement in the period	9,388	48,726
Deferred income carried forward	58,114	48,726

Deferred income analysed by project:

	2023 £	2022 £
Restricted - Charities Trust Nationwide	24,363	48,726
Restricted - Moondance	24,517	-
Restricted - Bridgend Project	9,234	-
	58,114	48,726

Deferred income represents income received from contributing agencies where the contribution was restricted to a fixed time period project which extends beyond the current financial year.

Income is deferred on the basis that the contribution was to the project as a whole, the time period of the project was fully disclosed to the contributing agencies and that time period is certain.

17. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Within one year	16,818	16,252
Between one and five years	565	1,357
	17,383	17,609

SAFER MERTHYR TYDFIL LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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18. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Fixed Assets	Net Current Assets/ (Liabilities)	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Restricted Funds				
Partnership Posts	-	-	-	14,724
Youth Mentoring	-	-	-	5,725
Abuse Resource Team	-	73,932	73,932	36,899
Participation	-	44,386	44,386	39,934
Designated Fund - DART	101,200	-	101,200	102,300
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	-	25,969	25,969	21,513
IRIS Fund	-	8,356	8,356	8,109
Family Programme	-	29,862	29,862	18,975
Drive	-	88,060	88,060	80,956
Families First	-	22,465	22,465	16,077
PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund	-	42,391	42,391	6,272
Community Foundation Resilience Fund	-	-	-	591
Moondance Foundation	-	6,506	6,506	27,465
DAPP	-	10,228	10,228	1,964
Bridgend CBC (Funders)	-	21,981	21,981	18,859
Clear	-	7,604	7,604	-
Charities Trust Nationwide	-	4,381	4,381	-
Miscellaneous Restricted Grants	-	1,616	1,616	-
Comets & Rockets Fund	-	10,203	10,203	-
Driving Change Fund	-	62,340	62,340	-
Mind or Futures Fund	-	360	360	-
CADA Fund	-	1,057	1,057	-
Drive (HMP Swansea) Fund	-	2,543	2,543	-
Masonic Charitable Fund	-	29,992	29,992	-
PCC Support for Child IDVA	-	24,158	24,158	26,926
	101,200	518,390	619,590	427,289
Unrestricted Funds	6,629	568,284	574,913	477,477
	107,829	1,086,674	1,194,503	904,766

Restricted funds represents balances held to fund future projects where the resources have been received and are required by the donors to fund a specific project.

Where balances on restricted funds are designated as fixed assets this is the amount within the fund set aside for the future depreciation of those assets. The remaining balances on restricted funds represent amounts where funds have been received or are receivable and where the expenditure is restricted to specific purposes by the donor.

Activities undertaken within each major restricted fund

The restricted funds of the charity have been applied during the year or are held for future expenditure in the following areas:

Youth Mentoring

This project provides one-to-one support for socially excluded young people within the borough. The funds held are specifically for future expenditure on this project. The Programme is a prevention programme which provides targeted intervention and support for young people 8-18 years who are displaying signs of or involved in anti social behaviour, are identified as at risk of offending or have offended.

Domestic Abuse Resource Team (DART)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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18. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - continued

Support for female and male victims of domestic abuse 16+ and their families. This enables the provision of support to all risk levels and deliver specialist services for high risk victims accessing the criminal justice system as witnesses.

Family Programme is a new support service offering support to couples who wish to remain in their relationship and are willing and safely able to accept joint support.

Partnership Posts

Safer Merthyr host posts on behalf of the Community Safety Partnership. These posts are employed under SMT's terms and conditions, but seconded to the Youth Offending Team.

Participation

Under a SLA with MTCBC, SMT is commissioned to deliver its participation agenda. Participation is about children and young people having a voice; having the opportunity to get involved in policy making and decision making processes that may affect them.

Restricted Fixed Assets - DART

This fund is specifically for the fixed assets relating to the Domestic Abuse Resource Team. Transfers are made between the Abuse Resource Team fund in order to maintain the Net book Value of the DART assets.

