

2024-2025

Stockport Without Abuse Ltd

**Report and financial statements
For the year ended 31 March 2025**



Reference and administrative information for the year ended 31 March 2025

Company number 3890735
Charity number 1079291

Registered office and operational address

Beehive Mill, Jersey Street, Manchester M4 6JG

Trustees

Trustees, who are also directors under company law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

Janet Flynn	Chair	
Susan Gledhill	Deputy Chair	
	Company Secretary	Appointed 27 January 2025
Julie Isted	Company Secretary	Resigned 31 December 2024
Katharine Barker	Treasurer	
Julia Bowden		
Lucy Eatough		
Lynda Dodd		
Susan Westwood		
Sandra Burke		Appointed 20 May 2024

Key management Personnel:

Samantha Higginbottom	
Amy Gough	Resigned 04 October 2024
Jessica Mills	
Zara Hasan	Resigned 28 February 2025

Bankers

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Independent examiner

Jennifer Daniel FCCA DChA, Slade & Cooper Limited
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Objectives and Activities

The board of trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

Reference and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

Stockport Without Abuse (SWA) believes that everyone has a right to live in safety and to have a future without fear of Domestic Abuse.

SWA's overall aim is to provide support for our service users, through specialist interventions to facilitate their journey to safe independent living and to provide education, awareness and prevention services across the borough of Stockport.

The company's objects and principal activities are:

- To provide temporary safe accommodation in the form of refuge and dispersed property accommodation for women, men and their children who have left home due to domestic violence and abuse.
- To provide emotional and practical support, safeguarding interventions, information, advice and advocacy to women, children and men affected by domestic violence and abuse living in the community and in the Refuge
- To raise awareness, educate and inform public opinion and to provide advice and information in furtherance of the above

Activities undertaken for public benefit in relation to objects

The trustees review the aims, objectives and activities of the charity each year. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period. The trustees report the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to those groups of people that it is set up to help. The review also helps the trustees ensure the charity's aims, objectives and activities remain focused on its stated purposes.

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

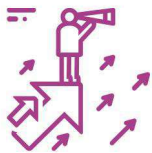
Serving as the leading agency for domestic abuse safeguarding and support in Stockport, SWA is at the forefront of delivering a diverse array of responsive services to address the complex and evolving needs of domestic abuse victims and their children.



Our Vision, Mission and Aims

Stockport Without Abuse is a local charity and the largest domestic abuse organisation in Stockport.

For 50 years we have grown considerably and developed a whole range of services.



Our Vision

We believe that everyone has the right to live in safety and have a future without fear of domestic abuse.



Our Mission

Prevention through education and awareness.

Protection and Support to individuals and their families affected by domestic abuse.

Empowerment of victims to increase their resilience and regain lifelong independence.



Our Aims

To provide a range of targeted services to support our clients and their children at any stage in their journey to lifelong independence.

To work with other organisations to provide a coordinated support network for our clients and their families.

To work with local organisations to engage with wider audiences to help increase public awareness of respectful relationships.

SWA delivers a range of targeted services across the spectrum of need for domestic abuse including services for adults, children, accommodation and health based interventions.

Our Values

Integrity

- We are committed to change, working with courage, passion and professionalism
- We strive to create a reliable and positive space for clients, colleagues and partnerships alike
- We act with transparency and take accountability and create an open and honest environment in which our clients can trust



Innovative

- We use a trauma informed approach to positively impact future outcomes
- We engage clients, colleagues and partnerships to learn and deliver bespoke services through their views and voices
- We reflect on the relevance of our services in order to be transformative and progressive



Unity

- We strive to create a workplace environment that feels like a family, where every member is valued, supported and connected
- We aim for a common vision and collaborate seamlessly, leveraging others perspectives to achieve our goals
- We strive to promote happiness, build a supportive community and to inspire and motivate each other to create a positive atmosphere to break the cycle of abuse



All-Embracing

- We treat our clients, our partnerships and each other with respect
- We create an inclusive environment where all diversity is celebrated
- We seek constant feedback to ensure best quality service is offered at all times



Compassionate

- We use compassion and empathy to care for, protect and empower our clients, ourselves and our partnerships
- We encourage others to build resilience, offering hope for a life without fear and a brighter, safer future



