



**LONDON
GYPSIES &
TRAVELLERS**

**Celebrating 25 years
challenging perceptions, changing lives**

2023

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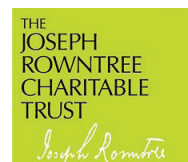
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A message from the Chair

It is 25 years since London Gypsies and Travellers became an independent charity, and this anniversary provides an opportunity to reflect on what has changed for Gypsies and Travellers over this time.

An ever-changing environment in politics, policies, and legislation has had a significant impact on the community. Some things have changed for the better, but at times it also feels as though we have been going round in circles. Few sites have been built and the experience of discrimination is still very present in our daily lives. Throughout this time, LGT has consistently fought for



equality and against discrimination, and been dedicated to keeping Gypsies and Travellers included in the decisions that affect them. At one end of the scale, it has consistently

LGT's first annual report in 1998.
The organisation was originally called the London Gypsy and Traveller Unit

supported community members facing everyday challenges. At the other it has opposed damaging policy and legislation changes at the highest level. We can look back at the many campaigns that Gypsies and Travellers have been involved in over 25 years and feel proud that we have raised our voices at crucial times when under threat.

Performing the role of Chair of LGT trustees over the past year has been empowering for me. It is a privilege to work with a team that is so passionate, skilled, and professional.

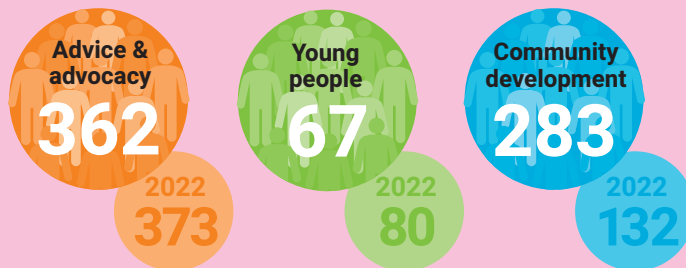
We want Gypsies and Travellers to be in positions of influence on both our board and staff team. But we also need to consider the challenges they can face when stepping into leadership roles. So we now have a good strategy in place for ensuring that the people we need have the skills that they need, as we strive for meaningful representation from all parts of the community in London.

Helena Kiely-Savin



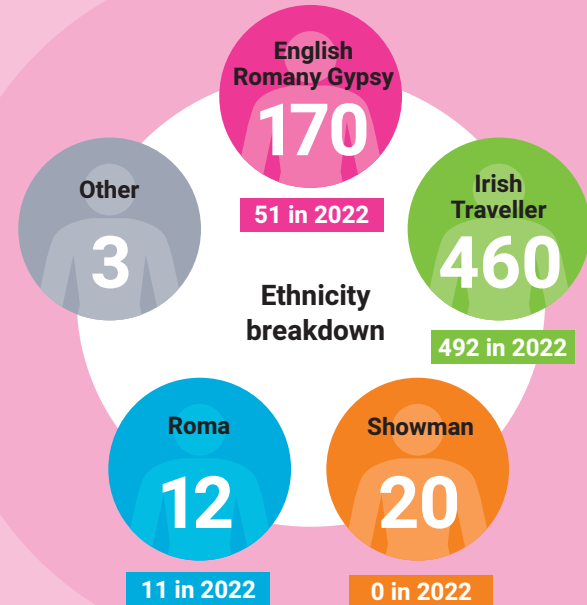
People we have worked with this year

Over 2023, LGT worked to support 665 individuals in 31 London boroughs, and 47 outside London. This was 113 more than in 2022. We provided advocacy and advice, youth development and community development.



Community outcomes

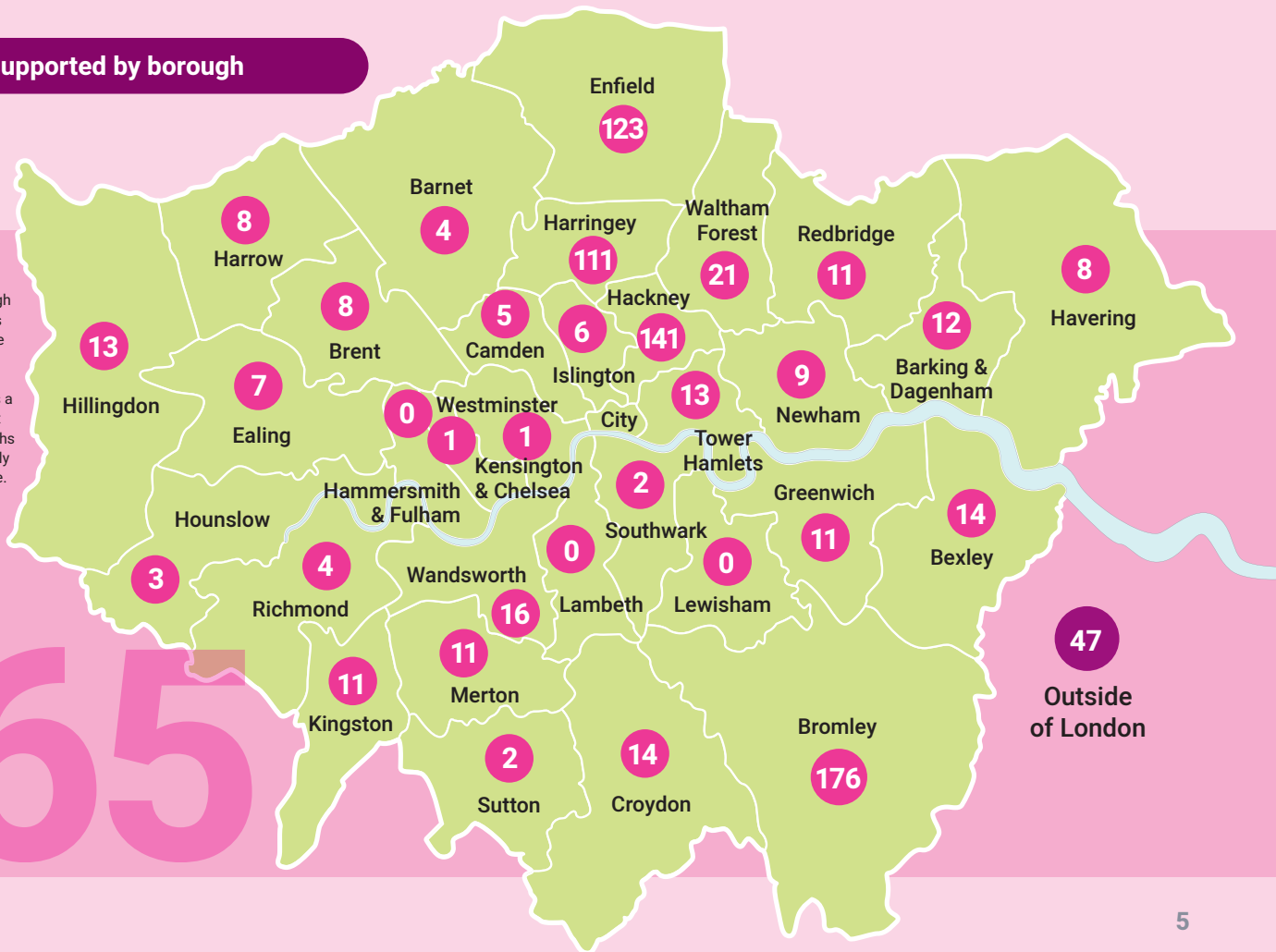
Number of people who reported:





People supported by borough

Note: the borough breakdown does not add up to the total number of people. This is because there is a lot of movement between boroughs and so one family will appear twice.