Drive Fund

This fund supports a programme to give domestic violence perpetrators one-to-one support to change their behaviour. The Programme is funded by SafeLives.

Iris Fund

IRIS (Identification and Referral to Increase Safety) is a GP based domestic violence and abuse (DVA) training, support and referral programme. This Programme is supported by the South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner and Cwm Taf University Health Board.

Lloyds Foundation

The Lloyds Foundation funds 50% of the CEO post together with support costs for Teulu.

Volunteer Mentoring Programme

This fund supports a mentoring programme aimed at supporting victims and survivors of domestic abuse. The programme takes place in a community setting and will assist service users to widen their support and social networks to reduce isolation and increase health and well being.

WG VAWDASV Needs Based Activity

This is additional funding for the region Cwm Taf Morgannwg to support additional needs arising through the Covid-19 pandemic. The funding supported a variety of activity according to need specific to each area throughout the region.

PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund

Funding to support additional resources and needs that resulting from the Covid-19 pandemic. This supported a variety of activity including unplanned capital expenditure, additional project resources, increased cleaning and covid-secure adaptations within premises, Play Therapy and administrative support, increased clinical and management supervision etc.

Community Foundation Resilience Fund

This fund supported essential Recovery Work for Victims of Domestic Abuse.

Moondance Foundation

This grant supports a Children and Young People Support Worker to work with CYP affected by Domestic Abuse.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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18. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - continued

Driving Change is a Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme for male perpetrators of standard/medium domestic abuse, offering 1:1 and Group work support for those who wish to address and change their behaviour.

Bridgend Project

Therapeutic children and family support service for families who have been affected by and/or witnessed domestic abuse. Interventions for women who have experienced domestic abuse in the form of recovery work and group programmes.

Child IDVA

provides effective, community-based support to children and young people (CYP) aged 3-15 yrs who have witnessed and/or experienced high risk and complex familial or extra-familial domestic abuse. The support provided is tailored according to need, is age-appropriate and solution focused.

CLEAR

a free, short awareness raising course for men who would like to have healthier relationships. It aims to meet the needs of men who have identified that their behaviour is causing concern and are motivated to do something about it, but are not yet disclosing or taking responsibility for their abuse.

Charities Trust Nationwide

support worker hours within DART, a specialist service that offers, support and advocacy to victims/survivors (and families) of domestic abuse, in order to reduce risk and to live safely and securely in their homes fear free.

Comets & Rockets

Funded by Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales, Bridgend CBC, MTCBC, RCTCBC, Moondance and Masonic Charitable Trust Comets and Rockets Supports Children aged 3-17 years of age who have experienced and/or witnessed Domestic Abuse.

Driving Change Fund

Driving Change is a therapeutic treatment programme for men who have been violent towards an intimate partner. The core aim of the programme is to support and maintain the safety and wellbeing of all women and children, whilst holding perpetrators of domestic violence and abuse to account for their behaviour.

Mind or Futures Fund

Lottery Funded and led by the Local Authority SMT is a key partner; MoF - is a co-production partnership for 11-25-year-old in Merthyr Tydfil, the programme aim is to empower the young people of Merthyr Tydfil to inform the development of support and services that enable them to build resilience and maintain their own mental wellbeing.

CADA Fund

Children Affected by Domestic Abuse (CADA) is part of a collaborative bid led by Welsh Women's Aid. SMT's programme supports children and young people 11-17 years of age affected by domestic abuse.

DRIVE (HMP Swansea) Fund

This is pilot programme and is an extension of DRIVE services.

Masonic Charitable Fund

MCF supports the work of Comets and Rockets through the funding of two part time posts that support children and young people affected by domestic abuse.