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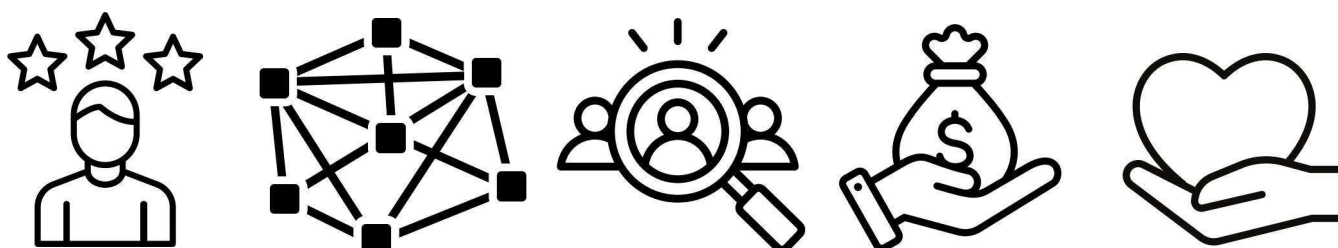
Throughout the reporting period 2024–2025, the organisation’s primary objectives and activities remained firmly focused on delivering tailored, specialist support to adults and children affected by domestic abuse across Stockport. SWA continued to respond to a wide spectrum of need, recognising the complex and often intersecting risks faced by victims, including high-risk harm, safeguarding concerns, health inequalities, trauma, and barriers to engagement with statutory systems.

Core services during the year prioritised holistic safety planning, advocacy, and trauma-informed support, underpinned by robust safeguarding practice and partnership working. Alongside direct service delivery, SWA maintained a strong commitment to prevention, education, and system influence, working across community, health, social care, and education settings to strengthen local responses to domestic abuse and improve outcomes for victims and children.

The year 2024–2025 was characterised by sustained and significant demand, particularly within high-risk and complex casework. Referral volumes remained consistently high, with increasing acuity and complexity, reflecting national trends and local pressures. This was further compounded by continued uncertainty within the commissioning and funding landscape, workforce challenges linked to the national recruitment and retention crisis, and the ongoing impact of the cost-of-living crisis on families accessing support.

During the period, SWA also navigated a changing local service context, including the decommissioning or planned withdrawal of some specialist provision across the borough. This placed additional pressure on existing services and required careful management of capacity, risk, and partnership arrangements. In response, the charity undertook targeted service redesign, strengthened internal systems and processes, and invested in data, governance, and leadership capacity to ensure services remained safe, effective, and responsive.

Despite these challenges, SWA continued to demonstrate resilience and adaptability. The organisation consolidated its role as a trusted specialist provider, sustained delivery across all core services, and identified opportunities for service development, innovation, and longer-term sustainability. Throughout the year, the focus remained on balancing immediate risk management with longer-term recovery, ensuring that victims and children received consistent, high-quality support within an increasingly complex operating environment.



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Service Overview

Self-Contained Temporary Accommodation

Refuge:

Our refuge accommodation offers support and safety to single women and families, and can accommodate 9 families and 4 single women with some shared facilities to support victims and children fleeing from domestic abuse.

Dispersed property:

SWA has two dispersed properties (two-bedroom houses) in the community to provide additional safe and temporary accommodation for all victims fleeing from domestic abuse regardless of gender.

Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council commission a complex safeguarding caseworker to provide enhanced risk management and safety planning to individuals fleeing abuse and residing within our accommodation.

Independent Domestic Violence Advisory (IDVA) Service

SWA consistently upholds its commitment to providing the Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) service commissioned by Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council. Operating within a robust multi-agency framework, the IDVA team plays a pivotal role in safeguarding the most vulnerable and high-risk clients in Stockport, identified as at serious risk of harm or homicide. As integral partners in the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC), the IDVAs collaborate closely with victims and partners to craft and implement Individualised Safety and Support Plans. These comprehensive plans encompass legal protective measures, safeguarding strategies, housing provisions, and considerations for wellbeing and recovery. The IDVA service exemplifies proactive, bespoke support, navigating the complexities of multi-agency collaboration and setting a notable standard for effective safeguarding practices in Stockport.

