

CARERS' SUPPORT (BEXLEY)

England & Wales · Charity number 1075801

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [03709684](#)

Registered 1999-06-03

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND MATERIAL DISTRESS AMONGST THE CARERS OF PERSONS WHO ARE FRAIL, ELDERLY, DISABLED, OR ADULTS AND CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS WHO LIVE IN THE LONDON BOROUGHS OF BEXLEY AND GREENWICH BY PROVIDING FLEXIBLE HOME-BASED RESPITE CARE, SUPPORT AND INFORMATION FOR SUCH CARERS TO ASSIST THE CARERS AND THEIR DEPENDENT.

Activities: Provides respite care at home for carers, enabling a carer to take a break while the person they look after remains in their own home where their usual routines can continue. We also provide support groups, individual emotional support for carers, information about services that can help and a welfare benefits advice service including help with completing claim forms.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BEXLEY AREA
- Bexley
- Greenwich

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£635,066	£721,158	£716,201	20
2024-03-31	£809,665	£723,855	£802,293	31
2023-03-31	£669,594	£627,187	£716,483	35
2022-03-31	£484,673	£395,629	-	-
2021-03-31	£449,892	£320,674	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
NICOLA FRY	Chair	
Elisabeth Yvonne Verney Petchey		2020-02-10
Iris Benjafield		2015-07-02
MARY PHILLIPS		2023-03-13
Saby Ghosh		2026-02-09
Timothy Delee		2021-09-21

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Accounts

Company registration number: 3709684

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Carers' Support (Bexley)

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Carers' Support (Bexley)

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Carers' Support (Bexley)

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Timothy Delee Elisabeth Petchey Iris Benjafield Nicola Fry Mary Phillips
Secretary	Victoria Wilkinson
Senior Management Team	Victoria Wilkinson, CEO
Charity Registration Number	1075801
Company Registration Number	3709684
Registered Office	Wolsley House 64 Wolsley Close Crayford Kent DA1 4BE
Independent Examiner	Eva Stevens, employee of Community Accounting Plus Units 1 & 2 North West 41 Talbot Street Nottingham NG1 5GL

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Trustees and officers

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees:

- Timothy Delee
- Elisabeth Petchey
- Iris Benjafield
- Nicola Fry
- Mary Phillips

Secretary: Victoria Wilkinson

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered charity. It is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association dated 8/2/1999, most recently amended 24/09/2001. It has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £1.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

We appoint Trustees through a programme of local advertising and recruitment, where we utilise local communication channels and partners, such as our local Council for Voluntary Services and carers groups. We advertise the skills and requirements needed to enhance the Board and the Trustee Board then reviews applications. Shortlisted applicants have the opportunity to observe a Trustee Board meeting, ask informal questions prior to an interview with Trustee members and appointment.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

To relieve physical, mental and material distress amongst the carers of persons who are frail, elderly, disabled, or adults and children with special needs who live in the London Borough of Bexley and Royal Borough of Greenwich by providing flexible home-based respite care, support and information for such carers to assist the carers and their dependants.

Objectives, strategies and activities

We have a team of trained staff and volunteers who provide a wide range of information, support, respite services and counselling to local adult carers residing in the Bexley and Greenwich boroughs.

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Public benefit

Our main activities benefit carers and the people that they care for by relieving carers isolation, maximising income and improving health and wellbeing.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Overview and Strategic Engagement

Carers Support (Bexley) continues to champion the rights of unpaid carers across Bexley. Our influence extends beyond direct services — we actively shape local strategy through participation on key boards and forums, including as Co-Chair of the Carers Partnership and member of the Bexley Adult Safeguarding Board. This work has resulted in stronger cross-sector collaboration, increased recognition of carers' roles, and improved policies that place carers at the heart of health and social care decision-making.

Summary of Support Provided

Information & Support Service

We offer accessible, friendly guidance to unpaid carers at any stage. This includes specialist welfare benefit advice and help completing claim forms for PIP, Attendance Allowance, Carer's Allowance, Universal Credit and more. We hold the Advice Quality Standard accreditation and, as an approved alternative office, can submit benefit claims directly, reducing delays and improving carers' financial security.

Counselling

Our counselling service benefits from a dedicated administrator coordinates assessments and matching, ensuring carers access timely, confidential support. In 2024/25, 686 Household Support Grants were distributed, totalling £112,000. Carers reported improved coping skills, reduced isolation, and enhanced confidence.

Targeted Outreach & Community Engagement

We prioritise finding and supporting carers who might otherwise remain hidden. Our outreach work included attending community events such as Carers Week, Lark in the Park, Thamesmead Festival, South Asian Heritage events and safeguarding forums. We also hosted a General Election Hustings with Bexley Mencap and worked to tackle barriers in Blue Badge and Freedom Pass applications.

Key Service Highlights

Independent Living Scheme

ILS supports carers managing Direct Payments and Individual Budgets with free advice on budget management, payroll and employment responsibilities. Direct interventions, such as securing charitable grants for essential items, have significantly improved carers' wellbeing.

Respite Service

Our funded volunteer-led respite service offers carers essential breaks while providing companionship at home for their loved ones. In 2024/25 we purchased a property to house volunteers, safeguarding this service. Recent surveys show 83% rated it Excellent, 17% Very Good.

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Groups & Social Support

We run support groups, outings and events, reducing isolation and strengthening peer support. Examples include cinema trips, afternoon teas, pantomimes, and guest workshops.

The year-round programme of support groups, social events and days out offers unpaid carers a vital lifeline. These groups provide a safe space to connect, share experiences and access practical advice and emotional support. Carers build lasting friendships and gain strength from a supportive community. Our social events and outings give carers a much-needed break, helping them recharge and return to their roles feeling refreshed, valued and better equipped to care for their loved ones.

Support Worker Service

Our Support Worker Service is our only paid for service. It continues to support local families, offering a break for carers. Our experienced Support Worker team are fully integrated into the charity and offer a high quality, compassionate and supportive service which can include companionship, trips out and assistance.

One Bexley Pathways

Carers Support are one of 8 local charities who have come together to form a partnership called One Bexley who carry out Social Care Needs & Carers Assessments on behalf of the London Borough of Bexley. Trained and highly skilled Trusted Assessors carry out these assessments supporting local people through the assessment and exploring support options.

Examples of Our Impact

Carers such as Liz, Julie, and Clive have shared how our support transformed their confidence and wellbeing. Household grants have kept families warm and fed, while respite visits have given carers essential time to care for themselves.

Carers support had a huge positive impact on my caring role, providing free counselling sessions and emotional support. The pressure and emotional aspects of caring for someone with dementia are immense, and the support given is invaluable. I went from confusion and anxiety to feeling fully supported, both practically and emotionally. I want to say a massive thank you to Carers support for all that they do, all the groups that they run (mum absolutely loves the singing group!), and to all the staff that give so much to those who need them."

Investing in Quality & Our Team

We've strengthened infrastructure with QuickBooks, Bright HR, BrightPay, and Croner HR support. Staff and volunteers accessed extensive training, and One Page Profiles build trust between carers and volunteers.

Looking Ahead

Our online presence and bi-monthly e-bulletins keep carers connected and informed. We remain dedicated to ensuring carers in Bexley are recognised, supported, and never alone.

We are absolutely thrilled to share a landmark achievement for Carers' Support (Bexley) - one that reflects the incredible dedication, perseverance, and hard work of our team.

Through an incredibly generous bequest from a former Respite client, whose life was touched by the care and compassion of our respite volunteers over many years, we have successfully purchased a dedicated property for our Respite volunteers to live in whilst on their placements with us. is a truly transformative milestone.

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When we received notice that the house we had long been renting from Penge Housing Association would be repurposed for family accommodation, our much-valued Respite service faced an uncertain future. But instead of stepping back, we stepped up -turning a potential setback into an opportunity for lasting security and growth. The journey to acquire a new property was a nine-month endeavour, driven by the tenacity and heart of our team.

After an extensive search for suitable homes, we became aware that a former client - someone who had also been supported by our respite volunteers - was in the process of selling their house. With great care and consideration, we explored the opportunity and it soon became clear that this property would be the perfect fit for our needs. It felt particularly meaningful to purchase a home that had already been connected to our work and values.

Financial review

The trustees agree an annual budget and receive quarterly income and expenditure reports for monitoring purposes.

The financial position of the charity at 31 March 2025 and comparatives for the prior period can be summarised as follows:-

	2025	2024
	£	£
Total income	635,066	809,665
Total expenditure	721,158	723,855
Net income	<u>(86,092)</u>	<u>85,810</u>
Total funds brought forward	802,293	716,483
Total funds carried forward	<u>716,201</u>	<u>802,293</u>

The trustees had budgeted for a deficit of £75,346 in 2024/25 and had agreed to fund certain activities from reserves. Some costs were higher than anticipated, such as salaries, to enable new grants to be administered. This resulted in a deficit for the year of £86,092.

Income for 2024 was unusually high as it included a bequest of £130,000.

A significant event was the purchase of a property at a cost of £455,000 to house some of the international volunteers, which finally took place in March 25. Legal fees, surveyor's fees, mortgage arrangement fee added a further £13,272 to the total cost. The purchase was funded by the bequest of £130,000, a mortgage of £250,000 and the balance from the Charity's own funds.

The Charity's funds are invested across a number of banks to get the best return possible and to minimise risk and now stand at £494,867 (2024: £796,674).

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Policy on reserves

The trustees of the Charity review the risks that the organisation is exposed to and ensure that reserves are sufficient to cover eventualities. Designated funds set aside for future use are as follows: £70,000 for staff redundancies, £9,000 for Respite accommodation repair and maintenance.

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to cover at least 12 months operating costs to ensure that support for service users is able to continue in the event of a loss of funding and that staff notice periods and redundancy payments can be covered in the event of winding up the organisation.

Small companies provision statement

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

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Trustees' Report

Statement of Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Carers' Support (Bexley) for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". The report and accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

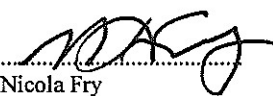
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources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

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 8/12/25 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Nicola Fry
Trustee

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Carers' Support (Bexley) ('the Company')

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Carers' Support (Bexley) ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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.

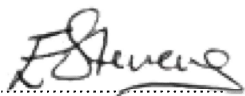
Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA), 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 that in any material respect:

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.



Eva Stevens, BSc, CPFA, employee of Community Accounting Plus
member of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)

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Date: 08/12/2025.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	346,725	-	346,725	485,927
Charitable activities	3	74,331	185,750	260,081	302,283
Investment income	5	28,260	-	28,260	21,455
Total income		<u>449,316</u>	<u>185,750</u>	<u>635,066</u>	<u>809,665</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	<u>(534,451)</u>	<u>(186,707)</u>	<u>(721,158)</u>	<u>(723,855)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(534,451)</u>	<u>(186,707)</u>	<u>(721,158)</u>	<u>(723,855)</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		<u>(85,135)</u>	<u>(957)</u>	<u>(86,092)</u>	<u>85,810</u>
Net movement in funds		(85,135)	(957)	(86,092)	85,810
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>801,336</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>802,293</u>	<u>716,483</u>
Total funds carried forward	15	<u><u>716,201</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>716,201</u></u>	<u><u>802,293</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 15.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	485,927	-	485,927
Charitable activities	3	142,226	160,057	302,283
Investment income	5	21,455	-	21,455
Total income		<u>649,608</u>	<u>160,057</u>	<u>809,665</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	6	<u>(564,755)</u>	<u>(159,100)</u>	<u>(723,855)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(564,755)</u>	<u>(159,100)</u>	<u>(723,855)</u>
Net income		<u>84,853</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>85,810</u>
Net movement in funds		84,853	957	85,810
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>716,483</u>	-	<u>716,483</u>
Total funds carried forward	15	<u><u>801,336</u></u>	<u><u>957</u></u>	<u><u>802,293</u></u>

The notes on pages 14 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Carers' Support (Bexley)
(Registration number: 3709684)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	471,162	3,854
Current assets			
Debtors	10	14,857	14,225
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>494,867</u>	<u>796,674</u>
		509,724	810,899
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(19,847)</u>	<u>(12,460)</u>
Net current assets		<u>489,877</u>	<u>798,439</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		961,039	802,293
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	13	<u>(244,838)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets		<u>716,201</u>	<u>802,293</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	15	-	957
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>716,201</u>	<u>801,336</u>
Total funds	15	<u>716,201</u>	<u>802,293</u>

For the financial year ending 31 March 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.


These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 14 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

**(Registration number: 3709684)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025**

The financial statements on pages 9 to 26 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 03/12/25 and signed on their behalf by:


.....
Elisabeth Petchey
Trustee

The notes on pages 14 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash (expenditure)/income		(86,092)	85,810
Adjustments to cash flows from non-cash items			
Depreciation		964	1,566
Investment income	5	<u>(28,260)</u>	<u>(21,455)</u>
		(113,388)	65,921
Working capital adjustments			
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	10	(632)	15,375
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	12	2,084	(1,311)
Increase in deferred income	12	<u>141</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash flows from operating activities		<u>(111,795)</u>	<u>79,985</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest receivable and similar income	5	28,260	21,455
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	9	<u>(468,272)</u>	<u>(4,818)</u>
Net cash flows from investing activities		(440,012)	16,637
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of loans and borrowings	12	<u>250,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(301,807)	96,622
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April		<u>796,674</u>	<u>700,052</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March		<u><u>494,867</u></u>	<u><u>796,674</u></u>
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds			
(Decrease)/increase in cash		(301,807)	96,622
Net funds at 1 April 2024		<u>796,674</u>	<u>700,052</u>
Net funds at 31 March 2025		<u><u>494,867</u></u>	<u><u>796,674</u></u>

All of the cash flows are derived from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The notes on pages 14 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

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

Going concern

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

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Deferred income

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which, it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the grant or donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

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

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Furniture & equipment	Straight line 20%

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted income funds are those grants for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

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2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from individuals	15,348	15,348	141,950
Grants, including capital grants;			
Grants from public bodies	225,570	225,570	227,639
Grants from other charities	105,807	105,807	116,338
	346,725	346,725	485,927

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Fees & support	73,305	-	73,305	139,046
Grants & donations	-	185,750	185,750	160,057
Sundry	1,026	-	1,026	3,180
	74,331	185,750	260,081	302,283

4 Grants & donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
The London Borough of Bexley	225,570	112,000	337,570
Royal Borough of Greenwich	-	52,750	52,750
Alzheimer's Society (Bexley)	-	21,000	21,000
Crossroads Care South East London	33,191	-	33,191
Greenwich & Bexley Hospice	68,824	-	68,824
Bexley Voluntary Service Council	3,793	-	3,793
Sundry grants & donations	15,347	-	15,347
	346,725	185,750	532,475

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5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	28,260	28,260	21,455
	28,260	28,260	21,455

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Bank charges	281	-	281	311
Communications	16,766	676	17,442	19,526
Insurance	3,455	-	3,455	2,887
IT costs	4,876	957	5,833	4,090
Office supplies	1,210	-	1,210	1,333
Legal & professional fees	7,126	-	7,126	8,563
Activities & events	14,641	-	14,641	13,997
Bad debts written off	-	-	-	1,218
Equipment	1,059	-	1,059	11,721
Grants to Carers	-	106,550	106,550	84,200
Sundry	2,113	215	2,328	4,020
Cleaning & hygiene	-	-	-	312
Rent	38,461	6,476	44,937	39,198
Repairs & maintenance	273	74	347	1,497
Utilities	6,047	4,092	10,139	10,981
Recruitment	427	-	427	590
Respite House expenses	470	-	470	-
Travel & subsistence	2,621	25	2,646	1,542
Volunteer expenses	22,838	17,039	39,877	42,495
Salaries, NI & pension	410,823	50,603	461,426	463,380
Depreciation	964	-	964	1,566
Secondment	-	-	-	10,428
	534,451	186,707	721,158	723,855
	534,451	186,707	721,158	723,855

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	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £
Bank charges	305	6	311
Communications	19,355	171	19,526
Insurance	2,887	-	2,887
IT costs	3,433	657	4,090
Office supplies	1,333	-	1,333
Legal & professional fees	7,039	1,524	8,563
Activities & events	3,477	10,520	13,997
Bad debts written off	1,218	-	1,218
Equipment	8,788	2,933	11,721
Grants to Carers	-	84,200	84,200
Sundry	3,890	130	4,020
Cleaning & hygiene	212	100	312
Rent	33,426	5,772	39,198
Repairs & maintenance	1,497	-	1,497
Utilities	6,715	4,266	10,981
Recruitment	359	231	590
Travel & subsistence	1,361	181	1,542
Volunteer expenses	25,335	17,160	42,495
Salaries, NI & pension	432,131	31,249	463,380
Depreciation	1,566	-	1,566
Secondment	10,428	-	10,428
	<u>564,755</u>	<u>159,100</u>	<u>723,855</u>

7 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net (outgoing)/incoming resources for the year include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	<u>964</u>	<u>1,566</u>

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8 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	412,211	419,377
Social security costs	27,463	23,370
Pension costs	21,752	20,633
	<u>461,426</u>	<u>463,380</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2025 No	2024 No
Average number of employees	<u>20</u>	<u>31</u>

17 (2024 - 17) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £21,752 (2024 - £20,633).

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £63,533 (2024 - £61,871).

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9 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	-	4,818	4,818
Additions	468,272	-	468,272
	468,272	4,818	473,090
At 31 March 2025	468,272	4,818	473,090
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	-	964	964
Charge for the year	-	964	964
	-	964	964
At 31 March 2025	-	1,928	1,928
Net book value			
At 31 March 2025	468,272	2,890	471,162
At 31 March 2024	-	3,854	3,854

10 Debtors

	2025 £		2024 £
Trade debtors	12,392		7,232
Prepayments	2,465		-
Accrued income	-		6,993
	14,857		14,225
	14,857		14,225

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025 £		2024 £
Cash on hand	164		199
Cash at bank	494,703		796,475
	494,867		796,674
	494,867		796,674

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12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank loans	5,162	-
Trade creditors	1,687	348
Other taxation and social security	7,819	7,617
Other creditors	5,038	4,495
Deferred income	141	-
	<u>19,847</u>	<u>12,460</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	2025
	£
Bank loans	<u>244,838</u>

14 Obligations under leases and hire purchase contracts

The total value of future minimum lease payments was as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Within one year	(7,231)	(7,321)
In two to five years	<u>(22,546)</u>	<u>(29,777)</u>
	<u>(29,777)</u>	<u>(37,098)</u>

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15 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	502,336	449,316	(534,451)	220,000	637,201
<i>Designated</i>					
Reserves	79,000	-	-	-	79,000
House Purchase	220,000	-	-	(220,000)	-
	<u>299,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(220,000)</u>	<u>79,000</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>801,336</u>	<u>449,316</u>	<u>(534,451)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>716,201</u>
Restricted funds					
Greenwich Volcare	-	52,750	(52,750)	-	-
Household Support Fund	-	112,000	(112,000)	-	-
Alzheimer's Society	-	21,000	(21,000)	-	-
William Kendall	957	-	(957)	-	-
	<u>957</u>	<u>185,750</u>	<u>(186,707)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>957</u>	<u>185,750</u>	<u>(186,707)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u>802,293</u>	<u>635,066</u>	<u>(721,158)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>716,201</u>

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	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	627,483	649,608	(564,755)	(210,000)	502,336
<i>Designated</i>					
Reserves	89,000	-	-	(10,000)	79,000
House Purchase	-	-	-	220,000	220,000
	<u>89,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>210,000</u>	<u>299,000</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>716,483</u>	<u>649,608</u>	<u>(564,755)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>801,336</u>
Restricted					
Greenwich Volcare	-	52,750	(52,750)	-	-
Household Support Fund	-	90,000	(90,000)	-	-
Alzheimer's Society	-	15,750	(15,750)	-	-
William Kendall	-	1,557	(600)	-	957
Total restricted funds	<u>-</u>	<u>160,057</u>	<u>(159,100)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>957</u>
Total funds	<u>716,483</u>	<u>809,665</u>	<u>(723,855)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>802,293</u>

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Greenwich Volcare - funding for the Volcare service enabling full time volunteers to provide breaks for unpaid carers.

