

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
FOR
ASHFORD VOLUNTEER CENTRE

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

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 2024. 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Charitable Purpose

Ashford Volunteer Centre's Articles of Association state that the charity's objects are:

To promote and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of charities and organisations whose purposes are charitable in direct pursuit of their objectives including by:

- " The provision of office accommodation and ancillary facilities
- " Advising and guiding persons willing to undertake voluntary services
- " Advising and guiding organisations using volunteers, particularly those being members of the centre
- " Holding and conducting conferences, seminars and enquiries

The Volunteer Centre mission is: that people are empowered to volunteer and use their skills to build strong and vibrant communities.

Values: Ashford Volunteer Centre holds 3 high-level values and these are woven through our way of working and our commitment to volunteering. Our values also ensure Ashford Volunteer Centre is a great place to work. Our values are:

- " Everyone has the right to offer their time to volunteer
- " Every volunteer has the right to have a great volunteering experience
- " Volunteers must never be a replacement for paid workers
- " True volunteering is for the benefit of the social community, the individual, and volunteer involving organisation

Activities undertaken to achieve our strategic aims

The provision of office accommodation and ancillary facilities

Berwick House, the community building owned by Ashford Volunteer Centre, has been successfully utilised to support free and subsidised hire for community groups/organisations. The charity has continued to refurbish the building during this financial year, to both improve the space available and to provide additional space for VCSE organisations to hire at a subsidised cost.

Advising and guiding persons willing to undertake voluntary services

We help people into volunteering in two ways; firstly, through our own volunteer led projects (including our volunteer car scheme, a befriending service and Men in Sheds) and we also support individuals to undertake volunteering roles in other organisations.

Ashford Volunteer Centre volunteer led projects:

" **Volunteer car scheme:** we recruit and train volunteers to offer this scheme, which enables people who find it difficult to use public transport to attend health appointments. Where resources allow, we also support people to undertake shopping trips or social excursions.

" **Befriending service:** Volunteers are trained and then matched with a socially isolated beneficiary. Each befriending session lasts up to 2 hours and our clients meet in a range of settings, including beneficiary's homes, local community venues (cafes, shops, parks, etc) and we run group befriending sessions in our building in Ashford town centre every fortnight.

" **Men in Sheds:** is a weekly session held in our own fully equipped shed in central Ashford. These sessions are aimed at men with poor mental health who want to grow their social network. They work together in the shed to make items for their own homes or for community projects and build social connections that last outside of the weekly shed sessions.

" **Care Navigation service:** two staff members are based in William Harvey Hospital supporting patients as they leave to retain independence. This service is also provided at the volunteer centre once a week for individuals in need.

" **Volunteer to Career:** This year we undertook an NHS volunteering pilot, to encourage young people to volunteer in the NHS and to progress into NHS jobs.

Supporting people into volunteering:

" **Volunteer connection:** we have sustained our support to local people, helping them to find volunteering opportunities in the borough of Ashford through our volunteer connection service. We offer a seamless route into volunteering, which includes understanding each individual potential volunteer's areas of interest, identifying volunteering opportunities in that area of interest and ensuring they are volunteering ready through training and undertaking DBS checks.

" **Kent Volunteers:** This year, we continued to lead and develop the Kent Volunteers Project, which is a partnership project funded by Kent County Council and the Lord Lieutenant of Kent's office. As part of this project, we have developed an online platform for volunteering in Kent; individuals can use the platform to search for volunteering opportunities across the county and access training materials to help them develop their volunteering skills.

Advising and guiding organisations using volunteers, particularly those being members of the centre

We offer one to one support to organisations who are seeking volunteers, providing them with advice and support to recruit and retain volunteers. This includes helping them to develop and advertise roles on our online portal, DBS checking applicants and signposting to other support.

Many of the organisations that we support on a one to one basis are grassroots community organisations supporting local minority communities, so in partnership with Ashford Borough Council we launched the Ashford Multicultural forum. The forum will provide opportunities for smaller organisations to undertake training, network with each other and to grow inclusive activities together.