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	449,340	(120,073)	239,017	568,284
Designated Fund	6,075	(2,209)	2,763	6,629
Designated Shortfall Fund	22,062	-	(22,062)	-
	<u>477,477</u>	<u>(122,282)</u>	<u>219,718</u>	<u>574,913</u>
Restricted funds				
Youth Mentoring	5,725	-	(5,725)	-
Partnership Posts	14,724	-	(14,724)	-
Abuse Resource Team	36,899	68,852	(31,819)	73,932
Participation	39,934	12,501	(8,049)	44,386
Families First	16,077	7,388	(1,000)	22,465
Restricted Fixed Assets - DART Drive	102,300	(1,100)	-	101,200
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	80,956	95,987	(88,883)	88,060
Iris Fund	21,513	8,494	(4,038)	25,969
Lloyds Foundation	8,109	7,711	(7,464)	8,356
Family Programme	-	316	(316)	-
WG VAWDASV	18,975	18,887	(8,000)	29,862
PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund	-	(10,906)	10,906	-
Community Foundation Resilience Fund	6,272	44,937	(8,818)	42,391
Moondance Foundation	591	-	(591)	-
DAPP	27,465	(18,945)	(2,014)	6,506
Bridgend CBC (Funders)	1,964	15,071	(6,807)	10,228
PCC Support for Child IDVA	18,859	11,999	(8,877)	21,981
Clear	26,926	256	(3,024)	24,158
Charities Trust Nationwide	-	14,261	(6,657)	7,604
Miscellaneous Restricted Grants	-	6,498	(2,117)	4,381
Comets & Rockets Fund	-	2,616	(1,000)	1,616
Driving Change Fund	-	17,203	(7,000)	10,203
Mind or Futures Fund	-	69,834	(7,494)	62,340
CADA Fund	-	2,380	(2,020)	360
Drive (HMP Swansea) Fund	-	3,824	(2,767)	1,057
Masonic Charitable Fund	-	3,963	(1,420)	2,543
	<u>-</u>	<u>29,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,992</u>
	<u>427,289</u>	<u>412,019</u>	<u>(219,718)</u>	<u>619,590</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>904,766</u>	<u>289,737</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,194,503</u>

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	74,268	(194,341)	(120,073)
Designated Fund	-	(2,209)	(2,209)
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	74,268	(196,550)	(122,282)
Restricted funds			
Abuse Resource Team	331,192	(262,340)	68,852
Participation	55,184	(42,683)	12,501
Families First	8,500	(1,112)	7,388
Restricted Fixed Assets - DART	-	(1,100)	(1,100)
Drive	689,411	(593,424)	95,987
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	41,468	(32,974)	8,494
Iris Fund	103,903	(96,192)	7,711
Lloyds Foundation	-	316	316
Family Programme	80,000	(61,113)	18,887
WG VAWDASV	235,987	(246,893)	(10,906)
PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund	45,188	(251)	44,937
Moondance Foundation	-	(18,945)	(18,945)
DAPP	85,580	(70,509)	15,071
Bridgend CBC (Funders)	110,740	(98,741)	11,999
PCC Support for Child IDVA	100,264	(100,008)	256
Clear	79,301	(65,040)	14,261
Charities Trust Nationwide	24,363	(17,865)	6,498
Miscellaneous Restricted Grants	7,500	(4,884)	2,616
Comets & Rockets Fund	115,188	(97,985)	17,203
Driving Change Fund	145,849	(76,015)	69,834
Mind or Futures Fund	29,841	(27,461)	2,380
CADA Fund	18,885	(15,061)	3,824
Drive (HMP Swansea) Fund	4,008	(45)	3,963
Masonic Charitable Fund	29,992	-	29,992
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	2,342,344	(1,930,325)	412,019
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TOTAL FUNDS	2,416,612	(2,126,875)	289,737