Household Support Fund - a small grant for unpaid carers to assist with the cost-of-living pressures.

Alzheimer's Society -

- 2 activity groups per week for people with dementia to attend with their Carer.
- 1 x singing group per week.
- 1 x monthly support group for Carers of people with dementia.
- A drop in/Cafe once a week (Wolsley House).

William Kendall - to run an Information Drop in for unpaid carers at The Nest, Thamesmead.

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16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted		2025
	General £	Designated £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	471,162	-	471,162
Current assets	430,724	79,000	509,724
Current liabilities	(19,847)	-	(19,847)
Creditors over 1 year	(244,838)	-	(244,838)
Total net assets	<u><u>637,201</u></u>	<u><u>79,000</u></u>	<u><u>716,201</u></u>

	Unrestricted			2024
	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	3,854	-	-	3,854
Current assets	510,942	299,000	957	810,899
Current liabilities	(12,460)	-	-	(12,460)
Total net assets	<u><u>502,336</u></u>	<u><u>299,000</u></u>	<u><u>957</u></u>	<u><u>802,293</u></u>

17 Fees payable to independent examiner

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner Community Accounting Plus are analysed as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Independent examination	1,700	1,510
Other financial services	340	480
	<u><u>2,040</u></u>	<u><u>1,990</u></u>

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18 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from corporation taxation.

19 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

Elisabeth Petchey

£30 (2024: £43) of expenses were reimbursed to Elisabeth Petchey during the year.

This remuneration relates to expenses incurred in their role as an welfare benefits volunteer (not as a Trustee).

Timothy Delee

£Nil (2024: £14) of expenses were reimbursed to Timothy Delee during the year.

This remuneration relates to expenses incurred in their role as an Information and Support Service volunteer (not as a Trustee).

Nicola Fry

£67 (2024: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Nicola Fry during the year.

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

20 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

CARERS' SUPPORT (BEXLEY)

England & Wales - Charity number 1075801

Accounts

Company registration number: 3709684

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Carers' Support (Bexley)

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Carers' Support (Bexley)

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Carers' Support (Bexley)

Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Timothy Delee Elisabeth Petchey Iris Benjafield Nicola Fry Mary Phillips
Secretary	Victoria Wilkinson
Senior Management Team	Victoria Wilkinson, CEO
Charity Registration Number	1075801
Company Registration Number	3709684
Registered Office	Wolsley House 64 Wolsley Close Crayford Kent DA1 4BE
Independent Examiner	John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus Units 1 & 2 North West 41 Talbot Street Nottingham NG1 5GL

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees and officers

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees:

- Timothy Delee
- Elisabeth Petchey
- Iris Benjafield
- Nicola Fry
- Sheryl Chappell (resigned 27 November 2023)
- Mary Phillips

Secretary: Victoria Wilkinson

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered charity. It is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association dated 8/2/1999, most recently amended 24/09/2001. It has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £1.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

We appoint Trustees through a programme of local advertising and recruitment, where we utilise local communication channels and partners, such as our local Council for Voluntary Services and carers groups. We advertise the skills and requirements needed to enhance the Board and the Trustee Board then reviews applications. Shortlisted applicants have the opportunity to observe a Trustee Board meeting, ask informal questions prior to an interview with Trustee members and appointment.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

To relieve physical, mental and material distress amongst the carers of persons who are frail, elderly, disabled, or adults and children with special needs who live in the London Borough of Bexley and Royal Borough of Greenwich by providing flexible home-based respite care, support and information for such carers to assist the carers and their dependants.

Objectives, strategies and activities

We have a team of trained staff and volunteers who provide a wide range of information, support, respite services and counselling to local adult carers residing in the Bexley and Greenwich boroughs.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

Public benefit

Our main activities benefit carers and the people that they care for by relieving carers isolation, maximising income and improving health and wellbeing.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

Carers Support (Bexley) continues to be busy, and increasingly we are seeing waiting lists for our services as demand continues to grow. This year, Bexley and Greenwich, we have provided over 2500 visits and breaks to carers and their loved ones through our Respite service, provided by our international volunteers.

This has been a remarkable year for the respite service thanks to our incredible team of overseas volunteers. They have generously dedicated up to 12 months of their time and demonstrated unwavering commitment and resilience. Despite the demanding and emotional challenges of the role, they consistently rise to the occasion with remarkable strength. We are continually impressed by our volunteers, many of whom complete an intensive induction despite English being their second language. We ensure the respite volunteers have well-deserved time off, and they certainly make the most of it, exploring the UK and Europe more than most of us!

Carers benefit from our service, gaining peace of mind knowing their loved ones are in safe and compassionate hands. Volunteers, in turn, form strong bonds with their clients and lifelong friendships with fellow volunteers.

Our volunteers are a true credit to both our organisation and their families. It's a privilege to support and see them grow. Through their dedication, we continue to make a meaningful impact on the lives of our clients.

Our Information and Support team have had over 4000 interactions with carers providing a vast breadth of support including welfare benefits advice, support with blue badge applications and in-depth guidance and information. Our free counselling service has hosted 8 trainee counsellors who have provided 464 sessions of 1-1 professional counselling to carers. Our comprehensive group programme remains supportive, fun and led by what carers ask for. We hosted 208 support group sessions this year, including a new monthly lunch club launched in February.

Funded by the UK Government, the Household Carers Support Grant supports those most in need of help with significantly rising living costs. We were delighted to be work in partnership with the Local Authority once again to facilitate the dissemination of the Household Carers Support Grants to unpaid carers living in the Borough. We distributed £84,200 worth of small grants to carers and the Feedback showed that this support had a significant positive impact.

Our One Bexley Pathways Trusted Assessors offer support to carers and loved ones to undertake statutory carer and care needs assessments which, for example, consider how a caring role impacts on your health and wellbeing and what support a carer is interested in.

It looks at what a carer wants to do outside of a caring role, how caring affects this and what help is needed to achieve this.

Our Trusted Assessors have completed 5 Assistive Technology Assessments, 47 Carers' Assessments, 46 Single Assessments, 64 Care Plan Reviews, 7 Carers' Reviews and more helping carers and residents access vital services and support.

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Trustees' Report

In December 2023, we made a significant change to our chargeable Support Worker Service, which is a lifeline for many unpaid carers in Bexley. Our vision was to offer a more consistent and reliable service, giving carers the essential break they need while ensuring that clients continue to get regular support. The new model was designed to better meet the needs of both our clients and carers by providing steady, uninterrupted care. As part of the new model all our Support Workers are now permanent, salaried staff (as opposed to being on “bank” contracts). As well as working with clients they undertake administrative tasks associated with the service. This change has helped them become more integrated into the wider staff team and provides them with more financial security.

As a Support Worker at Carers Support (Bexley), I enjoy meeting people in different situations and providing consistent, weekly support, which can be long term, if needed. My aim is to get to know the person I am working with and establish how best I can support, within my role. Building connection is important to me, so I often use different activities to help with that, especially when working with someone with dementia. These activities include crosswords, singing, creative art and puzzles. I also accompany clients to appointments and outings. Supporting emotional wellbeing is a key part of what I do, and I make sure to show value and listen actively to the people I work with. “

Feedback from our volunteers and carers

Respite Volunteers

“Volunteering is an amazing opportunity to help, travel, meet new cultures, share with people. I have grown as a person, that was one of my objectives”.

One volunteer said one of the reasons they volunteered was to “help people, be part of the change”.

“The project is an amazing opportunity to be a volunteer, we are really comfortable in the accommodations, the families are amazing and teach us many things”.

Carers and their families

“Thanks for all your help throughout the year. Always the heroes when needed. Thank you!”

Mary told us she was delighted that she had made the phone call to us and could not believe that she had been offered so much support from one charity.

“The project gave me the opportunity to rediscover myself as a person and how far my limits can go. It also gave me new friends who speak another language and that will help me in the future.”

“Thank you so much for all your support in 2023. You are both so dear and appreciated by us.”

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

Financial review

The trustees agree an annual budget and receive quarterly income and expenditure reports for monitoring purposes.

The financial position of the charity at 31 March 2024 and comparatives for the prior period can be summarised as follows:-

	2024	2023
	£	£
Total income	809,665	669,594
Total expenditure	723,855	627,187
Net income	<u>85,910</u>	<u>42,407</u>
Total funds brought forward	716,483	674,076
Total funds carried forward	<u>802,293</u>	<u>716,483</u>

The trustees had budgeted for a deficit of £57,700 in 2023/24 and had intended to fund certain activities from reserves. However, the Charity received an unexpected bequest of £128,000 in July 2023, for which it is very grateful. The position was further improved by other additional income, resulting in a surplus for the year of £85,910.

The trustees have decided to use the bequest towards the purchase of a property to house some of the international volunteers instead of renting accommodation for them.

The Charity's funds are invested across a number of banks to get the best return possible and to minimise risk.

Policy on reserves

The trustees of the Charity review the risks that the organisation is exposed to and ensure that reserves are sufficient to cover eventualities. Designated funds set aside for future use are as follows: £220,000 for house purchase, £70,000 for staff redundancies, £9,000 for Respite accommodation repair and maintenance.

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to cover at least 12 months operating costs to ensure that support for service users is able to continue in the event of a loss of funding and that staff notice periods and redundancy payments can be covered in the event of winding up the organisation.

Small companies provision statement

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

Statement of Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Carers' Support (Bexley) for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". The report and accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

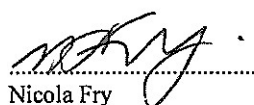
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources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

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 16/12/24 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Nicola Fry
Trustee

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Carers' Support (Bexley) ('the Company')

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Carers' Support (Bexley) ('the Company')

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

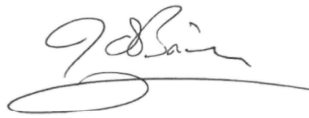
Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member and Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, 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 that in any material respect:

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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Date: 17/12/2024.....

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	485,927	-	485,927	348,896
Charitable activities	3	142,226	160,057	302,283	315,682
Investment income	5	21,455	-	21,455	5,016
Total income		<u>649,608</u>	<u>160,057</u>	<u>809,665</u>	<u>669,594</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	(564,755)	(159,100)	(723,855)	(627,187)
Total expenditure		<u>(564,755)</u>	<u>(159,100)</u>	<u>(723,855)</u>	<u>(627,187)</u>
Net income		<u>84,853</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>85,810</u>	<u>42,407</u>
Net movement in funds		84,853	957	85,810	42,407
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>716,483</u>	-	<u>716,483</u>	<u>674,076</u>
Total funds carried forward	13	<u>801,336</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>802,293</u>	<u>716,483</u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 13.

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	348,896	-	348,896
Charitable activities	3	141,337	174,345	315,682
Investment income	5	5,016	-	5,016
Total income		<u>495,249</u>	<u>174,345</u>	<u>669,594</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	6	<u>(444,105)</u>	<u>(183,082)</u>	<u>(627,187)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(444,105)</u>	<u>(183,082)</u>	<u>(627,187)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>51,144</u>	<u>(8,737)</u>	<u>42,407</u>
Net movement in funds		51,144	(8,737)	42,407
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>665,339</u>	<u>8,737</u>	<u>674,076</u>
Total funds carried forward	13	<u><u>716,483</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>716,483</u></u>

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Carers' Support (Bexley)

(Registration number: 3709684)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	3,854	602
Current assets			
Debtors	10	14,225	29,600
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>796,674</u>	<u>700,052</u>
		810,899	729,652
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(12,460)</u>	<u>(13,771)</u>
Net current assets		<u>798,439</u>	<u>715,881</u>
Net assets		<u>802,293</u>	<u>716,483</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	13	957	-
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>801,336</u>	<u>716,483</u>
Total funds	13	<u>802,293</u>	<u>716,483</u>

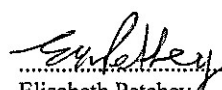
For the financial year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements on pages 8 to 23 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 16/12/24, and signed on their behalf by:


.....
Elisabeth Petchey
Trustee

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash income		85,810	42,407
Adjustments to cash flows from non-cash items			
Depreciation		1,566	200
Investment income	5	<u>(21,455)</u>	<u>(5,016)</u>
		65,921	37,591
Working capital adjustments			
Decrease in debtors	10	15,375	14,324
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	12	(1,311)	5,675
Decrease in deferred income	12	<u>-</u>	<u>(156,087)</u>
Net cash flows from operating activities		<u>79,985</u>	<u>(98,497)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest receivable and similar income	5	21,455	5,016
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	9	<u>(4,818)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash flows from investing activities		<u>16,637</u>	<u>5,016</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		96,622	(93,481)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April		<u>700,052</u>	<u>793,533</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March		<u><u>796,674</u></u>	<u><u>700,052</u></u>
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds			
Increase/(decrease) in cash		96,622	(93,481)
Net funds at 1 April 2023		<u>700,052</u>	<u>793,533</u>
Net funds at 31 March 2024		<u><u>796,674</u></u>	<u><u>700,052</u></u>

All of the cash flows are derived from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

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

Going concern

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

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

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

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Furniture & equipment	Straight line 20%

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted income funds are those grants for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from individuals	141,950	141,950	19,037
Grants, including capital grants;			
Grants from public bodies	227,639	227,639	307,410
Grants from other charities	116,338	116,338	22,449
	485,927	485,927	348,896

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £ (As restated)
Fees & support	139,046	-	139,046	141,337
Grants & donations	-	160,057	160,057	174,345
Sundry	3,180	-	3,180	-
	142,226	160,057	302,283	315,682

4 Grants & donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
The London Borough of Bexley	225,570	90,000	315,570
Royal Borough of Greenwich	-	52,750	52,750
Alzheimer's Society (Bexley)	-	15,750	15,750
William Kendall	-	1,557	1,557
Individual bequest	128,028	-	128,028
Greenwich & Bexley Hospice	114,338	-	114,338
Bexley Voluntary Service Council	2,000	-	2,000
Sundry grants & donations	15,991	-	15,991
	485,927	160,057	645,984

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5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	21,455	21,455	5,016
	21,455	21,455	5,016

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £ (As restated)
Bank charges	305	6	311	263
Communications	19,355	171	19,526	12,367
Insurance	2,887	-	2,887	2,603
IT costs	3,433	657	4,090	9,476
Office supplies	1,333	-	1,333	1,140
Legal & professional fees	7,039	1,524	8,563	5,492
Activities & events	3,477	10,520	13,997	14,192
Bad debts written off	1,218	-	1,218	-
Equipment	8,788	2,933	11,721	9,168
Grants to Carers	-	84,200	84,200	45,000
Sundry	3,890	130	4,020	7,877
Cleaning & hygiene	212	100	312	-
Rent	33,426	5,772	39,198	34,860
Repairs & maintenance	1,497	-	1,497	2,895
Utilities	6,715	4,266	10,981	9,704
Recruitment	359	231	590	284
Secondment	10,428	-	10,428	-
Travel & subsistence	1,361	181	1,542	1,413
Volunteer expenses	25,335	17,160	42,495	54,340
Salaries, NI & pension	432,131	31,249	463,380	415,913
Depreciation	1,566	-	1,566	200
	564,755	159,100	723,855	627,187

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	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £ (As restated)
Bank charges	263	-	263
Communications	12,367	-	12,367
Insurance	2,603	-	2,603
IT costs	7,481	1,995	9,476
Office supplies	1,140	-	1,140
Legal & professional fees	5,492	-	5,492
Activities & events	14,192	-	14,192
Equipment	9,168	-	9,168
Grants to Carers	-	45,000	45,000
Sundry	7,877	-	7,877
Rent	29,089	5,771	34,860
Repairs & maintenance	2,558	337	2,895
Utilities	7,312	2,392	9,704
Recruitment	284	-	284
Travel & subsistence	1,413	-	1,413
Volunteer expenses	27,170	27,170	54,340
Salaries, NI & pension	315,496	100,417	415,913
Depreciation	200	-	200
	<u>444,105</u>	<u>183,082</u>	<u>627,187</u>

7 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming resources for the year include:

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	<u>1,566</u>	<u>200</u>

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8 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	419,377	379,227
Social security costs	23,370	20,420
Pension costs	20,633	16,266
	<u>463,380</u>	<u>415,913</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2024 No	2023 No
Average number of employees	<u>31</u>	<u>35</u>

17 (2023 - 13) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £20,633 (2023 - £16,266).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £61,871 (2023 - £65,077).

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9 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	21,428	21,428
Additions	4,818	4,818
Disposals	<u>(21,428)</u>	<u>(21,428)</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>4,818</u>	<u>4,818</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	20,826	20,826
Charge for the year	1,566	1,566
Eliminated on disposals	<u>(21,428)</u>	<u>(21,428)</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>964</u>	<u>964</u>
Net book value		
At 31 March 2024	<u>3,854</u>	<u>3,854</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>602</u>	<u>602</u>

10 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £ (As restated)
Trade debtors	7,232	19,100
Accrued income	<u>6,993</u>	<u>10,500</u>
	<u>14,225</u>	<u>29,600</u>

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash on hand	199	141
Cash at bank	<u>796,475</u>	<u>699,911</u>
	<u>796,674</u>	<u>700,052</u>

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12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	348	1,656
Other taxation and social security	7,617	6,651
Other creditors	4,495	5,464
	12,460	13,771

13 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	627,483	649,608	(564,755)	(210,000)	502,336
<i>Designated</i>					
Reserves	89,000	-	-	(10,000)	79,000
House Purchase	-	-	-	220,000	220,000
	89,000	-	-	210,000	299,000
Total unrestricted funds	716,483	649,608	(564,755)	-	801,336
Restricted funds					
Greenwich Volcare	-	52,750	(52,750)	-	-
Household Support Fund	-	90,000	(90,000)	-	-
Alzheimer's Society	-	15,750	(15,750)	-	-
William Kendall	-	1,557	(600)	-	957
Total restricted funds	-	160,057	(159,100)	-	957
Total funds	716,483	809,665	(723,855)	-	802,293

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	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £ (As restated)
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	616,339	495,249	(444,105)	(40,000)	627,483
<i>Designated</i>					
Reserves	49,000	-	-	40,000	89,000
Total unrestricted funds	<u>665,339</u>	<u>495,249</u>	<u>(444,105)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>716,483</u>
Restricted					
Restricted activities (salaries)	-	75,600	(75,600)	-	-
Greenwich Charitable Trust	6,237	-	(6,237)	-	-
Mercers Trustee	2,500	-	(2,500)	-	-
Greenwich Volcare	-	46,750	(46,750)	-	-
Household Support Fund	-	50,000	(50,000)	-	-
William Kendall	-	1,995	(1,995)	-	-
Total restricted funds	<u>8,737</u>	<u>174,345</u>	<u>(183,082)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u><u>674,076</u></u>	<u><u>669,594</u></u>	<u><u>(627,187)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>716,483</u></u>

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Greenwich Volcare - funding for the Volcare service enabling full time volunteers to provide breaks for unpaid carers.

