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Charity number: 1067193

Connex Community Support

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Trustees	Mrs T Sullivan, Chair Ms S Gourlay, Vice Chair Mr D H Brindley Dr P E Davies (resigned 24 July 2023) Mr S Fussell Mr R Shaw, Treasurer Mr M Starzec Mr A Thompson Mr J C Wood Mr G A Gorsuch (resigned 29 February 2024) Mrs C Sadler (resigned 11 May 2024)
Company registered number	02918492
Charity registered number	1067193
Registered office	16 Eagle Parade Buxton Derbyshire SK17 6EQ
Company secretary	Ms G L Geddes
Key management personnel	G Geddes - Chief Executive A Knirsch - Chief Operating Officer N Warwick Fisher - Dales Services Manager (to 31 December 2023) K Shenton - Registered Manager and Joint Head of Care & Support CYP J McDonald - Joint Head of Care & Support CYP C Gregory - Head of Care & Support OA (retired 31 May 2024) H Gunn - Head of Transport H Eskriett - Accounts Manager
Independent auditors	Bates Weston Audit Ltd Statutory Auditors Chartered Accountants Canal Street Derby DE1 2RJ
Bankers	Santander Bootle L30 4GB

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

Charitable objects

The objects of the charity, as stated in its governing document are as follows:

- (i) To broker, promote and support voluntary work in local organisations
- (ii) To offer direct services to assist vulnerable people
- (iii) To champion and promote volunteering in the wider community

Aims of the charity

The overall aim of Connex Community Support is to encourage voluntary activity to support stronger and more cohesive communities, and to provide services that enable vulnerable people to live more independent and fulfilled lives.

Our charitable objects have two main beneficiaries: individuals who use our direct services; and voluntary and community groups (and indirectly, their beneficiaries).

Through the services we provide directly to individual beneficiaries, we enable vulnerable people to live more independent and fulfilled lives.

Working with individuals, voluntary and community groups, our volunteer brokerage and volunteering development activities encourage voluntary activity to support stronger and more cohesive communities.

The public benefits identified above are evidenced through:

- Reports on performance/levels of service which measure the number of beneficiaries supported and number and nature of interventions provided.
- Feedback from individual service users, including evaluation of personal outcomes/benefits, impact and quality of service.
- Feedback from local voluntary and community organisations including outcomes of our interventions/support/services, impact on their work, and quality of service.

The trustees have paid due regard to the general guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake, and when reviewing our aims and objectives in planning future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Connex Community Support delivers the following activities to meet these aims:

- Volunteer brokerage – supporting people to find a volunteering role
- Volunteering development – supporting voluntary organisations in the management and support of their volunteers
- Domiciliary care and support for older people
- Personal care and support in the community for children and adults with a disability and/or additional support needs
- Transport to medical and hospital appointments and socially therapeutic activities
- Patient transport & settle on discharge from hospital
- Home from Hospital support, to assist people after a stay in hospital

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- Befriending, social contact and group activities to help reduce isolation and support independent living
- Tea, Talk & Tech – digital inclusion support and social contact
- Wheelchair loans and hearing aid battery distribution
- Home maintenance and property clearance services
- Hoarding clearance service, supporting people with a hoarding disorder
- The Breadline – short-term financial hardship assistance
- Payroll services for small organisations

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Overview

Connex Community Support is extremely proud of the breadth and quality of the services our staff and volunteer teams provide in the High Peak and Derbyshire Dales, services that help vulnerable people to live more socially connected lives, with the support they need to help them thrive.

In 2023-2024 Connex supported over 3130 people, a 14% increase on the previous year.

We have seen increased demand for the majority of our services, and in particular those services that complement and reduce pressure on statutory health and social care provision in the community.

Many of our service users fall below the threshold for statutory social care support, and without the help they receive from Connex, would be at heightened risk of hitting a crisis or being 'forgotten' in their community.