This year was a busy year for us, with regard to championing volunteering on behalf of local organisations who are seeking volunteers, because the King's Coronation and Big Help Out Day in early May offered a new platform for championing volunteering. In addition to this opportunity, we ran various online awareness campaigns and weeks to promote volunteering and highlight local need e.g. Volunteers Week, Trustees Week, Befriending Week, Green Week, cost of living crisis etc.

As part of our Kent Volunteers partnership with Kent County Council and the Lord Lieutenant of Kent's we ran three surveys (for volunteers, for Volunteer Managers and companies). The results of these surveys were shared with the sector to help champion volunteering, they fed directly into the design of our training programme and enabled us to develop the Kent Volunteers project for a further year, with a particular focus on support from Trustees, young people and minority communities. We also championed the Kings Award, contributing to an increase in applications from Kent based volunteer led organisations.

Holding and conducting conferences, seminars and enquiries

Ashford Volunteer Centre activities: We delivered a range of training courses during the year, including a new suite of training aimed specifically at Trustees as part of the new Kent Trustee Network that we launched through Kent Volunteers project.

Other training offered has included:

- " Volunteering - the basics
- " Practical ways to grow youth volunteering
- " Practical steps to increase your number of student volunteers
- " Practical steps to increase the number of volunteers
- " Developments and opportunities for your organisation
- " Reward and recognition during financial hard times
- " Free support to help you with your volunteers
- " Employer Supported Volunteering
- " Navigating difficult situations with volunteers and
- " An introduction to micro volunteering

Partnership activities: We grew our partnership working this year, to reduce duplication and maximise resources. We supported with the running of the VCSE Steering Group conference in East Malling in February and developed our newsletter to include training offered by other providers.

Representation and championing volunteering: Our CEO continues to represent volunteering in Kent through her membership on the VCSE steering group and our relationship with Ashford Borough Council (ABC) remains productive, with the CEO sitting on the ABC community grants panel.

Public benefit

The Charity's Trustees have complied with their duties under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission. Ashford Volunteer Centre's particular public benefit activities are included below, illustrating the commitment of the Charity to strengthen community volunteering and organisations of Kent.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN TO ACHIEVE OUR STRATEGIC AIMS

The provision of office accommodation and ancillary facilities

This year refurbishments to the building have included a new lift (making the building accessible to all), clearer signage, increased storage and redecoration in some areas. Our carpark has been improved, with new lines painted and some planters installed to protect some building pipework.

We installed Hallmaster, which is an online booking system for our rooms; meaning that potential room hirers can see if spaces are available, even when we are not in the office and streamlining the booking process.

At the request of building users we opened up the building outside of office hours, meaning that our tenants and room hirers can utilise our space and grow the support they are providing to the community.

Advising and guiding persons willing to undertake voluntary services

Volunteer car scheme: Our 25 volunteer drivers delivered more than 4,000 car trips annually. Ten additional volunteers supported the scheme by helping in the office to co-ordinate trips.

Befriending service: around 50 lonely or isolated people aged over 50 were supported by a befriender through this service.

Men in Sheds: 10 people benefitted from our weekly shed session and one of our building tenants (Uprising) also used the shed in the last year to run activities for the young people they work with. One of those activities was making planters for our carpark.

Care Navigation service: we supported 981 patients and made 1972 referrals through this service.

Supporting people into volunteering:

" We have continued to maintain the Kent Volunteers Platform (<https://kentvolunteers.org.uk>). At the end of March 2024 the platform had 1297 approved volunteers using the site to find potential roles.

" We celebrated volunteers and their achievements in volunteer week (June 2023). It was estimated that volunteers at Ashford Volunteer Centre, gave over 20,000 volunteering hours to their local community

Advising and guiding organisations using volunteers, particularly those being members of the centre

" The Kent Volunteers platform had 588 organisations regularly advertising volunteering roles at the end of March 2024.

" The Ashford Multicultural Forum was launched in January 2024.

" We sent out 500 packs to organisations to help them prepare for the Big Help out day on 6th May.

" 368 volunteers and 157 Volunteer Managers across Kent participated in our surveys, enabling us to share data with our partners which will help champion volunteering in coming years.