Household Support Fund - a small grant for unpaid carers to assist with the cost-of-living pressures.

Alzheimer's Society -

- 2 activity groups per week for people with dementia to attend with their Carer.
- 1 x singing group per week.
- 1 x monthly support group for Carers of people with dementia.
- A drop in/Cafe once a week (Wolsley House).

William Kendall - to contribute to the implementation of a new Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system.

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14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted			2024
	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	3,854	-	-	3,854
Current assets	510,942	299,000	957	810,899
Current liabilities	(12,460)	-	-	(12,460)
Total net assets	<u>502,336</u>	<u>299,000</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>802,293</u>

	Unrestricted funds		Total funds at
	General £	Designated £	31 March 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	602	-	602
Current assets	640,652	89,000	729,652
Current liabilities	(13,771)	-	(13,771)
Total net assets	<u>627,483</u>	<u>89,000</u>	<u>716,483</u>

15 Fees payable to independent examiner

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner Community Accounting Plus are analysed as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examination	1,510	1,365
Other financial services	480	-
	<u>1,990</u>	<u>1,365</u>

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16 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

17 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

Elisabeth Petchey

£43 (2023: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Elisabeth Petchey during the year.

This remuneration relates to expenses incurred in their role as an Information and Support Service volunteer (not as a Trustee).

Timothy Delee

£14 (2023: £Nil) of expenses were reimbursed to Timothy Delee during the year.

This remuneration relates to expenses incurred in their role as an Information and Support Service volunteer (not as a Trustee).

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

18 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

CARERS' SUPPORT (BEXLEY)

England & Wales - Charity number 1075801

Accounts

Company registration number: 3709684

Charity registration number: 1075801

Carers' Support (Bexley)

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Carers' Support (Bexley)

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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Timothy Delee Elisabeth Petchey Iris Benjafield Nicola Fry Sheryl Chappell Mary Phillips
Secretary	Victoria Wilkinson
Senior Management Team	Victoria Wilkinson, CEO Alison Baker, Operations Manager (until May 2022)
Charity Registration Number	1075801
Company Registration Number	3709684
Registered Office	Crayford Manor House Centre Mayplace Road East Crayford Kent DA1 4HB
Independent Examiner	John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus Units 1 & 2 North West 41 Talbot Street Nottingham NG1 5GL

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Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees and officers

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees:

- Timothy Delee
- Elisabeth Petchey
- Iris Benjafield
- Nicola Fry
- Sheryl Chappell (appointed 13 March 2023)
- Mary Phillips (appointed 13 March 2023)
- Alison Cutting (resigned 5 May 2022)

Secretary: Victoria Wilkinson (appointed 6 May 2022)

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered charity. It is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association dated 8/2/1999. It has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £1.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

We are delighted to have welcomed two new Trustees this year. We appoint Trustees through a programme of local advertising and recruitment, where we utilise local communication channels and partners, such as our local Council for Voluntary Services and carers groups. We advertise the skills and requirements needed to enhance the Board and the Trustee Board then reviews applications. Shortlisted applicants have the opportunity to observe a Trustee Board meeting, ask informal questions prior to an interview with Trustee members and appointment.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

To relieve physical, mental and material distress amongst the carers of persons who are frail, elderly, disabled, or adults and children with special needs who live in the London Borough of Bexley and London Borough of Greenwich by providing flexible home-based respite care, support and information for such carers to assist the carers and their dependants.

Objectives, strategies and activities

We have a team of trained staff and volunteers who provide a wide range of information, support, respite services and counselling to local adult carers residing in the Bexley and Greenwich boroughs.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

Public benefit

Our main activities benefit carers and the people that they care for by relieving carers isolation, maximising income and improving health and wellbeing.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Achievements and performance

At Carers' Support (Bexley) everything that we do is about unpaid carers. We seek to offer adult unpaid carers breaks, support, fun, company and information. Our offer includes break for carers, our Support Worker Service, peer and support groups, Information and Support Service, welfare benefits advice, counselling, and care needs and carers assessments through our Pathways project. This year we have run nearly 200 groups, supported around 1,100 carers, our Information and Support team have had 5,000 contacts with carers and the team volunteers have had nearly 800 contacts with carers. Our Respite service volunteers have completed nearly 2,000 visits to carers and their loved ones. This year we administered the Household Support Fund for unpaid carers, on behalf of the London Borough of Bexley. 219 carers received small grants to help with cost of living crisis.

Events included the wonderful memory support group performing their Christmas choir at the Old Vic with a local primary school, and our thank you dinner for our amazing volunteers,

Carers tell us:

"The break has helped my mental wellbeing as I get a chance to have a bit of time to myself and not have to worry about my husband being cared for. I get to meet a friend and gives me a chance to leave the home and away from the 24 hour caring role."

"It is wonderful to be able to go out knowing Sue is in safe hands. It is good for her to see some-one different and enjoys being read to."

"My health has improved because I now can go for long walks which is beneficial for me. I can take a couple of short breaks which keeps me in touch with old friends and relations."

We held a Volunteer thank you event and this was shared "What a lovely evening it was last night. The food was fab and it was so nice to see everyone there. We really enjoyed it so thank you all for your part in showing how much we volunteers are appreciated by the charity".

Feedback for the Household Support Grant

"the feeling of self-worth it's given me that someone has listened to what would help us makes such a difference". "This really will make so much difference to both of these families – they are so very grateful"

The Trustee Board would like to share their thanks and gratitude to our funders, the London Borough of Bexley, The City Bridge Trust, The Royal Borough of Greenwich and The Wax Chandlers. We would also like to extend our thanks and gratitude to our staff and volunteers and to all who have donated to Carers Support.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

Major risks and management of those risks

The charity maintains a risk register, which the trustees review on a regular basis. A major risk is loss of funding for one or more projects leading to redundancies for some members of staff. We would endeavour to mitigate this risk by using our reserves so that projects could continue to run while we applied for other funding. We remain aware and attentive to the high and rising costs of utilities.

Financial review

The trustees agree an annual budget and receive quarterly income and expenditure reports for monitoring purposes.

The financial position of the charity at 31 March 2023 and comparatives for the prior period can be summarised as follows:-

	2023	2022
	£	£
Total income	669,594	586,958
Total expenditure	627,187	497,914
Net income	<u>42,407</u>	<u>89,044</u>
Total funds brought forward	674,076	585,032
Total funds carried forward	<u>716,483</u>	<u>674,076</u>

The net income or surplus for the year of £42,407 arose from various under spendings including salaries and volunteer costs.

Policy on reserves

The Trustees of the Charity review the risks that the organisation is exposed to and ensure that reserves are sufficient to cover possible eventualities. Designated funds set aside for future use are as follows: £70,000 for staff redundancies, £5,000 for replacement IT equipment, £10,000 for moving costs and replacement furniture, £3,000 for Respite accommodation repair and maintenance and £50,000 for cost of living increases including rental and utilities.

The Trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to cover at least 12 months operating costs to ensure that i) that support for service users is able to continue in the event of a loss of funding ii) that we can cover emergencies such as the replacement of IT equipment, or long term staff sickness resulting in the need to employ additional temporary staff and (iii) that we can cover staff notice periods and redundancy payments in the event of winding up the organisation.

Small companies provision statement

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Trustees' Report

Statement of Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Carers' Support (Bexley) for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". The report and accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

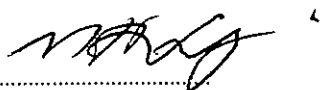
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources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

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 20 November 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Nicola Fry
Trustee

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Carers' Support (Bexley) ('the Company')

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Carers' Support (Bexley) ('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 statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member and Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, 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 that in any material respect:

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.



John O'Brien MSc, FAIA, FCCA, FCIE, employee of Community Accounting Plus
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

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Date: 28/11/2023

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £ (As restated)
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	447,641	-	447,641	362,489
Charitable activities	3	141,337	75,600	216,937	224,012
Investment income	5	5,016	-	5,016	457
Total income		<u>593,994</u>	<u>75,600</u>	<u>669,594</u>	<u>586,958</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	(542,850)	(84,337)	(627,187)	(497,914)
Total expenditure		<u>(542,850)</u>	<u>(84,337)</u>	<u>(627,187)</u>	<u>(497,914)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>51,144</u>	<u>(8,737)</u>	<u>42,407</u>	<u>89,044</u>
Net movement in funds		51,144	(8,737)	42,407	89,044
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>665,339</u>	<u>8,737</u>	<u>674,076</u>	<u>585,032</u>
Total funds carried forward	13	<u>716,483</u>	-	<u>716,483</u>	<u>674,076</u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 13.

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2023 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2022 £ (As restated)
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	362,489	-	362,489
Charitable activities	3	152,512	71,500	224,012
Investment income	5	457	-	457
Total income		<u>515,458</u>	<u>71,500</u>	<u>586,958</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	6	<u>(426,414)</u>	<u>(71,500)</u>	<u>(497,914)</u>
Total expenditure		<u>(426,414)</u>	<u>(71,500)</u>	<u>(497,914)</u>
Net income		<u>89,044</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>89,044</u>
Net movement in funds		89,044	-	89,044
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		<u>576,295</u>	<u>8,737</u>	<u>585,032</u>
Total funds carried forward	13	<u>665,339</u>	<u>8,737</u>	<u>674,076</u>

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

(Registration number: 3709684)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	602	802
Current assets			
Debtors	10	29,600	43,924
Cash at bank and in hand	11	<u>700,052</u>	<u>793,533</u>
		729,652	837,457
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(13,771)</u>	<u>(164,183)</u>
Net current assets		<u>715,881</u>	<u>673,274</u>
Net assets		<u>716,483</u>	<u>674,076</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	13	-	8,737
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>716,483</u>	<u>665,339</u>
Total funds	13	<u>716,483</u>	<u>674,076</u>

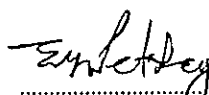
For the financial year ending 31 March 2023 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements on pages 7 to 21 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 20 November 2023 and signed on their behalf by:


.....
Elisabeth Petchey
Trustee

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 £	(As restated) 2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash income		42,407	89,044
Adjustments to cash flows from non-cash items			
Depreciation		200	268
Investment income	5	<u>(5,016)</u>	<u>(457)</u>
		37,591	88,855
Working capital adjustments			
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	10	14,324	(30,400)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	12	5,675	(2,608)
(Decrease)/increase in deferred income	12	<u>(156,087)</u>	<u>34,962</u>
Net cash flows from operating activities		(98,497)	90,809
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest receivable and similar income	5	<u>5,016</u>	<u>457</u>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(93,481)	91,266
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April		<u>793,533</u>	<u>702,267</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March		<u><u>700,052</u></u>	<u><u>793,533</u></u>
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds			
(Decrease)/increase in cash		(93,481)	91,266
Net funds at 1 April 2022		<u>793,533</u>	<u>702,267</u>
Net funds at 31 March 2023		<u><u>700,052</u></u>	<u><u>793,533</u></u>

All of the cash flows are derived from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Statement of compliance

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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Basis of preparation

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

Going concern

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

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Deferred income

Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period for which, it has been received. Such income is only deferred when:

- The donor specifies that the grant or donation must only be used in future accounting periods; or
- The donor has imposed conditions which must be met before the charity has unconditional entitlement.

Investment income

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

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

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Furniture & equipment	Reducing balance 25%

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade creditors

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the charity does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those grants for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £ (As restated)
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from individuals	19,037	19,037	21,395
Grants, including capital grants;			
Grants from public bodies	404,160	404,160	295,450
Grants from other charities	24,444	24,444	45,644
	<u>447,641</u>	<u>447,641</u>	<u>362,489</u>

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £ (As restated)
Fees & support	141,337	-	141,337	151,930
Grants & donations	-	75,600	75,600	71,500
Sundry	-	-	-	582
	<u>141,337</u>	<u>75,600</u>	<u>216,937</u>	<u>224,012</u>

4 Grants & donations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
The National Community Lottery Fund	2,850	-	2,850
The London Borough of Bexley Prevention and Early Intervention	50,000	-	50,000
The London Borough of Bexley Household Support Fund	291,961	-	291,961
Bexley Voluntary Service Council	1,995	-	1,995
City Bridge Trust	-	59,850	59,850
Royal Borough of Greenwich	46,750	-	46,750
Sundry donations	19,037	-	19,037
Alzheimer's Society (Bexley)	-	15,750	15,750
The London Borough of Bexley (Health Inequalities)	15,449	-	15,449
The London Borough of Bexley (Pathways)	19,599	-	19,599
	<u>447,641</u>	<u>75,600</u>	<u>523,241</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	5,016	5,016	457

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £ (As restated)
Salaries, NI & pension	331,576	84,337	415,913	364,331
Travel & subsistence	1,413	-	1,413	840
Professional fees	5,492	-	5,492	3,300
Volunteer expenses	54,340	-	54,340	49,054
Support costs	45,000	-	45,000	-
Running costs	83,238	-	83,238	65,845
Administration	6,624	-	6,624	-
Depreciation	200	-	200	268
Sundry	14,967	-	14,967	14,276
	542,850	84,337	627,187	497,914

7 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming resources for the year include:

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	200	268

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

8 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	379,227	332,582
Social security costs	20,420	17,697
Pension costs	16,266	14,052
	<u>415,913</u>	<u>364,331</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2023 No	2022 No
Average number of employees	<u>35</u>	<u>36</u>

13 (2022 - 13) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £16,266 (2022 - £14,052).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £65,077 (2022 - £63,066).

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2022	21,428	21,428
At 31 March 2023	21,428	21,428
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2022	20,626	20,626
Charge for the year	200	200
At 31 March 2023	20,826	20,826
Net book value		
At 31 March 2023	602	602
At 31 March 2022	802	802

10 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	19,100	15,664
Other debtors	10,500	28,260
	29,600	43,924

11 Cash and cash equivalents

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash on hand	141	221
Cash at bank	699,911	793,312
	700,052	793,533

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	1,656	-
Other taxation and social security	6,651	6,294
Other creditors	5,464	1,802
Deferred income	-	156,087
	13,771	164,183

13 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	616,339	593,994	(542,850)	(40,000)	627,483
<i>Designated</i>					
Reserves	49,000	-	-	40,000	89,000
Total unrestricted funds	665,339	593,994	(542,850)	-	716,483
Restricted funds					
Restricted activities (salaries)	-	75,600	(75,600)	-	-
Greenwich Charitable Trust	6,237	-	(6,237)	-	-
Mercers Trustee	2,500	-	(2,500)	-	-
Total restricted funds	8,737	75,600	(84,337)	-	-
Total funds	674,076	669,594	(627,187)	-	716,483

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	482,356	515,458	(426,414)	44,939	616,339
<i>Designated</i>					
Reserves	93,939	-	-	(44,939)	49,000
Total unrestricted funds	<u>576,295</u>	<u>515,458</u>	<u>(426,414)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>665,339</u>
Restricted					
Restricted activities (salaries)	-	71,500	(71,500)	-	-
Greenwich Charitable Trust	6,237	-	-	-	6,237
Mercers Trustee	2,500	-	-	-	2,500
Total restricted funds	<u>8,737</u>	<u>71,500</u>	<u>(71,500)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,737</u>
Total funds	<u>585,032</u>	<u>586,958</u>	<u>(497,914)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>674,076</u>

Carers' Support (Bexley)

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The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Designated

Name of fund: Staff redundancies

Purpose: to satisfy our statutory responsibilities if staff are made redundant.

Name of fund: IT equipment

Purpose: to replace older IT equipment and purchase equipment for a growing staff team.

Name of fund: Cost of living

Purpose: In recognition of the cost of living crisis which impacts staff and our expenditure including increasing rental and utilities costs.

Name of fund: Moving costs and replacement furniture

Purpose: To be prepared if we need to move from our current premises.

Name of fund: Respite accommodation repairs and maintenance

Purpose: to enable us to invest in the repairs and maintenance of the rental properties to ensure it is a comfortable and appropriate environment for our volunteers.

Restricted

Name of fund: Greenwich Charitable Trust

Purpose: For the Greenwich Volcare Project

Name of Fund: Mercers Trustee

Purpose: For the In Touch Project (including support groups)

Name of fund: Restricted activities (salaries)

Purpose: Salaries funded by the Alzheimer's Society & City Bridge Trust

The transfer from the General fund to the designated fund is to increase the level of reserves.

14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds		Total funds at
	General	Designated	31 March 2023
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	602	-	602
Current assets	640,652	89,000	729,652
Current liabilities	(13,771)	-	(13,771)
Total net assets	627,483	89,000	716,483

Carers' Support (Bexley)

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	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds £	Total funds at 31 March 2022 £
	General £	Designated £		
Tangible fixed assets	802	-	-	802
Current assets	779,720	49,000	8,737	837,457
Current liabilities	<u>(164,183)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(164,183)</u>
Total net assets	<u>616,339</u>	<u>49,000</u>	<u>8,737</u>	<u>674,076</u>

15 Fees payable to independent examiner

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner Community Accounting Plus are analysed as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Independent examination	1,365	-
	<u>1,365</u>	<u>-</u>

Fees payable (excluding VAT) to the previous independent examiner in 2022 was £1,500.

16 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

17 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

18 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

CARERS' SUPPORT (BEXLEY)

England & Wales - Charity number 1075801

Accounts

Company Registration Number - 03709684

The Charity Registration Number is :- 1075801

Carers Support (Bexley)

Report and Accounts

31 March 2022



Carers Support (Bexley)

Report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

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Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022, which also comprises the Directors' Report required by the Companies Act 2006.

Reference and administrative details

The charity name.

The legal name of the charity is:- Carers Support (Bexley)

The charity's areas operation and UK charitable registration.

The charity is registered in England & Wales with the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) with charity number 1075801

Legal structure of the charity

The governing document of the charity is the Memorandum and Articles of Association establishing the company under company legislation.

The Governing Document is dated 08 February 1999

By operation of law, all trustees are directors under the Companies Act 2006 and all directors are trustees under Charities legislation and have responsibilities, as such, under both company and charity legislation.

The trustees are all individuals.