665

Families and the cost of living crisis

The year saw a significant increase in demand for our services, particularly the accommodation advice service. This is due to the combined impact of the housing crisis, the lack of culturally suitable accommodation for Traveller families and an increase in the cost of living – all exacerbated by the increase in energy prices in 2022.



Energy support

The Government's Energy Bill Support Scheme did little for the families we work with. It was not straightforward for people living on sites to access the scheme, with many relying on bottles of gas rather than mains to fuel their caravans. As a result, the cost-of-living crisis has had a disproportionate impact on Gypsy and Traveller families and the LGT accommodation advice service have had to make an increased number of applications for discretionary crisis grants and support from the Household Support Fund and other local authority sources.



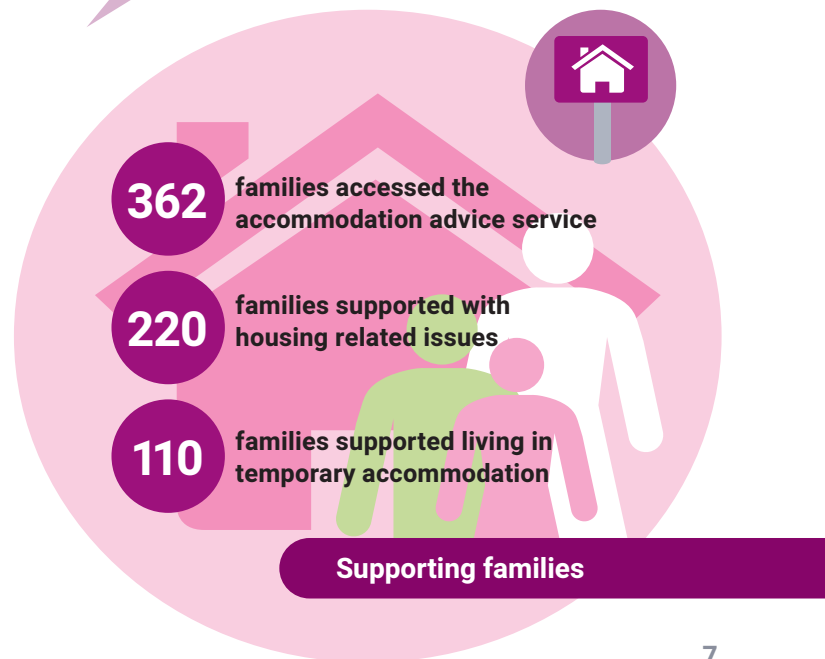
"The price of the gas bottles has doubled... The problem is that the man who comes on the lorry with the gas doesn't give us receipts and we can't read or write so we cannot do the form on the internet..."



LGT's community development team has also been involved in supporting community members to access government cost-of-living support. With other organisations such as Friends, Families and Travellers and GATE Herts, we helped Gypsies and Travellers to work with politicians to ensure that nomadic communities are included in support schemes. The community development team also supported community members to have their say at the London Assembly conference on the cost of living, to make sure that the community's needs are included in future support plans from the GLA.



"I need to apply for the support fund... I'm desperate as the price of my electric and gas has gone through the roof and I have five kids in school as well."



Homelessness and temporary accommodation

LGT's Hackney Young Travellers Homelessness Project was a one-year scheme providing advice, advocacy and signposting to people aged 18 to 30 in Hackney.

The project also recorded information about who is seeking help and why. It uncovered significant barriers facing homeless young Gypsy, Roma and Traveller people who are trying to access housing services. These included not feeling safe, not feeling heard, language barriers, discrimination and a lack of action in the housing system.

Main causes of homelessness

The Hackney project identified the cause of homelessness in 30 people who accessed the service



The findings were published in a report, produced with learning partner WSA Community Consultants. LGT showcased the report at a conference organised by Trust for London in September 2023.



"My landlord now wants the property back and told me they will evict me. I have three children. I don't want to go to a hotel or hostel or live with other people I don't know. I'm scared."

Other work on accommodation

- LGT called on the government to take urgent action to improve the lives of Londoners stuck in temporary accommodation in an [open letter](#) sent with the London Housing Panel, London Housing Directors Group and the Deputy Mayor for Housing.
- LGT was one of the organisations highlighting challenges in temporary accommodation as part of the "Better Temporary Accommodation for Londoners" initiative, funded by Trust for London and the Oak Foundation.
- LGT was a member of the steering group for a research project on local authority policy and practice related to temporary accommodation and submitted evidence to the London Assembly Housing Committee's investigation into temporary accommodation.



The LGT team present the study findings at the Trust for London temporary accommodation event

Over the last year, there has been a notable increase in local councils using hotels for temporary housing. Our advice team have been supporting families, who face the distressing uncertainty each day of not knowing where their next placement might be. We have provided assistance to overcome the many bureaucratic hurdles and communication gaps between the family, hotel staff and housing officers and a place of support for families who have been disconnected from their usual support networks.

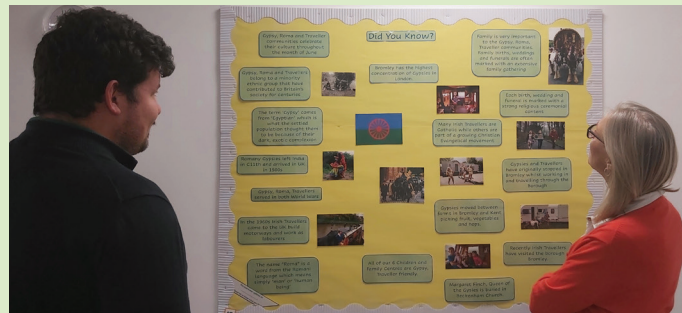
"They're saying they are having to move me to a different hotel. I have been in the hotel for three months and they haven't offered me anything."
Young single mother

Community development in Bromley

This year LGT significantly widened its reach to new boroughs where there has been little support for Gypsy and Traveller communities.

Our new Bromley Community Project, for example, funded by the Civil Society Roots Fund, brought together Gypsy and Traveller residents across council sites, private sites and housing, so that they could build a stronger collective voice and be better recognised by local services and organisations.

Within its first year, the project reached 176 people, building relationships with community members on sites and in



bricks and mortar, setting up community meetings, making links with other organisations and improving support from Bromley Council. It now has a local office space and a team member from the community to support in delivery.

"The number of community members we are regularly interfacing with has really surpassed what was originally planned. I look forward to seeing the results come the end of the project next year."

Tom Margetson of LGT

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Other community development work

The Community Development Team has continued to work with London residents who are seeking decent living conditions on council sites, improved site management and increased provision of sites and stopping places. Our reach now extends to more than half of London boroughs.

- **Haringey** – restarted regular meetings between councillors, officers and residents on two council sites and in bricks and mortar
- **Greenwich** – started a new project to increase access to amenities for Greenwich Peninsula residents

- **Enfield** – continued to engage with the Gypsy Roma Traveller Boater and Showman Project Board and made submissions to the local plan consultation
- **Hackney** – continued engaging with the council about the delivery of a new site
- **Ealing** – contributed to the local plan consultation on options for new sites
- **Havering** – supported community members to work with legal representatives in a land dispute and to engage with employers and the Metropolitan Police
- **Islington** – worked with the council and community residents on planning for a new site

- **Camden** – supported residents to gain legal representation and support to improve their living conditions
- **Kingston Upon Thames, Sutton, Merton and Wandsworth** – worked with members of the community, politicians and council workers on issues such as the refurbishment, redevelopment and extension of current council sites.