Other achievements

" We received the Armed Forces Covenant Bronze award for their employer recognition scheme, demonstrating that we are Armed Forces Friendly across our operations

" Our longstanding Chair of Trustees made it to the final three of the Kent Trustee of the Year award

" We received the Ashford Mayor's Award in recognition of the commitment and dedication of our Chair of Trustees over 20 years

" We ran our first ever Festive campaign, gathering long life food for the local foodbank. 46 people/organisations took part in the campaign, with 23 people donating a total of £611.95 and 23 people giving 599 food items.

" As part of our environmental commitment, we undertook an assessment and implemented a range of improvements which benefitted both the centre itself and the wider local community. These include new recycling points, reduced plastic use, a community litter picking station (in our carpark) and new bug hotels

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The results for the year and financial position of the Company are shown in the annexed Financial Statements. During the period, the Company continued to operate the property at 8 Elwick Road, Ashford. The Reserves Policy is that free reserves should cover 6 months of operating expenditure.

FUTURE PLANS

It is anticipated that our services will continue as described above in the next financial year, with some specific plans for development. Following the successful streamlining of our room booking service this year, we plan to review the transport service in the next financial year and implement a new online system to enable more efficient use of volunteer's time. We will also continue our refurbishment programme, with new solar panels, windows and other energy saving measures planned.

As a result of the continued difficult position with regard to funding, the Trustees will be undertaking a review of the operating structure of the charity in the next financial year. This will enable us to continue to run our vital services in a difficult climate.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Ashford Volunteer Centre's is formally governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association (dated 5 June 2015) which details how the charity is run.

Ashford Volunteer Centre is both a charity and a Private Limited Company by guarantee without share capital use of 'Limited' exemption. The company is registered with Companies House - company number 03464057 and with the Charity Commission - company number 1066765. The charity itself is not part of a wider network of charities.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Recruitment and appointing new trustees is undertaken at the charity's Annual General Meeting whereby trustees are recruited by an election of members. In accordance to the Memorandum and Articles of Association new trustees can be elected by a vote at the charity's Board of Directors meeting. No person or external body is entitled to appoint one or more of the Ashford Volunteer Centre charity trustees.

Organisational structure

Ashford Volunteer Centre's Memorandum and Articles of Association detail that the charity is governed by a Board of trustees who are all volunteers and as the charity is also a company, trustees are automatically Directors of the charity. The Chair of the Board of Directors/Trustees at Ashford Volunteer Centre is responsible for line managing the CEO and the CEO manages all other members of staff employed by Ashford Volunteer Centre.

Induction and training of new trustees

Trustee induction includes an information pack concerning key documents/legislation, opportunity to attend external trustee training, meeting with existing trustees/staff and opportunities to 'buddy' with an existing trustee. An annual skills audit is undertaken by trustees to identify training opportunities and areas of development for board trustees. In line with the Ashford Volunteer Centre expenses policy, as volunteers the Board of Directors are allowed to be claim travel expenses to and from the board meetings. The amount claimed for travel expenses is the same for volunteers and employees.

Key management remuneration

To meet the charitable purposes of Ashford Volunteer Centre the trustees employ staff. All salaries are benchmarked against the salaries of similar organisations (e.g. other Volunteer Centres) and this is brought to the Board of Directors meeting for agreement before any jobs are advertised.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

03464057 (England and Wales)

ASHFORD VOLUNTEER CENTRE

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Registered Charity number

1066765

Registered office

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Trustees

Ms L Cockle
R Davidson (appointed 6.6.23)
P Feacey
Ms C S Hannah
Mrs J A Webb
C F Morley
Ms A Scott

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 23/12/2024 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
P Feacey - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Ashford Volunteer Centre ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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



Rosanna Turner ACA DChA

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Date: 24/12/2024.....