Most of Connex's low-level support services are provided through the support of volunteers. Our Transport, Befriending, Home from Hospital, Readycall, Digital Inclusion, Home Maintenance and Hoarding Clearance services all play their part in helping to keep people socially connected and to be more confident to retain their independence for longer.

Over the past year, our biggest challenge has been in maintaining and growing our volunteer teams for Connex's own services, but also in recruiting volunteers to support the many voluntary organisations, activities and causes across the High Peak and Derbyshire Dales.

The number of people coming forward to volunteer has reduced markedly since the high levels seen in response to the Covid pandemic. In the past the 'newly retired' made up the larger part of the nation's volunteer work force. However, more recently, the rising state pension age, financial pressures to work longer, the need to help with caring responsibilities for ageing relatives and grandchildren, have all meant that this pool of potential volunteers has reduced, and has not as yet been countered by an increase in the number of younger people choosing to volunteer.

Despite this trend, our volunteer brokerage service introduced 179 new volunteers into a wide range of volunteering roles in the High Peak and Derbyshire Dales.

Connex's CQC registered Care & Support services have been extremely busy, with demand for support outstripping our capacity to be able to deliver. We are proud of the quality of care we provide to people of all ages - our staff go the extra mile to ensure that our clients receive the support they need and enjoy quality life experiences.

Christmas 2023 saw our first fully accessible Santa's Grotto, with each audience with Santa tailored to the specific needs of the child, and the not so young! It was a great success and we hope Santa will visit us again in December 2024.

Our volunteer transport services have been busy too, travelling almost 4 times round the world, to take over 1,000 people to their medical appointments and therapeutic activities. In a largely rural area, where transport

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provision is non-existent or patchy, our volunteer drivers provide a lifeline, and social contact along the way too. Through grant funding from Macmillan Cancer Support, we were able to further subsidise this transport for people attending courses of chemotherapy and radiotherapy.

In October 2023, we commenced a 30-month contract with Derbyshire County Council to deliver the Access to Health service across the High Peak, Derbyshire Dales and South Derbyshire. Whilst Connex is the lead organisation for this contract, we deliver the service in partnership with our colleagues at South Derbyshire CVS (SDCVS), Ashbourne Community Transport, Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport, New Mills & District Volunteer Centre and The Bureau in Glossop. It is a great example of collaborative working.

In a similar vein, Connex is the delivery partner for the Home from Hospital service in the Dales and High Peak, with SDCVS the lead partner. During the year, the service supported 212 service users by helping them to avoid a stay in hospital, or supporting them after discharge from hospital. The service provides practical help, social contact and signposting to other potential sources of support, with many clients moving on to Connex's befriending or other services in the longer term.

Our befriending services also had a very busy year, supporting over 260 people with one to one social contact, social groups and activities and practical help. Together they provided over 7000 unique support interventions.

Sadly, funding for both of our befriending services is a challenge. After 12 years of partnership working with Macmillan Cancer Support, changes at strategic level meant that Macmillan's funding ended on 31st March 2024, and our Readycall service faced closure. At the close of the financial year we were awaiting the outcome of applications to the National Lottery Community Fund and to the St James's Place Charitable Fund. We have since heard that these applications were successful, and we are delighted that the Readycall service is secured for the coming 3 years.

Our befriending service in Buxton exists on short-term sporadic funding which leads to ongoing uncertainty and limits service development. We are actively looking at collaborative opportunities to try to sustain the service in the longer term.

Our Tea, Talk & Tech project in the Derbyshire Dales also saw significant growth with over 250 service users supported. The project helps older people who are less confident in using digital technology to make the most of their mobile phones, tablets and laptops. In addition to our established 'Tea, Talk & Tech' café held at the Pavilion in Ashbourne, we also introduced cafés in Wirksworth and Matlock, as well as providing one-to-one support in peoples' homes.

Funding for this project is sadly very short-term, and we are actively trying to secure funding to continue on a longer-term basis.