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	361,455	(63,972)	151,857	449,340
Designated Fund	8,100	(2,025)	-	6,075
Designated Shortfall Fund	22,062	-	-	22,062
	<u>391,617</u>	<u>(65,997)</u>	<u>151,857</u>	<u>477,477</u>
Restricted funds				
Youth Mentoring	5,725	-	-	5,725
Partnership Posts	14,724	-	-	14,724
Abuse Resource Team	19,247	26,833	(9,181)	36,899
Participation	34,553	13,430	(8,049)	39,934
Families First	5,725	11,152	(800)	16,077
Restricted Fixed Assets - DART	103,400	(1,100)	-	102,300
Drive	71,796	92,425	(83,265)	80,956
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	26,079	(1,158)	(3,408)	21,513
Iris Fund	7,249	8,228	(7,368)	8,109
Lloyds Foundation	-	(690)	690	-
Family Programme	20,144	6,831	(8,000)	18,975
Henry Smith	2,020	3,145	(5,165)	-
WG VAWDASV	-	(2,230)	2,230	-
PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund	2,019	13,511	(9,258)	6,272
Community Foundation Resilience Fund	4,033	(2,856)	(586)	591
Moondance Foundation	28,168	1,817	(2,520)	27,465
DAPP	2,219	3,488	(3,743)	1,964
Remote Evidence Room	-	(2,496)	2,496	-
Bridgend CBC (Funders)	-	23,196	(4,337)	18,859
PCC Support for Child IDVA	-	36,562	(9,636)	26,926
Clear	-	1,957	(1,957)	-
	<u>347,101</u>	<u>232,045</u>	<u>(151,857)</u>	<u>427,289</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>738,718</u>	<u>166,048</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>904,766</u>

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	74,219	(138,191)	(63,972)
Designated Fund	-	(2,025)	(2,025)
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	74,219	(140,216)	(65,997)
Restricted funds			
Abuse Resource Team	300,079	(273,246)	26,833
Participation	50,941	(37,511)	13,430
Families First	13,958	(2,806)	11,152
Restricted Fixed Assets - DART	-	(1,100)	(1,100)
Drive	655,049	(562,624)	92,425
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	46,937	(48,095)	(1,158)
Iris Fund	104,040	(95,812)	8,228
Lloyds Foundation	24,556	(25,246)	(690)
Family Programme	80,000	(73,169)	6,831
Henry Smith	58,400	(55,255)	3,145
WG VAWDASV	167,152	(169,382)	(2,230)
PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund	89,296	(75,785)	13,511
Community Foundation Resilience Fund	-	(2,856)	(2,856)
Moondance Foundation	24,182	(22,365)	1,817
DAPP	49,828	(46,340)	3,488
Remote Evidence Room	-	(2,496)	(2,496)
Bridgend CBC (Funders)	95,454	(72,258)	23,196
PCC Support for Child IDVA	103,995	(67,433)	36,562
Clear	8,678	(6,721)	1,957
WG Admin Coordination/Support for			
MARAC Process Fund	75,848	(75,848)	-
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	1,948,393	(1,716,348)	232,045
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,022,612</u>	<u>(1,856,564)</u>	<u>166,048</u>