The principal operating address, telephone number, email and web addresses of the charity are:-

Crayford Manor House Centre

Mayplace Road East, Crayford

Kent, DA1 4HB

Telephone 020 8302 8011 Email Address info@carerssupport.org Web address www.carerssupport.org

The registered office of the charity for Companies Act purposes is the same as the operating address shown above

The Trustees in office on the date the report was approved were:-

N Fry

I Benjafield

A Cutting

E Petchey

T Delee (Appointed 15/12/2021)

The following persons served as Trustees during the year ended 31 March 2022 :-

N Fry

V Hill (Resigned 21/09/2021)

I Benjafield

S Ellis (Resigned 21/09/2021)

A Cutting

E Petchey

T Delee (Appointed 15/12/2021)

Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

Objects and activities of the charity

The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document.

The main activities undertaken during the year to further the charity's purpose for the public benefit.

A detailed description of the activities of the Charity and the public benefit derived from these activities is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity.

The main achievements and performance of the charity during the year.

A detailed description of the achievements and performance is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

The degree to which the achievements and performance during the year have benefited the beneficiaries of the charity and the wider society.

A detailed description of the achievements and performance is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

Structure, governance and management of the charity

The Charity is governed by the procedures set out in the memorandum and articles of association.

The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees.

The trustees are normally recruited from carers who have used the services of the charity. This meets the charity's aim to be a user-led organisation. Their skills are assessed as part of the application process to ensure they are appropriate.

Financial review

The charity's financial position at the end of the year ended 31 March 2022

The financial position of the charity at 31 March 2022 and comparatives for the prior period, as more fully detailed in the accounts, can be summarised as follows:-

	2022	2021
	£	£
Net Income	89,044	129,218
Unrestricted Revenue Funds available for the general purposes of the charity	616,338	482,356
Designated Revenue Funds	49,000	93,939
Total Unrestricted Funds	665,338	576,295
Restricted Revenue Funds	8,737	8,737
Total Funds	674,075	585,032

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

Financial review of the position at the reporting date, 31 March 2022 .

The trustees consider the financial performance by the charity during the year to have been satisfactory.

Specific changes in fixed assets are detailed in the notes to the accounts.

Policies on reserves.

The trustees of the Charity review the risks that the organisation is exposed to and ensure that reserves are sufficient to cover all likely eventualities. Designated funds set aside for future use are as follows: £46,000 for staff redundancies; £3,000 to cover additional office move costs in 2022/23.

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to cover at least twelve months overheads to ensure that, i) that support for service users is able to continue in the event of a loss of funding (ii) that we can cover emergencies such as the replacement of IT equipment, or long-term staff sickness resulting in the need to employ additional temporary staff; and (iii) that we can cover staff notice periods and redundancy payments in the event of a winding up of the organisation.

Availability and adequacy of assets of each of the funds

The board of trustees is satisfied that the charity's assets in each fund are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations in respect of each fund.

Independent Examiner

Martin Ives

Member of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants

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Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

Statement of the Directors Trustees's Responsibilities

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Notwithstanding the explicit requirement in the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the SORP 2005, in view of the fact that the SORP 2005 has been withdrawn, the Trustees determined to interpret this responsibility as requiring them to follow current best practice and prepare the accounts according to the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin Issued in February 2016) .

In particular, the Companies Act 2006 and charity law require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The law requires that the trustees must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for the year.

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

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the statutory responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the Trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no material inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

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Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

Method of preparation of accounts - Small company provisions

The financial statements are set out on pages 8 to 22.

The financial statements have been prepared implementing the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016)

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 4 November 2022.



N FRY
Director and Trustee

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the charitable company on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

I report on the financial statements of the charitable company on pages 8 to 22 for the year ended 31 March 2022 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) as modified by FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW), effective January 2015 (The SORP), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 13.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner

As described on page 4, the charitable company's Trustees, who are also the Directors of the Company for the purposes of Company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, applicable to smaller entities, and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view.

The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the memorandum and articles of the charity for the conducting of an audit, and that the accounts do not require an audit in accordance with Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. As a consequence, the Trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under any legal provision, or otherwise, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:-

- a) examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Act;
- b) follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act and;
- c) state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement and scope of work undertaken

I conducted my examination in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, setting out the duties of an Independent Examiner in relation to the conducting of an Independent Examination. An Independent Examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charitable company and of the accounting systems employed by the charitable company and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you, as Trustees, concerning such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of charity legislation and that the financial statements comply with the SORP, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the Trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

I planned and performed my examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the Independent Examination are achieved and before finalising the report I obtained written assurances from the Trustees of all material matters.

Independent Examiner's Statement, Report and Opinion

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of my work as detailed above, in connection with my examination, I can confirm that :-

The accounts of this charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006;

The gross income of the charitable company in the year ended 31 March 2022 appears to exceed the sum specified in Section 145(3) of the Act, namely £250000, and that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner in accordance with that section by virtue of my being a qualified member of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants;

This is a report in respect of an examination carried out under 145 of the Act and in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act which may be applicable;

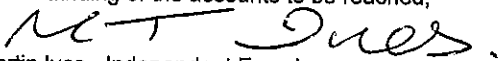
and that no matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements :-

to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and Section 130 of The Charities Act 2011;

to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and The Charities Act 2011 and;

have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles set out in the FRS102 Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (effective January 2016)

have not been met or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in my report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached;


Martin Ives - Independent Examiner

the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants

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This report was signed on 4 November 2022

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2022

Statement of Financial Activities (Including the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2022, as required by the Companies Act 2006)

	SORP Ref	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
		2022 £	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	A1	21,395	-	21,395	29,608
Charitable activities	A2	390,740	71,500	462,240	417,823
Fund raising activities	A3	581	-	581	825
Investments	A4	457	-	457	1,636
Total Income	A	413,173	71,500	484,673	449,892
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	B2	324,129	71,500	395,629	320,674
Total expenditure	B	324,129	71,500	395,629	320,674
Net income for the year		89,044	-	89,044	129,218
Net income after transfers	A-B-C	89,044	-	89,044	129,218
Net movement in funds		89,044	-	89,044	129,218
Reconciliation of funds:-					
Total funds brought forward	E	576,294	8,737	585,031	455,814
Total funds carried forward		665,338	8,737	674,075	585,032

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of income set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the Balance Sheet.

A separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as this statement includes all recognised gains and losses.

All activities derive from continuing operations

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2022

Carers Support (Bexley) - Analysis of prior year total funds, as required by paragraph 4.2 of the SORP

SORP Ref	Prior Year		Prior Year	
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	2021	2021	2021	
	£	£	£	
Income & Endowments from:				
Donations & Legacies	A1	29,608	-	29,608
Charitable activities	A2	320,866	97,157	417,823
Fund raising activities	A3	825	-	825
Investments	A4	1,836	-	1,836
Other	A5	-	-	-
Total Income	A	352,735	97,157	449,892
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	B1	-	-	-
Charitable activities	B2	220,254	100,420	320,674
Other	B3	-	-	-
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	B3	-	-	-
Total expenditure	B	220,254	100,420	320,674
Net gains on investments	B4	-	-	-
Net Income for the year		132,481	(3,263)	129,218
Transfers between funds	C	-	-	-
Net income after transfers		132,481	(3,263)	129,218
Other recognised gains/(losses)		-	-	-
Net movement in funds		132,481	(3,263)	129,218
Reconciliation of funds:-				
Total funds brought forward		443,814	12,000	455,814
Total funds carried forward		576,295	8,737	585,032

All activities derive from continuing operations

A separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as this statement includes all recognised gains and losses.

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2022

Carers Support (Bexley) - Resources applied in the year ended 31 March 2022 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-

	2022 £	2021 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	89,044	129,218
Net resources available to fund charitable activities	89,044	129,218

The resources applied on fixed assets for charity use represents the cost of additions less proceeds of any disposals.

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 March 2022

Revenue accumulated funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Last year Total Funds 2021 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	576,294	8,737	585,031	455,814
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	89,044	-	89,044	129,218
	665,338	8,737	674,075	585,032
Closing revenue funds	665,338	8,737	674,075	585,032

Designated revenue funds included within the unrestricted funds above

	Total Funds 2022 £	Last year Total Funds 2021 £
At 1 April 2021	93,939	97,515
Transfer (to)/from revenue accumulated funds	(44,939)	(3,576)
At 31 March 2022	49,000	93,939

Summary of funds

	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Last Year Total Funds 2021 £
Revenue accumulated funds	616,339	8,736	625,075	491,093
Revenue designated funds	49,000	-	49,000	93,939
Total funds	665,339	8,736	674,075	585,032

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2022

**Carers Support (Bexley)
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2022 as required by the
Companies Act 2006**

	2022 £	2021 £
Income		
Income from operations	484,216	448,256
Investment income		
Interest receivable	457	1,636
Gross Income in the year before exceptional items	<u>484,673</u>	<u>449,892</u>
Gross Income in the year including exceptional items	<u>484,673</u>	<u>449,892</u>
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	393,561	319,117
Depreciation and amortisation	268	357
Governance costs	1,800	1,200
Realised losses on disposals of social investments which are programme related	-	-
Total expenditure in the year	<u>395,629</u>	<u>320,674</u>
Net Income before tax in the financial year	89,044	129,218
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
Net income after tax in the financial year	<u>89,044</u>	<u>129,218</u>
Retained surplus for the financial year	<u>89,044</u>	<u>129,218</u>

All activities derive from continuing operations

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, the headings and subheadings used in the Income and Expenditure account have been adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's activities.

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022

	SORP		2022	2021
	Note	Ref	£	£
Fixed assets		A		
Tangible assets	9	A2	802	1,070
Current assets		B		
Debtors	10	B2	43,924	13,524
Cash at bank and in hand		B4	793,533	702,267
Total current assets			<u>837,457</u>	<u>715,791</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	C1	<u>(184,184)</u>	<u>(131,829)</u>
Net current assets			<u>673,273</u>	<u>583,962</u>
The total net assets of the charity			<u>874,075</u>	<u>585,032</u>

The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-

Restricted funds				
Restricted Revenue Funds	14	D2	8,737	8,737
Unrestricted Funds				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	14	D3	816,338	482,358
Designated Funds				
Designated Revenue Funds	14	D3	49,000	93,939
Total charity funds			<u>674,075</u>	<u>585,032</u>

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of Balance Sheet items as set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the SOFA.

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The charity is subject to Independent Examination under charity legislation, and the report of the Independent Examiner is on page 7.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

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N FRY
Trustee
Approved by the board of trustees on 4 November 2022

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

1 Accounting policies

Policies relating to the production of the accounts.

Basis of preparation and accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2018) and 'FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2018) published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW), effective January 2018, (The SORP), and in accordance with all applicable law in the charity's jurisdiction of registration, except that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2018) in preference to the previous SORP, the SORP 2005, which has been withdrawn, notwithstanding the fact that the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 refer explicitly to the SORP 2005. This has been done to accord with current best practice.

Policies relating to categories of income and income recognition.

Nature of Income

Gross Income represents the value, net of value added tax and discounts, of goods provided to customers and work carried out in respect of services provided to customers.

Categories of Income

Income is categorised as income from exchange transactions (contract income) and income from non-exchange transactions (gifts), investment income and other income.

Income from exchange transactions is received by the charity for goods or services supplied under contract or where entitlement is subject to fulfilling performance related conditions. The income the charity receives is approximately equal in value to the goods or services supplied by the charity to the purchaser.

Income from a non-exchange transaction is where the charity receives value from the donor without providing equal value in exchange, and includes donations of money, goods and services freely given without giving equal value in exchange.

Income recognition

Income, whether from exchange or non exchange transactions, is recognized in the statement of financial activities (SOFA) on a receivable basis, when a transaction or other event results in an increase in the charity's assets or a reduction in its liabilities and only when the charity has legal entitlement, the income is probable and can be measured reliably.

Income subject to terms and conditions which must be met before the charity is entitled to the resources is not recognised until the conditions have been met.

All income is accounted for gross, before deducting any related fees or costs.

Accounting for deferred income and income received in advance

Where terms and conditions relating to income have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether the charity can meet any terms or conditions otherwise within its control, income is not recognised but is deferred as a liability until it is probable that the terms or conditions imposed can be met.

Any grant that is subject to performance-related conditions received in advance of delivering the goods and services required by that condition, or is subject to unmet conditions wholly outside the control of the recipient charity, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. Deferred income is released to income in the reporting period in which the performance-related or other conditions that limit recognition are met.

When income from a grant or donation has not been recognised due to the conditions applying to the gift not being wholly within the control of the recipient charity, it is disclosed as a contingent asset if receipt of the grant or donation is probable once those conditions are met.

Where time related conditions are imposed or implied by a funder, then the income is apportioned to the time periods concerned, and, where applicable, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. When grants are received in advance of the expenditure on the activity funded by them, but there are no specific time related conditions, then the income is not deferred.

Any condition that allows for the recovery by the donor of any unexpended part of a grant does not prevent recognition of the income concerned, but a liability to any repayment is recognised when repayment becomes probable.

Carers Support (Bexley)

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Policies relating to expenditure on goods and services provided to the charity.

Recognition of liabilities and expenditure

A liability, and the related expenditure, is recognised when a legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of a past event, and when it is more likely than not that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and when the amount of the obligation can be measured or reliably estimated.

Liabilities arising from future funding commitments and constructive obligations, including performance related grants, where the timing or the amount of the future expenditure required to settle the obligation are uncertain, give rise to a provision in the accounts, which is reviewed at the accounting year end. The provision is increased to reflect any increases in liabilities, and is decreased by the utilisation of any provision within the period, and reversed if any provision is no longer required. These movements are charged or credited to the respective funds and activities to which the provision relates.

Allocating costs to activities

Direct costs that are specifically related to an activity are allocated to that activity. Shared direct costs and support costs are apportioned between activities.

The basis for apportionment, which is consistently applied, and proportionate to the circumstances, is :-

Staffing - on the basis of time spent in connection with any particular activity.

Staffing - on a per capita basis, based on the number of people employed within any particular activity.

Premises related costs - on the proportion of floor area occupied by a particular activity.

Non specific support costs - on the basis of the usage of resources, in terms of time taken, capacity used, request made or other measures

Estimation techniques used in apportioning costs - give details

Volunteers

In accordance with the SORP, and in recognition of the difficulties in placing a monetary value on the contribution from volunteers, the contribution of volunteers is not included within the income of the charity.

Policies relating to assets, liabilities and provisions and other matters.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and machinery	25 % reducing balance basis
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Debtors

Debtors are measured at their recoverable amounts at the balance sheet date.

Creditors and provisions

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

Financial instruments including cash and bank balances

Cash held by the charity is included at the amount actually held and counted at the year end. Bank balances, whether in credit or overdrawn, are shown at the amounts properly reconciled to the bank statements.

Pensions - defined contribution schemes

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

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2 Liability to taxation

The Trustees consider that the charity satisfies the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by chapter 3 part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively on the specific charitable objects of the charity and for no other purpose. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the charity, and is therefore included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

3 Winding up or dissolution of the charity

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

4 Net surplus before tax in the financial year

	2022	2021
	£	£
The net surplus before tax in the financial year is stated after charging:-		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	268	357

5 Staff costs and emoluments

Salary costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	222,648	196,694
Total salaries, wages and related costs	222,648	196,694

Numbers of full time employees or full time equivalents

	2022	2021
The average number of total staff employed in the year was	17	12

The estimated equivalent number of full time staff deployed in different activities in the year was:-

Engaged on charitable activities	13	9
Engaged on publicity activities	1	1
Engaged on management and administration	3	2
The estimated full time equivalent number of all staff employed as above	17	12

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration from the charity or any related entity, either in the current or prior year.

No employees received emoluments (excluding pension costs) in excess of £80,000 per annum.

6 Defined contribution pension schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme, the costs of which are shown above.

Any liabilities and assets associated with the scheme are shown under debtors and creditors.

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7 Remuneration and payments to Trustees and persons connected with them

No trustees or persons connected with them received any remuneration from the charity, or any related entity.

8 Deferred income - Unrestricted and Designated funds

	Opening Deferrals	Released from prior years	Received less released in year	Deferred at year end
	£	£	£	£
City Bridge Trust	14,125	(14,125)	-	-
Royal Borough of Greenwich	-	-	11,687	11,687
London Borough of Bexley	107,000	-	37,400	144,400
Total	121,125	(14,125)	49,087	158,087
			2022	2021
			£	£
These deferrals are included in creditors			158,087	121,125

The deferrals included in creditors relate to funding specified by the funders as relating to specific periods and represent those parts of unrestricted funds which relate to periods subsequent to the accounting year end and are treated as grants in advance.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant & Machinery	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 April 2021	21,428	21,428
At 31 March 2022	<u>21,428</u>	<u>21,428</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2021	20,358	20,358
Charge for the year	268	268
At 31 March 2022	<u>20,626</u>	<u>20,626</u>
Net book value		
At 31 March 2022	<u>802</u>	<u>802</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>1,070</u>	<u>1,070</u>

10 Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade debtors	15,684	13,524
Other debtors	28,260	-
	<u>43,924</u>	<u>13,524</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	8,094	10,703
Deferred income - Unrestricted & designated funds	156,087	121,125
	<u>164,181</u>	<u>131,828</u>

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12 Income and Expenditure account summary

	2022	2021
	£	£
At 1 April 2021		
Surplus after tax for the year	585,031	455,814
	89,044	129,218
At 31 March 2022	<u>674,075</u>	<u>585,032</u>

13 Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	802	-	-	802
Investments at valuation:-				
Current Assets	779,720	49,000	8,737	837,457
Current Liabilities	(164,184)	-	-	(164,184)
	<u>616,338</u>	<u>49,000</u>	<u>8,737</u>	<u>674,075</u>

At 1 April 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,070	-	-	1,070
Investments at valuation:-				
Current Assets	613,114	93,939	8,738	715,791
Current Liabilities	(131,829)	-	-	(131,829)
	<u>482,355</u>	<u>93,939</u>	<u>8,738</u>	<u>585,032</u>

14 Change in total funds over the year as shown in Note 13, analysed by individual funds

	Funds brought forward from 2021 £	Movement in funds in 2022 See Note 15 £	Transfers between funds in 2022 See Note 16 £	Funds carried forward to 2023 £
Unrestricted and designated funds:-				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	482,354	89,045	44,939	616,338
Designated Revenue Funds	93,939	-	(44,939)	49,000
Total unrestricted and designated funds	<u>576,293</u>	<u>89,045</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>665,338</u>
Restricted funds:-				
Greenwich Charitable Trust	6,237	-	-	6,237
Mercers Trustees	2,500	-	-	2,500
Total restricted funds	<u>8,737</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,737</u>
Total charity funds	<u>585,030</u>	<u>89,045</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>674,075</u>

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15 Analysis of movements in funds over the year as shown in Note 14

	Income	Expenditure	Other Gains & Losses	Movement in funds
	2022	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted and designated funds:-				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	413,173	(324,129)	-	89,044
Restricted funds:-				
Restricted Revenue funds	71,500	(71,500)	-	-
Other				
	484,673	(395,629)	-	89,044

16 Details of transfers between funds in the year as shown in Note 14

	2022 £	2021 £
The transfers shown in note 14 above are:-		
To/(from) Unrestricted Revenue Funds in accordance with the accounting policy 'Accounting for capital grants and fixed asset funds'.	44,939	3,576
To/(from) Designated Revenue Funds	(44,939)	(3,576)
Net transfers	-	-

17 The purposes for which the funds as detailed in note 14 are held by the charity are:-

Unrestricted and designated funds:-	
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	These funds are held for the meeting the objectives of the charity, and to provide reserves for future activities, and, subject to charity legislation, are free from all restrictions on their use.
Designated Revenue Funds	Within designated funds is £46,000 provision for future redundancy payments, £3,000 to cover additional costs in respect of the office move in 2022/23.
Restricted funds:-	
City Bridge Trust	Funds are restricted for use within the Carers Breaks Services in both Bexley and Greenwich.
Greenwich Charitable Trust	Funds carried forward to 2022/23 for Greenwich Volcare
Mercers Company	Funds carried forward to 2022/23 for the In Touch Project (including support groups)

18 Ultimate controlling party

The charity is under the control of its legal members. Every member of the charity is obliged to contribute such amount as may be required not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2022 as required by the SORP 2015

This analysis is classified by conventional nominal descriptions and not by activity.