Our Property Services, including our specialist Hoarding Clearance service has had a challenging year in a highly competitive market. The team continue to build an excellent reputation for their hoarding clearance work, liaising closely with the client, social workers, housing and environmental health officers to build trust to eventually achieve a sensitive and successful property clearance and clean. Our property services are charged for, with any surplus being used to support the development of new community support initiatives.

Connex Community Support is proactive in exploring new ways to respond to the emerging needs of the community, modifying our offers of support as circumstances and the environment change. This means that services may come to a natural end, as others emerge.

We said farewell to The Breadline: the Breadline fund was developed in 2021 in partnership with the 'Buxton Street by Street' team to help support families in the Buxton area who were struggling to meet escalating energy costs. In the period April to June 2023, the scheme was able to distribute short term grants to 71 families, but with funds then exhausted the project closed at the end of June 2023.

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We also introduced some new initiatives. With the support from Buxton based charity, the Hall Bank Trust, we were able to work with social care and hospital discharge teams to provide and install free key safes to older people in the Buxton area, helping to ensure that carers and family contacts could gain access to their homes when needed.

Again, working with the Hall Bank Trust, we developed a directory of services and local information for older people in the Buxton area to help them better access what is available. This is an ongoing project, and will be updated and reviewed on an annual basis.

We also secured a contract to provide wellbeing support and information to the residents of the Thomas Fields housing facility in Buxton. Thomas Fields is a mix of privately owned and rented properties for people aged 55 and over, with an extra care/reablement facility on the same site. Since the service started in December 2023, our service coordinator has organised a varied range of social activities and informative talks, and has given guidance on a wide variety of issues.

Following on from a successful pilot project in 2022/23 that helped to reduce winter pressures on the NHS, our 'short-notice' hospital discharge 'Transport and Settle' service in the High Peak was subsequently re-commissioned for the whole of 2023/24. This service demonstrated the value of longer-term commissioning, giving a service the time to build confidence and trust with health professionals – and consequently referral numbers have grown month on month.

Connex is extremely grateful to everyone who supports our work, whether that be as a service user, through financial donations, a legacy gift, pro-bono consultancy, by volunteering with us or by recommending our services to others.

We thank the following organisations and donors for their valuable financial support during the year: The Bingham Trust, Derbyshire County Council, Derby & Derbyshire ICB, Hall Bank Trust, High Peak Borough Council, Macmillan Cancer Support, National Grid Fuel Poverty Fund, National Lottery Community Fund, Platform Housing, Robert Bowmer Trust and a number of individual donations from members of the public.

Staff, Volunteers and Trustees

Connex's greatest asset is our amazing staff and volunteer team. During the past year, over 260 volunteers supported our services, demonstrating the best of human kindness and an extraordinary commitment. They have given friendship and social contact to those who are lonely and isolated, and have provided essential practical help.

Our staff are equally dedicated, often going far beyond what is expected of them. We are very fortunate to benefit from some very experienced and long-serving employees, all of whom bring valuable local knowledge and insights that help make Connex's services respond so well to local needs.

The national shortage of care staff continues to be a challenge and we need more staff to help us to support more clients. We are proud of our care staff team, many of whom have worked for Connex for a long time and they are dedicated and passionate about the people they care for and support.

We never like losing staff, particularly when a service is well used and valued. However, the cessation of our Macmillan grant support for our Readycall service at the end of March 2024 sadly meant that we had to make some of the Readycall staff team redundant. We therefore said farewell to Glynis Ainley, Carol Townsend and Peter Mayers.

Our Board of Trustees has met throughout the year, providing valuable support to the organisation and to the Chief Executive and the Chief Operating Officer.

Paul Davies resigned as a trustee in July 2023 due to business commitments, and Graham Gorsuch stood

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down in February 2024 due to health issues. Graham very sadly died in August 2024. He will be much missed by the organisation as a whole, as well as by our Befriending service, with which Graham also volunteered.