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		21,627	216,945	238,572	331,629
Other trading activities	2	9,365	45,561	54,926	40,475
Investment income	3	13,222	-	13,222	6,345
Other income		25,555	38,263	63,818	37,126
Total		<u>69,769</u>	<u>300,769</u>	<u>370,538</u>	<u>415,575</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Community Premises & Volunteering Service					
		<u>77,518</u>	<u>350,674</u>	<u>428,192</u>	<u>372,827</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(7,749)	(49,905)	(57,654)	42,748
Transfers between funds	11	<u>(441)</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(8,190)	(49,464)	(57,654)	42,748
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		187,907	412,158	600,065	557,317
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>179,717</u></u>	<u><u>362,694</u></u>	<u><u>542,411</u></u>	<u><u>600,065</u></u>

ASHFORD VOLUNTEER CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET

31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	3,474	279,528	283,002	285,007
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	16,135	311	16,446	33,415
Cash at bank		182,425	82,852	265,277	412,910
		<u>198,560</u>	<u>83,163</u>	<u>281,723</u>	<u>446,325</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(21,074)	-	(21,074)	(130,027)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>177,486</u>	<u>83,163</u>	<u>260,649</u>	<u>316,298</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		180,960	362,691	543,651	601,305
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	10	(1,240)	-	(1,240)	(1,240)
NET ASSETS		<u>179,720</u>	<u>362,691</u>	<u>542,411</u>	<u>600,065</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				179,720	187,907
Restricted funds				<u>362,691</u>	<u>412,158</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>542,411</u>	<u>600,065</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 23/12/2024 and were signed on its behalf by:


.....
P Feacey - Trustee

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.

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.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on cost
Computer equipment	- 25% on cost

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.

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

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Office Rental	51,926	37,725
Service Charge	3,000	2,750
	<u>54,926</u>	<u>40,475</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>13,222</u>	<u>6,345</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>5,054</u>	<u>4,839</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	12	10
Staff	<u>12</u>	<u>10</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2023	276,229	19,758	21,571	317,558
Additions	-	3,049	-	3,049
At 31 March 2024	276,229	22,807	21,571	320,607
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2023	-	19,758	12,793	32,551
Charge for year	-	761	4,293	5,054
At 31 March 2024	-	20,519	17,086	37,605
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2024	276,229	2,288	4,485	283,002
At 31 March 2023	276,229	-	8,778	285,007

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Trade debtors	11,111	23,494
Other debtors	55	-
Accrued income	4,017	8,022
Prepayments	1,263	1,899
	16,446	33,415

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Trade creditors	13,819	18,882
Pension	188	393
Accruals and deferred income	3,000	106,811
Accrued expenses	1,198	1,072
Rent Deposits	2,869	2,869
	21,074	130,027

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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10. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Contingency Fund	<u>1,240</u>	<u>1,240</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.24
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	187,907	(7,746)	(441)	179,720
Restricted funds				
Designated	276,168	-	-	276,168
Community Transport	7,137	(4,624)	-	2,513
NHS - Hospital Care	4,646	44,309	-	48,955
Befriending	65,664	(53,716)	-	11,948
Response Adult Education	876	(876)	-	-
Ashford Borough Council	2,280	(2,280)	-	-
Men in Sheds	17,865	(15,363)	-	2,502
Timebanking	1,321	(1,321)	-	-
Marharben	1,406	(225)	-	1,181
Community Connector	7,404	(7,404)	-	-
DBS	1,736	(1,736)	-	-
Room Hire	3,349	(3,349)	-	-
Kent Project	18,005	(18,446)	441	-
Ninevah Charitable Trust	1,815	(1,815)	-	-
Resettlement	515	(515)	-	-
KCC Youth	1,971	(1,971)	-	-
Awards for All	-	19,424	-	19,424
	<u>412,158</u>	<u>(49,908)</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>362,691</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>600,065</u>	<u>(57,654)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>542,411</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