19 Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Donations and gifts from Individuals				
Small donations (individually less than £1000)	19,285	-	19,285	29,608
Strongman Lodge	2,100	-	2,100	-
Total donations and gifts from individuals	21,395	-	21,395	29,608
Total Donations and Legacies A1	21,395	-	21,395	29,608

20 Income from charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Primary purpose and ancillary trading				
Care fees	49,645	-	49,645	30,066
Total Primary purpose and ancillary trading	49,645	-	49,645	30,066

21 Charitable Income from funders

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Performance related grants from public bodies to fund charitable activities				
London Borough of Bexley	248,700	-	248,700	243,850
Royal Borough of Greenwich	46,751	-	46,751	46,750
Bexley Mencap	8,620	-	8,620	3,600
Greenwich Charitable Trust	-	-	-	6,238
Settle at Home	-	-	-	3,992
Greenwich and Bexley Hospice	37,024	-	37,024	7,227
Skills for Care	-	-	-	1,500
Mercers Trust	-	15,000	15,000	15,000
City of London	-	58,600	58,600	58,100
William Hatcliffe	-	-	-	3,500
William Kendall	-	-	-	-
Total performance related grants from public bodies	341,095	71,600	412,695	387,757
Total Charitable Income from funders	341,095	71,600	412,695	387,757

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22 Total income from charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds £ 2022	Current year Restricted Funds £ 2022	Current year Total Funds £ 2022	Prior Year Total Funds £ 2021	
Total income from charitable activities	49,645	-	49,645	30,066	
Total Charitable Income from funders	341,095	71,500	412,595	387,757	
Total from charitable activities	A2	390,740	71,500	462,240	417,823

23 Income from other, non charitable, trading activities

	2022 Current year Unrestricted Funds £ 2022	2022 Current year Restricted Funds £ 2022	2022 Current year Total Funds £ 2022	2021 Prior Year Total Funds £ 2021	
Income from fundraising events	581	-	581	825	
Total from other activities	A3	581	-	581	825

24 Investment income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds £ 2022	Current year Restricted Funds £ 2022	Current year Total Funds £ 2022	Prior Year Total Funds £ 2021	
Bank Interest Receivable	457	-	457	1,636	
Total Investment Income	A4	457	-	457	1,636

25 Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

	Current year Unrestricted Funds £ 2022	Current year Restricted Funds £ 2022	Current year Total Funds £ 2022	Prior Year Total Funds £ 2021	
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	151,148	71,500	222,648	198,694	
Travel and Subsistence - Charitable Activities	840	-	840	918	
Volunteers' costs	106,864	-	106,864	90,756	
Running costs	31,501	-	31,501	13,030	
Other	8,220	-	8,220	2,750	
Total direct spending	B2a	298,573	71,500	370,073	304,148

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26 Support costs for charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Administrative overheads				
Salaries and wages	23,488	-	23,488	14,970
Financial costs				
Depreciation & Amortisation in total for	268	-	268	357
Support costs before reallocation	23,756	-	23,756	15,327
Total support costs	23,756	-	23,756	15,327

The basis of allocation of costs between activities is described under accounting policies

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27 Other Expenditure - Governance costs

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,800	-	1,800	1,200
Total Governance costs	1,800	-	1,800	1,200

28 Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2022 £	Current year Total Funds 2022 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2021 £
Total direct spending	B2a 298,573	71,500	370,073	304,148
Total support costs	B2d 23,756	-	23,756	15,327
Total Governance costs	B2e 1,800	-	1,800	1,200
Total charitable expenditure	B2 324,129	71,500	395,629	320,675

CARERS' SUPPORT (BEXLEY)

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Carers' Support (Bexley) Annual Report 2020/21

Carers' Support (Bexley) is managed by a Management Committee consisting of volunteers who are directors of the company and trustees of the charity. They are responsible for the overall management of the organisation, determining policy and ensuring that it is implemented by the staff through the Chief Executive. They regularly review potential risks to the organisation and ensure that mitigating actions are undertaken and contingency plans are in place.

Management Committee

Chair	Nicola Fry
Vice Chair	Sally Ellis
Members	Iris Benjafield Alison Cutting Vivien Hill Elisabeth Petchey

Staff Team

Chief Executive	Alison Baker
Respite Team	Margaret Arnold Maria Jenkins Victoria Baker
Information and Support Team :	Felicity Packard Claire Hunt Teresa Parkinson Joanne Flitton Victoria Baker
Office Assistant	Jenny Miller
Support Workers	Kathleen Aje, Stacey Arnold, Lisa Baker, Victoria Baker, Janice Clark, Sarah Collett, Christine Conti, Susan Davenport, Natalie Downs, Tracey Hale, Danita Hooker, James Jenkins, Samantha McMullen, Lynne McVicar, Elaine Meyer, Emma Middlemass, Maureen Puttock, Oscar Lizalda Restrepo, Nicola Wedge, Maxine Weston, Julia Yandle.

Incorporation

Carers' Support (Bexley) is a company limited by guarantee, registration number 3709684 and a registered charity number 1075801.

Governing Document

The organisation is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association in which our objects are stated as: "To relieve physical, mental and material distress amongst the carers of persons who are frail, elderly, disabled, or adults and children with special needs, who live in the London Borough of Bexley and London Borough of Greenwich, by providing flexible home-based respite care, support and information for such carers to assist the carers and their dependents."

Carers' Support (Bexley)

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Carers' Support (Bexley)

Our Vision

At Carers Support (Bexley) our vision is simple; we want to make a real difference to the lives of carers in Bexley and Greenwich. We are committed to tackling the isolation and loneliness that many carers feel by providing information, advice, support, respite and other services to those who dedicate their lives to caring for their loved ones. We pride ourselves in working with carers young and old, and their families, in a positive, responsive, professional and creative way to improve their lives.

...Putting Carers First

Our Values

People First – We recognise and value people as individuals with individual needs and feelings and we are committed to providing flexible and creative services in response. Our focus is on putting people first and treating people how we would wish to be treated. We will be compassionate, warm, polite, empathetic, understanding and approachable at all times.

Respect – We aim to treat everyone with dignity, understanding and respect at all times. We value diversity and embrace peoples differences in the way we work.

Honesty and integrity – We believe that acting with integrity and honesty is integral to our reputation; this means we do what we say we will and deliver our promises. We are open, honest and transparent in the way we work.

Professional – We have a skilled and experienced team of staff and volunteers who are committed to working in a professional way and delivering excellence within all our services. We pride ourselves in having a “can do” attitude where we aim to say “yes” rather than “no” as much as we can.

Valuing Our Staff – We aim to be a good employer, ensuring that all staff and volunteers receive adequate training and support and opportunities for personal development.

Valuing Our Volunteers – We have a dedicated and enthusiastic team of local volunteers who support our work. We are led by a voluntary board who provide direction and leadership to Carers Support (Bexley). We also use volunteers from all over the world within our respite service and we believe that this adds real value, making this service truly unique.

Independence – We value our independence as an organisation whilst recognising that partnership working is essential to our success. We will work in partnership where this enables us to achieve our vision and deliver better services to carers.

Free – We believe that our services should be free to carers wherever possible.

Chair's Foreword

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During the last financial year, April 2020 to March 2021, we have all lived through the unimaginable. A time of great trial during this worldwide Pandemic of Covid-19, a truly life-changing experience, that few of us would ever have believed could happen during our lifetime. Our new reality became Lockdowns, mask wearing, staying at home and keeping our distance from one another, constant handwashing and buckets of hand sanitizer, birthdays and Christmas celebrated through windows; all measures to keep us safe but which were alien to our way of life and social interactions.



For those able to use modern technology Zoom became the new way of meeting. I personally had never heard of Zoom prior to lockdown! But it soon became the new norm. Human beings are very adaptable fortunately.

The emergence of the virus Covid 19 raged through the people of our nation and the world causing death and devastation in its wake. A modern plague which radically altered our way of life forever.

The first Lockdown which began in March 2020, with its attendant rules and legal regulations obviously impacted greatly upon the services which Carers Support were able to offer to our clients. At the beginning of the first Lockdown, it was sadly necessary to suspend our Respite Services, where our volunteers go into people's homes, and our Face to Face Support Groups where people meet and socialize.

It was a time of great turmoil for our staff and CEO Alison Baker, who had to think on their feet and find new and creative ways to offer help and support to Carers. Three of our German respite volunteers decided to return back home (on their government's advice) at the beginning of lockdown, leaving us with nine volunteers. Six of these young people were new to CS(B) and so during this time of closure, their induction and training was undertaken on-line. Three of these nine remaining volunteers reached the end of their time with us during the first few months of lockdown, so returned home.

In June the Respite Service re-opened, but offering a more limited service, abiding by all the Covid regulations in place at the time. Unfortunately, this meant we were unable to offer personal care to clients and so the decision was made to suspend our CQC registration. Staff worked creatively within the guidelines and weekly half day breaks (instead of fortnightly whole day breaks) were offered to those who wanted them. Understandably, many people were unwilling to have a person not of their household to visit, for fear of infection.

Our Information and Advice Service was inundated during this time, with Carers calling for advice and support. Many were finding life even more difficult, than they could ever have imagined, without the welcome respite of their regular break. Staff were able to offer a telephone befriending service, which proved invaluable to those struggling to cope. Staff from our Respite Service moved over to help with this demand, whilst their work was reduced. Everyone pulled together and were extremely flexible in their working pattern. Likewise, our Counselling Service was able to offer fifty-minute counselling sessions over the telephone, to Carers who were really struggling with life, and this proved to be an absolute lifeline. One Carer commented that our service, 'made me feel cared for and supported and worthwhile as a human being'

Welfare Benefits advice continued to be provided, and benefit claim forms completed over the telephone. Staff also delivered fifty "Wellbeing Boxes" full of goodies (provided by Reinstare) to people who were shielding and their Carers, which were very gratefully received.

Some staff on our Support Worker Service had to be furloughed temporarily because their clients cancelled the service, but others continued working throughout, for families who needed them. We are very grateful to all our staff and volunteers who continued to provide support for Carers and the people they care for, even though they had to put themselves at risk to do so.

Our In Touch service offered a telephone befriending service during lockdown and resumed face to face appointments as soon as it was safe to do so. Volunteers held their appointments outside where possible and wore masks and kept the 2m distance. Staff and volunteers also contacted all the people who attended our groups and provided emotional support until such time as groups could open again. In Touch also provided telephone befriending support to people referred to them by Bexley Council, who were having to 'shield' for medical/age reasons, and were feeling extremely lonely and isolated. Whilst not necessarily Carers, it was felt important to be flexible during this time of Pandemic, to offer support where we could.

During a break in lockdowns before Christmas 2020 we were able to trial a meeting of our Dementia Group at Blackfen Library which had enough space to hold the meeting safely. Even so, this proved a great challenge to organise in light of all the Covid regulations and so numbers had to be limited . People who attended these two sessions were very grateful at being able to be with people again and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We also trialled a support group meeting by Zoom, but this medium obviously doesn't suit everybody.

In October 2020, Bexley Council began trialling the 'Adult Social Care (ASC) Pathways (Trusted Assessor) Project, initially for a six month period. This project aims to 'transform Adult Social Care in Bexley'. A consortium of local Voluntary Organisations ("One Bexley") has been formed, which includes Carers Support (Bexley) and is headed by the Greenwich and Bexley Hospice. Our fellow partners are Age UK, BVSC, Mind in Bexley, Bexley Mencap and Crossroads Care South East London. The aim of this initiative is to train staff from voluntary organisations to carry out Adult Social Care Needs Assessments and Carers Assessments and reviews on behalf of the council for families who need them, ideally families already known to the voluntary organisation. It is hoped that this initiative will be extremely beneficial to

Carers as they will be assessed by someone who already knows and understands their needs.

The Pandemic has presented unprecedented challenges to our staff team. The pressure has been immense on each person, to deliver the best available help to Carers (and others) I have always known that Carers' Support is blessed with staff and volunteer team of extraordinarily dedicated and compassionate people, who will always go the extra mile to help. This past year has cemented that knowledge

Many of our staff, volunteers and their families suffered from the Covid infection themselves and this obviously placed an extra burden on staff as they covered for a sick colleague. I really don't have sufficient words to describe my admiration and gratitude for how staff rose to the challenge in this fast-paced, surreal, and ever- changing world that we are all living in, and provided the help they did. The emotional pressure was immense. We were fortunate that with the experience and wisdom of Alison Baker at the helm, Carer's Support was steered through this sea of chaos to calmer waters as life began to open up again.

I'd also like to thank all of our Funders who supported us through this time and were flexible with regard to our meeting service targets.



A big Thank You to all the organisations who have supported us this year:

***The London Borough of Bexley
Bexley Community Housing Association
The William Hatcliffe Foundation
Bexley Clinical Commissioning Group
The William Kendall Foundation
West Kent Provincial Grand Lodge
Bexley Rotary Club***

***The Royal Borough of Greenwich
The Mercer's Company
The City Bridge Trust
Sidcup Rotary Club
Bexley Mayor's "Lets Make a Difference" fund
The Masonic Charitable Foundation
The Greenwich Charitable Trust***

As well as the organisations, our grateful thanks go to all the many individuals, too numerous to mention, who have made personal donations and raised funds for us during the year. Your support is greatly appreciated and not taken for granted.



In Memorium

We would particularly like to thank all the friends and relatives who made donations to Carers' Support (Bexley) in memory of:

***Roger Chase, June Curry,
Jessie Angela Forsdyke, Geoffrey Hayden,
Kathy Poulton***

Our Carers Breaks Service

We unfortunately had to close our Carers Breaks Service for 2 and a half months from April until the middle of June 2020 due to the pandemic. Nevertheless, our volunteers were able to provide support for families in other ways, for example, by getting shopping for them so that they didn't have to risk going out, or by providing emotional support and a listening ear online, or over the telephone.

Some of our volunteers chose to go home to their families at this time, and we were unable to recruit any to replace them immediately as most of our volunteers come from overseas. So we had a reduced service for much of this year. Fortunately our funders, the City Bridge Trust, the London Borough of Bexley and the Royal Borough of Greenwich, were very understanding and allowed us to use some of their funding to provide different types of support for Carers during the year.

We decided to allow our volunteers to start providing breaks for Carers again in June 2020 in response to the demand from some of our clients. They felt that their mental health and that of the person they were caring for was seriously at risk otherwise. Some families still chose not to accept a volunteer into their home because of the risk of infection, and for those families we were able to continue to provide telephone/online support. However, we were able to provide "in person" support for a total of **73** families (**47** in Bexley and **26** in Greenwich). We adapted the service to provide half day, rather than full day breaks, but on a more frequent basis. This enabled the Carer to get some food shopping, or go for a walk/take some exercise, or just to have a lie down in another room and enjoy some of their own space. Most Carers said they could not utilise a full day break at this time as there was nowhere to go and nothing open. A total of **2014** half day breaks were provided in all (**1251** in Bexley and **763** in Greenwich)

We wish to record our thanks to our wonderful staff team and to all the volunteers who worked for us this year

Hwain Song

Juan Sebastian Giraldo Pedroza

Annemei Puschel

Elizabeth Mani

Nilson Morales

Catalina Rengifo

Paula Ortiz Saenz

Hyeku Kim

Emely Matthes

Daniel Cabellero Villapando

Laura Sofia Alfaro Arias

Sthefanny Ruiz

Sooji Jeon

We sent anonymous questionnaires to everyone who used our service this year. Here are some of the responses we received:

83% of carers said that having a break from caring had helped to reduce or prevent feelings of stress.

82% said it had improved their health, wellbeing and quality of life

81% said the service had enabled them to continue to care or helped them to cope better with their caring role.

75% said it had helped to improve the quality of life of the person they care for

86% said it had enabled them to access more leisure activities.

100% said the volunteers' visits were beneficial for the person they care for.
71% described the service as "outstanding" and 29% as "very good"

Comments included:

"Before my husband was diagnosed with dementia, I had a full and active life. It is difficult at times not to feel frustrated that I am unable to continue with hobbies and interests, due to my role as a carer. The volunteers allow me a feeling of freedom to do some activities without the feeling of guilt."

"Enables me to go for more exercise which I think makes me fitter and makes me less stressed, which makes a better quality of life for me. My step-daughter also feels that going out with the volunteer makes her feel better and happier."

"One volunteer encouraged him to start an old hobby of water colouring again. Another volunteer reminded him how to do Sudoku, a puzzle he had loved from earlier times and recently forgotten."

"It is an excellent charitable service, everyone is so considerate and understanding. Very professional from start to finish and the volunteer is an lovely, happy, positive person who has certainly made a difference to our lives."

"We look forward to the volunteers' visits, hearing about their 'adventures' in our country, their traditions etc as well as explaining things to them about our different ways and foods etc. Volunteers have enhanced our lives and given us great memories of their times with us."

"Absolutely outstanding service. Always on time, always happy and respectful."

"I feel the service has always provided a wonderful experience and it's a privilege to build or see a relationship forming between volunteer and cared for person"

The service this year has been funded by the London Borough of Bexley, the Royal Borough of Greenwich, and The City Bridge Trust.



Information, Advice and Support

During the early months of lockdown, we experienced a huge increase in the number of Carers contacting us for information, advice and support. Because our Carers Breaks service was closed at the beginning of the period, the staff employed on that service were able to help out on our Information and Support service in order to meet the demand.

By far the biggest need was for emotional support and someone to talk to. We were unable to hold our support groups Between April and December 2020 but we made sure that we contacted everyone who would normally attend in order to provide support over the telephone where we could. Volunteers helped out as well as staff, contacting the Carers they were usually in touch with as well as additional Carers in need of a listening ear. Plus, we worked with Bexley council to support additional people who were “shielding” and lived alone and were therefore particularly isolated.

In addition, during the first 6 months of the year (April-September 2020) some of our staff were redeployed to assist Bexley Council with a “settle at home” project. The project was aimed at supporting people who were discharged from hospital during lockdown and whose family members were unable to visit to help them with things like shopping and picking up prescriptions (due to Government Covid restrictions).