Carrie Sadler also decided to stand down as a trustee in May 2024, however she continues to volunteer with our Readycall service,

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The year saw an increase in incoming funds resulting in a small surplus of £10,125

This resulted in overall reserves at 31 March 2024 increasing to £608,846 of which £15,596 is allocated to restricted funds, leaving £593,250 retained as unrestricted funds and designated funds.

£301,172 of the unrestricted reserves has been designated for specific items of expenditure leaving available reserves at 31 March 2024 of £292,078.

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

As at 31 March 2024, we had free reserves of £292,078, which satisfies the obligations of the current reserves policy.

Risk Management

The Trustees recognise the importance of Risk Management within the framework of governance and internal control. The Trustees continue to review the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. A risk management policy has been implemented comprising:

- A regular review of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identifies in the review
- The implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should any of these risks materialise. These are found in the Business Continuity Plan.

Plans for future periods

We will continue to review and modify our longer-term strategies to ensure that Connex is financially resilient, our services continue to be relevant and that the wider public, funders and those that need our help know about us.

We will continue to support vulnerable people in our community, and we will modify and adapt our services as needs change, adapting to the changing environment in which we operate.

We will continue to lobby for better recognition and recompense for those working in the care industry.

We will continue to work with our colleagues in health and social care to explore opportunities for greater collaboration and innovative approaches to the challenges in health and social care

We will continue to promote volunteering, helping to recruit volunteers to sustain Connex's own services as well as those across our geographical area.

We will work with our partners in the High Peak and the Derbyshire Dales Alliances, to deliver infrastructure support to the wider voluntary sector and strengthen community activity.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee which re-registered as Connex Community Support on 13 December 2018, having been previously registered as Voluntary and Community Services Peaks and Dales.

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The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Under the company's articles, the trustees are known as members of the Management Committee. The members of the Committee are elected for a period of three years after which they must be re-elected at the next AGM.

New trustees are appointed on the basis that they have appropriate skills and knowledge commensurate with the governance of a Charitable Company, and have knowledge and experience relating to the voluntary sector, our service provision, the area of benefit or communities of interest, or have other specific areas of knowledge or experience that have been identified by the Trustees as valuable to the governance of the Charity.

The Board of Trustees is periodically subject to a skills audit exercise to identify training needs and gaps on the Board that can be filled through recruitment.

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

Management

The trustees delegate a large amount of the day to day decisions involved in the running of the Charity to the paid staff, and in particular to the Chief Executive. The Chief Executive reports directly to the Board. Decisions that will have a significant financial or operational impact, or that will make significant changes to the way the charity is governed and administered are referred to the Board.

Meetings

The Board meets quarterly, with sub-group specialist meetings scheduled between the Board meeting dates. These sub-groups provide support to the Chief Executive, and make best use of the specialist skills our trustees bring to the organisation.

Induction and training of trustees

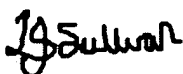
All Trustees are familiar with the work of the organisation as many have been directly involved through their volunteering work and through quarterly project and service reports. Newly recruited Trustees meet the Chair of the organisation and attend a short training session with the Chief Executive and key staff. These sessions include:

- Learning about the organisation and its aims and objective, finding out about the various projects we run and meeting the staff involved in these projects
- Being given a Trustee's task description and the last 2 years' annual reports, including finances, future plans and developments. This information is supported by the provision of a Trustee Induction Pack and ongoing information from the Charity Commission, and legal updates relevant to the activities of the charity.