11. 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	69,769	(77,515)	(7,746)
Restricted funds			
Community Transport	44,684	(49,308)	(4,624)
NHS - Hospital Care	56,535	(12,226)	44,309
Befriending	3,666	(57,382)	(53,716)
Response Adult Education	-	(876)	(876)
Ashford Borough Council	-	(2,280)	(2,280)
Men in Sheds	1,500	(16,863)	(15,363)
Timebanking	-	(1,321)	(1,321)
Marharben	-	(225)	(225)
Community Connector	20,001	(27,405)	(7,404)
DBS	3,001	(4,737)	(1,736)
Room Hire	42,507	(45,856)	(3,349)
Kent Project	100,000	(118,446)	(18,446)
Ninevah Charitable Trust	-	(1,815)	(1,815)
Resettlement	-	(515)	(515)
KCC Youth	-	(1,971)	(1,971)
Awards for All	28,875	(9,451)	19,424
	<u>300,769</u>	<u>(350,677)</u>	<u>(49,908)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>370,538</u></u>	<u><u>(428,192)</u></u>	<u><u>(57,654)</u></u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	127,636	73,318	(13,047)	187,907
Restricted funds				
Designated	276,168	-	-	276,168
Community Transport	25,953	(23,709)	4,893	7,137
NHS - Hospital Care	3,520	1,126	-	4,646
Befriending	62,220	3,444	-	65,664
Response Adult Education	900	(24)	-	876
Ashford Borough Council	2,314	(34)	-	2,280
Men in Sheds	16,608	1,257	-	17,865
Timebanking	17,439	(16,118)	-	1,321
Marharben	1,631	(235)	10	1,406
Community Connector	13,122	(5,718)	-	7,404
DBS	2,043	(307)	-	1,736
Room Hire	4,159	(810)	-	3,349
Kent Project	3,604	14,401	-	18,005
Colyer Fergusson Trust	-	(595)	595	-
Ninevah Charitable Trust	-	1,815	-	1,815
Resettlement	-	(694)	1,209	515
KCC Youth	-	(4,369)	6,340	1,971
	<u>429,681</u>	<u>(30,570)</u>	<u>13,047</u>	<u>412,158</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>557,317</u>	<u>42,748</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>600,065</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. 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	101,634	(28,316)	73,318
Restricted funds			
Community Transport	39,161	(62,870)	(23,709)
NHS - Hospital Care	56,462	(55,336)	1,126
Befriending	18,391	(14,947)	3,444
Response Adult Education	-	(24)	(24)
Ashford Borough Council	-	(34)	(34)
Men in Sheds	5,791	(4,534)	1,257
Timebanking	1	(16,119)	(16,118)
Marharben	-	(235)	(235)
Community Connector	-	(5,718)	(5,718)
DBS	2,750	(3,057)	(307)
Room Hire	-	(810)	(810)
Kent Project	124,999	(110,598)	14,401
Colyer Fergusson Trust	3,121	(3,716)	(595)
Ninevah Charitable Trust	3,265	(1,450)	1,815
Resettlement	20,000	(20,694)	(694)
KCC Youth	40,000	(44,369)	(4,369)
	<u>313,941</u>	<u>(344,511)</u>	<u>(30,570)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>415,575</u></u>	<u><u>(372,827)</u></u>	<u><u>42,748</u></u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	127,636	65,572	(13,488)	179,720
Restricted funds				
Designated	276,168	-	-	276,168
Community Transport	25,953	(28,333)	4,893	2,513
NHS - Hospital Care	3,520	45,435	-	48,955
Befriending	62,220	(50,272)	-	11,948
Response Adult Education	900	(900)	-	-
Ashford Borough Council	2,314	(2,314)	-	-
Men in Sheds	16,608	(14,106)	-	2,502
Timebanking	17,439	(17,439)	-	-
Marharben	1,631	(460)	10	1,181
Community Connector	13,122	(13,122)	-	-
DBS	2,043	(2,043)	-	-
Room Hire	4,159	(4,159)	-	-
Kent Project	3,604	(4,045)	441	-
Colyer Fergusson Trust	-	(595)	595	-
Resettlement	-	(1,209)	1,209	-
KCC Youth	-	(6,340)	6,340	-
Awards for All	-	19,424	-	19,424
	<u>429,681</u>	<u>(80,478)</u>	<u>13,488</u>	<u>362,691</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>557,317</u>	<u>(14,906)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>542,411</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