Specialist IDVAs:

SWA has been commissioned throughout 2024-2025 to deliver a number of specialist IDVA posts including Hospital IDVAs and a Stalking and Harassment IDVA. These posts provide a specialised service of support, safety planning and advocacy to clients identified in those areas and also provide awareness raising and campaigning for change in relation to their specialist areas.



Activities undertaken for public benefit in relation to objects

Service Overview

Complex DA Worker:

Due to the complexity of domestic abuse across the period, SWA were successful in securing funding through Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council to provide a complex domestic abuse service to clients presenting with multiple disadvantages. The support delivered by the practitioner includes reducing barriers to access to services, unique, creative and proactive engagement methods and working towards a holistic support and safety plan to reduce repeated presentations and reducing the risk of escalation. This will include engaging with a range of multi-agency partners to build collaborative harm reduction support plan.

Stalking and Harassment IDVA (SHIDVA):

The SHIDVA continued to deliver specialist support to victims of stalking and harassment throughout 2024-2025. The role provided expert risk assessment, intensive safety planning, and close multi-agency coordination including with police, criminal justice partners, and specialist stalking services. The SHIDVA service contributed to improved identification of stalking behaviours and supported victims through civil and criminal processes.

Male Domestic Abuse Worker:

The bespoke service for male victims, funded by Greater Manchester Combined Authority, continued throughout 2024-2025. The Male Domestic Abuse Worker delivered targeted outreach, community drop-ins and awareness activity, improving visibility of support for male victims and increasing the number of referrals, including high-risk cases.

Children and Young People (CYP) Services:

SWA's CYP Prevention Service, funded by Stockport Council, delivered workshops and group sessions in schools. Me2 workshops engaged Key Stage 2 classes on healthy relationships and emotional resilience, while targeted group sessions supported children with domestic abuse experiences.

The REACH programme, co-delivered with Stockport Council's Sex and Relationships Education Team, supported secondary students over eight weeks, focusing on body image, healthy relationships, consent, online safety, and sexual health.

In refuge and dispersed properties, the CYP Refuge Caseworker provided therapeutic 1:1 support to help children process emotions, feel safe, and transition into new schools.

Awareness Raising, Prevention, and Social Policy:

SWA raises domestic abuse awareness through public and professional campaigns and active participation in local and national initiatives. As a key member of the Stockport Domestic Abuse Partnership Board and Operational Group, SWA contributes to shaping strategies and enhancing integrated services across Stockport and Greater Manchester.



Partnerships and Donors

Stockport Without Abuse has been gratefully supported through a number of funding sources this year to enable them to continue their mission. SWA has also been supported in developing and continuing partnerships with organisations across the borough. Special thanks are given to the partners and supporters:



SWA would also like to thank:

- Stockport Educational Psychology Service
- Stockport Lamplighter Rotary Club
- Hazel Grove Inner Wheel
- MU Fellowship Group, St. Martin's Parish Church, Marple Bridge
- Great Moor and District WI
- Marple & District WI
- Stockport Humanists
- Heaton Moor United Church
- Claire Randle and Johanna Wild, High Lane Village WI
- Andrea
- Stockport School
- kTech Manufacturing
- St Martin's Church Low Marple
- Vernon Lodge and Cheshire Freemasons
- The Rolling Scones WI
- Edgeley Community Church
- Cheshire Federation of WI's

We also extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who have chosen to remain anonymous.

Your generous support is deeply appreciated.



Achievements Performance and Beneficiaries

Performance Summary and overview data from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Throughout the reporting period, SWA sustained its commitment to delivering essential services to adults and children across a wide range of needs and risks, using a client-centred and holistic approach. During 2024-2025, the organisation continued to develop and maintain strategic partnerships to enhance service delivery, including work with Stockport Homes to support children living in temporary accommodation, alongside locally commissioned funding from Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council to support individuals needing to flee domestic abuse and to access safe accommodation and resettlement support. Additional targeted funding enabled SWA to respond to the ongoing impact of the cost-of-living crisis on victims and families.

This work was supported by a mixed portfolio of statutory and charitable funding, including contributions from Greater Manchester Combined Authority, Masonic Charitable Foundation, Garfield Weston Foundation, Stockport NHS Foundation Trust, The Leathersellers' Foundation, and other trusts and foundations. This collective support enabled SWA to adapt services in response to sustained demand and increasing complexity, while maintaining a strong focus on safeguarding, staff wellbeing, and service quality. Together, these partnerships and funding streams played a vital role in supporting the safety and wellbeing of victims, children, and staff, and demonstrated the organisation's resilience and adaptability during a challenging operating year.



