

**Company Number: 3346067
(England and Wales)**

Charity Number: 1063019

VOLUNTARY ACTION NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE LIMITED

(A company Limited by Guarantee)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended

31 MARCH 2024

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for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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Company Information

for the year ended 31 March 2024

DIRECTORS	Mr Allen Ransome (Chair) Mr Donald (Dal) Campbell Mr James Truepenny Mrs Christine Mason Mrs Alicia Keen	
SECRETARY	Miss Sian Broughton	
REGISTERED OFFICE	4-6 Robert Street Scunthorpe North Lincolnshire DN15 6NG	
REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER	3346067	
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1063019	
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Mr Jon Lister FCCA Enterprise Accountancy Services Ltd 8 Castlegate Tickhill Doncaster DN11 9QU	
BANKERS	Lloyds 106 High Street Scunthorpe North Lincolnshire DN15 6HG	CAF Charity Services Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4TA

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of
Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited**

I report on the accounts of Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 21 to 43.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA).

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention to indicate that:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006.
- the accounts do not accord with such records:
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

Mr Jon Lister FCCA

Enterprise Accountancy Services Limited

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Date: 21-11-2024

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Directors' Report)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charitable Company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) except in respect of deferred income and the creation of a redundancy provision where adherence would not give a true and fair view as explained in Note 1.1.

This report and financial statements should be read in conjunction with the reports and financial statements of Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO and East Riding Voluntary Action Services (ERVAS) Limited which will provide the full picture of the organisations working under the Community VISION brand while the merger activities are finalised.

Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity, its Trustees and Advisers

Name of charity: Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited

Charity Registration Number: 1063019

Company Registration Number: 3346067

Registered and principal operating address: 4-6 Robert Street, Scunthorpe
North Lincolnshire, DN15 6NG

Directors and 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 trustees.

Names of trustees (directors) who served during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Mr Allen Ransome (Chair)
Mr Donald Campbell
Mr James Truepenny
Mrs Christine Mason
Mrs Alicia Keen

The company is limited by guarantee therefore none of the directors have an interest in share capital.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Directors' Report)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

Company Secretary: Miss Sian Broughton

Day to Day Management of the Charity:

Chief Executive: Miss Sian Broughton

Independent Examiner: **Mr Jon Lister FCCA**
Enterprise Accountancy Services Limited
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<u>Bankers:</u>	Lloyds	CAF Charity Services
	106 High Street	Kings Hill
	Scunthorpe	West Malling
	North Lincolnshire	Kent
	DN15 6HG	ME19 4TA

Structure, Governance and ManagementGoverning Document:

Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association adopted on 19 March 1997, and amended on 7 October 2004, 4 October 2007, 7 October 2010 and 25 November 2020. The company was incorporated on 1 April 1997.

Every member of the Charity undertakes to contribute a maximum of £10 in the event of the charity winding up.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The trustees form the Executive Committee of the charity and are elected at the Annual General Meeting by the members of the Charity (usually for a three-year term). There is provision for the co-option of additional trustees if required. The board of trustees endeavors to include at least one person with skills or experience in each of the following areas:

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| (1) Legal | (2) Financial |
| (3) Personnel | (4) Health & Safety |

The Articles of Associations state that the number of trustees must be not less than five and no more than fifteen.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Directors' Report)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**Trustee Induction and Training

All new trustees undergo appropriate induction training, provided by the Chief Executive. Additional training is provided at any point for new and existing trustees, whenever it is considered necessary.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees, which currently meets monthly, manages the Charity, and concentrates on strategic matters. The Chief Executive manages the day-to-day operations of the charity and has authority to delegate as appropriate to other staff members. Ad-hoc committees are set up when the need arises.

Risk Management

The major risks, to which the company is exposed, as identified by the directors, have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

The organisation has risk management plans in place at 2 levels: Organisational and Strategic risks and delivery risks have been assessed for all activities. The Board have considered and reviewed risk plans and consider that systems and processes put in place to mitigate risks are sufficient and meet the requirements of the Charity Commission and the Charity's insurers.

Objectives and Activities

As set out in the Memorandum of Association, the Charity's objects are;

- (a) to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the local government district of North Lincolnshire, and in particular the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.
- (b) To promote and organise cooperation in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end to bring together in council representatives of the voluntary organisation and statutory authorities within the area of benefit.

This means that the main objects of the charity are promoting, developing and supporting voluntary activity within the community. The principal activities, carried out to achieve these objectives, are the provision of services to member organisations; liaison with statutory, national and major voluntary organisations; representation of local views about service provision; and the development of new services.

Trustees paid due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Directors' Report)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**Main objectives for the year 2024-25

In developing the main objectives for the following year, the Trustees have given regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

Following on from the merger investigations and closer partnership working with East Riding Voluntary Action Services (ERVAS) Ltd (Company No: 5894388, Charity No: 1121190), at our respective AGM's a resolution to merge was provided to both organisations memberships which could be voted on in person and electronically. This was agreed unanimously by all voting members. We registered a new Charitable Incorporated Organisation for this purpose, Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO (Charity No: 1203129) and new bank accounts were set up for the new Charity. During the financial year we have been working on developing the brand and started the transfer of operations into the new charity. This will continue into the next financial year as the relevant permissions are received. This brings new opportunities and fresh challenges, which we are very well placed to meet through our strong partnerships and the skills and dedication of the respective staff teams working together to strengthen the support offered to the Voluntary, Community Faith and Social Enterprise Sectors (VCFSE) across both North Lincolnshire and East Riding.

The Board of Trustees remains committed to investigating ways of diversifying income to ensure the sustainability of support to the VCFSE.

Achievements and PerformanceReview of Activities 2023-2024

The Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited Board of Trustees is satisfied that in 2023-2024:

- ⚙ Our work reflected our aims.
- ⚙ Our resources were well managed.
- ⚙ Members were satisfied with the service they received.
- ⚙ A balance was achieved between core service provision and new developments.