Staff remuneration

In determining staff salaries, the Board consider staff remuneration in similar charities and use these as a benchmark in determining salaries paid within Connex Community Support.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



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Mrs T Sullivan
(Chair of Trustees)
Date: 14/10/2024

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CONNEX COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Connex Community Support (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual report other than the financial statements and our Auditors' report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CONNEX COMMUNITY SUPPORT
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Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Based on our understanding of the charity and industry in which it operates, we considered those laws and

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regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Companies Act 2006. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Enquiry of management around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

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

Use of our report

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

Sean Douglass FCA (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of

Bates Weston Audit Ltd

Statutory Auditors

Chartered Accountants

Canal Street

Derby

DE1 2RJ

Date: 24 October 2024

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Note	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	37,015	85,059	122,074	127,406
Charitable activities	3	-	1,763,068	1,763,068	1,539,744
Investments		-	17,600	17,600	8,612
Other income		-	1,133	1,133	19,339
Total income		37,015	1,866,860	1,903,875	1,695,101
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	38,669	1,855,081	1,893,750	1,770,692
Total expenditure		38,669	1,855,081	1,893,750	1,770,692
Net movement in funds		(1,654)	11,779	10,125	(75,591)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		17,250	581,471	598,721	674,312
Net movement in funds		(1,654)	11,779	10,125	(75,591)
Total funds carried forward		15,596	593,250	608,846	598,721

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 15 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	-	11,472
		-	11,472
Current assets			
Debtors	10	344,339	229,078
Cash at bank and in hand		391,657	471,583
		735,996	700,661
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(127,150)	(113,412)
Net current assets		608,846	587,249
Total assets less current liabilities		608,846	598,721
Total net assets		608,846	598,721
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	12	15,596	17,250
Unrestricted funds			
Designated funds	12	301,172	284,865
General funds	12	292,078	296,606
Total unrestricted funds	12	593,250	581,471
Total funds		608,846	598,721

The entity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. The members have not required the entity to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. However, an audit is required in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Mrs T Sullivan
Chair of Trustees

Date: 14/10/2024

.....
Mr R Shaw
Treasurer

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash used in operating activities	15	(97,899)	(83,718)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends, interests and rents from investments		17,973	8,612
Net cash provided by investing activities		17,973	8,612
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(79,926)	(75,106)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		471,583	546,689
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	16	391,657	471,583

The notes on pages 15 to 30 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Connex Community Support meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Company status

Connex Community Support is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity.

1.3 Going concern

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

1.4 Income

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

Receipt of a legacy is recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the charity, can be reliably measured.

Grants are included in the Statement of financial activities when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.6 Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Leasehold improvements	-	over the length of the lease
Motor vehicles	-	25% straight line
Office equipment	-	25% straight line
Computer equipment	-	33% straight line

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the Statement of financial activities.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.8 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

1.9 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.10 Pensions

Payments to the defined contributions retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expenses as they fall due.

1.11 Fund accounting

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 Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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2. Income from donations and legacies

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Grant funding for core activities				
High Peak Borough Council	-	8,750	8,750	11,788
Derbyshire County Council (Infection Control)	-	-	-	22,677
Derbyshire County Council (Thomas Fields)	-	10,167	10,167	-
Derbyshire County Council (Infrastructure)	-	30,236	30,236	-
Hall Bank Trust	15,840	-	15,840	-
NHS Derby & Derbyshire ICB	-	23,081	23,081	23,081
Robert Bowmer Trust	-	-	-	10,000
Digital Inclusion	11,292	-	11,292	12,216
SW Main Community Matters	-	-	-	9,968
Warmer Homes	9,883	-	9,883	-
	37,015	72,234	109,249	89,730
Donations and gifts	-	12,825	12,825	37,676
Total 2024	37,015	85,059	122,074	127,406
<i>Total 2023</i>	32,184	95,222	127,406	

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3. Income from charitable activities

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Transport & Car Scheme	-	166,607	166,607	129,523
Home Maintenance	-	76,512	76,512	48,795
Care (Older People)	-	194,534	194,534	176,394
Care (CYP)	-	1,093,009	1,093,009	879,996
Readycall	-	143,666	143,666	183,452
Home from Hospital	-	50,406	50,406	64,804
Other	-	38,334	38,334	56,780
	-	1,763,068	1,763,068	1,539,744
<i>Total 2023</i>	<i>1,980</i>	<i>1,537,764</i>	<i>1,539,744</i>	

