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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1078963

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
FOR
ABERCONWY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (the FRSSE) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The trustees are satisfied that the objectives of the charity as set out in the company's memorandum of association are for the public benefit as defined in the Charities Act 2006.

The relief of physical and mental distress by providing emotional and practical support to any persons who are experiencing physical, mental or sexual abuse, in particular but not exclusively, by providing temporary suitable refuge, on request, for women and their children who are experiencing such abuse.

The full report of the activities and review of the year are contained in the annual report which is issued in conjunction with the financial report. A summary is as follows:

During the year the charitable company continued to provide information and support to victims and their children who have experience of domestic abuse, both within the community, at the 'One Stop Shop', and at the refuge.

This year our counselling department has continued to grow, after successful funding applications to the Lotteries fund, as well as Gwynt y Mor fund and CAADA/Home Office funding. The department provides services to adult, children and young people and aims to keep waiting times short so that service users obtain the help they need quickly. We believe in partnership working so this much needed resource is open to other relevant domestic abuse recovery agencies.

The charitable company continued to promote the aims and objectives of the charity by raising awareness of issues surrounding domestic violence, by liaising with statutory and voluntary agencies, by leaflet and poster distribution to the local media and community. We continue to raise public awareness raising and are also part of the Ask and Act training which "ensures relevant professionals are trained to provide effective, timely and appropriate responses to victims and survivors [of domestic abuse]". Fundraising has continued in order to financially support additional benefits for the service users.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Long-term aim

The charity continues to be mindful of possible funding difficulties in light of the local authorities funding constraints. The charity will continue to provide the optimum service to users of the One Stop Shop' domestic abuse information centre, and will continue its high standard of care and support to outreach service users and those residing at the refuge facility.

The charity endeavours to meet the Aims and Objectives of the company but also recognises that there is a need to identify additional funding to enhance the outreach and 'One Stop Shop' service to people in the community and will seek to identify funding to provide dispersed units in the community for the purpose of providing Move On accommodation to those ready to leave refuge but still waiting for a permanent tenancy.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

Any surplus funds are retained in bank deposit accounts. At 31 March 2024 the value of the charitable Company's bank accounts stood at £206,058, and total reserves were £636,686. Included in total reserves is an amount of £382,247 relating to property owned by the company on Glyn Y Marl Road, Llandudno Junction. The Welsh Assembly Government have the right to purchase the property back for £1 should the company cease trading or vacate the property (see Note 10). Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association the charity has the power to apply any surpluses to create a general reserve for the continuation and development of the charity.

This is maintained at a level sufficient for the following purposes in accordance with the aims and objectives of the charity: -

- i) To cover three months running costs
- ii) To cover any redundancies
- iii) To provide a fund for any potential clawbacks from fund providers.

This reserve is monitored and maintained by the trustees on a regular basis.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee and is therefore governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Trustees are invited to the board on skills assessment requirement, which reflect the diverse nature of the work Aberconwy Domestic Abuse Service carries out. The charity provides temporary crisis accommodation, information on housing and benefits, legal and children's residency, employment and advocacy and training and disability rights. Therefore the directors have skills within the above areas.

Trustees are invited from relevant sectors -

Solicitor - family law and employment.

Welsh Assembly Government - funding and housing.

Housing Association, housing officer.

Perinatal Health Visitor specialises in supporting the mental health and wellbeing of families during pregnancy and after birth.

All Trustees step down every three years. They can then be nominated to stand again.

The charity's trustees oversee the financial and strategic development of the group. The day to day management of the charity is carried out by our management committee, which is made up of paid workers and volunteers. The group operates as a collective.