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	361,455	(184,045)	390,874	568,284
Designated Fund	8,100	(4,234)	2,763	6,629
Designated Shortfall Fund	22,062	-	(22,062)	-
	<hr/> 391,617	<hr/> (188,279)	<hr/> 371,575	<hr/> 574,913
Restricted funds				
Youth Mentoring	5,725	-	(5,725)	-
Partnership Posts	14,724	-	(14,724)	-
Abuse Resource Team	19,247	95,685	(41,000)	73,932
Participation	34,553	25,931	(16,098)	44,386
Families First	5,725	18,540	(1,800)	22,465
Restricted Fixed Assets - DART	103,400	(2,200)	-	101,200
Drive	71,796	188,412	(172,148)	88,060
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	26,079	7,336	(7,446)	25,969
Iris Fund	7,249	15,939	(14,832)	8,356
Lloyds Foundation	-	(374)	374	-
Family Programme	20,144	25,718	(16,000)	29,862
Henry Smith	2,020	3,145	(5,165)	-
WG VAWDASV	-	(13,136)	13,136	-
PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund	2,019	58,448	(18,076)	42,391
Community Foundation Resilience Fund	4,033	(2,856)	(1,177)	-
Moondance Foundation	28,168	(17,128)	(4,534)	6,506
DAPP	2,219	18,559	(10,550)	10,228
Remote Evidence Room	-	(2,496)	2,496	-
Bridgend CBC (Funders)	-	35,195	(13,214)	21,981
PCC Support for Child IDVA	-	36,818	(12,660)	24,158
Clear	-	16,218	(8,614)	7,604
Charities Trust Nationwide	-	6,498	(2,117)	4,381
Miscellaneous Restricted Grants	-	2,616	(1,000)	1,616
Comets & Rockets Fund	-	17,203	(7,000)	10,203
Driving Change Fund	-	69,834	(7,494)	62,340
Mind or Futures Fund	-	2,380	(2,020)	360
CADA Fund	-	3,824	(2,767)	1,057
Drive (HMP Swansea) Fund	-	3,963	(1,420)	2,543
Masonic Charitable Fund	-	29,992	-	29,992
	<hr/> 347,101	<hr/> 644,064	<hr/> (371,575)	<hr/> 619,590
TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/> <hr/> 738,718	<hr/> <hr/> 455,785	<hr/> <hr/> -	<hr/> <hr/> 1,194,503

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	148,487	(332,532)	(184,045)
Designated Fund	-	(4,234)	(4,234)
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	148,487	(336,766)	(188,279)
Restricted funds			
Abuse Resource Team	631,271	(535,586)	95,685
Participation	106,125	(80,194)	25,931
Families First	22,458	(3,918)	18,540
Restricted Fixed Assets - DART	-	(2,200)	(2,200)
Drive	1,344,460	(1,156,048)	188,412
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	88,405	(81,069)	7,336
Iris Fund	207,943	(192,004)	15,939
Lloyds Foundation	24,556	(24,930)	(374)
Family Programme	160,000	(134,282)	25,718
Henry Smith	58,400	(55,255)	3,145
WG VAWDASV	403,139	(416,275)	(13,136)
PCC MOJ Covid 19 Extraordinary Fund	134,484	(76,036)	58,448
Community Foundation Resilience Fund	-	(2,856)	(2,856)
Moondance Foundation	24,182	(41,310)	(17,128)
DAPP	135,408	(116,849)	18,559
Remote Evidence Room	-	(2,496)	(2,496)
Bridgend CBC (Funders)	206,194	(170,999)	35,195
PCC Support for Child IDVA	204,259	(167,441)	36,818
Clear	87,979	(71,761)	16,218
WG Admin Coordination/Support for			
MARAC Process Fund	75,848	(75,848)	-
Charities Trust Nationwide	24,363	(17,865)	6,498
Miscellaneous Restricted Grants	7,500	(4,884)	2,616
Comets & Rockets Fund	115,188	(97,985)	17,203
Driving Change Fund	145,849	(76,015)	69,834
Mind or Futures Fund	29,841	(27,461)	2,380
CADA Fund	18,885	(15,061)	3,824
Drive (HMP Swansea) Fund	4,008	(45)	3,963
Masonic Charitable Fund	29,992	-	29,992
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	4,290,737	(3,646,673)	644,064
TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	4,439,224	(3,983,439)	455,785

Transfers between funds

Transfers between funds arise where unrestricted funds have been used to fund shortfalls or fund restricted projects in advance of receipt of the funding.

The free reserves are available to provide funds to cashflow projects funded on a retrospective basis and are available with the approval of the trustees to fund any expenditure on projects or expenses which fall within the organisations general aims and objectives. They are accumulated in accordance with the reserve policy as stated in the trustees report.