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Restricted 2024 £	Unrestricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Transport & Car Scheme	-	197,313	197,313	161,706
Home Maintenance	7,269	81,320	88,589	74,899
Care (Older People)	-	217,121	217,121	192,095
Care (CYP)	-	1,029,345	1,029,345	914,959
Handy Van	-	-	-	194
Readycall	-	152,876	152,876	163,038
Home from Hospital	-	46,881	46,881	40,434
Other	31,400	130,225	161,625	223,367
	38,669	1,855,081	1,893,750	1,770,692
<i>Total 2023</i>	<i>45,712</i>	<i>1,724,980</i>	<i>1,770,692</i>	

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5. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	Support costs 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Transport & Car Scheme	165,117	32,196	197,313	161,706
Home Maintenance	76,162	12,427	88,589	74,899
Care (Older People)	197,948	19,173	217,121	192,095
Care (CYP)	933,551	95,794	1,029,345	914,959
Handy Van	-	-	-	194
Readycall	134,592	18,284	152,876	163,038
Home from Hospital	36,288	10,593	46,881	40,434
Other	42,046	119,579	161,625	223,367
	<u>1,585,704</u>	<u>308,046</u>	<u>1,893,750</u>	<u>1,770,692</u>
<i>Total 2023</i>	<u>1,452,789</u>	<u>317,903</u>	<u>1,770,692</u>	

Analysis of direct costs

	Transport & Car Scheme 2024 £	Home Maintenance 2024 £	Care (Older People) 2024 £	Care (CYP) 2024 £	Readycall 2024 £
Staff costs	67,805	52,768	185,262	887,401	114,712
Depreciation	4,773	-	-	-	-
Direct project costs	-	18,192	413	198	1,439
Travelling	80,024	1,458	12,246	29,209	16,522
Motor Expenses	12,515	3,744	-	-	-
Training and recruitment	-	-	27	16,743	-
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	-	1,919
	<u>165,117</u>	<u>76,162</u>	<u>197,948</u>	<u>933,551</u>	<u>134,592</u>
<i>Total 2023</i>	<u>137,822</u>	<u>70,386</u>	<u>174,829</u>	<u>834,609</u>	<u>139,370</u>

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5. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs (continued)

	Home from Hospital 2024 £	Other 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Staff costs	34,954	39,230	1,382,132	1,262,241
Depreciation	-	-	4,773	5,728
Direct project costs	-	115	20,357	24,547
Travelling	1,313	2,629	143,401	96,269
Motor Expenses	-	-	16,259	8,863
Training and recruitment	-	-	16,770	14,720
Volunteer expenses	21	72	2,012	40,421
	<u>36,288</u>	<u>42,046</u>	<u>1,585,704</u>	<u>1,452,789</u>
<i>Total 2023</i>	<u>34,501</u>	<u>61,272</u>	<u>1,452,789</u>	

Analysis of support costs

	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Staff costs	172,549	182,014
Depreciation	6,699	13,040
Premises costs	24,513	37,656
Equipment leasing	4,140	822
Administration costs	70,508	48,381
Subscriptions	12,986	10,884
Bank Charges	1,339	1,604
Bad debts	759	3,332
Professional fees	4,953	10,570
Governance costs	9,600	9,600
	<u>308,046</u>	<u>317,903</u>

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6. Auditors' remuneration

	2024 £	2023 £
Audit fees	7,200	7,200
Fees payable to the charity's auditor in respect of: Accountancy	<u>2,400</u>	<u>2,400</u>

7. Staff costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	1,410,925	1,310,974
Social security costs	106,029	97,567
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	37,727	35,714
	<u>1,554,681</u>	<u>1,444,255</u>

During the year, the charity made statutory redundancy payments totaling £9,037 (2023 - £NIL).

