

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03388017 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1070038

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2022**

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SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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 2022. 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

The charity's objective and principle activity is the provision of an independent accessible advocacy service to protect and empower people with care and support needs in the Swindon area.

Public benefit

The trustees have paid due regard to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when deciding what activities the charity should undertake. It is the view of the trustees that the activities summarised in this report demonstrate the commitment of the charity to provide an identifiable benefit that applies to a section of the public.

STRATEGIC REPORT

Achievement and performance

Charitable activities

Swindon Advocacy Movement provided statutory and community based advocacy services to 635 children, young people and adults with care and support needs; standing up for Human Rights and enabling individuals to have choice and control over their own lives.

Project Boost enabled 81 people with learning disabilities to take up community opportunities after the pandemic as they learnt new skills, developed confidence and accessed work and leisure opportunities. Project Boost saw 17 people attending digital workshops where they learnt to send emails, use the internet, create a letter using Word and set up their own email accounts. We also developed our digital inclusion work with grant funding from Voluntary Action Swindon, The Good Things Foundation and Mencap as we distributed 31 tablets to members and also gave out Wi-Fi boxes and SIM cards to enable people to access the internet at home.

The Community Mental Health Advocacy project, funded by Lloyds Bank Foundation, came to an end. In the four years it ran, we worked with 131 people supported individuals with poor mental health, autism or learning disabilities to have their needs met by GPs and other mental health services. People were helped to understand their rights and increase their confidence to self-advocate; empowering them to access services they need, build positive relationships with mental health providers, challenge decisions and make complaints when needed.

We have developed our Parent service to enable us to support 45 parents this year. In addition to working with parents with learning disabilities we have, via spot purchase arrangements, been able to offer support to other vulnerable parents including those living with Autism, mental ill health and young care leavers

A successful funding bid to the National Benevolent Fund has enabled us to extend the time we can support vulnerable parents to ensure they are safeguarded by being supported to access all services they are entitled to; this is especially important if their children have been removed.

Invested in staff

We have established a Salary Review Group which meets to review not only salaries and HR related issues which affect staff, but other benefits.

One of the benefits added this year was the introduction of a death in service benefit underwritten by Yu Life.

New case management system

We invested in a bespoke advocacy case management system called Advocacy Data Intelligence. This enables increased efficiency with reporting and will enable us to develop and evidence advocacy outcomes.

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

STRATEGIC REPORT

Financial review

Financial position

For the year ending 31st March the charity generated a surplus as shown on page 4. The Management Committee made the strategic decision to apply for unrestricted funds from Lloyds Bank Foundation enabling us to increase our reserves. Our current four months reserves in running costs means we are better placed to secure the future of the charity at a time when everyone is facing so much uncertainty. We are mindful that we have two core local authority contract due for renewal next year and we also need to respond to the cost of living crisis with ongoing review of staff salaries.

Principal funding sources

The charity's principle funding source is the Local Authority with additional funding raised from independent grant funders.

Reserves policy

The Trustees always work on the principle of having 3 months running costs in reserves.

Future plans

We are excited to be setting up a new Community Advocacy service for people with learning disabilities and/or Autism, funded by The Henry Smith Charity. The project will:

- " Enable individuals to access mental health services and to have a voice.
- " Enable parents to have the best chance of the right to a family life.
- " Enable individuals to maintain housing tenancies, independence and wellbeing.

We will continue to review staff terms and conditions with a view to adding additional benefits which support staff wellbeing and encourage staff retention.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The appointment of trustees is governed by the Articles of Association.

We actively recruit for a broad range of life experience and skills on the board. As a user led charity, we encourage service users to participate in its development by attending one or more Management Committee meetings and then explore with them the option to serve as a trustee. Any appointment is subject to ratification at the next Annual General Meeting.

All new trustees receive a full induction in to the organisation which includes prior access to financial accounts and governing documents.

Organisational structure

The Management committee oversees the work of the charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

03388017 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1070038

Registered office

Sanford House
Sanford Street
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Wiltshire
SN1 1HE

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Trustees

Ms A Cooper
Mr G Bawden
Mr A B Dixon
Ms J Weston
Ms T Hardman
Mr R James
Mr M Boden (appointed 20.10.21)
Ms N Woods (appointed 20.10.21)

Company Secretary

Ms A Cooper

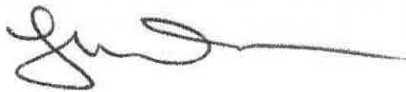
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Report of the trustees, incorporating a strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 20 September 2022 and signed on the board's behalf by:



Ms J Weston - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Swindon Advocacy Movement ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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 registered member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants 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.