VANL continues to maintain its aim of being a one stop shop for VCFSE organisations, as well as being able to continue to support communities and individuals. During the year we have received continued support from our members, the community and developed new/additional funding streams which have supported VANL to remain sustainable and to grow our service offer for VCFSE organisations, communities and individuals. We are extremely proud of our achievements and the way the organisation has developed and have plans to continue this development into the future. This could not have been done without our dedicated staff, volunteers and Trustees, the support from the community, our members and our funders.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Directors' Report)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**Review of Activities 2023-2024 - Continued**Merger**

The application to register a new Charitable Incorporated Organisation Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO was successful and charity status was received on the 18th May 2023 and then banking arrangements were set up. Following this internal preparations were started to work towards the merger. This has not fully completed in the accounting period and will be finalised in the next accounting period once all restricted funds and contracts have the permissions in place to be novated to the new CIO.

In the interim, Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited, East Riding Voluntary Action Services (ERVAS) Ltd and Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO are operating in tandem with partnership arrangements in place.

VANL General Activities**Funding**

VANL provided general funding advice and support, this is provided through online information, events and one to one support to voluntary sector organisations.

VANL administered the Supporting Mental Health Fund, funding originally provided by North Lincolnshire CCG which later changed to the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership and the Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund, funding provided by North Lincolnshire Councils Public Health Team. VANL also took the lead on the Best Start For All Project and administered partnership funds to Crosby Community Association, North Lincolnshire Mind and Westcliff Community Works in line with the terms of the funding.

Asset Based Community Development, Capacity Building and Governance

VANL provided asset-based community development, capacity building and governance support through online information, events and one to one support to VCFSE organisations with all aspects of setting-up, organisational management, governance and policy development, safeguarding etc.

Volunteering

VANL worked in partnership with the Alliance Volunteer Hub to provide support to VCFSE organisations requiring volunteers and to individuals wanting to volunteer.

We are also part of a Steering group of the North Lincolnshire VCFSE Alliance which is reviewing the strategic direction of volunteering and how we can work together to improve the offer across North Lincolnshire.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024****Achievements and Performance****Review of Activities 2023-24 (Continued)****VANL General Activities (Continued)****Safeguarding**

VANL have been working with the Safeguarding Adults and MARS Board to improve safeguarding support to VCFSE organisations in North Lincolnshire.

We provide one to one support to VCFSE groups and have developed a quarterly Safeguarding Network.

We have also continued to provide Disclosure and Barring Service checks.

Local-Links

VANL have started to develop Local-Links networking events, these have been mainly held in Scunthorpe North and Scunthorpe South Localities. These sessions had a focus on growing and developing the voluntary sector offer within the town, and connecting voluntary sector and public sector activities to ensure all members of the community are supported.

We also continued to support VCFSE organisations to add their activities to the Live Well site.

Representation/advocacy

VANL continues to represent/provide advocacy for the VCFSE and its interests at strategic level, both locally and nationally, we provide strategic representation across a range of partnership boards including the VCFSE Alliance, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Forum, Integrated Urgent Care Project streams, Scunthorpe Towns Fund, Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Partnership, Social Prescribing Alliance, Corporate Parenting Board, Children and Young Peoples Partnership, Youth Justice Partnership Board, Integrated Children and Families Offer Strategic Steering Group, NL Safeguarding Adults Board Partnerships and Empowerment Group, Youth Activity Partnership, Physical Activity Partnership, Multi-Faith Forum, Family Hubs Transformation Steering Group, Best Start for Life Steering Group, Best Start Parental Readiness and Resilience group, Humber Local Resilience Forum and the Humber Violence Prevention Partnership.

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For the year ended 31 March 2024****Achievements and Performance****Review of Activities 2023-24 (Continued)****VANL General Activities (Continued)**

Nationally, we also work with NAVCA, NCVO, Youth Work Unit, Charities Finance Group, VCS Emergencies Partnership, Action Fraud, the National Cyber Security Centre, Victim Support, British Red Cross, Crimestoppers, Get Safe Online, Take 5 and have been involved in many consultations, shaping policy, campaigns and strategies both locally and nationally including Charity Commission consultations, prevent charity fraud week, Giving Tuesday and Safeguarding.

Volunteer

The Volunteer Project provides a range of volunteering opportunities for young people aged 11 to 25 in North Lincolnshire. This improves their prospects of future employability, as well as increasing other outcomes such as self-esteem, confidence, skills, knowledge, accreditations and the chance to try new things and make new friends.

BOOST (Buddying Opens Opportunities, Skills and Training)

VANL working with ERVAS have continued to provide a training and accreditation service which includes the delivery of accredited and non-accredited training and development activities. These activities included:

VCFSE Training

VANL received funding from the Awards for All strand of the National Lottery Community Fund to develop and deliver training to the VCFSE, this work has remained ongoing.

Skills Network online learning

We have a partnership with the Skills Network to provide a range of online learning content including CPD accredited courses, AAT Essentials Modules, AAT level 2 to 4 training and a range of other qualifications ranging from level 1 to 3. In addition, we also promote access to the Adult Education Budget funded courses at level 1 and 2.

Online learning

VANL have provided access to a range of non-accredited online webinars and training courses to support VCFSE organisations including an introduction to youth work, governance, funding, social media, cyber security and data protection.

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For the year ended 31 March 2024****Achievements and Performance****Review of Activities 2023-24 (Continued)****First Aid and Health and Safety**

VANL have continued to work with FabTraining (formerly The First Aid Box) to provide a range of face-to-face accredited courses, including First Aid/Paediatric First Aid/Mental Health First Aid (various levels), Fire Safety and Food Safety Training (various levels).

Facilitation and referrals

VANL facilitated access to training offered by external organisations including the North Lincolnshire Safeguarding Adults Board and the North Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children's Partnership.

FraudWatch

The three key strands of FraudWatch are to provide early intervention and prevention awareness, alerts and support with reporting and specialist victim support.

VANL worked with ERVAS to continue the work of the FraudWatch project in North Lincolnshire.

The individuals taking part in these courses have been both a mix of professionals from a range of sectors including voluntary and community groups, faith groups, the education sector, the public and private sectors as well as the wider public.

These events have included a mix of online webinars and face to face training workshops.

Work has been undertaken as part of this process to improve the level of service provided to victims of fraud by Humberside Police, and project staff have worked with Humberside Police to implement the new Cyber Responder Volunteers scheme within the Humberside Police Force Control Room.