Left: Collaborative work in Enfield



London-wide policy work

Over the year, LGT continued to encourage engagement between community members and London policy makers. It also contributed to policy development on housing and planning and supported people to take part in the new London-wide Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment.



LGT representatives
at the London Forum

London Gypsy and Traveller Forum

LGT continued facilitating collaboration with London Assembly members through the London Gypsy and Traveller Forum. Its September meeting brought together community members, organisations and London Assembly members to discuss the Forum's manifesto for the 2024 Mayoral election and its proposals on accommodation, mental health and discrimination. The manifesto will be used to engage with candidates in the run-up to the London Assembly elections in May next year.



During 2023, 14 questions were asked by London Assembly Members as a result of engagement in the Forum



London Housing Panel

As a member of the London Housing Panel, LGT contributed to the Planning for London programme. This project facilitates conversations about housing and planning with community groups and Londoners who are in precarious housing or inadequately housed in housing services. LGT used insights from discussions at London Gypsy and Traveller Forum meetings to draw out key issues and recommendations that would improve living conditions for Gypsy and Traveller Londoners.

The findings of 10 different conversations, including with Gypsies and Travellers, were drawn together by Trust for London. These will feed into the GLA's work on the next London Plan.

London-wide needs assessment

Building on last year's activity publicising the Mayor of London's new London-wide Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment, LGT promoted the survey and



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supported those living in bricks and mortar housing to complete it. As a member of the needs assessment's steering group, we continued to provide feedback on it to the GLA.

The London Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment will be published in 2024 and will provide evidence for local authorities and the GLA on the number of homes needed by Gypsy, Traveller, Showmen and Roma communities across London.

Legal threats to the community



LGT continued its long-running legal challenge to councils' use of "wide injunctions" to prevent Gypsies and Travellers from stopping on public land. Its case, brought with two other Gypsy and Traveller charities and supported by Friends of the Earth and Liberty, came to the UK's Supreme Court in February and the court's ruling was passed down at the end of November.

The court finally ruled that these injunctions can be used by councils to prevent Gypsies and Traveller from stopping on public land – despite LGT's long-held argument that they are disproportionate and unjust.

"These wide injunctions have really affected my community's way of life. It has devastated us as a community that we will not have freedom to travel."
Mena Mongan of LGT

However, the court also said that wide injunctions should only be used in very limited circumstances. Responding to the ruling, LGT said it was pleased that the Supreme Court had outlined strict limits to the use of "persons unknown" injunctions and had recognised that lack of sites and stopping places was the fundamental problem. Wide injunctions offered no real solution.

Planning definition change

The landmark legal challenge to the government's discriminatory planning definition of Travellers, supported by London Gypsies and Travellers, resulted in victory in

October 2022. As a result, the Planning Policy for Traveller sites reverted to the previous definition in December 2023. This version includes Gypsies and Travellers who have stopped travelling permanently due to old age and education or health needs.





Mentoring for young people

In June this year, LGT took a pause to review the Bright Futures youth programme.

Drawing from the experiences of staff, community members and young people, the review helped identify some of the key barriers for young people, areas where LGT might have impact, and priority areas where we might re-focus activity.

The result was a new and innovative programme, designed specifically to provide mentoring, employability and wellbeing support for young people aged 14 to 25 and not in education, employment or training. The programme aims to enable young people to develop the awareness, motivation, and skills they need to actively engage in wider society with pride and confidence.

It offers young people:

- one-to-one mentoring tailored to needs and interests
- career guidance and pathways to training and employment



- emotional and mental wellbeing support
- informative and fun group activities and workshops
- safe, relaxed, and positive environments
- long-term engagement and impact.

With a strong focus on mental and emotional well-being, the programme assists young people on the programme to develop coping skills and a positive mindset so that they can face challenges, stay on track and achieve their full potential.

Celebrating our culture in Parliament

To mark Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month, LGT showcased its “Mapping the Histories of London’s Travellers” exhibition and held a reception in the House of Commons hosted by Andy Slaughter, MP.

At the reception, the MP emphasised the important place of Gypsies and Travellers in London life and drew attention to the deep-rooted inequality and enduring discrimination faced by the community. Other speakers at the event included Baroness Janet Whitaker and members of LGT’s community development team.



Other LGT activities marking Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month

- A screening of the film “Nowhere left to turn” followed by a discussion about the issues faced by the community was held at Hackney Town Hall.
- The “Mapping the Histories of London’s Travellers” exhibition toured venues in Bromley and across London.
- A celebratory event at City Hall, including campaigning and artistic contributions from the community.
- A Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month flag-raising event was held at Enfield Civic Centre.
- A meeting between Islington councillors with local Traveller residents to discuss how they can better recognise Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities.

“We need to see a turnaround in both political will and action. We can achieve that through a greater appreciation of history, an honest assessment of the data available and a mandate from a British public who believe in fairness, justice and respect for all.”
Andy Slaughter, MP



Training councils in negotiated stopping

LGT has been developing a training package for London local authorities, aiming to help them use the negotiated stopping approach as a means of facilitating nomadism and addressing issues related to stopping on public land.

Supported by Moving for Change and working in collaboration with WSA Community Consultants, LGT held conversations with local authorities and the GLA to understand what learning resources might be useful. It then



Training for councils in site management hosted by Hackney Council

co-designed a training package, consisting of two modules, which LGT's Community Development team can deliver to councils interested in improving living conditions for Gypsy and Traveller families stopping in their area. The first training day in the series will be hosted by Enfield Council, in January 2024.

LGT's Community Development Team also supported Hackney council to provide training for other councils on best practice in managing council-run sites, as part of a borough network for sharing good practice facilitated by the GLA and a number of local authorities.



London Gypsies and Travellers team

A big thank you to our brilliant staff team and highly committed trustees.
Farewell and thank you to those who moved on during 2023.



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Debby Kennett, Chief Executive

Ilinca Diaconescu,

Policy and Campaigns Coordinator

Tom Margetson,

Community Development Worker

Mena Mongan, Community Engagement Officer

Dan Cash, Community Campaigns Mentee (until November 2023)

Ivana Golianova, Youth Support Worker (until May 2023)

Padmini Ravi, Project Lead Bright Futures Programme (from October 2023)

Geraldine Lindsay,

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Tunji Makanju

Claire Cooper (until Feb 2023)

Sarah Edwards

Mark Penfold (until May 2023)

Giorgio Mariani

Chelsea McDonagh (from September 2023)

Accounts

Statement of financial activities (incorporating an income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31st March 2023.

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

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations	2	45,250	338,810	384,060	221,743
Investment income	3	1,558	-	1,558	82
Other income	4	4,875	-	4,875	2,250
Total		51,683	338,810	390,493	224,075
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Policy/ Strategic Development		14,325	85,563	99,888	84,539
Youth		13,890	52,291	66,181	48,474
Community Development		20,504	155,517	176,021	125,615
Total		48,719	293,371	342,090	258,628
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		2,964	45,439	48,403	(34,553)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		158,402	14,495	172,897	207,450
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		161,366	59,934	221,300	172,897



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

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LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and Public Benefit

The purpose and aims of London Gypsies and Travellers, as set out in the Charity's governing document, are to:

- advance the education of Gypsies and Travellers and their children;
- preserve and protect the health of Gypsies and Travellers, providing relief for those who are in conditions of need, hardship, sickness and distress;
- promote good community relations particularly by advancing the education of the public and promoting an understanding of the Gypsy and Traveller way of life.
- advance citizenship by strengthening the capacity and skills of Gypsies and Travellers to participate fully in society.