I Sumbler

Mr Ian Sumbler FCCA
Morris Owen
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Date: *23.03.2022*

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	3	3,344	-	3,344	2,202
Charitable activities	6				
Charitable activities		6,252	506,260	512,512	539,277
Fund generating activities	4	61,397	-	61,397	19,732
Investment income	5	4	-	4	13
Total		70,997	506,260	577,257	561,224
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	7				
Charitable activities		25,344	503,270	528,614	523,161
NET INCOME		45,653	2,990	48,643	38,063
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		145,189	41,304	186,493	148,430
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		190,842	44,294	235,136	186,493

The notes form part of these financial statements

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	13	13,734	624	14,358	9,861
Cash at bank		215,650	60,918	276,568	313,904
		<u>229,384</u>	<u>61,542</u>	<u>290,926</u>	<u>323,765</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	14	(38,542)	(17,248)	(55,790)	(137,272)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>190,842</u>	<u>44,294</u>	<u>235,136</u>	<u>186,493</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>190,842</u>	<u>44,294</u>	<u>235,136</u>	<u>186,493</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>190,842</u>	<u>44,294</u>	<u>235,136</u>	<u>186,493</u>
FUNDS	15				
Unrestricted funds				190,842	145,189
Restricted funds				<u>44,294</u>	<u>41,304</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>235,136</u>	<u>186,493</u>

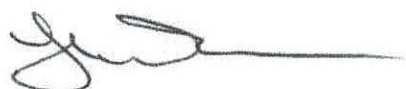
The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) 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 financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20 September 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



Ms J Weston - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(37,340)	105,799
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(37,340)	105,799
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		4	13
Net cash provided by investing activities		4	13
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(37,336)	105,812
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		313,904	208,092
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		276,568	313,904

The notes form part of these financial statements

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
	2022	2021	
	£	£	
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	48,643	38,063	
Adjustments for:			
Interest received	(4)	(13)	
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(4,497)	96,034	
Decrease in creditors	(81,482)	(28,285)	
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	(37,340)	105,799	
2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS			
	At 1.4.21	Cash flow	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank	313,904	(37,336)	276,568
	313,904	(37,336)	276,568
Total	313,904	(37,336)	276,568

The notes form part of these financial statements

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. COMPANY INFORMATION

The company is a company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England and Wales, and a registered charity with the Charity Commission in England and Wales.

The registered office address is Sanford House, Sanford Street, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN1 1HE.

These financial statements are presented in British Pounds (GBP), which is the company's functional and presentational currency.

2. 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.

Tangible assets

Small equipment such as laptops for projects are expended through the Statement of Financial Activities.

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.

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.

Financial instruments

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Financial instruments

Short term trade creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Donations	<u>3,344</u>	<u>2,202</u>

4. FUND GENERATING ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other income	<u>61,397</u>	<u>19,732</u>

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>4</u>	<u>13</u>

6. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Grants	<u>512,512</u>	<u>539,277</u>

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 8) £	Totals £
Charitable activities	<u>521,832</u>	<u>6,782</u>	<u>528,614</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Finance £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Charitable activities	<u>127</u>	<u>6,655</u>	<u>6,782</u>

9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There was no remuneration to the trustees in 2022 or 2021.

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS - continued

Trustees' expenses

No expenses were paid to the trustees in 2022 or 2021

10. STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	429,765	438,416
Social security costs	29,897	30,804
Other pension costs	14,348	15,037
	<u>474,010</u>	<u>484,257</u>

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

	2022	2021
	22	22
Staff	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>

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

11. INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS FEES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Statutory accounts production & external scrutiny	<u>1,850</u>	<u>1,820</u>
	<u>1,850</u>	<u>1,820</u>

12. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	2,202	-	2,202
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	20,001	519,276	539,277
Fund generating activities	10,657	9,075	19,732
Investment income	13	-	13
Total	<u>32,873</u>	<u>528,351</u>	<u>561,224</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	13,236	509,925	523,161
NET INCOME	<u>19,637</u>	<u>18,426</u>	<u>38,063</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	125,555	22,875	148,430

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

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>145,192</u>	<u>41,301</u>	<u>186,493</u>

13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	13,734	9,339
Prepayments	624	522
	<u>14,358</u>	<u>9,861</u>

14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	9,489	1,104
Social security and other taxes	8,093	8,797
Accrued expenses	2,210	1,700
Deferred income	35,998	125,671
	<u>55,790</u>	<u>137,272</u>