Winterton 2022

We continued to support the Community of Winterton as Local Trusted Organisation for Winterton 2022; Big Local project, helping them to manage and deliver their activities. This included:

- direct development work and social prescribing activities within the area
- the provision of grants to VCFSE organisations
- the delivery of training programmes to the VCFSE, local businesses and the community in Winterton
- the development of a boxing club in Winterton in partnership with Lionheart Boxing and the delivery of a youth project in conjunction with Lionheart Boxing club during the holiday period.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024****Achievements and Performance****Review of Activities 2023-24 (Continued)****Best Start For All**

We are the lead partner on a partnership bid to the National Lottery Community Fund for the First Steps Forward project (previously called Best Start For All). This is a partnership project with North Lincolnshire Mind, Crosby Community Association and Westcliff Community Works to support families with a child under 5 to improve their outcomes.

North Lincolnshire VCFSE Alliance

We have continued to raise the voice and influence of the VCFSE wherever we can, including through the VCFSE Alliance as a vehicle for:

- Facilitating and strengthening the engagement and empowerment of people and communities, including hard to reach groups, in influencing the development, delivery and improvement of services, creating resilient and sustainable communities
- Building new, and strengthening existing, positive relationships with statutory bodies, other voluntary and community organisations and potential private sector partners
- Creating efficiencies in service delivery by working more closely together, avoiding duplication where possible
- Jointly market and promote the role, services and outcomes of individual member organisations and the wider voluntary and community sector and partners
- Working together to build the capacity and sustainability of the sector and to deliver services collectively, and in cooperation with the aim of closing gaps and improving provision.
- Unlock and attract new local, regional, and national resources and funding for the area in support of service delivery by the voluntary and community sector and partners.

Phoenix Accountancy and Business Consultancy Limited

We continued to work in partnership with the subsidiary company of Community VISION (previously subsidiary of ERVAS), Phoenix Accountancy and Business Consultancy Limited (Company No: 11994941) to strengthen the offer of support to VCFSE organisations. This has continued to thrive and provided much needed support over the last year. The subsidiary company is very much a part of the VANL offer to VCFSE organisations.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024****Achievements and Performance****Review of Activities 2023-24 (Continued)**

Phoenix Accountancy and Business Consultancy Limited is registered with the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) who provide the practicing certificate for the individual Director. They also provide the supervision for anti-money laundering purposes. It is also registered with the Association of Accounting Technicians and the Chartered Institute of Professional Development through the staff working within.

Services continue to expand and covered the following:

- **Accountancy services**

Phoenix provided support around governance, bookkeeping, management accountancy and year end accounts including Independent Examinations and tax returns for VCFSE organisations.

During the year we continued offering Internal Audit/Review service for Academy Schools and the wider VCFSE as required.

The partnership with Intuit QuickBooks continues which allows VANL to provide QuickBooks Cloud Accounting Software to organisations at a discounted price.

- **HR services**

Phoenix provides HR Services for VCFSE organisations around all aspects of recruitment, HR, Redundancy and employment issues.

- **Payroll services**

Phoenix provided payroll services for VCFSE organisations across North Lincolnshire.

- **IT support and website design and development**

Phoenix provided general IT support and advice, as well as designing and developing websites working in partnership with Virtual Riders to provide the web hosting.

There are plans to offer the full services of Phoenix across North Lincolnshire.

Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024

Achievements and Performance (continued)

Statement of grant making policy

Grants are only made by the organisation within the criteria laid down by the funding bodies providing the grant money. The grants are administered by an independent grant review panel.

Due diligence is undertaken on all organisations and individuals applying for grants from the organisation. We also comply with our requirements and procedures in relation to anti-money laundering legislation.

Grants Distributed

During the year VANL administered funds for Winterton 2022, the Supporting Mental Health Fund, Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund and partnership grants for the First Steps Forward project.

VANL is the Local Development Organisation for the Winterton 2022 Big Local area and administered grants on their behalf. The funding was provided by Local Trust for distribution to voluntary sector/not for profit organisations.

Organisation	Purpose	Amount £
Light Up Winterton CIC	Lantern parade	1,202
Saints Singers	Music for Concert	500
Winterton Brownies	Uniform	210
Winterton Federation	Grant for science based activities	2,000
Winterton Community Academy	Thrive Subscription	630
Winterton & District Lion Club	Xmas Sleigh Fund	500
Ongo Communities	Apprenticeship Grants	825
		<u>5,867</u>

Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024**Achievements and Performance (continued)**Grants Distributed (continued)

The Supporting Mental Health Fund was provided by North Lincolnshire CCG now part of the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership to provide grants to VCFSE organisations/not for profit groups to provide activities supporting mental health and wellbeing.

Organisation	Purpose	Amount £
Rubiks Inclusive Counselling and Interventions CIC	Counselling Sessions	1,920
Humber Wellbeing Hub	Mental health and wellbeing carnival	1,980
Westcliff Community Works	Mental health wellbeing activities	1,225
Cloverleaf Advocacy	Training to support people who are on the autistic spectrum	1,999
Humber Wellbeing Hub	Training for teachers: Suicide First Aid for children and young people	2,000
The Shed on the Isle	Activities to support social isolation	1,518
Fountain Arts CIC	Train and support volunteers	1,996
The Iron Foundation	Chair exercise sessions	2,000
The Iron Foundation	Inclusive Football Sessions	1,920
		<u>16,558</u>

The Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund, was provided from North Lincolnshire Council Public Health to provide grants to VCFSE organisations/not for profit groups to provide activities in Scunthorpe North that will support in reducing health inequalities.