Related parties

Due to the nature of the charity's operations and the composition of the board of trustees it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest. All transactions with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest are conducted at arm's length.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

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Registered Charity number

1078963

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

Registered office

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Trustees

Mr P B Kentish (Treasurer) Solicitor
Mr G Jones OBE Councillor
Mrs D Carroll (Chair) Solicitor
Mr G Jones Housing Officer
Mr J G Hendron (Secretary) Solicitor
Mrs S Goodey Health (appointed 27.5.23)

Independent Examiner

Williams Denton Cyf
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:



Mr P B Kentish (Treasurer) - Trustee

9/12/2024

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
ABERCONWY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Aberconwy Domestic Abuse Service ('the Company')

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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



Martin Barrett FCCA

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Date: 9/12/2024

ABERCONWY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		1,800	-	1,800	1,800
Charitable activities					
Providing sheltered accommodation and support		272,005	55,629	327,634	270,704
Investment income	2	766	-	766	133
Total		274,571	55,629	330,200	272,637
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	7,463	278	7,741	8,583
Charitable activities					
Providing sheltered accommodation and support		270,053	52,338	322,391	236,055
Total		277,516	52,616	330,132	244,638
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
Transfers between funds	12	(2,945) (102)	3,013 102	68 -	27,999 -
Net movement in funds		(3,047)	3,115	68	27,999
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		311,529	325,089	636,618	608,619
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		308,482	328,204	636,686	636,618

The notes form part of these financial statements

ABERCONWY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

**BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	92,689	314,076	406,765	413,250
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	1,268	30,516	31,784	5,866
Cash at bank and in hand		218,217	14,133	232,350	225,553
		219,485	44,649	264,134	231,419
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(3,692)	(30,521)	(34,213)	(8,051)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		215,793	14,128	229,921	223,368
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		308,482	328,204	636,686	636,618
NET ASSETS		308,482	328,204	636,686	636,618
FUNDS	12				
Unrestricted funds				308,482	311,529
Restricted funds				328,204	325,089
TOTAL FUNDS				636,686	636,618

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

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

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

The notes form part of these financial statements

ABERCONWY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 MARCH 2024

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

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

D. Carroll
Mrs D Carroll (Chair) - Trustee

P B Kentish
Mr P B Kentish (Treasurer) - Trustee

9/12/2024

The notes form part of these financial statements

ABERCONWY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

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

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The costs of minor additions are not capitalised.

Depreciation is charged at 20% per annum on NBV on fixtures and fittings.

Improvements carried out at Heulwen during 2015 and the refuge playground are depreciated over 20 years.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

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

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank interest	766	133

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2024	2023
	£	£
Support costs	7,741	8,583

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	7,743	8,582

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	2024	2023
	6	5

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

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	1,800	-	1,800
Charitable activities			
Providing sheltered accommodation and support	254,060	16,644	270,704
Investment income	133	-	133
Total	<u>255,993</u>	<u>16,644</u>	<u>272,637</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	8,354	229	8,583
Charitable activities			
Providing sheltered accommodation and support	223,915	12,140	236,055
Total	<u>232,269</u>	<u>12,369</u>	<u>244,638</u>
NET INCOME			
Transfers between funds	23,724 (129)	4,275 129	27,999 -
Net movement in funds	23,595	4,404	27,999
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	287,934	320,685	608,619
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>311,529</u>	<u>325,089</u>	<u>636,618</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1 April 2023	410,494	20,109	53,352	24,234	508,189
Additions	-	-	1,258	-	1,258
At 31 March 2024	410,494	20,109	54,610	24,234	509,447
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 April 2023	25,422	20,057	30,373	19,087	94,939
Charge for year	2,825	11	3,420	1,487	7,743
At 31 March 2024	28,247	20,068	33,793	20,574	102,682
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 March 2024	382,247	41	20,817	3,660	406,765
At 31 March 2023	385,072	52	22,979	5,147	413,250

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	30,516	4,644
Prepayments	1,268	1,222
	31,784	5,866

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 11)	25,797	4,649
Trade creditors	4,725	-
Accrued expenses	3,691	3,402
	34,213	8,051

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