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2024 No.	2023 No.
Employees	<u>80</u>	<u>86</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The remuneration of key management personnel is as follows:

8. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2023 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 March 2024, there were no expenses reimbursed to Trustees (2023 - £39 for mileage to 1 Trustee).

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9. Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements £	Motor vehicles £	Office equipment £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 April 2023	19,583	40,855	1,200	44,359	105,997
Disposals	-	-	-	(10,498)	(10,498)
At 31 March 2024	19,583	40,855	1,200	33,861	95,499
Depreciation					
At 1 April 2023	19,583	36,082	1,125	37,735	94,525
Charge for the year	-	4,773	75	6,624	11,472
On disposals	-	-	-	(10,498)	(10,498)
At 31 March 2024	19,583	40,855	1,200	33,861	95,499
Net book value					
At 31 March 2024	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	-	4,773	75	6,624	11,472

10. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	195,052	119,505
Other debtors	140,030	98,213
Prepayments	9,257	11,360
	344,339	229,078

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11. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	-	4,182
Other taxation and social security	23,421	21,080
Other creditors	5,823	5,596
Accruals and deferred income	97,906	82,554
	<u>127,150</u>	<u>113,412</u>

12. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds					
Donations allocated to be spent next year	72,410	18,227	(19,774)	-	70,863
Contingency fund	190,755	-	-	23,461	214,216
Unfunded hours	8,500	-	-	-	8,500
Tameside WRRF	7,312	-	(7,312)	-	-
DCC - Young Connections	5,888	-	(662)	-	5,226
DCC - Thomas Fields	-	10,167	(7,800)	-	2,367
	<u>284,865</u>	<u>28,394</u>	<u>(35,548)</u>	<u>23,461</u>	<u>301,172</u>
	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
General funds					
General Funds	296,606	1,838,466	(1,819,533)	(23,461)	292,078
	<u>581,471</u>	<u>1,866,860</u>	<u>(1,855,081)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>593,250</u>
Total Unrestricted funds					

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12. Statement of funds (continued)

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Restricted funds					
Digital Inclusion	9,250	11,292	(16,952)	-	3,590
Robert Bowmer Trust	7,500	-	(7,500)	-	-
Bingham Trust Befriending	500	-	(500)	-	-
Hall Bank Trust	-	15,840	(8,348)	-	7,492
Warner Homes	-	9,883	(5,369)	-	4,514
	<u>17,250</u>	<u>37,015</u>	<u>(38,669)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,596</u>
	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Total of funds	<u>598,721</u>	<u>1,903,875</u>	<u>(1,893,750)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>608,846</u>

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12. Statement of funds (continued)

Restricted Funds

Digital Inclusion is funding for delivery of a digital inclusion project in the Derbyshire Dales.

Robert Bowmer Trust has granted funds for the delivery of Connex's Buxton based Befriending service, helping to reduce loneliness and social isolation amongst older people.

Bingham Trust Befriending Grant was received to support transport costs to enable participation in social activities delivered by the Buxton based Befriending service.

Hall Bank Trust has granted funds to support key safe installation services, the befriending service and the development of a guide for older people services in Buxton.

The National Grid has granted funds for the delivery of the Warmer Homes project which helps people living in fuel poverty save money by installing energy efficient solutions.

Designated Funds

Contingency fund is unrestricted funds that have been set aside to cover the cost of staff redundancy if the charity was unable to gain the funding required to continue as a going concern.

Unfunded hours fund comprises funds set aside to cover the costs of any staff hours that are not covered by specific grants/service contract agreements.

Donations allocated to be spent next year are donations from the current year that the charity has designated to spend on certain projects during the next financial year.

DCC Young Connections and WRRF Tameside are restricted fund underspends where funders have permitted their repurposing.

DCC Thomas Fields comprises funds to support its residents to maximise their independence and wellbeing.