Organisation	Purpose	Amount £
Carers Support Service	Fitness sessions for carers	1,500
Your Wellbeing	Swimming for BAME communities	4,840
Rubiks Inclusive Counselling and Interventions CIC	Partnership project supporting mental health through sport.	5,000
The Movement New Beginnings CIC	Under 11 Gym, health and wellbeing	4,020
The Tent Project CIC	Provision of Art Therapy	4,994
Oasis Hub Henderson Avenue	Activities for migrant communities	5,000
North Lincolnshire Sanctuary Group	Co-creation of activities with Refugees and Asylum Seekers	5,000
Your Wellbeing	Weight management	1,100
The Movement New Beginnings CIC	Menopause and the path to wellness	3,000
R-Evolution	Volunteering program around cycle recycling	4,935
<i>Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund (sub-total)</i>		<u>39,389</u>

Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024**Achievements and Performance (continued)**Grants Distributed (continued)

Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund continued:

Organisation	Purpose	Amount £
<i>Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund (sub-total)</i>		<i>39,389</i>
Citizens Advice North Lincolnshire	Gardening project	1,492
Oasis Hub Henderson Avenue	Grief café	4,980
CrosbyONE	Training for staff, volunteer and key community members in supporting the community	5,000
Mindful Sisterhood	Coffee mornings, children's workshops, mum and toddler sessions and tea workshops	1,200
The Tent Project CIC	Self-care programme	4,980
Connect Foundation	Trauma informed training for volunteers	5,000
		<u>62,041</u>

VANL acts as lead partner when applying for funds, or provides grants to organisations in order to support service delivery on contracts. During the year partnership grants were paid to the following organisations in line with funding applications/tenders submitted:

Organisation	Purpose	Amount £
Crosby Community Association	First Steps Forward – National Lottery Community Fund	15,875
Westcliff Community Works	First Steps Forward – National Lottery Community Fund	15,875
North Lincolnshire Mind	First Steps Forward – National Lottery Community Fund	15,875
		<u>47,625</u>
Total Grants provided		<u>132,091</u>

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024**

Achievements and Performance (continued)

Employees

VANL is a service organisation and recognises that its personnel are one of its greatest strengths. All recruitment is carried out following appropriate HR processes and procedures to ensure that the right personnel with the right skills are employed within the organisation. In addition, an in-depth induction and appropriate training are sought to ensure that our employees are highly skilled and adaptable to the challenges within the VCFSE sector.

The Trustees would like to thank all employees both current and those that left during the year for all of their hard work during the year.

On 1st November 2023 all employees were transferred to the new CIO under the Transfer of Undertakings for the Protection of Employment (TUPE). Employees were then seconded to VANL as required for operations that had not been transferred.

Contribution of Volunteers

As a charitable organisation our Board of Trustees provide their time and expertise in governance, strategic planning and overseeing the activities of the organisation on a voluntary basis.

During the year, VANL had volunteers providing additional capacity to the organisation's activities.

In addition, we have supported volunteers through working in partnership with the Alliance Volunteer Hub and the Volunteer Project to volunteer within VCFSE organisations and their local communities.

The Trustees and staff would like to thank all volunteers for their contribution to VANL, the wider VCFSE and their communities during the year. Volunteers give their time freely to provide support and are a much needed and valued resource.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024****Financial Review**Reserves policy

The Executive Committee regularly review the Reserves policy of the charity to ensure it meets the needs of the Charity. A minimum requirement of the reserves policy is that at least six months' core running costs and the value of any core redundancy is retained in the unrestricted designated fund to ensure a sufficient buffer to enable effective financial decision-making, rather than short term decisions and to ensure effective financial stewardship of the Charity. Additional funds may be maintained as part of this reserve to support projects where funding is received in arrears, unrestricted contracted projects or it is decided to be financially prudent by the Executive Committee.

General Funds are to be retained and reinvested in accordance with the Company's Memorandum of Association and the Charity's objectives contained therein.

Designated Fund – Core Functions

The costs in respect of the core functions in the year under review were £40,248.

Designated Fund – Property

In April 2011 the Company purchased the property it occupies and holds funds in a Property fund to cover the costs of improving and maintaining the property. This designated reserve is £10,000.00.

During the year, the value of the property was also added into this designated fund as it provides the differentiation between an asset and a more liquid fund when people are looking at the unrestricted fund balance.

Investment Policy

At the beginning of the year the company held investments with the Charity Aid Foundation Bank to produce income and capital growth in a manner that is consistent with the Company's stated charitable objectives and ethical standpoint. This fund ceased operation and due to the work around the merger this has been returned to the company and currently sits within the VANL bank account. A review of the investment strategy will be undertaken once the merger has been completed.

**Report of the Board of Trustees (incorporating the Director's Report)
For the year ended 31 March 2024****Statement of disclosure of information to Independent Examiner**

We, the directors of the company who held office at the date of approval of these financial statements, each confirm so far as we are aware, that:

- there is no relevant information of which the company's Independent Examiner is unaware; and
- We have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken as directors in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the company's Independent Examiner is aware of that information.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors 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 excess or deficit of income over expenditure of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue to operate.

The directors confirm that the accounts comply with the above requirements. The directors 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 company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.


Independent Examiner of Accounts

Following the retirement of the previous independent examiner, Jon Lister FCCA of Enterprise Accountancy Services Ltd has been appointed as the Independent Examiner for this year.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared taking advantage of the small companies' exemption of section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

By order of the Board on 21 November 2024



Mr Allen Ransome - Chairman

**Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
INCOME	3, 4, 5	355,418	416,711
EXPENDITURE	6	<u>(361,847)</u>	<u>(363,016)</u>
OPERATING (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	8	(6,429)	53,695
Interest receivable and similar income	9	7,412	3,622
Profit/(Loss) on investments	12	(1,263)	(5,048)
Transfer to Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO	19, 20	(206)	-
Management Fees and FCR Recharges to Community VISION CIO	16, 19, 20	<u>(18,762)</u>	<u>-</u>
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		(19,248)	52,269
RESERVES BROUGHT FORWARD	16	<u>379,056</u>	<u>326,787</u>
RESERVES CARRIED FORWARD	16	<u>359,808</u>	<u>379,056</u>

Total income (including bank interest) of £362,830 (2023: £420,333) comprises £35,540 (2023: £51,162) for unrestricted funds and £327,290 (2023: £369,171) for restricted funds. A detailed analysis of income by source is provided in the statement of financial activities.