Our ultimate vision is to see Gypsies and Travellers living in London gaining greater control over their lives, more influence on the decisions that affect them, more opportunities and an end to the discrimination they experience every day.

. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period.

London Gypsies and Travellers' objects are delivered through projects and activities that are focussed on the following four areas:

- Young people - through the delivery of skills training, mentoring and employment support we encourage the social involvement and talent of young Gypsies and Travellers.
- Work and skills - providing training opportunities, skills development and support with employment for adults.
- Homes - supporting residents through the delivery of our accommodation advice service, community development and outreach work and supporting community-led campaigns for culturally suitable accommodation.
- Equality and inclusion - challenging discrimination and influencing national, regional and local policy in relations to the needs of Gypsies and Travellers.

Public benefit

The trustees have ensured that the charity has carried out its purposes for the public benefit. They have had regard to Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have taken this guidance into account when making decisions. Each year the board reviews the aims, objectives and activities of the charity as outlined in the annual operational plan as well as the broader strategic plan, which is reviewed every 2-3 years. This review process helps to ensure that activities remain focused on the charity's stated objectives.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission in determining the activities undertaken by the Charity.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The charity's main achievements and performance during the year are described in the Trustees' annual review, which is presented each year at the Annual General Meeting and outlines the achievements of the year and progress in the 4 broad areas of our work as summarised above.

From early 2022 our team returned fully to in-person working both in the office and undertaking outreach to Gypsy and Traveller families. During the summer of 2022 the team arranged fortnightly visits to families living on sites in different London boroughs to re-establish our connection and visibility of the team and promoting our services after the long period of remote working during the Covid-19 pandemic.

We have continued to deliver our funded programmes. Over the past year we have seen the demand for our accommodation advice service increase significantly, and so we recruited a new role of accommodation advice triage worker as a response to the increased demand. We secured funding to be part of a new London-wide project which has allowed us to focus particularly on the needs of Gypsy and Traveller families living in Temporary Accommodation.

As part of our work to influence policy makers, we launched a new film called 'Nowhere left to turn' which we made in partnership with the filmmakers 'On our Radar'. We have been using the film as a starting point for dialogue with councils and to raise awareness amongst politicians about the shortage of sites and stopping places in London.

We have improved our data capture and monitoring systems which has enabled us to present in our annual review, a clearer picture of the numbers of families and boroughs we have worked in over the past year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The results for the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 are set out in the financial statements.

Overall, 2022-23 has been a stable financial year for London Gypsies and Travellers, despite the challenges post-pandemic and the cost-of-Living crisis. Thanks to the funding that was received during the year from BBC Children in Need, Trust for London, Irish Embassy Emigrant Support Programme, London Borough of Hackney, Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust, Henry Smith Charity, Moving for Change, The London Community Foundation and the National Lottery Community Fund. We received core funding from the Lloyds Bank Foundation, which helped significantly to ensure that core costs were adequately covered.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

As a charity there is a duty to spend our resources on our charitable purposes, but we also need a level of reserves to ensure that we can fulfil our service delivery and our legal and good management obligations, should we have funding difficulties. As such, reserves are maintained at a level that would enable the charity to manage its on-going service delivery in the light of changing funding scenarios. The trustees therefore aim to monitor fluctuations in income and expenditure to ensure that the charity not only meets its present obligations but can also reasonably cope with these unforeseen circumstances. The primary use of the charity's reserves is to deliver the programme of support to the Gypsies and Travellers of London in accordance with the objectives set out when funding was granted. As such, all the reserves are already committed to the work programme of the financial years in question. The charity has no material liabilities greater than one year, such as leasehold properties or hire purchase vehicles; therefore, in the eventuality of a drop in funding, expenditure can be reduced to reflect the lower income level. The trustees have a policy to ensure that the minimum level of reserves will be not less than the total winding up costs of the charity.

The trustees, with the help of management, will keep the reserves policy under review to ensure that the right balance is maintained. Furthermore, in keeping with the best practice guidance issued by the Charity Commission, going forward the trustees will continue to review the reserves policy, annually, at the same time that the annual budgeting and strategic planning for the year is carried out, recognising that strategic and financial planning informs the development of reserves policies and vice versa.

There are 3 categories of reserves: Designated reserves, Unrestricted reserves & Restricted reserves.

Designated Reserves are those reserves set aside at a level agreed annually by the trustees, to ensure that, if it became necessary to wind up the operations of the charity, there are always sufficient funds available to meet the liabilities of the charity towards its staff and any on-going contracts. The level of designated reserves represents the minimum level of reserves necessarily held at any moment in time.

Unrestricted Reserves are those reserves, accumulated over time, for which the donor has not stipulated that funds should be used for the delivery of a particular project or area of work. Where budgets identify peaks and troughs in cash flow, the level of the reserves is adjusted to ensure the continuance of the charity as a going concern.

Restricted Reserves are those reserves, accumulated over time, for which the donor has stipulated the purpose for which the funds were granted. Where budgets identify peaks and troughs in cash flow, the level of the reserves is adjusted accordingly to ensure the continuance of the charity as a going concern

Going concern

After reviewing LGT's forecasts and projections, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that there are adequate resources to deliver the current work stream. LGT therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Board of Trustees meet 6 times a year including the AGM.

Trustees are recruited through publicising and advertising through community networks. There is a recruitment process in place which includes an application form, interview, and request for references. A decision to appoint a new trustee is made at a board meeting, and an induction for new trustees will then take place. Opportunities for training on the role and responsibilities of trustees are provided. Trustees who wish to stand are appointed each year at the AGM. The board elects officers (Chair, Treasurer and Secretary) and members of its three sub-committees (Finance, Human Resources and Risk Management). This takes place at the board meeting that follows the AGM each year.

Risk management

Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud or error. The Operational Risk Management document is reviewed and updated by trustees on a regular basis to ensure that systems and procedures are in place and operating effectively.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

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Claire Cooper - Resigned in February 2023
Tunji Makanju
Sarah Edwards
Giorgio Mariani
Mark Penfold - Resigned in May 2023
Sarah Taylor - Resigned in July 2022
Chelsea McDonagh - Appointed in July 2023

Company Secretary:

Deborah Kennett

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Helena Kiely-Savin (CHAIR)

Trustee / Director & Helena Kiely-Savin

RB Bennett

Richard Bennett

Treasurer / Director

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of London Gypsies and Travellers ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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 REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

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LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations	2	45,250	338,810	384,060	221,743
Investment income	3	1,558	-	1,558	82
Other income	4	4,875	-	4,875	2,250
Total		51,683	338,810	390,493	224,075
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Policy/ Strategic Development		14,325	85,563	99,888	84,539
Youth		13,890	52,291	66,181	48,474
Community Development		20,504	155,517	176,021	125,615
Total		48,719	293,371	342,090	258,628
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		2,964	45,439	48,403	(34,553)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		158,402	14,495	172,897	207,450
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		161,366	59,934	221,300	172,897