In October 2020, we were able to take on a new Information and Support Worker, Joanne Flitton, to help with our increased workload. Joanne has concentrated on supporting Carers’ mental health and is managing our “In Touch” volunteer support service (volunteers who provide one to one emotional support for Carers) and our Carers Counselling Service, which we have been able to expand this year thanks to additional grants provided by Bexley Clinical Commissioning Group.

By the time that lockdown restrictions were eased in December 2020, Carers were very keen to get together again. Joanne organised some Christmas “get togethers” for Carers and the people they care for at Blackfen library in early December, but unfortunately we were unable to continue with face to face meetings in the New Year due to lockdown 3. However, Joanne organised some online meetings via “Zoom” in the meantime which were much appreciated by those who were able to benefit from them.

During the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021:

- More than **400** carers have requested and received an information pack and/or a first time subscription to our newsletter for carers, Carers Voice.
- More than 3,500 copies of our newsletter, Carers Voice, have been posted to individual Carers.
- More than **1000** carers have received “one-to-one” information and/or support, via the telephone or a home visit
- **5,024** information and/or support sessions have been provided.
- **325** carers have received welfare benefits advice
- We have actively assisted **106** people to submit benefit claims.

As a direct result of our welfare benefits service, **£348,731** has been raised in additional annual income for carers between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021, and **over £11 million** has been raised since the project started.



“I lost my wife in August this year and my life just fell apart. If I hadn’t had the support from Bexley Carers Support I don’t know what I would have done. Thank you.”

“Thank you so much, I couldn't have got by the past few months without your support, you were the only one who was there for me constantly, I honestly don't feel I would have managed without your help.”

“I tell everyone that Carers' Support phone me; you're the only people that regularly check to see how I am.”

“I am so grateful to Carers Support for your help, It enabled me to continue caring for my husband at home right up until he died. I really didn't want him to go into a care home, and nor did he, but without your support I am not sure that I would have been able to carry on looking after him at home.”

“Thank you so much for all your support, Carers Support has been a 'Rock' to me. A has been an angel. I feel like the waves have parted and the storm has disappeared and now I'm on a calm sea.”

“You have been so helpful; I am so glad you just listened to me.”

Quotes about the counselling service:

“S was great, his counselling methods helped me to rethink about who I am and remember my self-worth. He truly helped and I am grateful.”

"I gained insight into my issues. I learnt a great deal from K and it all added value to my life. She was amazing."

"P was brilliant. He was easy to talk to, which i thought I would have problems with, as I don't like talking about myself."

"Very grateful for S's help and support, he made me feel more positive about life and I am more able to look after the person I care for."

"I just want to pass on my thanks for all the support I was given. I really appreciated it. The service was excellent from the outset."

"I just wanted to say how wonderful S is. He has really got me through lockdown."

We would like to thank our volunteers:

Gabby Grant	Ian Pardoe
Kay West	Vivien O'Neil
Lita Tyler	Julia Nagle
Elizabeth Miller	Tatiana Graham
Bernadette O'Connor	Barbara Cooper
Wendy Ashdown	Nikki Oberman
Chris Dunne	Fiona Verge
Samantha Sollas	Martin Luxford
Vincent Pace	Vivien Hill
Pat Brasier	Pam Sloan
Pat Guard	Gillian Moulton
Della Cremin	Jan Welch
Lesley Snashfold	Ian Mitchell
Chris Copping	Sally Ellis
Debbie Gearey	Sue Burnby
Kathy Aje	Steve Peters
Shelley Bowden	Savio Rodrigues
Alison Harmer	Kremi Smith
Angela Smith	Marissa Miller
Caroline Lewis	Elisabeth Petchey
Rob Rice	

Without whom we could not provide this very valuable service.

Independent Living Scheme

Over the past year, Carers' Support (Bexley) has been able to provide advice, information and support for carers and those they care for to enable them to understand what an Individual budget is, apply for one if they are eligible, and to make the most of their Individual Budget when they get one.

We have also been able to provide “hands on” practical help this year for **11** people (**7** carers and **4** disabled people) to manage their budget and employ their own Personal Assistants (PAs) if they wish to do so.

Our help includes providing a payroll service, HR advice and help, supervision and training for workers, help with interviewing, references, DBS checks, and whatever else the carer or cared for person feels they need.



Who is a Carer?

A carer is someone who, without payment, provides help and support to a partner, child, relative, friend or neighbour, who could not manage without their help. This could be due to age, physical or mental illness, addiction or disability. The term carer should not be confused with a care worker, or care assistant, who receives payment for looking after someone. A young carer is a child or young person under the age of 18 carrying out significant caring tasks and assuming a level of responsibility for another person, which would normally be taken by an adult.

Anyone can become a carer; carers come from all walks of life, all cultures and can be of any age.

Many carers do not consider themselves to be a carer, they are just looking after their mother, son, or best friend, just getting on with it and doing what anyone else would in the same situation.

Carers don't choose to become carers: it just happens and they have to get on with it – if they did not do it, who would and what would happen to the person they care for? (The Carers Trust)

Support Worker Service

We started our Support Worker Service in response to demand from Carers and people with care needs.

The service provides flexible help with things like:

- shopping (either shopping for someone or going shopping with them)
- light housework, laundry, ironing, preparing and serving meals
- company, companionship and ensuring the safety of the person with care needs
- taking the cared for person out and about
- Accompanying them to appointments (eg. with the GP, hospital, optician, etc.)

They do not provide help with personal care, but apart from that they can be flexible around the needs of the carer and person they care for.

All our support workers have been checked by us and have enhanced disclosures from the DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service).

We make a charge for the service, and any surplus we make goes back into funding our free services for carers.

Between April 2020 and March 2021, **21** Support Workers supported more than **100** families.



If you would like to donate to Carers' Support (Bexley) Here's how:

You can donate direct into our bank account using the details below:

Carers' Support (Bexley)

Sort Code: 40-42-01

Account number: 31435531

By Standing Order or cheque:

Download a standing order form and a gift aid form here. If you are a UK taxpayer, we can reclaim the tax if you fill in the gift aid form. Send them or a cheque to us at:

**Carers' Support Bexley,
Crayford Manor House Centre,
Mayplace Road East,
Crayford,
DA1 4HB**

If you would like to leave a gift in your will, please contact us for more information on 0208 302 8011 or email info@carerssupport.org

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info@carerssupport.org**

Company Registration Number - 03709684

The Charity Registration Number is :- 1075801

Carers Support (Bexley)

Report and Accounts

31 March 2021

Carers Support (Bexley)

Report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

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Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021, which also comprises the Directors' Report required by the Companies Act 2006.

Reference and administrative details

The charity name.

The legal name of the charity is:- Carers Support (Bexley)

The charity's areas operation and UK charitable registration.

The charity is registered in England & Wales with the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) with charity number 1075801

Legal structure of the charity

The governing document of the charity is the Memorandum and Articles of Association establishing the company under company legislation.

The Governing Document is dated 08 February 1999

By operation of law, all trustees are directors under the Companies Act 2006 and all directors are trustees under Charities legislation and have responsibilities, as such, under both company and charity legislation.

The trustees are all individuals.

The principal operating address, telephone number, email and web addresses of the charity are:-

Crayford Manor House Centre

Mayplace Road East, Crayford

Kent, DA1 4HB

Telephone 020 8302 8011 Email Address info@carerssupport.org Web address www.carerssupport.org

The registered office of the charity for Companies Act purposes is the same as the operating address shown above

The Trustees in office on the date the report was approved were:-

N Fry

V Hill

I Benjafield

S Ellis

A Cutting

E Petchey

The following persons served as Trustees during the year ended 31 March 2021 :-

N Fry

V Hill

I Benjafield

S Ellis

A Cutting

E Petchey

Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Objects and activities of the charity

The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document.

The main activities undertaken during the year to further the charity's purpose for the public benefit.

A detailed description of the activities of the Charity and the public benefit derived from these activities is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity.

The main achievements and performance of the charity during the year.

A detailed description of the achievements and performance is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

The degree to which the achievements and performance during the year have benefited the beneficiaries of the charity and the wider society.

A detailed description of the achievements and performance is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

Structure, governance and management of the charity

The Charity is governed by the procedures set out in the memorandum and articles of association.

The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees.

The trustees are normally recruited from carers who have used the services of the charity. This meets the charity's aim to be a user-led organisation. Their skills are assessed as part of the application process to ensure they are appropriate.

Financial review

The charity's financial position at the end of the year ended 31 March 2021

The financial position of the charity at 31 March 2021 and comparatives for the prior period, as more fully detailed in the accounts, can be summarised as follows:-

	2021	2020
	£	£
Net income	129,218	33,643
Unrestricted Revenue Funds available for the general purposes of the charity	482,355	346,299
Designated Revenue Funds	93,939	97,515
Total Unrestricted Funds	576,294	443,814
Restricted Revenue Funds	8,738	12,000
Total Funds	585,032	455,814

Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Financial review of the position at the reporting date, 31 March 2021 .

The trustees consider the financial performance by the charity during the year to have been satisfactory.

Specific changes in fixed assets are detailed in the notes to the accounts.

Policies on reserves.

The trustees of the Charity review the risks that the organisation is exposed to and ensure that reserves are sufficient to cover all likely eventualities. Designated funds set aside for future use are as follows: £46,000 for staff redundancies; £41,516 for welfare benefits; £6,424 to cover additional office move costs in 2021.

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to cover at least twelve months overheads to ensure that, i) that support for service users is able to continue in the event of a loss of funding (ii) that we can cover emergencies such as the replacement of IT equipment, or long-term staff sickness resulting in the need to employ additional temporary staff; and (iii) that we can cover staff notice periods and redundancy payments in the event of a winding up of the organisation.

Availability and adequacy of assets of each of the funds

The board of trustees is satisfied that the charity's assets in each fund are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations in respect of each fund.

Independent Examiner

Martin Ives

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Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Statement of the Directors Trustees's Responsibilities

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Notwithstanding the explicit requirement in the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the SORP 2005, in view of the fact that the SORP 2005 has been withdrawn, the Trustees determined to interpret this responsibility as requiring them to follow current best practice and prepare the accounts according to the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) .

In particular, the Companies Act 2006 and charity law require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The law requires that the trustees must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for the year.

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

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the statutory responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the Trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that , on the face of the report, there are no material inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Method of preparation of accounts - Small company provisions

The financial statements are set out on pages 8 to 22.

The financial statements have been prepared implementing the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016)

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 22 September 2021.



N FRY
Director and Trustee

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the charitable company on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

I report on the financial statements of the charitable company on pages 8 to 22 for the year ended 31 March 2021 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) as modified by FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW), effective January 2015 (The SORP), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 13.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner

As described on page 4, the charitable company's Trustees, who are also the Directors of the Company for the purposes of Company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, applicable to smaller entities, and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view.

The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the memorandum and articles of the charity for the conducting of an audit, and that the accounts do not require an audit in accordance with Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to Section 476 of the the Companies Act 2006. As a consequence, the Trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under any legal provision, or otherwise, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:-

- a) examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Act;
- b) follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act and;
- c) state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement and scope of work undertaken

I conducted my examination in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, setting out the duties of an Independent Examiner in relation to the conducting of an Independent Examination. An Independent Examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charitable company and of the accounting systems employed by the charitable company and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you, as Trustees, concerning such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of charity legislation and that the financial statements comply with the SORP, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the Trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

I planned and performed my examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the Independent Examination are achieved and before finalising the report I obtained written assurances from the Trustees of all material matters.

Independent Examiner's Statement, Report and Opinion

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of my work as detailed above , in connection with my examination, I can confirm that :-

The accounts of this charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006;

The gross income of the charitable company in the year ended 31 March 2021 appears to exceed the sum specified in Section 145(3) of the Act, namely £250000, and that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner in accordance with that section by virtue of my being a qualified member of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants;

This is a report in respect of an examination carried out under 145 of the Act and in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act which may be applicable;

and that no matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements :-

to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and Section 130 of The Charities Act 2011;

to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and The Charities Act 2011 and;

have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and and with the methods and principles set out in the FRS102 Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (effective January 2016)

have not been met or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in my report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached;

Martin Ives - Independent Examiner



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This report was signed on 22 September 2021

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

Statement of Financial Activities (including the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2021, as required by the Companies Act 2006)

	SORP Ref	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
		2021 £	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	A1	29,608	-	29,608	25,789
Charitable activities	A2	320,666	97,157	417,823	394,905
Fund raising activities	A3	825	-	825	3,216
Investments	A4	1,636	-	1,636	1,679
Total income	A	352,735	97,157	449,892	425,589
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	B1	-	-	-	4,000
Charitable activities	B2	220,255	100,419	320,674	387,946
Total expenditure	B	220,255	100,419	320,674	391,946
Net income for the year		132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
Net income after transfers	A-B-C	132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
Net movement in funds		132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
Reconciliation of funds:-					
Total funds brought forward	E	443,814	12,000	455,814	422,171
Total funds carried forward		576,294	8,738	585,032	455,814

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of income set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the Balance Sheet.

A separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as this statement includes all recognised gains and losses.

All activities derive from continuing operations

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

Carers Support (Bexley) - Analysis of prior year total funds, as required by paragraph 4.2 of the SORP

	SORP Ref	Prior Year		Prior Year
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		2020 £	2020 £	2020 £
Income & Endowments from:				
Donations & Legacies	A1	25,789	-	25,789
Charitable activities	A2	312,180	82,725	394,905
Fund raising activities	A3	3,216	-	3,216
Investments	A4	1,679	-	1,679
Other	A5	-	-	-
Total income	A	342,864	82,725	425,589
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	B1	4,000	-	4,000
Charitable activities	B2	302,596	85,350	387,946
Other	B3	-	-	-
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	B3	-	-	-
Total expenditure	B	306,596	85,350	391,946
Net gains on investments	B4	-	-	-
Net income for the year		36,268	(2,625)	33,643
Transfers between funds	C	-	-	-
Net income after transfers		36,268	(2,625)	33,643
Other recognised gains/(losses)		-	-	-
Net movement in funds		36,268	(2,625)	33,643
Reconciliation of funds:-				
Total funds brought forward		407,546	14,625	422,171
Total funds carried forward		443,814	12,000	455,814

All activities derive from continuing operations

A separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as this statement includes all recognised gains and losses.'

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

Carers Support (Bexley) - Resources applied in the year ended 31 March 2021 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-

	2021 £	2020 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	129,218	33,643
Net resources available to fund charitable activities	129,218	33,643

The resources applied on fixed assets for charity use represents the cost of additions less proceeds of any disposals.

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 March 2021

Revenue accumulated funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Last year Total Funds 2020 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	443,814	12,000	455,814	422,171
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
	576,294	8,738	585,032	455,814
Closing revenue funds	576,294	8,738	585,032	455,814

Designated revenue funds included within the unrestricted funds above

	Total Funds 2021 £	Last year Total Funds 2020 £
At 1 April 2020	97,515	148,955
Transfer (to)/from revenue accumulated funds	(3,576)	(51,440)
At 31 March 2021	93,939	97,515

The purposes for which these funds have been designated are described in Note 17 to the accounts.

Summary of funds

	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Last Year Total Funds 2020 £
Revenue accumulated funds	482,356	8,737	491,093	358,299
Revenue designated funds	93,939	-	93,939	97,515
Total funds	576,295	8,737	585,032	455,814

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

**Carers Support (Bexley)
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2021 as required by the
Companies Act 2006**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Income		
Income from operations	448,256	423,910
Investment income		
Interest receivable	1,636	1,679
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	449,892	425,589
Gross income in the year including exceptional items	449,892	425,589
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	319,117	385,820
Depreciation and amortisation	357	476
Fundraising costs	-	4,000
Governance costs	1,200	1,650
Realised losses on disposals of social investments which are programme related	-	-
Total expenditure in the year	320,674	391,946
Net income before tax in the financial year	129,218	33,643
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
Net income after tax in the financial year	129,218	33,643
Retained surplus for the financial year	129,218	33,643

All activities derive from continuing operations

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, the headings and subheadings used in the Income and Expenditure account have been adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's activities.

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

	SORP		2021	2020
	Note	Ref	£	£
Fixed assets	A			
Tangible assets	9	A2	1,070	1,427
Current assets	B			
Debtors	10	B2	13,524	38,158
Cash at bank and in hand		B4	702,267	553,901
Total current assets			<u>715,791</u>	<u>592,059</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	C1	<u>(131,829)</u>	<u>(137,672)</u>
Net current assets			<u>583,962</u>	<u>454,387</u>
The total net assets of the charity			<u>585,032</u>	<u>455,814</u>

The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-

Restricted funds				
Restricted Revenue Funds	14	D2	8,737	12,000
Unrestricted Funds				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	14	D3	482,356	346,299
Designated Funds				
Designated Revenue Funds	14	D3	93,939	97,515
Total charity funds			<u>585,032</u>	<u>455,814</u>

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of Balance Sheet items as set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the SOFA..

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The charity is subject to Independent Examination under charity legislation, and the report of the Independent Examiner is on page 7.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.



N FRY
Trustee
Approved by the board of trustees on 22 September 2021

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

1 Accounting policies

Policies relating to the production of the accounts.

Basis of preparation and accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) and 'FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) ,effective January 2016, (The SORP), and in accordance with all applicable law in the charity's jurisdiction of registration, except that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) In preference to the previous SORP, the SORP 2005, which has been withdrawn, notwithstanding the fact that the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 refer explicitly to the SORP 2005. This has been done to accord with current best practice.

Policies relating to categories of income and income recognition.

Nature of income

Gross income represents the value, net of value added tax and discounts, of goods provided to customers and work carried out in respect of services provided to customers.

Categories of Income

Income is categorised as income from exchange transactions (contract income) and income from non-exchange transactions (gifts), investment income and other income.

Income from exchange transactions is received by the charity for goods or services supplied under contract or where entitlement is subject to fulfilling performance related conditions. The income the charity receives is approximately equal in value to the goods or services supplied by the charity to the purchaser.

Income from a non-exchange transaction is where the charity receives value from the donor without providing equal value in exchange, and includes donations of money, goods and services freely given without giving equal value in exchange.

Income recognition

Income, whether from exchange or non exchange transactions, is recognised in the statement of financial activities (SOFA) on a receivable basis, when a transaction or other event results in an increase in the charity's assets or a reduction in its liabilities and only when the charity has legal entitlement, the income is probable and can be measured reliably.

Income subject to terms and conditions which must be met before the charity is entitled to the resources is not recognised until the conditions have been met.

All income is accounted for gross, before deducting any related fees or costs.

Accounting for deferred income and income received in advance

Where terms and conditions relating to income have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether the charity can meet any terms or conditions otherwise within its control, income is not recognised but is deferred as a liability until it is probable that the terms or conditions imposed can be met.

Any grant that is subject to performance-related conditions received in advance of delivering the goods and services required by that condition, or is subject to unmet conditions wholly outside the control of the recipient charity, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. Deferred income is released to income in the reporting period in which the performance-related or other conditions that limit recognition are met.

When income from a grant or donation has not been recognised due to the conditions applying to the gift not being wholly within the control of the recipient charity, it is disclosed as a contingent asset if receipt of the grant or donation is probable once those conditions are met.