The deficit for the year of £19,248 (2023: surplus £52,269) comprises a surplus of £23,483 (2023: £2,077) for unrestricted funds and a deficit of £42,731 (2023: surplus £50,192) for restricted funds.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the income and expenditure account. The income and expenditure account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

The notes on pages 25 to 43 form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 March 2024

		2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income							
Grants, donations and legacies	3	6,377	327,205	333,582	6,727	369,171	375,898
Charitable activities	4	4,474	-	4,474	28,882	-	28,882
Other trading activities	5	17,277	85	17,362	11,931	-	11,931
Investments	9	7,412	-	7,412	3,622	-	3,622
Total Income		35,540	327,290	362,830	51,162	369,171	420,333
Expenditure							
Charitable activities	6	(46,576)	(315,271)	(361,847)	(91,418)	(271,598)	(363,016)
Total Expenditure		(46,576)	(315,271)	(361,847)	(91,418)	(271,598)	(363,016)
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		(11,036)	12,019	983	(40,256)	97,573	57,317
Transfers between Funds							
Reserve fund transfers	16	8	(8)	-	722	(722)	-
Management Fees & Full cost recovery recharges	16	35,980	(35,980)	-	46,659	(46,659)	-
Total Transfers between Funds	16	35,988	(35,988)	-	47,381	(47,381)	-
Net income/(expenditure) before other recognised gains and losses		24,952	(23,969)	983	7,125	50,192	57,317
Net Gains/(losses) on investment	12	(1,263)	-	(1,263)	(5,048)	-	(5,048)
Transfer to Community VISION CIO	19,20	(206)	-	(206)	-	-	-
Management and FCR Charges to Community VISION CIO	16, 19,20	-	(18,762)	(18,762)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		23,483	(42,731)	(19,248)	2,077	50,192	52,269
Reconciliation of Funds:							
Funds brought forward at 1 April	16	322,459	56,597	379,056	320,382	6,405	326,787
Total funds carried forward at 31 March	16	345,942	13,866	359,808	322,459	56,597	379,056

The notes on pages 25 to 43 form part of these financial statements.

VOLUNTARY ACTION NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE LIMITED

Company No: 3346067
Charity No: 1063019

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	11	191,688	2,632	194,320	190,200	2,559	192,759
Investments	12	-	-	-	46,045	-	46,045
Total Fixed Assets		191,688	2,632	194,320	236,245	2,559	238,804
Current assets							
Debtors	13	12,537	84,359	96,896	17,197	90,041	107,238
Cash at bank and in hand		177,940	126,743	304,683	98,023	261,671	359,694
Total current assets		190,477	211,102	401,579	115,220	351,712	466,932
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(36,223)	(199,868)	(236,091)	(29,006)	(297,674)	(326,680)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		154,254	11,234	165,488	86,214	54,038	140,252
Total assets less current liabilities		345,942	13,866	359,808	322,459	56,597	379,056
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-	-
		345,942	13,866	359,808	322,459	56,597	379,056
Funds of the Charity							
Unrestricted funds:							
General Unrestricted Funds	16	94,673	-	94,673	289,605	-	289,605
Designated Funds	15, 16	251,269	-	251,269	32,854	-	32,854
Restricted Funds	16	-	13,866	13,866	-	56,597	56,597
Total funds	16	345,942	13,866	359,808	322,459	56,597	379,056


**Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2024**

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 21 November 2024


Mr. A Ransome – Chairman

The notes on pages 25 to 43 form part of these financial statements.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****1. Accounting Policies****1.1 Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS102) (effective January 2019) and other applicable accounting standards have been implemented wherever possible, having regard to the overriding requirement that the accounts should comply with the Companies Act 2006.

The company has chosen not to adopt Financial Reporting Standard 102 in its treatment of the redundancy provision shown in Note 14. Adherence to FRS 102 would have resulted in no provision being made in the financial statements and no disclosure being made. As a result of non-adoption of FRS 102 the Balance Sheet total is understated by £0 (2023: £7,586) and the Net Movement of Funds as reported in the Statement of Financial Activities is understated by £0 (2023: £1,070).

In addition, grants and contracts received of a revenue nature are accounted for on the accruals basis and credited to Incoming Resources in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company is legally entitled to the income, the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and the grant relates to the relevant time period. Therefore, grants received in advance may be deferred to future time periods. This is a departure from the Charities SORP (FRS102) in order to ensure that the accounts of the Charity provide a "True and Fair" view. The Trustees considered the requirement to recognise income when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably. Due to some grants/contracts being received in advance this would distort the Net Surplus/(Deficit) figures which could jeopardise the Charity's position when applying for contracts. All deferred income is shown in Note 14. (b).

1.2 Company status

The charity is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the directors named on page 3.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****1.3 Income**

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Services provided, investment income and rents are accounted for on the accrual's basis. Other income is accounted for when received. All income is shown gross with associated costs included in expenditure.

Grants received to fund the purchase of fixed assets are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities when the Company is legally entitled to the income. The related expenditure is charged to Fixed Assets in the Balance Sheet.

Grants received of a revenue nature are accounted for on the accruals basis and credited to Incoming Resources in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company is legally entitled to the income, the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and the grant relates to the relevant time period. Therefore, grants received in advance may be deferred to future time periods. This is a departure from the Charities SORP (FRS102) in order to ensure that the accounts of the Charity provide a "True and Fair" view. The Trustees considered the requirement to recognise income when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably. Due to the payment of some grants received in advance this would distort the Net Surplus/(Deficit) figures which could jeopardise the Charity's position when applying for contracts.

Grants received and held by the Company prior to making grants to smaller charitable concerns are treated as deferred income. The Trustees considered the requirement to recognise income when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably. Due to the payment of some grants received in advance this would distort the Net Surplus/(Deficit) figures which could jeopardise the Charity's position when applying for contracts.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****1.4 Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT**

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

All expenditure has been classified under headings that aggregate costs related to the category.

All expenditure undertaken is in line with our charitable and is undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and the associated support costs.

The Charity is not VAT registered and irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation on other assets is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life (except as detailed below) as follows:

Land and Buildings	Valued at Market Value
Computer Equipment	33% on the straight-line basis
Office Equipment	25% on the straight-line basis
Motor Vehicle	33% on the straight-line basis

1.6 Fund accounting

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. Restricted funds are accounted for separately to each other and to the core funding of the company.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the directors for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.7 Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses on the revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****1.8 Operating leases**

Rentals applicable to operating leases are charged to the SOFA over the period in which the cost is incurred.