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Performance Summary and overview data from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Refuge and Dispersed Properties:

Referrals to refuge are received when a vacancy is available. Although we received 177 requests for refuge accommodation over the period and processed 89 client referrals, only 27 victims were able to be accommodated demonstrating the need for additional accommodation. All victims moving into accommodation received ongoing risk management and individualised safety and support planning.

The children's workers worked with both children in the refuge and children in dispersed properties to support with creative activities to support their recovery from domestic abuse, improve their resilience and support their understanding of safety, emotions and socialisation.

A total of 485 sessions were delivered to children and families throughout the period.



Feedback from beneficiaries:

"I can't thank the refuge staff enough. You were there when we really needed you, and you stuck around. I may have different views from others, but I genuinely can't fault the staff. Thank you so much."

*"Thank you for all your help
You have given me confidence
I appreciate you"*



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Performance Summary and overview data from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

IDVA support:

During 2024-2025, the IDVA service continued to experience sustained high demand, with 911 high-risk referrals received, an increase on the previous year and significantly higher than pre-pandemic levels. This reflected wider pressures across the local domestic abuse system, where demand continued to outstrip capacity in several areas of provision.

IDVAs worked intensively with victims to implement enhanced safety planning, risk management and coordinated support, including access to criminal and civil justice remedies aimed at reducing risk and preventing further abuse. The service supported clients through a range of safeguarding processes, with a continued focus on improving safety and outcomes for victims and their children.

Throughout the year, the service operated in a challenging context of increasing case complexity, workforce pressure and capacity constraints. High demand, combined with waiting lists across parts of the wider system, required careful prioritisation of high-risk cases and close multi-agency working to manage risk effectively. These pressures also highlighted the importance of staff wellbeing, supervision and support within a demanding operational environment.

Partnership working remained central to the delivery of the IDVA service during the year, with close collaboration between statutory and voluntary agencies to support coordinated responses to high-risk domestic abuse. The IDVA service continued to play a critical role within Stockport's multi-agency arrangements, contributing specialist advocacy and risk management expertise at times of heightened system pressure.

*Thank you for everything you do
I'd be lost without you your my
guidon angel. I honestly don't know
how I got without you thank you so
much you even know me so well
you know I am ok and not your
amazing Thank you so much x*

*Eve has been the biggest help with one of my cases,
she has worked relentlessly to find refuge for this
client, she has collaborated well with professionals
and developed seecure and professional relationships.*

*I am incredibly grateful for this support and when we
went to see the client yesterday she thanked us both
for our continued support!*

*In a nutshell this outcome would not have been
possible without Eve!*

Achievements Performance and Beneficiaries

Performance Summary and overview data from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Stalking and Harassment IDVA:

215 clients benefitted from a bespoke Stalking and Harassment IDVA in this period. As there is limited capacity to provide a specialist stalking intervention to all clients, as the support is more complex and more involved, the Stalking IDVA has held skills sessions with other professionals after attending specialist training, to enable other professionals to provide the best practice advice in supporting victims. During 2024-2025, the Stalking IDVA continued to work with communities and multi-agency partners to raise awareness and improve understanding of stalking. Following changes to the standard of proof for Stalking Protection Orders (SPOs), the service worked closely with policing colleagues and identified points of contact to support more consistent practice. While challenges remained, these developments represented a positive step towards improving access to SPOs and strengthening protective responses for victims of stalking.

Complex DA:

89 clients have been referred to this service during 2024-2025. During this period, the service continued to support individuals with long histories of trauma, abuse and repeated contact with services, many of whom remained cautious about engagement due to previous experiences of short-term or inconsistent support. Building trust therefore remained a central focus of the work.

The specialist worker maintained a flexible, trauma-informed approach, adapting methods of engagement to meet clients where they were and recognising that progress was often non-linear. Clients reported valuing the worker's consistency and ongoing support, particularly during periods of difficulty, describing this continuity as key to sustaining engagement. System-wide capacity pressures continued to affect some clients' ability to engage with wider services. Despite these challenges, the service remained focused on promoting hope, choice and incremental change, recognising that progress for this client group is often achieved through small but meaningful steps over time.