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	137,235	28,989	166,224
Zurich Community Trust	7,954	10,414	18,368
Lloyds Bank Foundation	-	6,250	6,250
	<u>145,189</u>	<u>45,653</u>	<u>190,842</u>
Restricted funds			
Big Lottery Fund	837	(837)	-
Children In Need	7,693	(2,363)	5,330
Swindon Borough Council General Advocacy	1,540	20,867	22,407
Lloyds Bank Community Mental Health Advocacy	23,857	(23,857)	-
Money Matters (The MSE Charity)	-	309	309
Swindon Borough Council Day Opportunities	6,165	(182)	5,983
Wiltshire Community Foundation	1,212	(442)	770
National Benevolent Charity	-	9,495	9,495
	<u>41,304</u>	<u>2,990</u>	<u>44,294</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>186,493</u>	<u>48,643</u>	<u>235,136</u>

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

15. 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	36,308	(7,319)	28,989
Zurich Community Trust	19,999	(9,585)	10,414
Voluntary Action Swindon	8,440	(8,440)	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation	6,250	-	6,250
	<u>70,997</u>	<u>(25,344)</u>	<u>45,653</u>
Restricted funds			
Big Lottery Fund	-	(837)	(837)
Children In Need	18,277	(20,640)	(2,363)
Swindon Borough Council General Advocacy	398,319	(377,452)	20,867
Swindon Borough Council LDPB	2,659	(2,659)	-
Lloyds Bank Community Mental Health Advocacy	-	(23,857)	(23,857)
Money Matters (The MSE Charity)	6,242	(5,933)	309
Swindon Borough Council Day Opportunities	47,989	(48,171)	(182)
Wiltshire Community Foundation	8,133	(8,575)	(442)
NHS Banes (MH Discharge Fund)	8,303	(8,303)	-
Mencap Digital Funding	6,338	(6,338)	-
National Benevolent Charity	10,000	(505)	9,495
	<u>506,260</u>	<u>(503,270)</u>	<u>2,990</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>577,257</u>	<u>(528,614)</u>	<u>48,643</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	125,555	11,680	137,235
Zurich Community Trust	-	7,954	7,954
	<u>125,555</u>	<u>19,634</u>	<u>145,189</u>
Restricted funds			
Big Lottery Fund	-	837	837
Children In Need	7,824	(131)	7,693
Swindon Borough Council General Advocacy	5,210	(3,670)	1,540
Lloyds Bank Community Mental Health Advocacy	1,071	22,786	23,857
Swindon Borough Council Day Opportunities	8,770	(2,605)	6,165
Wiltshire Community Foundation	-	1,212	1,212
	<u>22,875</u>	<u>18,429</u>	<u>41,304</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>148,430</u>	<u>38,063</u>	<u>186,493</u>

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

15. 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	12,872	(1,192)	11,680
Zurich Community Trust	20,000	(12,046)	7,954
	<u>32,872</u>	<u>(13,238)</u>	<u>19,634</u>
Restricted funds			
Big Lottery Fund	9,833	(8,996)	837
Children In Need	16,657	(16,788)	(131)
Swindon Borough Council General Advocacy	369,639	(373,309)	(3,670)
Childrens Advocacy Service	9,429	(9,429)	-
Lloyds Bank Community Mental Health Advocacy	48,670	(25,884)	22,786
Swindon Borough Council Day Opportunities	47,991	(50,596)	(2,605)
Big Lottery for All - Covid Response	9,948	(9,948)	-
Wiltshire Community Foundation	6,495	(5,283)	1,212
Lloyds Covid	9,690	(9,690)	-
	<u>528,352</u>	<u>(509,923)</u>	<u>18,429</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>561,224</u>	<u>(523,161)</u>	<u>38,063</u>

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

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	125,555	40,669	166,224
Zurich Community Trust	-	18,368	18,368
Lloyds Bank Foundation	-	6,250	6,250
	<u>125,555</u>	<u>65,287</u>	<u>190,842</u>
Restricted funds			
Children In Need	7,824	(2,494)	5,330
Swindon Borough Council General Advocacy	5,210	17,197	22,407
Lloyds Bank Community Mental Health Advocacy	1,071	(1,071)	-
Money Matters (The MSE Charity)	-	309	309
Swindon Borough Council Day Opportunities	8,770	(2,787)	5,983
Wiltshire Community Foundation	-	770	770
National Benevolent Charity	-	9,495	9,495
	<u>22,875</u>	<u>21,419</u>	<u>44,294</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>148,430</u>	<u>86,706</u>	<u>235,136</u>