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Transfers between funds - continued

Analysis of Designated Funds	2023	2022
	£	£
Unamortised fixed assets - Unrestricted	6,629	6,075
Shortfall Fund	-	22,062
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Total Designated funds	6,629	28,137
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Fixed Asset Designated funds represents the amounts set aside to write down the remaining net book value of fixed assets held against unrestricted funds.

The Shortfall Fund represents amounts put aside to cover any unforeseen funding shortfall against activities.

20. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

During the year the charity was committed to pay £70,925 (2022: £58,032) to the employees personal schemes.

At the year end £688 (2022: £688) contributions were unpaid.

21. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

As stated in the directors report the charity depends upon working together with partnership organisations in order to deliver its services. Those partners make contributions to support the charity and appoint representatives to the board of trustees/directors.

Related Party	Transaction type	2023	2022
		£	£
	Grants & Other		
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council	Income	747,301	687,684
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council	SLA	37,000	37,000
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council	Sundry costs	834	755

Mr M Jehu is Chair of MTCBC Standards Committee,
Councillor B Smith is a MTCBC Councillor (Gurnos Ward).

At the 31st March 2023, there was a MTCBC grant debtor balance of £308,446

The Chief Executive is on the Board of Trustees of Voluntary Action Merthyr Tydfil (VAMT). During the year the charity paid rental and other miscellaneous expenses to VAMT of £23,993.

Safer Merthyr Tydfil also received grant funding and other income of £41,722 from VAMT.

Mr M Jehu and Mr C Jones are both Independent Members of RCT Audit & Governance Committee. During the year the charity paid RCTCBC £148,576 for contributions to IDVA posts and other sundry costs. The charity also received grants and other income of £181,119 in the year from RCTCBC.

At the 31st March 2023, there was a RCTCBC trade creditor balance of £56,886.

At the 31st March 2023, there was a RCTCBC trade debtor balance of £18,350.

Mr M Jehu is also an Independent Member of the South Wales Police Crime Commission panel. During the year the charity received grant funding of £889,294.

At the 31st March 2023, there was a South Wales PCC grant debtor of £251,406.

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21. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES - continued

Mr M Jehu is an Independent Member of Cwm Taf UHB. During the year the charity received £103,903.

At the 31st March 2023, there was a Cwm Taf UHB grant debtor of £26,267.

22. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate controlling party is the Board of Directors.

23. GIFTS IN KIND

Volunteer Time

The value of volunteer time is not quantified in terms of money, but the time contributed by volunteers is an invaluable resource in terms of the outstanding contribution made by them.

The number of hours contributed by volunteers in the year was 1,945 (2022: 4,823).

24. GOING CONCERN

The trustees have considered likely income streams and associated expenditure for the forthcoming year. The trustees believe that these considerations have been based on realistic income assumptions and are confident that the charity will continue to be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

The charity has considered the impact of not receiving the same level of funding as in the past and has factored these assumptions into its forecasts and believe the charity will be able to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	22,498	36,399
Grants	15,000	807
Service Level Agreement	37,000	37,000
	<hr/> 74,498	<hr/> 74,206
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	1,095	13
Charitable activities		
Youth Mentoring	83,700	50,941
DART/DAC/IDVA/CIDVA	1,108,887	964,234
Domestic Violence Perpetrator Programme	1,003,061	757,685
Identification and Referral to Increase Safety	103,903	104,040
Volunteer Mentoring Programme	41,468	46,937
Lloyds Foundation Salary Contribution	-	24,556
	<hr/> 2,341,019	<hr/> 1,948,393
Total incoming resources	<hr/> 2,416,612	<hr/> 2,022,612
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Wages	2,899	2,595
Charitable activities		
Wages	1,357,758	1,133,080
Other costs	665,859	658,108
	<hr/> 2,023,617	<hr/> 1,791,188
Support costs		
Human resources		
Wages	96,759	59,901
Governance costs		
Auditors' remuneration	3,600	2,880
	<hr/> 2,126,875	<hr/> 1,856,564
Net income	<hr/> 289,737	<hr/> 166,048

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