The notes form part of these financial statements

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	10	10,743	11,812
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	42,416	5,132
Cash at bank and in hand		211,252	195,804
		<u>253,668</u>	<u>200,936</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(43,111)	(39,851)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>210,557</u>	<u>161,085</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>
FUNDS	14		
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund		80,366	82,694
Designated Funds		81,000	75,708
		<u>161,366</u>	<u>158,402</u>
Restricted funds:			
Restricted		59,934	14,495
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The notes form part of these financial statements

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

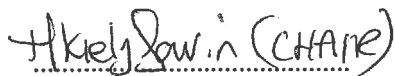
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued 31 MARCH 2023


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.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25 Sept 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


Trustee / Director,
Helena Kiely-Savin


RICHARD BENNETT
Treasurer / Director

The notes form part of these financial statements

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

London Gypsies and Travellers ('the Charity'), meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out under FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 from 1 January 2015, and the Companies Act 2006.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Legal Status

London Gypsies and Travellers was incorporated in the United Kingdom as a company limited by guarantee (company no. 3585698). The entity is also a registered charity in England and Wales (charity no. 1072111). The principle and registered office address is shown 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.

Income

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when:

- London Gypsies and Travellers is legally entitled to the income;
- it is probable the income will be received; and,
- the amount can be measured with reasonable accuracy.

The following specific policies apply to material categories of income:

(1) Grant income will be deferred and included in creditors, if received in advance of meeting performance conditions or if the donor specifically states that the income must be spent in a future accounting period.

(2) Contractual income is recognised when the goods or services as specified by the contract are delivered by the charity. This income is treated as unrestricted in the accounts.

Expenditure and irrecoverable vat

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.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity and comprises the following:-

Costs of raising and generating funds

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Allocation and apportionment of costs

The costs of raising and generating funds using internal and external resources, where appropriate.

Activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives

The costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives represents the cost of goods and services and ancillary trading costs that have been incurred in charitable activities.

Support costs of activities

Support costs of activities for charitable purposes comprises the salary costs of staff not engaged directly on charitable activities as they are involved with project development and other project costs. There are a number of costs, including staffing costs, where it is impracticable to allocate these costs between administration and charitable expenditure and the trustees have allocated such costs to management and administration costs.

Management and administration of the charity

Management and administration costs represent expenditure incurred in the management of the charity's assets, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

The charity's operating costs include staff costs, rent and other related costs. Such costs are allocated between types of resources expended and between charitable expenditure and management and administration on the basis of estimates made by the directors.

Administration expenditure includes all expenditure not directly related to charitable activity. In respect of certain items of expenditure it is a matter of judgment as to whether such items are direct charitable expenditure or are administrative, and the directors have applied what they consider to be reasonable judgments in apportioning such costs.

Tangible fixed assets

Assets with a cost in excess of £500 intended to be of ongoing use to London Gypsies and Travellers in carrying out its activities are capitalised as fixed assets. Where an item is below £500 but is combined with other items as part of a project or to create an asset, these items will be capitalised if the collective value is greater than £500.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets using the reducing balance method, as follows:

Computer equipment - 35% reducing balance

Fixtures and fittings - 25% reducing balance

Fixed assets are subject to periodic review for impairment where there is an indication of a reduction in their carrying value. Any significant impairment is recognised in the statement of financial activity in the year in which it occurs.

Taxation

London Gypsies and Travellers, as a registered charity, is entitled to taxation exemptions on all income and gains that align with its charitable purposes.

Fund accounting

London Gypsies and Travellers segregates its funds between those that are restricted and those that are unrestricted, as required by the law.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are funds on which donors have imposed specific restrictions or which have been raised for particular purposes. The aim and use of each materially significant restricted fund is set out in Note 14.

Unrestricted funds represent the accumulated surplus on unrestricted income and expenditure and are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in pursuing the general charitable objectives of the charity. The trustees may choose during the reporting period to designate a part of the unrestricted funds to be used for a particular future project or commitment.

Debtors

Expenditure on research and development is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

Donated goods

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount.

Financial Instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Deferred Income

Deferred Income consists of cash received by the Charity, where the income recognition criteria has not been met because entitlement to the income does not exist at the balance sheet date. Deferred income is not recognised in the statement of financial activity until the Charity is entitled to the income. Instead, deferred income is disclosed as a liability in the balance sheet.

Going Concern and Impact of Covid 19

Although the charity has been severely impacted by the Pandemic, they have secured sufficient funding to operate for the foreseeable future. Various measures and approaches have been adopted by the Charity to reduce their expenditure and they have also secured additional Covid-19 grant funding to support their work during the Pandemic. They have fully complied with the government's Covid-19 guidelines throughout the year.

As a result of this, the trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

2. DONATIONS

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Grants	<u>384,060</u>	<u>221,743</u>

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
London Borough of Hackney - Community Infrastructure Grant	18,017	-
Irish Government - Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade; Emigrant Support Programme	84,037	79,146
Henry Smith Foundation	40,200	-
BBC Children in Need	35,737	17,312
Trust for London	65,400	35,833
Sundry Grants	-	1,156
OAK Foundation	12,500	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation	27,250	25,000
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust	32,830	27,289
London Borough of Hackney- VCS	19,980	-
London Community Respond Fund	-	4,996
YMCA Kickstart	5,426	1,011
National Lottery Civil Society Roots	18,183	-
Moving for Change	24,500	-
London Borough of Hackney	-	30,000
	<u>384,060</u>	<u>221,743</u>

Funds received from the Irish Government Emigrant Support Programme:

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, London Gypsies and Travellers received £84,037 from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade; Emigrant Support Programme. This includes funding for the Traveller Accommodation Advice and Advocacy Service, the Traveller Youth Project and the Irish Traveller COVID-19 Response Project

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,558</u>	<u>82</u>

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

4. OTHER INCOME

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Consultancy and Training	<u>4,875</u>	<u>2,250</u>

Consultancy and Training income included consultancy services rendered to the Greater London Authority (GLA) and other funders.

5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Independent Examiners Fees	2,350	2,100
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>3,286</u>	<u>3,938</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	<u>70</u>	<u>267</u>

7. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Wages and salaries	216,938	159,610
Social security costs	19,777	9,261
Other pension costs	<u>6,728</u>	<u>5,389</u>
	<u>243,443</u>	<u>174,260</u>

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	11	8
Charitable Activities	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>

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

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations	26,156	195,587	221,743
Investment income	82	-	82
Other income	2,250	-	2,250
Total	28,488	195,587	224,075
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Policy/ Strategic Development	12,024	72,515	84,539
Youth	7,453	41,021	48,474
Community Development	21,380	104,235	125,615
Total	40,857	217,771	258,628
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(12,369)	(22,184)	(34,553)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	170,772	36,678	207,450
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	158,403	14,494	172,897

9. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The Key Management Personnel of the charity comprise of the trustees and the Chief Executive. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel were £48,798. (2022: £46,021).