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12. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 April 2022 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023 £</i>
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds					
Donations allocated to be spent next year	66,975	56,038	(50,603)	-	72,410
Contingency fund	176,301	-	-	14,454	190,755
Unfunded hours	12,000	-	(3,500)	-	8,500
Tameside WRRF	-	-	-	7,312	7,312
DCC - Young Connections	-	-	-	5,888	5,888
	<u>255,276</u>	<u>56,038</u>	<u>(54,103)</u>	<u>27,654</u>	<u>284,865</u>
General funds					
General Funds	<u>377,038</u>	<u>1,604,899</u>	<u>(1,670,877)</u>	<u>(14,454)</u>	<u>296,606</u>
Total Unrestricted funds	<u>632,314</u>	<u>1,660,937</u>	<u>(1,724,980)</u>	<u>13,200</u>	<u>581,471</u>
Restricted funds					
DCC - Young Connections	5,888	-	-	(5,888)	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	11,401	-	(11,401)	-	-
Comic Relief	8,791	-	(8,791)	-	-
Alan's Fundraising	472	-	(472)	-	-
Digital Inclusion	6,134	12,216	(9,100)	-	9,250
WRRF Tameside	7,312	-	-	(7,312)	-
Foundation Derbyshire	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Platform Housing for TTT	-	1,020	(1,020)	-	-
Robert Bowmer Trust	-	10,000	(2,500)	-	7,500
Bingham Trust Befriending	-	960	(460)	-	500
National Grid	-	9,968	(9,968)	-	-
	<u>41,998</u>	<u>34,164</u>	<u>(45,712)</u>	<u>(13,200)</u>	<u>17,250</u>

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12. Statement of funds (continued)

	<i>Balance at 1 April 2022 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023 £</i>
Total of funds	674,312	1,695,101	(1,770,692)	-	598,721

13. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Designated funds	284,865	28,394	(35,548)	23,461	301,172
General funds	296,606	1,838,466	(1,819,533)	(23,461)	292,078
Restricted funds	17,250	37,015	(38,669)	-	15,596
	598,721	1,903,875	(1,893,750)	-	608,846

Summary of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 April 2022 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 March 2023 £</i>
Designated funds	255,276	56,038	(54,103)	27,654	284,865
General funds	377,038	1,604,899	(1,670,877)	(14,454)	296,606
Restricted funds	41,998	34,164	(45,712)	(13,200)	17,250
	674,312	1,695,101	(1,770,692)	-	598,721

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14. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Restricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Current assets	15,596	720,400	735,996
Creditors due within one year	-	(127,150)	(127,150)
Total	15,596	593,250	608,846

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	11,472	11,472
Current assets	17,250	683,411	700,661
Creditors due within one year	-	(113,412)	(113,412)
Total	17,250	581,471	598,721

15. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income/expenditure for the period (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	10,125	(75,591)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	11,472	18,768
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	(17,973)	(8,612)
Loss on the sale of fixed assets	-	52
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(115,261)	66,149
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	13,738	(84,484)
Net cash used in operating activities	(97,899)	(83,718)

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16. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash in hand	391,657	471,583
Total cash and cash equivalents	391,657	471,583

17. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2023 £	Cash flows £	At 31 March 2024 £
Cash at bank and in hand	471,583	(79,926)	391,657
	471,583	(79,926)	391,657

18. Pension commitments

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

The charge to the profit and loss in respect of the defined contribution scheme was £37,727 (2023 - £35,714).

At 31 March 2024 the charity's pension contributions payable were £5,707 (2023: £2,649), which were paid over after the reporting date.

19. Related party transactions

During the prior year, the charity rented office space from Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service, a charity in which Ms G L Geddes (Company secretary) is a trustee. The charity no longer uses that venue for room hire (2023: £2,300 rent paid). The charity also received £2,400 from Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service for the Go Map project (2023: £18,108 was received for the Tea, Talk and Tech project).