1.9 Going Concern.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

2. Income and Expenditure Account

The company is a registered charity and so achievements cannot be measured by normal commercial criteria. Accordingly, the Directors consider that it would be inappropriate to present a Profit and Loss Account in one of the formats set out in the Companies Act 2006. Therefore, as permitted by the Companies Act, in order to reflect the special nature of the company's activities, the Directors are of the opinion that it would be more appropriate to present an Income and Expenditure Account.

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024

3. Donations, grants and legacies

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Grants	6,329	325,955	332,284	4,827	365,098	369,925
Donations	28	1,250	1,278	20	4,073	4,093
Membership fees	20	-	20	1,880	-	1,880
	<u>6,377</u>	<u>327,205</u>	<u>333,582</u>	<u>6,727</u>	<u>369,171</u>	<u>375,898</u>

4. Income from charitable activities

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Services to the VCFSE	4,141	-	4,141	10,251	-	10,251
Training	333	-	333	1,655	-	1,655
Common Treasury	-	-	-	25	-	25
	<u>4,474</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,474</u>	<u>11,931</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,931</u>

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****5. Income from other trading activities**

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Rent and Miscellaneous	17,277	85	17,362	28,670	212	28,882
	<u>17,277</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>17,362</u>	<u>28,670</u>	<u>212</u>	<u>28,882</u>

6. Total Expenditure**Analysis of total expenditure - Charitable Activities**

	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Staff Costs	21,855	143,144	164,999	65,638	113,068	178,706
Volunteer Expenses & DBS Checks	2,144	348	2,492	2,130	839	2,969
Premises & Office Costs	21,319	4,580	25,899	23,107	1,715	24,822
Grants Given out	-	132,091	132,091	-	126,828	126,828
Project costs	35	25,830	25,865	-	22,595	22,595
Training Delivered/Events	-	7,688	7,688	-	4,285	4,285
Accountancy Fees	660	-	660	204	-	204
Consultancy Fees	312	45	357	-	-	-
Professional & Legal Fees	251	-	251	251	-	251
Depreciation	-	1,545	1,545	88	2,268	2,356
Total unrestricted expenditure	<u>46,576</u>	<u>315,271</u>	<u>361,847</u>	<u>91,418</u>	<u>271,598</u>	<u>363,016</u>

**Notes to the Financial Statements
or the year ended 31 March 2024****7. Staff Costs**

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Wages and salaries (inc Employers NI and Pensions)	137,361	121,684
Redundancy payments	-	-
Redundancy Provision adjustments	(7,586)	1,070
CEO Secondment	20,404	28,863
Outsourced Payroll services	216	6,451
Outsourced Bookkeeping & Accountancy	12,057	12,442
Staff Training	203	6,431
Staff Travel	2,344	1,765
	<u>164,999</u>	<u>178,706</u>

Average number of paid staff

	2024	2023
Headcount	8	9

There are no higher paid staff.

Some staff work on both core functions and projects.

8. Operating surplus

The operating surplus is arrived at after charging:

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Depreciation – owned assets	1,545	2,356
Directors' emoluments	-	-
Directors' travelling expenses	-	-
Independent Examiner's remuneration*	-	204
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,560</u>

*Reduced for previous years over accrual actual charge £600.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

9. Interest receivable and similar income

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£
Interest on Bonds	633	1,763
Bank interest	6,779	1,859
	<u>7,412</u>	<u>3,622</u>

10. Taxation

As a charity the company is exempt from Corporation Tax.

11. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Land & Buildings	Contents & Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2023	190,200	33,456	223,656
Additions	1,488	1,618	3,106
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	<u>191,688</u>	<u>35,074</u>	<u>226,762</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2022	-	30,897	30,897
Charge for the year	-	1,545	1,545
On disposals	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>32,442</u>	<u>32,442</u>
Net Book Value			
At 31 March 2023	<u>190,200</u>	<u>2,559</u>	<u>192,759</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>191,688</u>	<u>2,632</u>	<u>194,320</u>

In April 2011 the Company purchased the freehold to its premises. The freehold property has been retained at market value which coincidentally is the same as the original purchase cost. A designated property reserve has been created to provide for expenditure which may be required.

12. Investments

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£
Market value at 1 April	46,045	49,330
Income reinvested	633	1,763
Decrease in market value	(1,263)	(5,048)
Investments realised	<u>(45,415)</u>	<u>-</u>
Market value at 31 March	<u>-</u>	<u>46,045</u>

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13. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	39,904	94,382
Prepayments and accrued income	56,992	12,856
	<u>96,896</u>	<u>107,238</u>

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,632	19,999
Creditors due to group undertakings	151,259	-
Accruals	625	5,371
Deferred income	79,489	293,724
Other taxes and social security	1,069	-
Pension	17	-
Other creditors: redundancy provision	-	7,586
	<u>236,091</u>	<u>326,680</u>

14. b Deferred Income

The following income has been deferred into future years:

Income	Reason	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Supporting Mental Health Fund (North Lincolnshire CCG)	Received in advance for next accounting year (matching concept)	1,641	19,855
Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund (North Lincolnshire Council)	Received in advance for next accounting year (matching concept)	12,959	-
First Steps Forward (National Lottery Community Fund)	Received in advance for next accounting year (matching concept)	52,196	39,593
Open 4 Community North Lincolnshire (North Lincolnshire Council)	Received in advance for next accounting year (matching concept)	12,130	18,459
Winterton 2022 (Big Local)	Received in advance for next accounting year (matching concept)	-	4,596
Capacity Builder (North Lincolnshire Council)	Received in advance for next accounting year (matching concept)	-	104,764

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14. b Deferred Income

Community Youth (North Lincolnshire Council)	Received in advance for next accounting year (matching concept)	-	104,858
Net Covid 19	Fixed Asset Funding to be released in line with Depreciation (matching concept)	-	6
National Lottery Community Fund – Funding Advice	Fixed Asset Funding to be released in line with Depreciation (matching concept)	-	6
Social Prescribing	Fixed Asset Funding to be released in line with Depreciation (matching concept)	-	5
Best Start for All	Fixed Asset Funding to be released in line with Depreciation (matching concept)	563	1,582
		79,489	293,724

15. Designated funds

	Core Costs Reserve	Property Fund	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Balance at 01 April 2023	22,854	10,000	32,854	34,334
From/Released to general Funds	26,727	191,688	218,415	(1,480)
Balance at 31 March 2024	<u>49,581</u>	<u>201,688</u>	<u>251,269</u>	<u>32,854</u>

A brief description of the designated funds is shown below:

Core Costs Reserve

VANL maintains a designated core costs reserve to ensure a sufficient buffer to enable effective financial decision-making rather than short term decisions. The Executive Committee agreed for this to be amended from three months to six months core budgeted running costs and the value of any redundancy provision.