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Equipments £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	1,450	21,686	23,136
Additions	-	2,217	2,217
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At 31 March 2023	1,450	23,903	25,353
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	992	10,332	11,324
Charge for year	115	3,171	3,286
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At 31 March 2023	1,107	13,503	14,610
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	343	10,400	10,743
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At 31 March 2022	458	11,354	11,812
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11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Grants Debtors	41,366	2,711
Other debtors	1,050	2,421
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	42,416	5,132
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12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trade creditors	873	2,315
Social security and other taxes	4,902	3,367
Other creditors	1,256	3,919
Deferred Income	36,080	30,250
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	43,111	39,851
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LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31.3.23 Total funds	31.3.22 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	10,743	-	10,743	11,812
Current assets	193,734	59,934	253,668	200,936
Current liabilities	(43,111)	-	(43,111)	(39,851)
	<u>161,366</u>	<u>59,934</u>	<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>

Restricted Funds as at 31st March 2023 were analysed as follows:

	Amount-£ 31.3.2023	Amount-£ 31.3.2022
Irish Government-Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade: Emmigrant Support	763	1,485
BBC Children in Need	391	-
National Lottery Civil Society Roots	5,996	-
Trust for London	5,808	1,747
London Borough of Hackney	5,357	47
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust	12,448	5,341
Lloyds Bank Foundation	883	883
Baring Foundation	-	-
London Community Respond Fund	4,975	4,992
Henry Smith Foundation	17,221	-
Moving for Change	6,092	-
	<u>59,934</u>	<u>14,495</u>

Irish Government: Funds to provide advice on accommodation and youth work for Travellers.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	82,694	2,964	(5,292)	80,366
Designated Funds	75,708	-	5,292	81,000
	<u>158,402</u>	<u>2,964</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>161,366</u>
Restricted funds				
Restricted	14,495	45,439	-	59,934
	<u>14,495</u>	<u>45,439</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>59,934</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>172,897</u>	<u>48,403</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>221,300</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,683	(48,719)	2,964
Restricted funds			
Restricted	338,810	(293,371)	45,439
	<u>338,810</u>	<u>(293,371)</u>	<u>45,439</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>390,493</u>	<u>(342,090)</u>	<u>48,403</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	95,064	(12,370)	82,694
Designated Funds	75,708	-	75,708
	<u>170,772</u>	<u>(12,370)</u>	<u>158,402</u>
Restricted funds			
Restricted	36,678	(22,183)	14,495
	<u>36,678</u>	<u>(22,183)</u>	<u>14,495</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>207,450</u>	<u>(34,553)</u>	<u>172,897</u>

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

14. 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	28,488	(40,858)	(12,370)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	195,587	(217,770)	(22,183)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>224,075</u>	<u>(258,628)</u>	<u>(34,553)</u>

Designated Funds:

The trustees have designated funds in the total amount of £75,708 as being the minimum sum required to be held in the reserves to fulfil all contractual liabilities on behalf of the charity.

Purpose of funds:

Restricted funding received during the year, contributed towards key projects, including those listed below.

- **Youth work.** The aim of the Bright Futures youth work programme is to support young Gypsies and Travellers to have access to education, training, mentoring and employment opportunities. It provides LGT with an opportunity to advocate for better inclusion.

- **London wide policy work.** We aim to strengthen the voice of London's Gypsies and Travellers, helping them gain the recognition, inclusion and equality. We do this through community-led campaigns and policy work, working with decision-makers in London and nationally to ensure the voice of Gypsies and Travellers is heard.

- **Accommodation services.** LGT provides advocacy and support through an accommodation advice service to families from a wide range of London boroughs who face difficulties with accommodation and benefits. As well as providing one-to-one advocacy services, LGT also supports residents who are keen to work together as a group and represent their community on the issues they are facing.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 3585698 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1072111

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
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LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and Public Benefit

The purpose and aims of London Gypsies and Travellers, as set out in the Charity's governing document, are to:

- advance the education of Gypsies and Travellers and their children;
- preserve and protect the health of Gypsies and Travellers, providing relief for those who are in conditions of need, hardship, sickness and distress;
- promote good community relations particularly by advancing the education of the public and promoting an understanding of the Gypsy and Traveller way of life.
- advance citizenship by strengthening the capacity and skills of Gypsies and Travellers to participate fully in society.

Our ultimate vision is to see Gypsies and Travellers living in London gaining greater control over their lives, more influence on the decisions that affect them, more opportunities and an end to the discrimination they experience every day.

. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period.

London Gypsies and Travellers' objects are delivered through projects and activities that are focussed on the following four areas:

- Young people - through the delivery of skills training, mentoring and employment support we encourage the social involvement and talent of young Gypsies and Travellers.
- Work and skills - providing training opportunities, skills development and support with employment for adults.
- Homes - supporting residents through the delivery of our accommodation advice service, community development and outreach work and supporting community-led campaigns for culturally suitable accommodation.
- Equality and inclusion - challenging discrimination and influencing national, regional and local policy in relations to the needs of Gypsies and Travellers.

Public benefit

The trustees have ensured that the charity has carried out its purposes for the public benefit. They have had regard to Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have taken this guidance into account when making decisions. Each year the board reviews the aims, objectives and activities of the charity as outlined in the annual operational plan as well as the broader strategic plan, which is reviewed every 2-3 years. This review process helps to ensure that activities remain focused on the charity's stated objectives.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Commission in determining the activities undertaken by the Charity.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The charity's main achievements and performance during the year are described in the Trustees' annual review, which is presented each year at the Annual General Meeting and outlines the achievements of the year and progress in the 4 broad areas of our work as summarised above.

From early 2022 our team returned fully to in-person working both in the office and undertaking outreach to Gypsy and Traveller families. During the summer of 2022 the team arranged fortnightly visits to families living on sites in different London boroughs to re-establish our connection and visibility of the team and promoting our services after the long period of remote working during the Covid-19 pandemic.

We have continued to deliver our funded programmes. Over the past year we have seen the demand for our accommodation advice service increase significantly, and so we recruited a new role of accommodation advice triage worker as a response to the increased demand. We secured funding to be part of a new London-wide project which has allowed us to focus particularly on the needs of Gypsy and Traveller families living in Temporary Accommodation.

As part of our work to influence policy makers, we launched a new film called 'Nowhere left to turn' which we made in partnership with the filmmakers 'On our Radar'. We have been using the film as a starting point for dialogue with councils and to raise awareness amongst politicians about the shortage of sites and stopping places in London.

We have improved our data capture and monitoring systems which has enabled us to present in our annual review, a clearer picture of the numbers of families and boroughs we have worked in over the past year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The results for the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 are set out in the financial statements.

Overall, 2022-23 has been a stable financial year for London Gypsies and Travellers, despite the challenges post-pandemic and the cost-of-Living crisis. Thanks to the funding that was received during the year from BBC Children in Need, Trust for London, Irish Embassy Emigrant Support Programme, London Borough of Hackney, Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust, Henry Smith Charity, Moving for Change, The London Community Foundation and the National Lottery Community Fund. We received core funding from the Lloyds Bank Foundation, which helped significantly to ensure that core costs were adequately covered.

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

As a charity there is a duty to spend our resources on our charitable purposes, but we also need a level of reserves to ensure that we can fulfil our service delivery and our legal and good management obligations, should we have funding difficulties. As such, reserves are maintained at a level that would enable the charity to manage its on-going service delivery in the light of changing funding scenarios. The trustees therefore aim to monitor fluctuations in income and expenditure to ensure that the charity not only meets its present obligations but can also reasonably cope with these unforeseen circumstances. The primary use of the charity's reserves is to deliver the programme of support to the Gypsies and Travellers of London in accordance with the objectives set out when funding was granted. As such, all the reserves are already committed to the work programme of the financial years in question. The charity has no material liabilities greater than one year, such as leasehold properties or hire purchase vehicles; therefore, in the eventuality of a drop in funding, expenditure can be reduced to reflect the lower income level. The trustees have a policy to ensure that the minimum level of reserves will be not less than the total winding up costs of the charity.