Where time related conditions are imposed or implied by a funder, then the income is apportioned to the time periods concerned, and, where applicable, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. When grants are received in advance of the expenditure on the activity funded by them, but there are no specific time related conditions, then the income is not deferred.

Any condition that allows for the recovery by the donor of any unexpended part of a grant does not prevent recognition of the income concerned, but a liability to any repayment is recognised when repayment becomes probable.

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Policies relating to expenditure on goods and services provided to the charity.

Recognition of liabilities and expenditure

A liability, and the related expenditure, is recognised when a legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of a past event, and when it is more likely than not that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and when the amount of the obligation can be measured or reliably estimated.

Liabilities arising from future funding commitments and constructive obligations, including performance related grants, where the timing or the amount of the future expenditure required to settle the obligation are uncertain, give rise to a provision in the accounts, which is reviewed at the accounting year end. The provision is increased to reflect any increases in liabilities, and is decreased by the utilisation of any provision within the period, and reversed if any provision is no longer required. These movements are charged or credited to the respective funds and activities to which the provision relates.

Allocating costs to activities

Direct costs that are specifically related to an activity are allocated to that activity. Shared direct costs and support costs are apportioned between activities.

The basis for apportionment, which is consistently applied, and proportionate to the circumstances, is :-

Staffing - on the basis of time spent in connection with any particular activity.

Staffing - on a per capita basis, based on the number of people employed within any particular activity.

Premises related costs - on the proportion of floor area occupied by a particular activity.

Non specific support costs - on the basis of the usage of resources, in terms of time taken, capacity used, request made or other measures

Estimation techniques used in apportioning costs - give details

Volunteers

In accordance with the SORP, and in recognition of the difficulties in placing a monetary value on the contribution from volunteers, the contribution of volunteers is not included within the income of the charity.

Policies relating to assets, liabilities and provisions and other matters.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and machinery	25 % reducing balance basis
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Debtors

Debtors are measured at their recoverable amounts at the balance sheet date.

Creditors and provisions

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

Financial instruments including cash and bank balances

Cash held by the charity is included at the amount actually held and counted at the year end. Bank balances, whether in credit or overdrawn, are shown at the amounts properly reconciled to the bank statements.

Pensions - defined contribution schemes

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

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2 Liability to taxation

The Trustees consider that the charity satisfies the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by chapter 3 part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively on the specific charitable objects of the charity and for no other purpose. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the charity, and is therefore included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

3 Winding up or dissolution of the charity

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

4 Net surplus before tax in the financial year

	2021	2020
	£	£
The net surplus before tax in the financial year is stated after charging:-		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	357	476

5 Staff costs and emoluments

Salary costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	196,694	197,406
Total salaries, wages and related costs	196,694	197,406

Numbers of full time employees or full time equivalents

	2021	2020
The average number of total staff employed in the year was	12	9

The estimated equivalent number of full time staff deployed in different activities in the year was:-

Engaged on charitable activities	9	7
Engaged on publicity activities	1	1
Engaged on management and administration	2	1
The estimated full time equivalent number of all staff employed as above	12	9

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration from the charity or any related entity, either in the current or prior year.

No employees received emoluments (excluding pension costs) in excess of £60,000 per annum.

6 Defined contribution pension schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme, the costs of which are shown above.

Any liabilities and assets associated with the scheme are shown under debtors and creditors.

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7 Remuneration and payments to Trustees and persons connected with them

No trustees or persons connected with them received any remuneration from the charity, or any related entity.

8 Deferred income - Unrestricted and Designated funds

	Opening Deferrals	Released from prior years	Received less released in year	Deferred at year end	Deferred at year end
	£	£	£	£	£
City Bridge Trust	14,025	14,025	66,200	14,125	14,125
London Borough of Bexley	54,750	54,750	241,350	107,000	107,000
Total	68,775	68,775	297,550	121,125	121,125

	2021	2020
	£	£
These deferrals are included in creditors	121,125	68,775

The deferrals included in creditors relate to funding specified by the funders as relating to specific periods and represent those parts of unrestricted funds which relate to periods subsequent to the accounting year end and are treated as grants in advance.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant & Machinery	Total	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	21,428	21,428	21,428
At 31 March 2021	21,428	21,428	21,428
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2020	20,001	20,001	20,001
Charge for the year	357	357	357
At 31 March 2021	20,358	20,358	20,358
Net book value			
At 31 March 2021	1,070	1,070	1,070
At 31 March 2020	1,427	1,427	1,427

10 Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade debtors	13,524	35,760
Prepayments and accrued income	-	2,398
	13,524	38,158

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals	10,703	68,897
Deferred Income - Unrestricted & designated funds	121,125	68,775
	131,828	137,672

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12 Income and Expenditure account summary

	2021	2020
	£	£
At 1 April 2020	455,814	422,171
Transfers in for the year	-	-
At 1 April 2020	455,814	422,171
Surplus after tax for the year	129,218	33,643
At 31 March 2021	585,032	455,814

13 Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,070	-	-	1,070
Investments at valuation:-				
Current Assets	609,538	97,516	8,737	715,791
Current Liabilities	(131,829)	-	-	(131,829)
	478,779	97,516	8,737	585,032

At 1 April 2020

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,427	-	-	1,427
Investments at valuation:-				
Current Assets	482,544	97,516	12,000	592,059
Current Liabilities	(137,672)	-	-	(137,672)
	346,299	97,515	12,000	455,814

14 Change in total funds over the year as shown in Note 13, analysed by individual funds

	Funds brought forward from 2020 £	Movement in funds in 2021 See Note 15 £	Transfers between funds in 2021 See Note 16 £	Funds carried forward to 2022 £
Unrestricted and designated funds:-				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	346,299	132,481	3,576	482,356
Designated Revenue Funds	97,515	-	(3,576)	93,939
Total unrestricted and designated funds	443,814	132,481	-	576,295
Restricted funds:-				
Garfield Weston	7,500	(7,500)	-	-
William Kendall	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Greenwich Charitable Trust	-	6,237	-	6,237
Mercers Trustee	2,500	-	-	2,500
Total restricted funds	12,000	(3,263)	-	8,737
Total charity funds	455,814	129,218	-	585,032

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15 Analysis of movements in funds over the year as shown in Note 14

	Income	Expenditure	Other Gains & Losses	Movement in funds
	2021	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted and designated funds:-				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	352,735	(220,255)	-	132,480
Restricted funds:-				
Greenwich Hospice	7,227	(7,227)	-	-
Mercers Trustee	15,000	(15,000)	-	-
Bexley Mencap	3,600	(3,600)	-	-
William Hatcliffe	3,500	(3,500)	-	-
City Bridge Trust	56,100	(56,100)	-	-
Greenwich Charitable Trust	6,238	-	-	6,238
Settle at Home	3,992	(3,992)	-	-
Garfield Weston	-	(7,500)	-	(7,500)
William Kendall	-	(2,000)	-	(2,000)
Other	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
	449,892	(320,674)	-	129,218

16 Details of transfers between funds in the year as shown in Note 14

The transfers shown in note 14 above are:-

	2021 £	2020 £
To/(from) Unrestricted Revenue Funds in accordance with the accounting policy 'Accounting for capital grants and fixed asset funds'.	3,576	61,439
To/(from) Designated Revenue Funds	(3,576)	(51,439)
Net transfers	-	-

17 The purposes for which the funds as detailed in note 14 are held by the charity are:-

Unrestricted and designated funds:-

Unrestricted Revenue Funds	These funds are held for the meeting the objectives of the charity, and to provide reserves for future activities, and, subject to charity legislation, are free from all restrictions on their use.
Designated Revenue Funds	Within designated funds is £41,516 for welfare benefits, £46,000 provision for future redundancy payments, £6,424 to cover additional costs in respect of the office move in 2021/22.

Restricted funds:-

City Bridge Trust	Funds are restricted for use within the Carers Breaks Services in both Bexley and Greenwich.
Greenwich Charitable Trust	Funds carried forward to 2021/22 for Greenwich Volcare
Mercers Company	Funds carried forward to 2021/22 for the In Touch Project (including support groups)

18 Ultimate controlling party

The charity is under the control of its legal members.

Every member of the charity is obliged to contribute such amount as may be required not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2021 as required by the SORP 2015

This analysis is classified by conventional nominal descriptions and not by activity.

19 Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts from individuals				
Small donations individually less than £1000	29,608	-	29,608	24,789
Tesco Plc	-	-	-	1,000
Total donations and gifts from individuals	29,608	-	29,608	25,789
Total Donations and Legacies A1	29,608	-	29,608	25,789

20 Income from charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Primary purpose and ancillary trading				
Care fees	30,066	-	30,066	24,534
Total Primary purpose and ancillary trading	30,066	-	30,066	24,534

21 Charitable income from funders

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Performance related grants from public bodies to fund charitable activities				
London Borough of Bexley	243,850	-	243,850	227,126
Royal Borough of Greenwich	46,750	-	46,750	46,750
Bexley Green Points	-	-	-	10,500
Alzheimers Society	-	-	-	3,270
Greenwich Charitable Trust	-	6,238	6,238	-
Settle at Home	-	3,992	3,992	-
Greenwich and Bexley Hospice	-	7,227	7,227	-
Skills for Care	-	1,500	1,500	-
Mercers Trust	-	15,000	15,000	15,000
City of London	-	56,100	56,100	55,725
Garfield Weston	-	-	-	10,000
William Hatchliffe	-	3,500	3,500	-
Bexley Mencap	-	3,600	3,600	-
William Kendall	-	-	-	2,000
Total performance related grants from public bodies	290,600	97,157	387,757	370,371

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2021 as required by the SORP 2015

Total Charitable Income from funders	290,600	97,157	387,757	370,371
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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2021 as required by the SORP 2015

22 Total Income from charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Total income from charitable activities	30,066	-	30,066	24,534
Total Charitable income from funders	290,600	97,157	387,757	370,371
Total from charitable activities	A2	320,666	417,823	394,905

23 Income from other, non charitable, trading activities

	2021 Current year Unrestricted Funds	2021 Current year Restricted Funds	2021 Current year Total Funds	2020 Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Income from fundraising events	825	-	825	3,216
Total from other activities	A3	825	825	3,216

24 Investment income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Bank Interest Receivable	1,636	-	1,636	1,679
Total investment income	A4	1,636	1,636	1,679

25 Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	96,275	100,419	196,694	197,406
Travel and Subsistence - Charitable Activities	918	-	918	2,021
Volunteers' costs	90,756	-	90,756	122,321
Running costs	13,029	-	13,029	37,354
Other	2,750	-	2,750	2,603
Total direct spending	B2a	100,419	304,147	361,705

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2021 as required by the SORP 2015

26 Expenditure on charitable activities- Grant funding of activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Grants made to organisations	-	-	-	10,423
Total grantmaking costs	B2c -	-	-	10,423

Breakdown of Grants made to organisations

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Grants	-	-	-	10,423
	-	-	-	10,423

27 Support costs for charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Administrative overheads				
Salaries and wages	14,970	-	14,970	13,692
Financial costs				
Depreciation & Amortisation in total for	357	-	357	476
Support costs before reallocation	15,327	-	15,327	14,168
Total support costs	15,327	-	15,327	14,168

The basis of allocation of costs between activities is described under accounting policies

Carers Support (Bexley)

Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2021 as required by the SORP 2015

28 Other Expenditure - Governance costs

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,200	-	1,200	1,650
Total Governance costs	1,200	-	1,200	1,650

29 Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Total direct spending	B2a 203,728	100,419	304,147	361,705
Total grantmaking costs	B2c -	-	-	10,423
Total support costs	B2d 15,327	-	15,327	14,168
Total Governance costs	B2e 1,200	-	1,200	1,650
Total charitable expenditure	B2 220,255	100,419	320,674	387,946

30 Expenditure on raising funds and costs of investment management

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Fundraising publicity & marketing	-	-	-	4,000
Total fundraising costs	B1 -	-	-	4,000

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The Charity Registration Number is :- 1075801

Carers Support (Bexley)

Report and Accounts

31 March 2021

Carers Support (Bexley)

Report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

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Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021, which also comprises the Directors' Report required by the Companies Act 2006.

Reference and administrative details

The charity name.

The legal name of the charity is:- Carers Support (Bexley)

The charity's areas operation and UK charitable registration.

The charity is registered in England & Wales with the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) with charity number 1075801

Legal structure of the charity

The governing document of the charity is the Memorandum and Articles of Association establishing the company under company legislation.

The Governing Document is dated 08 February 1999

By operation of law, all trustees are directors under the Companies Act 2006 and all directors are trustees under Charities legislation and have responsibilities, as such, under both company and charity legislation.

The trustees are all individuals.

The principal operating address, telephone number, email and web addresses of the charity are:-

Crayford Manor House Centre
Mayplace Road East, Crayford
Kent, DA1 4HB

Telephone 020 8302 8011 Email Address info@carerssupport.org Web address www.carerssupport.org

The registered office of the charity for Companies Act purposes is the same as the operating address shown above

The Trustees in office on the date the report was approved were:-

N Fry
V Hill
I Benjafield
S Ellis
A Cutting
E Petchey

The following persons served as Trustees during the year ended 31 March 2021 :-

N Fry
V Hill
I Benjafield
S Ellis
A Cutting
E Petchey

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Objects and activities of the charity

The purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document.

The main activities undertaken during the year to further the charity's purpose for the public benefit.

A detailed description of the activities of the Charity and the public benefit derived from these activities is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity.

The main achievements and performance of the charity during the year.

A detailed description of the achievements and performance is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

The degree to which the achievements and performance during the year have benefited the beneficiaries of the charity and the wider society.

A detailed description of the achievements and performance is set out in the full annexed trustees report.

Structure, governance and management of the charity

The Charity is governed by the procedures set out in the memorandum and articles of association.

The methods used to recruit and appoint new charity trustees.

The trustees are normally recruited from carers who have used the services of the charity. This meets the charity's aim to be a user-led organisation. Their skills are assessed as part of the application process to ensure they are appropriate.

Financial review

The charity's financial position at the end of the year ended 31 March 2021

The financial position of the charity at 31 March 2021 and comparatives for the prior period, as more fully detailed in the accounts, can be summarised as follows:-

	2021	2020
	£	£
Net income	129,218	33,643
Unrestricted Revenue Funds available for the general purposes of the charity	482,355	346,299
Designated Revenue Funds	93,939	97,515
Total Unrestricted Funds	576,294	443,814
Restricted Revenue Funds	8,738	12,000
Total Funds	585,032	455,814

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Financial review of the position at the reporting date, 31 March 2021 .

The trustees consider the financial performance by the charity during the year to have been satisfactory.

Specific changes in fixed assets are detailed in the notes to the accounts.

Policies on reserves.

The trustees of the Charity review the risks that the organisation is exposed to and ensure that reserves are sufficient to cover all likely eventualities. Designated funds set aside for future use are as follows: £46,000 for staff redundancies; £41,516 for welfare benefits; £6,424 to cover additional office move costs in 2021.

The trustees aim to maintain unrestricted reserves at a level to cover at least twelve months overheads to ensure that, i) that support for service users is able to continue in the event of a loss of funding (ii) that we can cover emergencies such as the replacement of IT equipment, or long-term staff sickness resulting in the need to employ additional temporary staff; and (iii) that we can cover staff notice periods and redundancy payments in the event of a winding up of the organisation.

Availability and adequacy of assets of each of the funds

The board of trustees is satisfied that the charity's assets in each fund are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations in respect of each fund.

Independent Examiner

Martin Ives

Member of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants

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Carers Support (Bexley)

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Statement of the Directors Trustees's Responsibilities

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Notwithstanding the explicit requirement in the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the SORP 2005, in view of the fact that the SORP 2005 has been withdrawn, the Trustees determined to interpret this responsibility as requiring them to follow current best practice and prepare the accounts according to the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) .

In particular, the Companies Act 2006 and charity law require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- to prepare the accounts in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The law requires that the trustees must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for the year.

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

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the statutory responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the Trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that , on the face of the report, there are no material inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

Carers Support (Bexley)

Company Registration Number - 03709684

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Method of preparation of accounts - Small company provisions

The financial statements are set out on pages 8 to 22.

The financial statements have been prepared implementing the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016)

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 22 September 2021.



N FRY
Director and Trustee

Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of the charitable company on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

I report on the financial statements of the charitable company on pages 8 to 22 for the year ended 31 March 2021 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) as modified by FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) , effective January 2015 (The SORP), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 13.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Independent Examiner

As described on page 4, the charitable company's Trustees, who are also the Directors of the Company for the purposes of Company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice , applicable to smaller entities, and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view.

The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the memorandum and articles of the charity for the conducting of an audit, and that the accounts do not require an audit in accordance with Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to Section 476 of the the Companies Act 2006. As a consequence, the Trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under any legal provision, or otherwise, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:-

- a) examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Act;
- b) follow the procedures in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act and;
- c) state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement and scope of work undertaken

I conducted my examination in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, setting out the duties of an Independent Examiner in relation to the conducting of an Independent Examination. An Independent Examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charitable company and of the accounting systems employed by the charitable company and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you, as Trustees, concerning such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of charity legislation and that the financial statements comply with the SORP, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit , and information supplied by the Trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

I planned and performed my examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the Independent Examination are achieved and before finalising the report I obtained written assurances from the Trustees of all material matters.

Independent Examiner's Statement, Report and Opinion

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of my work as detailed above , in connection with my examination, I can confirm that :-

The accounts of this charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006;

The gross income of the charitable company in the year ended 31 March 2021 appears to exceed the sum specified in Section 145(3) of the Act, namely £250000, and that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner in accordance with that section by virtue of my being a qualified member of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants;

This is a report in respect of an examination carried out under 145 of the Act and in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act which may be applicable;

and that no matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements :-

to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 and Section 130 of The Charities Act 2011;

to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and The Charities Act 2011 and;

have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and and with the methods and principles set out in the FRS102 Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (effective January 2016)

have not been met or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in my report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached;

Martin Ives - Independent Examiner



the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants

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This report was signed on 22 September 2021

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

Statement of Financial Activities (including the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2021, as required by the Companies Act 2006)

	SORP Ref	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
		2021 £	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £
Income & Endowments from:					
Donations & Legacies	A1	29,608	-	29,608	25,789
Charitable activities	A2	320,666	97,157	417,823	394,905
Fund raising activities	A3	825	-	825	3,216
Investments	A4	1,636	-	1,636	1,679
Total income	A	352,735	97,157	449,892	425,589
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	B1	-	-	-	4,000
Charitable activities	B2	220,255	100,419	320,674	387,946
Total expenditure	B	220,255	100,419	320,674	391,946
Net income for the year		132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
Net income after transfers	A-B-C	132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
Net movement in funds		132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
Reconciliation of funds:-					
Total funds brought forward	E	443,814	12,000	455,814	422,171
Total funds carried forward		576,294	8,738	585,032	455,814

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of income set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the Balance Sheet.

A separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as this statement includes all recognised gains and losses.