A transfer was made from general unrestricted funds in relation to this.

Property Fund

VANL have a property fund of £10,000 which is for maintenance of the building. During the year it was agreed that the value of the building asset be included in this designated fund as it is not working capital.

A transfer was made from general unrestricted reserves for the value of the building.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
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16. Accumulated funds

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted	Total
	Designated Funds	General funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	£
Balance at 01 April 2023	32,854	289,605	56,597	379,056
Movement in funds for the year	-	23,483	(42,731)	(19,248)
Redesignation of reserves	218,415	(218,415)	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2024	<u>251,269</u>	<u>94,673</u>	<u>13,866</u>	<u>359,808</u>

Accumulated funds: Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted	Total
	Designated Funds	General funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	191,688	-	2,632	194,320
Current assets	59,581	130,896	211,102	401,579
Current liabilities	-	(36,223)	(199,868)	(236,091)
Net Assets	<u>251,269</u>	<u>94,673</u>	<u>13,866</u>	<u>359,808</u>

**Notes to the Financial Statements
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Restricted Funds****Children and Family Services:**

First Steps Forward (National Lottery Community Fund)

Youth Volunteering and Capacity Building (North Lincolnshire Council)

BABES Volunteers (North Lincolnshire Council)

Development Work:

Social Prescribing Capacity Building (North Lincolnshire Council)

Winterton 2022 (Big Local Fund)

Sanctuary Breaks

Training:

Volunteer Training (National Lottery Community Fund)

Grant Schemes:

Supporting Mental Health Fund (North Lincolnshire CCG)

Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund (North Lincolnshire Council)

Hardship Fund (Scunthorpe Rotary Club)

Finished Projects:

Funding Advice Volunteer Centre (National Lottery Community Fund)

Family Foundations North Lincs (National Lottery Community Fund)

Covid 19 (National Emergencies Trust)

	Balance at 01 April 23 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 24 £
	11,943	89,196	(78,000)	(14,214)	8,925
	17,461	19,567	(27,241)	(9,457)	330
	508	-	-	-	508
	19,977	37,860	(47,715)	(9,969)	153
	535	95,400	(80,364)	(14,589)	982
	46	-	-	-	46
	5,915	-	(3,330)	142	2,727
	-	18,214	(16,558)	(1,656)	-
	-	67,041	(62,041)	(5,000)	-
	195	-	-	-	195
	-	6	(6)	-	-
	17	-	(10)	(7)	-
	-	6	(6)	-	-
	56,597	327,290	(315,271)	(54,750)	13,866

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****16. Accumulated funds (continued)
Restricted Funds**

A brief description of each of the restricted funds is given below. Full Cost Recovery/Management Recharges are based on the amounts negotiated with each funder at the point of applying for funds.

Children and Family Services:**First Steps Forward (National Lottery Community Fund)**

Restricted funding was received from the National Lottery Community Fund for the Best Start For All project which we have subsequently renamed First Steps Forward. This is a partnership project with North Lincolnshire Mind, Crosby Community Association and Westcliff Community Works to support families facing inequalities with a child under 5 to improve their outcomes.

During the year transfers were made as follows:	£
Internal Management Fees and Full Cost Recovery Recharges (to unrestricted funds)	(14,072)
Staff Training (to Volunteer Training)	(142)
	<u>(14,214)</u>

Youth Volunteering and Capacity Building (North Lincolnshire Council)

Restricted funding from North Lincolnshire Council to develop youth volunteering and social action activities and to support capacity building within the voluntary youth sector.

During the year transfers were made as follows:	£
Internal Management Fees and Full Cost Recovery Recharges (to unrestricted funds)	(9,457)
	<u>(9,457)</u>

BABES volunteers (North Lincolnshire Council)

Restricted funding received from North Lincolnshire Council to provide expenses for volunteers to support mums with maintaining breastfeeding.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****16. Accumulated funds (continued)
Restricted Funds****Development Work:****Social Prescribing Capacity Building (North Lincolnshire Council)**

Restricted funding from North Lincolnshire Council to deliver capacity building support including governance, funding and development support to the VCFSE enabling them to support social prescribing.

During the year transfers were made as follows:	£
Internal Management Fees and Full Cost Recovery Recharges (to unrestricted funds)	(9,969)
	<u>(9,969)</u>

Winterton 2022 (Big Local Fund)

Restricted funding from Big Local to support Winterton 2022 as their Local Trusted Organisation (LTO). Our role is to support them to develop ideas into activities and administer the project and manage the funds. The Town was awarded £1 million of National Lottery Community Fund funding managed by The Big Local Trust to take forward their 10-year plan.

During the year transfers were made as follows:	£
Internal Management Fees and Full Cost Recovery Recharges (to unrestricted funds)	(14,589)
	<u>(14,589)</u>

Sanctuary Breaks

The Sanctuary Breaks scheme is a project of the Greater Lincolnshire Area of Sanctuary. The scheme offers day-long, weekend or week-long breaks in Greater Lincolnshire for asylum seekers/refugees from dispersal cities/towns (such as Leeds, Leicester, Doncaster). Asylum seekers/refugees are placed with host families and enjoy practicing English, learning about English culture, trips to the seaside and into the countryside, and engaging with a welcoming, local community through shared activities. Funding is currently used to support volunteers with DBS Checks.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****16. Accumulated funds (continued)
Restricted Funds****Training:****Volunteer Training (National Lottery Community Fund)**

Restricted funding from the National Lottery Community Fund, Awards For All program to provide training to volunteers.