The trustees, with the help of management, will keep the reserves policy under review to ensure that the right balance is maintained. Furthermore, in keeping with the best practice guidance issued by the Charity Commission, going forward the trustees will continue to review the reserves policy, annually, at the same time that the annual budgeting and strategic planning for the year is carried out, recognising that strategic and financial planning informs the development of reserves policies and vice versa.

There are 3 categories of reserves: Designated reserves, Unrestricted reserves & Restricted reserves.

Designated Reserves are those reserves set aside at a level agreed annually by the trustees, to ensure that, if it became necessary to wind up the operations of the charity, there are always sufficient funds available to meet the liabilities of the charity towards its staff and any on-going contracts. The level of designated reserves represents the minimum level of reserves necessarily held at any moment in time.

Unrestricted Reserves are those reserves, accumulated over time, for which the donor has not stipulated that funds should be used for the delivery of a particular project or area of work. Where budgets identify peaks and troughs in cash flow, the level of the reserves is adjusted to ensure the continuance of the charity as a going concern.

Restricted Reserves are those reserves, accumulated over time, for which the donor has stipulated the purpose for which the funds were granted. Where budgets identify peaks and troughs in cash flow, the level of the reserves is adjusted accordingly to ensure the continuance of the charity as a going concern

Going concern

After reviewing LGT's forecasts and projections, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that there are adequate resources to deliver the current work stream. LGT therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Board of Trustees meet 6 times a year including the AGM.

Trustees are recruited through publicising and advertising through community networks. There is a recruitment process in place which includes an application form, interview, and request for references. A decision to appoint a new trustee is made at a board meeting, and an induction for new trustees will then take place. Opportunities for training on the role and responsibilities of trustees are provided. Trustees who wish to stand are appointed each year at the AGM. The board elects officers (Chair, Treasurer and Secretary) and members of its three sub-committees (Finance, Human Resources and Risk Management). This takes place at the board meeting that follows the AGM each year.

Risk management

Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud or error. The Operational Risk Management document is reviewed and updated by trustees on a regular basis to ensure that systems and procedures are in place and operating effectively.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

3585698 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1072111

Registered office

Mildmay Community Centre
Woodville Road, Mayville Estate
London
N16 8NA

Trustees

Helena Kiely-Savin - Chair
Marian Mahoney (Vice Chair)
Richard Bennett (Treasurer)
Claire Cooper - Resigned in February 2023
Tunji Makanju
Sarah Edwards
Giorgio Mariani
Mark Penfold - Resigned in May 2023
Sarah Taylor - Resigned in July 2022
Chelsea McDonagh - Appointed in July 2023

Company Secretary:

Deborah Kennett

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Anwer Patel (BA Hons), FCA, BFP
Prestons
Chartered Accountants
364-368 Cranbrook Road
Gants Hill
Ilford
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25 Sept 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Helena Kiely-Savin (CHAIR)

Trustee / Director & Helena Kiely-Savin

RB Bennett

Richard Bennett

Treasurer / Director

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of London Gypsies and Travellers ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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 REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

A. PATEL

Anwer Patel (BA Hons), FCA, BFP
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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Date:18/10/2023.....

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations	2	45,250	338,810	384,060	221,743
Investment income	3	1,558	-	1,558	82
Other income	4	4,875	-	4,875	2,250
Total		51,683	338,810	390,493	224,075
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Policy/ Strategic Development		14,325	85,563	99,888	84,539
Youth		13,890	52,291	66,181	48,474
Community Development		20,504	155,517	176,021	125,615
Total		48,719	293,371	342,090	258,628
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		2,964	45,439	48,403	(34,553)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		158,402	14,495	172,897	207,450
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		161,366	59,934	221,300	172,897

The notes form part of these financial statements

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	10	10,743	11,812
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	42,416	5,132
Cash at bank and in hand		211,252	195,804
		<u>253,668</u>	<u>200,936</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(43,111)	(39,851)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>210,557</u>	<u>161,085</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>
FUNDS	14		
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund		80,366	82,694
Designated Funds		81,000	75,708
		<u>161,366</u>	<u>158,402</u>
Restricted funds:			
Restricted		59,934	14,495
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The notes form part of these financial statements

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

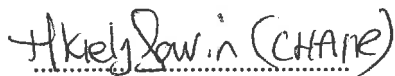
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued 31 MARCH 2023


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.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25 Sept 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


Trustee / Director,
Helena Kiely-Savin


RICHARD BENNETT
Treasurer / Director

The notes form part of these financial statements

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

London Gypsies and Travellers ('the Charity'), meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out under FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 from 1 January 2015, and the Companies Act 2006.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Legal Status

London Gypsies and Travellers was incorporated in the United Kingdom as a company limited by guarantee (company no. 3585698). The entity is also a registered charity in England and Wales (charity no. 1072111). The principle and registered office address is shown 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.

Income

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when:

- London Gypsies and Travellers is legally entitled to the income;
- it is probable the income will be received; and,
- the amount can be measured with reasonable accuracy.

The following specific policies apply to material categories of income:

(1) Grant income will be deferred and included in creditors, if received in advance of meeting performance conditions or if the donor specifically states that the income must be spent in a future accounting period.

(2) Contractual income is recognised when the goods or services as specified by the contract are delivered by the charity. This income is treated as unrestricted in the accounts.

Expenditure and irrecoverable vat

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.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity and comprises the following:-

Costs of raising and generating funds

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Allocation and apportionment of costs

The costs of raising and generating funds using internal and external resources, where appropriate.

Activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives

The costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives represents the cost of goods and services and ancillary trading costs that have been incurred in charitable activities.

Support costs of activities

Support costs of activities for charitable purposes comprises the salary costs of staff not engaged directly on charitable activities as they are involved with project development and other project costs. There are a number of costs, including staffing costs, where it is impracticable to allocate these costs between administration and charitable expenditure and the trustees have allocated such costs to management and administration costs.

Management and administration of the charity

Management and administration costs represent expenditure incurred in the management of the charity's assets, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

The charity's operating costs include staff costs, rent and other related costs. Such costs are allocated between types of resources expended and between charitable expenditure and management and administration on the basis of estimates made by the directors.

Administration expenditure includes all expenditure not directly related to charitable activity. In respect of certain items of expenditure it is a matter of judgment as to whether such items are direct charitable expenditure or are administrative, and the directors have applied what they consider to be reasonable judgments in apportioning such costs.

Tangible fixed assets

Assets with a cost in excess of £500 intended to be of ongoing use to London Gypsies and Travellers in carrying out its activities are capitalised as fixed assets. Where an item is below £500 but is combined with other items as part of a project or to create an asset, these items will be capitalised if the collective value is greater than £500.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets using the reducing balance method, as follows:

Computer equipment - 35% reducing balance

Fixtures and fittings - 25% reducing balance

Fixed assets are subject to periodic review for impairment where there is an indication of a reduction in their carrying value. Any significant impairment is recognised in the statement of financial activity in the year in which it occurs.

Taxation

London Gypsies and Travellers, as a registered charity, is entitled to taxation exemptions on all income and gains that align with its charitable purposes.