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

15. 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	49,181	(8,512)	40,669
Zurich Community Trust	39,999	(21,631)	18,368
Voluntary Action Swindon	8,440	(8,440)	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation	6,250	-	6,250
	103,870	(38,583)	65,287
Restricted funds			
Big Lottery Fund	9,833	(9,833)	-
Children In Need	34,934	(37,428)	(2,494)
Swindon Borough Council General Advocacy	767,957	(750,760)	17,197
Swindon Borough Council LDPB	2,659	(2,659)	-
Childrens Advocacy Service	9,429	(9,429)	-
Lloyds Bank Community Mental Health Advocacy	48,670	(49,741)	(1,071)
Money Matters (The MSE Charity)	6,242	(5,933)	309
Swindon Borough Council Day Opportunities	95,980	(98,767)	(2,787)
Big Lottery for All - Covid Response	9,948	(9,948)	-
Wiltshire Community Foundation	14,628	(13,858)	770
Lloyds Covid	9,690	(9,690)	-
NHS Banes (MH Discharge Fund)	8,303	(8,303)	-
Mencap Digital Funding	6,338	(6,338)	-
National Benevolent Charity	10,000	(505)	9,495
	1,034,611	(1,013,192)	21,419
TOTAL FUNDS	1,138,481	(1,051,775)	86,706

Details of Restricted Funds

General Advocacy

Contains the material funding by Swindon Borough Council for Statutory Advocacy under The Care Act, The Mental Capacity Act and The Mental Health Act. This also includes non-statutory advocacy for parents with learning disabilities going through Child Protection and for providing administration for the Swindon Learning Disability Partnership Board.

Community Mental Health Advocacy

Funding from Lloyds Bank Foundation for a community mental health advocacy service for adults leaving mental health care to live independently in the community.

Money Matters

Funding from The MSE Charity for activities for people with learning disabilities to learn how to use and manage money.

Day Opportunities - Project Boost

Funding from Swindon Borough Council for Day Opportunities for people with learning disabilities; enabling members to take up new work, volunteering or leisure opportunities in the community.

Children in Need

Funding from Children in Need to work with young people aged 10 - 18 with SEND (Special Educational Needs) to learn new skills and try new activities.

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

NHS Banes (MH Discharge Fund)

Funding from NHS Banes to enable people with learning disabilities or Autism access mental health services.

Mencap Digital Funding

Funding from Mencap for equipment to combat digital exclusion and enable our members with learning disabilities to go online.

National Benevolent Charity

Funding from the National Benevolent Charity to provide advocacy for parents with a learning disability beyond Child Protection proceedings and to set up a parent peer support group.

Transfers between funds

Transfers are made between restricted and unrestricted funds at the end of every accounting period in cases where the restricted fund is in deficit and has either come to an end or there is no prospect of a surplus in a later period, when the deficit is eliminated by transfer from unrestricted funds.

16. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Various funders retain the right to claw back grants should the use of the funds not be in accordance with the terms of the grant. In the opinion of the Trustees no such liability exists at the year end.

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022.

SWINDON ADVOCACY MOVEMENT
DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	3,344	2,202
Fund generating activities		
Other income	61,397	19,732
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	4	13
Charitable activities		
Grants	512,512	539,277
Total incoming resources	577,257	561,224
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	429,765	438,416
Social security	29,897	30,804
Pensions	14,348	15,037
Rates and water	6,035	288
Insurance	3,074	2,619
Light and heat	2,527	1,772
Telephone	9,730	8,748
Postage and stationery	1,247	2,926
Advertising	487	434
Sundries	1,693	938
Travel	2,580	713
Computer costs	6,197	7,276
Office expenses	8,453	7,105
Training	2,026	465
Property expenses	3,773	1,697
	521,832	519,238
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	127	114
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	4,263	3,164
Legal fees	2,392	645
	6,655	3,809
Total resources expended	528,614	523,161
Net income	48,643	38,063

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Swindon Advocacy Movement

Annual Report 2021/2022



Swindon Advocacy Movement provided statutory and community based advocacy services to

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children, young people and adults with care and support needs: standing up for Human Rights and enabling individuals to have a choice and control over their own lives.

Whilst our IMCA (Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy) service saw an increase in referrals, other areas of our statutory advocacy work saw a decrease in numbers. The pandemic and high turnover of social care staff contributed to this.

Project Boost enabled **81** people with learning disabilities to take up Community opportunities after the pandemic as they learnt new skills, developed confidence and accessed work and leisure opportunities.



We met the year with a commitment to increase digital inclusion for people with learning disabilities.