11. 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	171,403	(105,831)	65,572
Restricted funds			
Community Transport	83,845	(112,178)	(28,333)
NHS - Hospital Care	112,997	(67,562)	45,435
Befriending	22,057	(72,329)	(50,272)
Response Adult Education	-	(900)	(900)
Ashford Borough Council	-	(2,314)	(2,314)
Men in Sheds	7,291	(21,397)	(14,106)
Timebanking	1	(17,440)	(17,439)
Marharben	-	(460)	(460)
Community Connector	20,001	(33,123)	(13,122)
DBS	5,751	(7,794)	(2,043)
Room Hire	42,507	(46,666)	(4,159)
Kent Project	224,999	(229,044)	(4,045)
Colyer Fergusson Trust	3,121	(3,716)	(595)
Ninevah Charitable Trust	3,265	(3,265)	-
Resettlement	20,000	(21,209)	(1,209)
KCC Youth	40,000	(46,340)	(6,340)
Awards for All	28,875	(9,451)	19,424
	<u>614,710</u>	<u>(695,188)</u>	<u>(80,478)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>786,113</u>	<u>(801,019)</u>	<u>(14,906)</u>

Restricted funds are as below:

Designated fund - Fixed assets purchased (including the freehold property at Berwick House) using funds set aside for this purpose.

NHS Kent and Medway - funded 2 Information Advice and Guidance Care Navigators at William Harvey Hospital and contributed to the community car scheme

Befriending - this project, which aimed to reduce the social isolation of people across the borough, is funded by a variety of funders including Ninevah, Edward Gosling and Colyer Ferguson. Within the project is a Men in Sheds Scheme, which was specifically aimed at isolated males.

Community car scheme - is funded by NHS Kent and Medway and also from contributions from beneficiaries using this scheme.

Resettlement project - is funded by Ashford Borough Council and supports people the borough who have been resettled in the area.

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

KCC Youth and Kent Volunteers - were pilot projects funded by Kent County Council and the projects focused on promoting and supporting volunteering across the county of Kent. The project was run in partnership with other Volunteer Centres

Ashford Borough Council - provided project grants to support building initiatives and also funded the Community Connector project, which supported activities with the local VCSE sector.

DBS - Ashford Volunteer Centre is a registered umbrella organisation for DBS checks and is able to undertake individual DBS checks and support other organisations administer DBS checks.

Response Adult Education - this project covers facilitating RESPONSE courses, on behalf of Kent Adult Education. The courses are aimed at people not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET).

Room hire - Berwick House is available for room hire for local organisations.

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	3,890	6,746
Grants	234,682	324,883
	<u>238,572</u>	<u>331,629</u>
Other trading activities		
Office Rental	51,926	37,725
Service Charge	3,000	2,750
	<u>54,926</u>	<u>40,475</u>
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	13,222	6,345
Other income		
Transport Income	38,268	34,786
Consultancy Fees	25,550	2,340
	<u>63,818</u>	<u>37,126</u>
Total incoming resources	370,538	415,575
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Community Transport	26,253	24,395
Grants to institutions	3,533	25,152
	<u>29,786</u>	<u>49,547</u>
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	187,398	175,627
Social security	10,242	-
Pensions	2,909	-
Rates and water	935	1,224
Insurance	4,718	2,763
Light and heat	10,650	5,891
Postage and stationery	8,060	6,012
Advertising	17,247	17,881
Sundries	1,961	11,660
Carried forward	<u>244,120</u>	<u>221,058</u>

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Management		
Brought forward	244,120	221,058
Cleaning	6,425	3,953
DBS Application	-	1,824
HR Expenditure	7,231	7,045
IT Expenses	21,249	25,469
Room Hire	11,346	4,327
Travel	2,993	615
Volunteer Expenses	-	637
Other Professional Fees	2,108	818
External tutor hire	2,911	8,038
Consulting	4,580	13,551
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	6,409	4,840
	<u>309,372</u>	<u>292,175</u>
Finance		
Bank charges	813	617
Information technology		
Repairs and renewals	81,768	24,113
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	6,453	6,375
Total resources expended	<u>428,192</u>	<u>372,827</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(57,654)</u>	<u>42,748</u>