Fund accounting

London Gypsies and Travellers segregates its funds between those that are restricted and those that are unrestricted, as required by the law.

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are funds on which donors have imposed specific restrictions or which have been raised for particular purposes. The aim and use of each materially significant restricted fund is set out in Note 14.

Unrestricted funds represent the accumulated surplus on unrestricted income and expenditure and are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in pursuing the general charitable objectives of the charity. The trustees may choose during the reporting period to designate a part of the unrestricted funds to be used for a particular future project or commitment.

Debtors

Expenditure on research and development is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

Donated goods

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount.

Financial Instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Deferred Income

Deferred Income consists of cash received by the Charity, where the income recognition criteria has not been met because entitlement to the income does not exist at the balance sheet date. Deferred income is not recognised in the statement of financial activity until the Charity is entitled to the income. Instead, deferred income is disclosed as a liability in the balance sheet.

Going Concern and Impact of Covid 19

Although the charity has been severely impacted by the Pandemic, they have secured sufficient funding to operate for the foreseeable future. Various measures and approaches have been adopted by the Charity to reduce their expenditure and they have also secured additional Covid-19 grant funding to support their work during the Pandemic. They have fully complied with the government's Covid-19 guidelines throughout the year.

As a result of this, the trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

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

2. DONATIONS

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Grants	<u>384,060</u>	<u>221,743</u>

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
London Borough of Hackney - Community Infrastructure Grant	18,017	-
Irish Government - Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade; Emigrant Support Programme	84,037	79,146
Henry Smith Foundation	40,200	-
BBC Children in Need	35,737	17,312
Trust for London	65,400	35,833
Sundry Grants	-	1,156
OAK Foundation	12,500	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation	27,250	25,000
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust	32,830	27,289
London Borough of Hackney- VCS	19,980	-
London Community Respond Fund	-	4,996
YMCA Kickstart	5,426	1,011
National Lottery Civil Society Roots	18,183	-
Moving for Change	24,500	-
London Borough of Hackney	-	30,000
	<u>384,060</u>	<u>221,743</u>

Funds received from the Irish Government Emigrant Support Programme:

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, London Gypsies and Travellers received £84,037 from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade; Emigrant Support Programme. This includes funding for the Traveller Accommodation Advice and Advocacy Service, the Traveller Youth Project and the Irish Traveller COVID-19 Response Project

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,558</u>	<u>82</u>

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

4. OTHER INCOME

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Consultancy and Training	<u>4,875</u>	<u>2,250</u>

Consultancy and Training income included consultancy services rendered to the Greater London Authority (GLA) and other funders.

5. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Independent Examiners Fees	2,350	2,100
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>3,286</u>	<u>3,938</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	<u>70</u>	<u>267</u>

7. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Wages and salaries	216,938	159,610
Social security costs	19,777	9,261
Other pension costs	6,728	5,389
	<u>243,443</u>	<u>174,260</u>

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	11	8
Charitable Activities	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>

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

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

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations	26,156	195,587	221,743
Investment income	82	-	82
Other income	2,250	-	2,250
Total	28,488	195,587	224,075
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Policy/ Strategic Development	12,024	72,515	84,539
Youth	7,453	41,021	48,474
Community Development	21,380	104,235	125,615
Total	40,857	217,771	258,628
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(12,369)	(22,184)	(34,553)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	170,772	36,678	207,450
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	158,403	14,494	172,897

9. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The Key Management Personnel of the charity comprise of the trustees and the Chief Executive. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel were £48,798. (2022: £46,021).

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

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures & Equipments £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	1,450	21,686	23,136
Additions	-	2,217	2,217
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At 31 March 2023	1,450	23,903	25,353
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DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	992	10,332	11,324
Charge for year	115	3,171	3,286
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At 31 March 2023	1,107	13,503	14,610
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	343	10,400	10,743
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At 31 March 2022	458	11,354	11,812
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11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Grants Debtors	41,366	2,711
Other debtors	1,050	2,421
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	42,416	5,132
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12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trade creditors	873	2,315
Social security and other taxes	4,902	3,367
Other creditors	1,256	3,919
Deferred Income	36,080	30,250
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	43,111	39,851
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	31.3.23 Total funds	31.3.22 Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	10,743	-	10,743	11,812
Current assets	193,734	59,934	253,668	200,936
Current liabilities	(43,111)	-	(43,111)	(39,851)
	<u>161,366</u>	<u>59,934</u>	<u>221,300</u>	<u>172,897</u>

Restricted Funds as at 31st March 2023 were analysed as follows:

	Amount-£ 31.3.2023	Amount-£ 31.3.2022
Irish Government-Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade: Emmigrant Support	763	1,485
BBC Children in Need	391	-
National Lottery Civil Society Roots	5,996	-
Trust for London	5,808	1,747
London Borough of Hackney	5,357	47
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust	12,448	5,341
Lloyds Bank Foundation	883	883
Baring Foundation	-	-
London Community Respond Fund	4,975	4,992
Henry Smith Foundation	17,221	-
Moving for Change	6,092	-
	<u>59,934</u>	<u>14,495</u>

Irish Government: Funds to provide advice on accommodation and youth work for Travellers.

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

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	82,694	2,964	(5,292)	80,366
Designated Funds	75,708	-	5,292	81,000
	<u>158,402</u>	<u>2,964</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>161,366</u>
Restricted funds				
Restricted	14,495	45,439	-	59,934
	<u>14,495</u>	<u>45,439</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>59,934</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>172,897</u>	<u>48,403</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>221,300</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,683	(48,719)	2,964
Restricted funds			
Restricted	338,810	(293,371)	45,439
	<u>338,810</u>	<u>(293,371)</u>	<u>45,439</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>390,493</u>	<u>(342,090)</u>	<u>48,403</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	95,064	(12,370)	82,694
Designated Funds	75,708	-	75,708
	<u>170,772</u>	<u>(12,370)</u>	<u>158,402</u>
Restricted funds			
Restricted	36,678	(22,183)	14,495
	<u>36,678</u>	<u>(22,183)</u>	<u>14,495</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>207,450</u>	<u>(34,553)</u>	<u>172,897</u>

LONDON GYPSIES AND TRAVELLERS

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

14. 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	28,488	(40,858)	(12,370)
Restricted funds			
Restricted	195,587	(217,770)	(22,183)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>224,075</u>	<u>(258,628)</u>	<u>(34,553)</u>

Designated Funds:

The trustees have designated funds in the total amount of £75,708 as being the minimum sum required to be held in the reserves to fulfil all contractual liabilities on behalf of the charity.

Purpose of funds:

Restricted funding received during the year, contributed towards key projects, including those listed below.

- **Youth work.** The aim of the Bright Futures youth work programme is to support young Gypsies and Travellers to have access to education, training, mentoring and employment opportunities. It provides LGT with an opportunity to advocate for better inclusion.

- **London wide policy work.** We aim to strengthen the voice of London's Gypsies and Travellers, helping them gain the recognition, inclusion and equality. We do this through community-led campaigns and policy work, working with decision-makers in London and nationally to ensure the voice of Gypsies and Travellers is heard.

- **Accommodation services.** LGT provides advocacy and support through an accommodation advice service to families from a wide range of London boroughs who face difficulties with accommodation and benefits. As well as providing one-to-one advocacy services, LGT also supports residents who are keen to work together as a group and represent their community on the issues they are facing.

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15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