Project Boost saw 17 people attending digital workshops where they learnt to send emails, use the internet, create a letter using Word and set up their own email accounts.



With Funding from Voluntary Action, Swindon. The Good Things Foundation and Mencap we distributed 31 tablets to members and also gave out Wi-Fi boxes and SIM cards to enable people to access the internet at home.



The Community Mental Health Advocacy Project, funded by Lloyds Bank Foundation, came to an end. In the 4 years it ran, we worked with **131** people supported individuals with poor mental health, autism or learning disabilities to access services to improve their health and wellbeing.



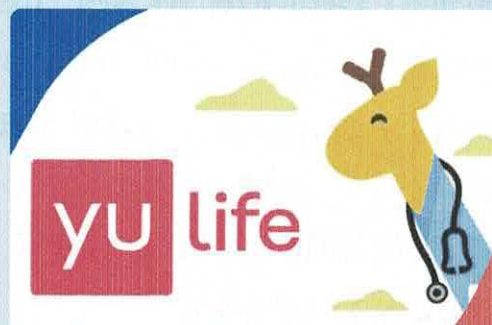
We supported 45 parents going through care proceedings this year. In addition to parents with a learning disability we have been able to offer support to other vulnerable parents including those living with Autism, mental ill health and young carers. We have started a peer support group for parents.



Invested in Staff. We have established a Salary Review Group which meets to review not only salaries and HR related issues which affect staff, but other benefits.



We introduced the death in service benefit underwritten by Yu Life. Yu life promotes staff wellbeing and includes access to mental health support and opportunities to give to charity.



During the year we saw a rise in complex work and safeguarding across our statutory advocacy service.

Case Study:

Belinda was living with an abusive partner and had experienced a number of serious sexual assaults in the community which resulted in a safeguarding alert and referral to advocacy. The Care Act advocate worked extensively with her to gather her views and wishes and support her throughout the safeguarding process. Belinda had little to no trust in social care professionals due to her children being removed through the Child Protection process. She was moved into emergency respite for her protection which led to a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguard (DoLS) in which the advocate was able to continue representing her views and wishes as a Paid Relevant Person's Representative (PRPR). During this difficult time Belinda built a positive, trusting relationship with her advocate.

The advocate enabled Belinda to secure permanent housing in line with her wishes and she is now living in her own bungalow with 24 hour support. She has begun to establish positive relationships with health and social care professionals and continues to work with the advocate through a Care Review process.

"Thank you for explaining it all really appreciate it".

"You were really helpful I would have been so much more stressed if you hadn't been here"

"Thank you for being there, sometimes to see your face, a familiar face, meant I knew you were there just for me"

Mother with Learning Disabilities

"I want an advocate again at my next meeting; you are independent. It made a difference having an independent advocate, I was listened to at my meetings"

"You seem to understand me more than other people do"

"The advocate really listened to this person and empathised with the person's situation. She ensured she gathered the person's views. The advocate looked at the whole situation of the person and encouraged care staff to promote positive relationships for the person to have regular contact with their family in the future. It made a real difference in this person's life to know that she was involved in decisions to ensure she receives the suitable support. The person expressed "I am now relieved that I am in a care home"

Social Worker

"Client was happy to self-advocate during her meetings with professionals, however she would initially seek out information from the IMHA service to help her make informed decisions as and when required. She was pleased to have access to an independent professional on her side"

Ward Manager

The advocate and client created a document to be sent to the assessment and review - The Adult Community Team capturing the client's needs. The client commented "you are good at what you do" client said the advocate managed to capture everything and consented for the advocate to send the information over.

Social Worker

"Thank you so much for making a real difference, it has helped client to understand what is going on, also have seen her confidence grow by having you on her side. Thank you for your support. It has been a pleasure to work with you"

From Solicitor

Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement.

SAM Year end figures 2021/22

Income	£577,257
Expenditure	£528,614
Difference	£48,643

Funds

Unrestricted	£190,842
Restricted	£44,294
Total	£235,136



FUTURE PLANS



We will address the decrease in the number of statutory advocacy referrals for Care Act advocacy, and IMHA (Independent Mental Health Advocacy) with a robust networking plan to visit social care teams to inform them about our service and remind them of the criteria for referrals under legislation.

We are excited to be setting up a new Community Advocacy service for people with learning disabilities and/or Autism, funded by the Henry Smith Charity. The project will:

- Enable individuals to access mental health services and to have a voice.***
- Enable parents to have the best chance of the right to a family life.***
- Enable individuals to maintain housing tenancies, independence and wellbeing.***

**The
Henry Smith
Charity**