All activities derive from continuing operations

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

Carers Support (Bexley) - Analysis of prior year total funds, as required by paragraph 4.2 of the SORP

	SORP Ref	Prior Year		Prior Year
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		2020 £	2020 £	2020 £
Income & Endowments from:				
Donations & Legacies	A1	25,789	-	25,789
Charitable activities	A2	312,180	82,725	394,905
Fund raising activities	A3	3,216	-	3,216
Investments	A4	1,679	-	1,679
Other	A5	-	-	-
Total income	A	342,864	82,725	425,589
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	B1	4,000	-	4,000
Charitable activities	B2	302,596	85,350	387,946
Other	B3	-	-	-
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	B3	-	-	-
Total expenditure	B	306,596	85,350	391,946
Net gains on investments	B4	-	-	-
Net income for the year		36,268	(2,625)	33,643
Transfers between funds	C	-	-	-
Net income after transfers		36,268	(2,625)	33,643
Other recognised gains/(losses)		-	-	-
Net movement in funds		36,268	(2,625)	33,643
Reconciliation of funds:-				
Total funds brought forward	E	407,546	14,625	422,171
Total funds carried forward		443,814	12,000	455,814

All activities derive from continuing operations

A separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as this statement includes all recognised gains and losses.'

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

Carers Support (Bexley) - Resources applied in the year ended 31 March 2021 towards fixed assets for Charity use:-

	2021 £	2020 £
Funds generated in the year as detailed in the SOFA	129,218	33,643
Net resources available to fund charitable activities	129,218	33,643

The resources applied on fixed assets for charity use represents the cost of additions less proceeds of any disposals.

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Movements in revenue and capital funds for the year ended 31 March 2021

Revenue accumulated funds

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Last year Total Funds 2020 £
Accumulated funds brought forward	443,814	12,000	455,814	422,171
Recognised gains and losses before transfers	132,480	(3,262)	129,218	33,643
	576,294	8,738	585,032	455,814
Closing revenue funds	576,294	8,738	585,032	455,814

Designated revenue funds included within the unrestricted funds above

	Total Funds 2021 £	Last year Total Funds 2020 £
At 1 April 2020	97,515	148,955
Transfer (to)/from revenue accumulated funds	(3,576)	(51,440)
At 31 March 2021	93,939	97,515

The purposes for which these funds have been designated are described in Note 17 to the accounts.

Summary of funds

	Unrestricted and Designated funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Last Year Total Funds 2020 £
Revenue accumulated funds	482,356	8,737	491,093	358,299
Revenue designated funds	93,939	-	93,939	97,515
Total funds	576,295	8,737	585,032	455,814

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2021

**Carers Support (Bexley)
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2021 as required by the
Companies Act 2006**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Income		
Income from operations	448,256	423,910
Investment income		
Interest receivable	1,636	1,679
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	<u>449,892</u>	<u>425,589</u>
Gross income in the year including exceptional items	<u>449,892</u>	<u>425,589</u>
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	319,117	385,820
Depreciation and amortisation	357	476
Fundraising costs	-	4,000
Governance costs	1,200	1,650
Realised losses on disposals of social investments which are programme related	-	-
Total expenditure in the year	<u>320,674</u>	<u>391,946</u>
Net income before tax in the financial year	129,218	33,643
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities	-	-
Net income after tax in the financial year	<u>129,218</u>	<u>33,643</u>
Retained surplus for the financial year	<u>129,218</u>	<u>33,643</u>

All activities derive from continuing operations

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, the headings and subheadings used in the Income and Expenditure account have been adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's activities.

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley) - Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2021

	SORP		2021	2020
	Note	Ref	£	£
Fixed assets	A			
Tangible assets	9	A2	1,070	1,427
Current assets	B			
Debtors	10	B2	13,524	38,158
Cash at bank and in hand		B4	702,267	553,901
Total current assets			<u>715,791</u>	<u>592,059</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	C1	<u>(131,829)</u>	<u>(137,672)</u>
Net current assets			<u>583,962</u>	<u>454,387</u>
The total net assets of the charity			<u>585,032</u>	<u>455,814</u>

The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-

Restricted funds				
Restricted Revenue Funds	14	D2	8,737	12,000
Unrestricted Funds				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	14	D3	482,356	346,299
Designated Funds				
Designated Revenue Funds	14	D3	93,939	97,515
Total charity funds			<u>585,032</u>	<u>455,814</u>

The 'SORP Ref' indicated above is the classification of Balance Sheet items as set out in the formal SORP documents. As required by paragraph 4.60 of the SORP, the brought forward and carried forward funds above have been agreed to the SOFA..

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The charity is subject to Independent Examination under charity legislation, and the report of the Independent Examiner is on page 7.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.



N FRY
Trustee
Approved by the board of trustees on 22 September 2021

The notes attached on pages 13 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Carers Support (Bexley)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021

1 Accounting policies

Policies relating to the production of the accounts.

Basis of preparation and accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) and 'FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) ,effective January 2016, (The SORP), and in accordance with all applicable law in the charity's jurisdiction of registration, except that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015 (as amended by the Bulletin issued in February 2016) In preference to the previous SORP, the SORP 2005, which has been withdrawn, notwithstanding the fact that the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 refer explicitly to the SORP 2005. This has been done to accord with current best practice.

Policies relating to categories of income and income recognition.

Nature of income

Gross income represents the value, net of value added tax and discounts, of goods provided to customers and work carried out in respect of services provided to customers.

Categories of Income

Income is categorised as income from exchange transactions (contract income) and income from non-exchange transactions (gifts), investment income and other income.

Income from exchange transactions is received by the charity for goods or services supplied under contract or where entitlement is subject to fulfilling performance related conditions. The income the charity receives is approximately equal in value to the goods or services supplied by the charity to the purchaser.

Income from a non-exchange transaction is where the charity receives value from the donor without providing equal value in exchange, and includes donations of money, goods and services freely given without giving equal value in exchange.

Income recognition

Income, whether from exchange or non exchange transactions, is recognised in the statement of financial activities (SOFA) on a receivable basis, when a transaction or other event results in an increase in the charity's assets or a reduction in its liabilities and only when the charity has legal entitlement, the income is probable and can be measured reliably.

Income subject to terms and conditions which must be met before the charity is entitled to the resources is not recognised until the conditions have been met.

All income is accounted for gross, before deducting any related fees or costs.

Accounting for deferred income and income received in advance

Where terms and conditions relating to income have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether the charity can meet any terms or conditions otherwise within its control, income is not recognised but is deferred as a liability until it is probable that the terms or conditions imposed can be met.

Any grant that is subject to performance-related conditions received in advance of delivering the goods and services required by that condition, or is subject to unmet conditions wholly outside the control of the recipient charity, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. Deferred income is released to income in the reporting period in which the performance-related or other conditions that limit recognition are met.

When income from a grant or donation has not been recognised due to the conditions applying to the gift not being wholly within the control of the recipient charity, it is disclosed as a contingent asset if receipt of the grant or donation is probable once those conditions are met.

Where time related conditions are imposed or implied by a funder, then the income is apportioned to the time periods concerned, and, where applicable, is accounted for as a liability and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income. When grants are received in advance of the expenditure on the activity funded by them, but there are no specific time related conditions, then the income is not deferred.

Any condition that allows for the recovery by the donor of any unexpended part of a grant does not prevent recognition of the income concerned, but a liability to any repayment is recognised when repayment becomes probable.

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Policies relating to expenditure on goods and services provided to the charity.

Recognition of liabilities and expenditure

A liability, and the related expenditure, is recognised when a legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of a past event, and when it is more likely than not that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and when the amount of the obligation can be measured or reliably estimated.

Liabilities arising from future funding commitments and constructive obligations, including performance related grants, where the timing or the amount of the future expenditure required to settle the obligation are uncertain, give rise to a provision in the accounts, which is reviewed at the accounting year end. The provision is increased to reflect any increases in liabilities, and is decreased by the utilisation of any provision within the period, and reversed if any provision is no longer required. These movements are charged or credited to the respective funds and activities to which the provision relates.

Allocating costs to activities

Direct costs that are specifically related to an activity are allocated to that activity. Shared direct costs and support costs are apportioned between activities.

The basis for apportionment, which is consistently applied, and proportionate to the circumstances, is :-

Staffing - on the basis of time spent in connection with any particular activity.

Staffing - on a per capita basis, based on the number of people employed within any particular activity.

Premises related costs - on the proportion of floor area occupied by a particular activity.

Non specific support costs - on the basis of the usage of resources, in terms of time taken, capacity used, request made or other measures

Estimation techniques used in apportioning costs - give details

Volunteers

In accordance with the SORP, and in recognition of the difficulties in placing a monetary value on the contribution from volunteers, the contribution of volunteers is not included within the income of the charity.

Policies relating to assets, liabilities and provisions and other matters.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and machinery	25 % reducing balance basis
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Debtors

Debtors are measured at their recoverable amounts at the balance sheet date.

Creditors and provisions

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

Financial instruments including cash and bank balances

Cash held by the charity is included at the amount actually held and counted at the year end. Bank balances, whether in credit or overdrawn, are shown at the amounts properly reconciled to the bank statements.

Pensions - defined contribution schemes

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

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2 Liability to taxation

The Trustees consider that the charity satisfies the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by chapter 3 part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively on the specific charitable objects of the charity and for no other purpose. Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the charity, and is therefore included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

3 Winding up or dissolution of the charity

If upon winding up or dissolution of the charity there remain any assets, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the assets represented by the accumulated fund shall be transferred to some other charitable body or bodies having similar objects to the charity.

4 Net surplus before tax in the financial year

	2021	2020
	£	£
The net surplus before tax in the financial year is stated after charging:-		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	357	476

5 Staff costs and emoluments

<i>Salary costs</i>	2021	2020
	£	£
Gross Salaries excluding trustees and key management personnel	196,694	197,406
Total salaries, wages and related costs	196,694	197,406

<i>Numbers of full time employees or full time equivalents</i>	2021	2020
The average number of total staff employed in the year was	12	9

The estimated equivalent number of full time staff deployed in different activities in the year was:-

Engaged on charitable activities	9	7
Engaged on publicity activities	1	1
Engaged on management and administration	2	1
The estimated full time equivalent number of all staff employed as above	12	9

Neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them have received any remuneration from the charity or any related entity, either in the current or prior year.

No employees received emoluments (excluding pension costs) in excess of £60,000 per annum.

6 Defined contribution pension schemes

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme, the costs of which are shown above.

Any liabilities and assets associated with the scheme are shown under debtors and creditors.

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7 Remuneration and payments to Trustees and persons connected with them

No trustees or persons connected with them received any remuneration from the charity, or any related entity.

8 Deferred income - Unrestricted and Designated funds

	Opening Deferrals	Released from prior years	Received less released in year	Deferred at year end	Deferred at year end
	£	£	£	£	£
City Bridge Trust	14,025	14,025	66,200	14,125	14,125
London Borough of Bexley	54,750	54,750	241,350	107,000	107,000
Total	68,775	68,775	297,550	121,125	121,125

	2021	2020
	£	£
These deferrals are included in creditors	121,125	68,775

The deferrals included in creditors relate to funding specified by the funders as relating to specific periods and represent those parts of unrestricted funds which relate to periods subsequent to the accounting year end and are treated as grants in advance.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant & Machinery	Total	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	21,428	21,428	21,428
At 31 March 2021	21,428	21,428	21,428
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2020	20,001	20,001	20,001
Charge for the year	357	357	357
At 31 March 2021	20,358	20,358	20,358
Net book value			
At 31 March 2021	1,070	1,070	1,070
At 31 March 2020	1,427	1,427	1,427

10 Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade debtors	13,524	35,760
Prepayments and accrued income	-	2,398
	13,524	38,158

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals	10,703	68,897
Deferred Income - Unrestricted & designated funds	121,125	68,775
	131,828	137,672

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12 Income and Expenditure account summary

	2021	2020
	£	£
At 1 April 2020	455,814	422,171
Transfers in for the year	-	-
At 1 April 2020	455,814	422,171
Surplus after tax for the year	129,218	33,643
At 31 March 2021	585,032	455,814

13 Particulars of how particular funds are represented by assets and liabilities

At 31 March 2021

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,070	-	-	1,070
Investments at valuation:-				
Current Assets	609,538	97,516	8,737	715,791
Current Liabilities	(131,829)	-	-	(131,829)
	478,779	97,516	8,737	585,032

At 1 April 2020

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	1,427	-	-	1,427
Investments at valuation:-				
Current Assets	482,544	97,516	12,000	592,059
Current Liabilities	(137,672)	-	-	(137,672)
	346,299	97,515	12,000	455,814

14 Change in total funds over the year as shown in Note 13, analysed by individual funds

	Funds brought forward from 2020 £	Movement in funds in 2021 See Note 15 £	Transfers between funds in 2021 See Note 16 £	Funds carried forward to 2022 £
Unrestricted and designated funds:-				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	346,299	132,481	3,576	482,356
Designated Revenue Funds	97,515	-	(3,576)	93,939
Total unrestricted and designated funds	443,814	132,481	-	576,295
Restricted funds:-				
Garfield Weston	7,500	(7,500)	-	-
William Kendall	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Greenwich Charitable Trust	-	6,237	-	6,237
Mercers Trustee	2,500	-	-	2,500
Total restricted funds	12,000	(3,263)	-	8,737
Total charity funds	455,814	129,218	-	585,032

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15 Analysis of movements in funds over the year as shown in Note 14

	Income	Expenditure	Other Gains & Losses	Movement in funds
	2021	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted and designated funds:-				
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	352,735	(220,255)	-	132,480
Restricted funds:-				
Greenwich Hospice	7,227	(7,227)	-	-
Mercers Trustee	15,000	(15,000)	-	-
Bexley Mencap	3,600	(3,600)	-	-
William Hatcliffe	3,500	(3,500)	-	-
City Bridge Trust	56,100	(56,100)	-	-
Greenwich Charitable Trust	6,238	-	-	6,238
Settle at Home	3,992	(3,992)	-	-
Garfield Weston	-	(7,500)	-	(7,500)
William Kendall	-	(2,000)	-	(2,000)
Other	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
	449,892	(320,674)	-	129,218

16 Details of transfers between funds in the year as shown in Note 14

The transfers shown in note 14 above are:-

	2021 £	2020 £
To/(from) Unrestricted Revenue Funds in accordance with the accounting policy 'Accounting for capital grants and fixed asset funds'.	3,576	61,439
To/(from) Designated Revenue Funds	(3,576)	(51,439)
Net transfers	-	-

17 The purposes for which the funds as detailed in note 14 are held by the charity are:-

Unrestricted and designated funds:-

Unrestricted Revenue Funds	These funds are held for the meeting the objectives of the charity, and to provide reserves for future activities, and, subject to charity legislation, are free from all restrictions on their use.
Designated Revenue Funds	Within designated funds is £41,516 for welfare benefits, £46,000 provision for future redundancy payments, £6,424 to cover additional costs in respect of the office move in 2021/22.

Restricted funds:-

City Bridge Trust	Funds are restricted for use within the Carers Breaks Services in both Bexley and Greenwich.
Greenwich Charitable Trust	Funds carried forward to 2021/22 for Greenwich Volcare
Mercers Company	Funds carried forward to 2021/22 for the In Touch Project (including support groups)

18 Ultimate controlling party

The charity is under the control of its legal members.

Every member of the charity is obliged to contribute such amount as may be required not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member.

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This analysis is classified by conventional nominal descriptions and not by activity.

19 Donations and Legacies

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts from individuals				
Small donations individually less than £1000	29,608	-	29,608	24,789
Tesco Plc	-	-	-	1,000
Total donations and gifts from individuals	29,608	-	29,608	25,789
Total Donations and Legacies A1	29,608	-	29,608	25,789

20 Income from charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Primary purpose and ancillary trading				
Care fees	30,066	-	30,066	24,534
Total Primary purpose and ancillary trading	30,066	-	30,066	24,534

21 Charitable income from funders

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Performance related grants from public bodies to fund charitable activities				
London Borough of Bexley	243,850	-	243,850	227,126
Royal Borough of Greenwich	46,750	-	46,750	46,750
Bexley Green Points	-	-	-	10,500
Alzheimers Society	-	-	-	3,270
Greenwich Charitable Trust	-	6,238	6,238	-
Settle at Home	-	3,992	3,992	-
Greenwich and Bexley Hospice	-	7,227	7,227	-
Skills for Care	-	1,500	1,500	-
Mercers Trust	-	15,000	15,000	15,000
City of London	-	56,100	56,100	55,725
Garfield Weston	-	-	-	10,000
William Hatchcliffe	-	3,500	3,500	-
Bexley Mencap	-	3,600	3,600	-
William Kendall	-	-	-	2,000
Total performance related grants from public bodies	290,600	97,157	387,757	370,371

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Total Charitable Income from funders	290,600	97,157	387,757	370,371
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22 Total Income from charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Total income from charitable activities	30,066	-	30,066	24,534
Total Charitable income from funders	290,600	97,157	387,757	370,371
Total from charitable activities	A2 320,666	97,157	417,823	394,905

23 Income from other, non charitable, trading activities

	2021 Current year Unrestricted Funds	2021 Current year Restricted Funds	2021 Current year Total Funds	2020 Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Income from fundraising events	825	-	825	3,216
Total from other activities	A3 825	-	825	3,216

24 Investment income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Bank Interest Receivable	1,636	-	1,636	1,679
Total investment income	A4 1,636	-	1,636	1,679

25 Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2021	£ 2020
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	96,275	100,419	196,694	197,406
Travel and Subsistence - Charitable Activities	918	-	918	2,021
Volunteers' costs	90,756	-	90,756	122,321
Running costs	13,029	-	13,029	37,354
Other	2,750	-	2,750	2,603
Total direct spending	B2a 203,728	100,419	304,147	361,705

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26 Expenditure on charitable activities- Grant funding of activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Grants made to organisations	-	-	-	10,423
Total grantmaking costs	B2c -	-	-	10,423

Breakdown of Grants made to organisations

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Grants	-	-	-	10,423
	-	-	-	10,423

27 Support costs for charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Administrative overheads				
Salaries and wages	14,970	-	14,970	13,692
Financial costs				
Depreciation & Amortisation in total for	357	-	357	476
Support costs before reallocation	15,327	-	15,327	14,168
Total support costs	15,327	-	15,327	14,168

The basis of allocation of costs between activities is described under accounting policies

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28 Other Expenditure - Governance costs

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Independent Examiner's fees	1,200	-	1,200	1,650
Total Governance costs	1,200	-	1,200	1,650

29 Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Total direct spending	B2a 203,728	100,419	304,147	361,705
Total grantmaking costs	B2c -	-	-	10,423
Total support costs	B2d 15,327	-	15,327	14,168
Total Governance costs	B2e 1,200	-	1,200	1,650
Total charitable expenditure	B2 220,255	100,419	320,674	387,946

30 Expenditure on raising funds and costs of investment management

	Current year Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Restricted Funds 2021 £	Current year Total Funds 2021 £	Prior Year Total Funds 2020 £
Fundraising publicity & marketing	-	-	-	4,000
Total fundraising costs	B1 -	-	-	4,000