Staff Training (from First Steps Forward)	142
	<u>142</u>

Grant Schemes:**Supporting Mental Health Fund (North Lincolnshire CCG)**

Restricted funding from North Lincolnshire CCG now part of the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership to provide grants to VCFSE organisations to increase and support activities for people with poor mental health and wellbeing.

During the year transfers were made as follows:	£
Fund Management (to unrestricted funds)	(1,656)
	<u>(1,656)</u>

Scunthorpe North Health Inequalities Fund (North Lincolnshire Council)

Restricted funding from North Lincolnshire Council Public Health to provide grants to VCFSE organisations to reduce health inequalities for people living in the Scunthorpe North area.

During the year transfers were made as follows:	£
Fund Management (to unrestricted funds)	(5,000)
	<u>(5,000)</u>

Hardship Fund (Scunthorpe Rotary Club)

Restricted funding from the Scunthorpe Rotary Club to provide a Small Grant Fund to provide essential items to vulnerable people. Applications were accepted from organisations who were supporting people in difficulty.

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 March 2024****16. Accumulated funds (continued)
Restricted Funds****Finished Projects:****Funding Advice Volunteer Centre (National Lottery Community Fund)**

Restricted funding from the National Lottery Community Fund for the COVID-19 emergency funded project 'Supporting North Lincolnshire' aimed to help VANL and the wider sector survive the impact of loss of income due to COVID-19 by sustaining and developing support for the VCFSE to enhance the respond to the crisis. This project enabled VANL to re-start volunteering brokerage to make the most of the volunteers coming forward to help, and provide community development and funding support to the sector to help it not only survive the crisis but also respond the new needs, including the need to work in a different way. The project also supported the development of the VCFSE Alliance.

Family Foundations North Lincs (National Lottery Community Fund)

Restricted funding was received from the National Lottery Community Fund for the Family Foundations project which has been designed by parents and partner agencies to support parents who are in or committed to recovery from drugs and or alcohol addictions.

During the year transfers were made as follows:

End of Project Transfer (to unrestricted funds)	£	(7)
		<u>(7)</u>

Covid 19 (National Emergencies Trust)

Restricted funding from the National Emergencies Trust administered by Lincolnshire Community Foundation helped VANL to mobilise really quickly to support the sector to respond to the pandemic situation and to gather information on what that impact was to feed into national, regional and local structures, including the National Emergencies Trust, the North Lincolnshire Place Partnership and NAVCA. Outcomes included setting up a information sharing site for the sector and volunteers and the at least twice weekly updates on emergency funding to support the sector through the crisis, government and Charity Commission Guidance and much more.

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There were no contingent liabilities.

18. Directors' Remuneration

There was no remuneration paid to Directors during the year, (2023 - £0).

No remuneration was paid or payable for the year to any other director or to any person or persons known to be connected with any of them.

There was no reimbursement of travel expenses made to directors in respect of the year, (2023 - £0).

19. Transfers to other organisations**Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO**

During the year, we continued with the merger preparations following the successful registration of Community VISION as a charitable Incorporated Organisation (Charity Number: 1203129).

All staff were transferred to Community VISION from the 1st November 2023, staff are seconded back to VANL where contracts have not yet been novated.

VANL is liaising with funders to novate all contracts and funding agreements.

In the current year transfers were made to Community VISION as follows:

£	
Transfer Petty Cash	(206)
Internal Management Fees and Full Cost Recovery Recharges (from restricted projects)	(18,762)
	<u>(18,968)</u>

All transfers for internal management fees and full cost recovery charges are based on amounts requested within funding bids. From November 2023, management fees relating to core staffing was paid to Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO. Internal Management Fees and Full Cost Recovery Charges are shown in the restricted funds note (Note 16).

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During the year the Company had the following related party transactions with its Trustees/Senior Officers and the organisations they represent on the Board of Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited or alternatively organisations in which they hold an officer position which is not individually represented on the Board of Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire Limited.

Organisation	Related Party	Nature of service	Amount
Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO	All Trustees	Internal Management Fees and Full Cost Recovery Recharges	£ 18,762 (Expenditure)
		Staffing Recharges	£58,649 (Expenditure)
		Transfer Petty Cash	£206 (Expenditure)

Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO is the charitable organisation that has been set up for the merger of Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire and East Riding Voluntary Action Services (ERVAS) Ltd and. All Directors/Trustees of VANL are also Trustees of Community VISION. All transfers for internal management fees and full cost recovery charges are based on amounts requested within funding bids. From November 2023, management fees relating to core staffing was paid to Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO. Staffing Recharges relate to staff seconded to VANL following the transfer of all staff to Community VISION as of the 1st November 2023.

The creditor balance relating to Community VISION at the year end date was £151,216.

21. Members

The liability of the members is limited.

Every member of the Company undertakes to contribute such amount as may be required, not exceeding £10, to the company's assets if it should be wound up while they are a member, or within a year after they cease to be a member. This is for the payment of the Company's debts and liabilities contracted before they ceased to be a member and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves.

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If the company is wound up or dissolved and after all its debts and liabilities have been satisfied there remains any property, it shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Company but shall be given or transferred to another charity or charities having objectives similar to the objects of the Company.

22. Going Concern

The Trustees consider the Company to be a going concern for a period of at least 12 months beyond the date of the Independent Examiners report. However, in the next financial year we will be completing on the merger with East Riding Voluntary Action Services (ERVAS) Ltd and all assets and liabilities will be transferred to a new organisation Community VISION (Voluntary Infrastructure Support Involving Organisations and Networks) CIO once all permissions are in place.

The trustees are conscious that the majority of its funders are either directly or indirectly funded by a series of Government sponsored programs. The Charity has taken steps to reduce expenditure and seek to diversify its income by providing relevant services and actively seeking alternative funding sources.

VANL is just moving into its third year of a three year grant to support Capacity Building, in addition we were working on the second year of a National Lottery Community Fund partnership grant for the First Steps Forward project. In addition there was an extension of 18 months to the Youth Volunteering and Capacity Building project.

North Lincolnshire Council have also supported us by working with us to procure the Open 4 Communities funding portal for 3 years.