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i just want to say a huge thankyou frm the bottom of my heart for going abnve n beyond for me i honestly couldnt of done this without ur support and i want to appologise for my behavior since we met u have gave me the confidence to see im a good and strong person i will not let u or myself dwn this move is the best move i could of made n thats all thanks to u ur my angel thanyou xxx



Achievements Performance and Beneficiaries

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CYP Refuge Services:

During the year, Stockport Without Abuse provided specialist support to children who had experienced domestic abuse and entered refuge with their parent. Support was delivered both within refuge and in community settings, including schools, to ensure continuity and stability for children during periods of transition.

The service delivered structured, trauma-informed interventions focused on emotional wellbeing, safety and adjustment to life in refuge. Children were supported through a combination of 1:1 wellbeing sessions, group activities and play-based interventions designed to help them understand and manage emotions, build resilience and form positive peer relationships. As in previous years, a significant proportion of children supported were of early years and primary school age, and interventions were tailored accordingly, with additional focus on attachment, development and parent-child relationships.

Demand for CYP refuge support remained high throughout the year, with services delivered flexibly to meet a wide range of needs, including support for children with disabilities and those experiencing disruption to education. Group activities, holiday sessions and therapeutic work played an important role in providing routine, normality and opportunities for positive childhood experiences during a time of significant upheaval.

CYP Prevention:

CYP Prevention work continued to be delivered across schools and education settings throughout 2024-2025, offering a structured programme of workshops, group interventions and targeted 1:1 support. The service focused on promoting healthy relationships, emotional literacy, consent, personal safety and understanding where to seek help.

Preventative interventions were delivered primarily through Me2 Workshops and Me2 Groups for younger children, alongside Sexual Relationship Education (SRE) and Reach sessions for older pupils. Where group work was not appropriate or children required additional support, 1:1 sessions were offered to address specific concerns including online safety, consent and emotional wellbeing.

Feedback from children, parents and education professionals demonstrated improved understanding of safety, relationships and emotional regulation. Prevention activity remained a core part of SWA's commitment to early intervention, helping children develop skills and awareness to reduce future risk and support long-term wellbeing.



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Performance Summary and overview data from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

CYP Trauma Informed:

During 2024-2025, trauma-informed 1:1 support for children and young people remained in high demand, reflecting the continued need for specialist interventions for children affected by domestic abuse.

Referrals were received from a wide range of partners across the borough, including education settings, children's social care, health and mental health services, housing providers and domestic abuse services, highlighting the service's role within the wider safeguarding and early help system.

Children supported through the service often presented with complex emotional and behavioural needs linked to prolonged exposure to domestic abuse. The service focused on providing consistent, trauma-informed support to help children understand and manage emotions, build coping strategies and develop a greater sense of safety and confidence. Support was delivered flexibly through individual and small group interventions, recognising that progress for many children was non-linear and required patience and consistency. Demand for 1:1 support continued to exceed available capacity during the year, resulting in ongoing waiting lists. This reinforced the importance of prioritisation and close communication with referrers to manage risk and expectations, while also highlighting wider gaps in specialist provision for children affected by domestic abuse.

Feedback from parents and professionals during the year continued to highlight improvements in children's emotional regulation, confidence and ability to express feelings. Schools and other partners reported that children supported through the service felt more able to engage, communicate concerns and seek help when needed. The service remained a key source of specialist support for children whose needs could not be met through universal or short-term interventions.

Support for children living in temporary accommodation also continued during the year, providing opportunities for play, social interaction and engagement outside of restricted living environments. Parents reported that these sessions supported children's wellbeing and development, particularly during periods of instability and transition.



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Feedback



From children and parents:

"I've learned how to stay safe."

"It's helped me calm down and not get so angry."

"I feel more confident around my friends and making new friendships."

"I liked everything. It made me feel better."

"I know who to ask for help if I feel unsafe."

"The service you provide is absolutely brilliant."

"My child is much calmer and more confident."

"It's helped my child understand their feelings and talk about them."

"The activities have really helped my child feel settled and happy."

"It's been good for my child and brought out things they kept inside."

From schools and safeguarding partners involved in CYP Prevention and 1:1 work:

"Stockport Without Abuse have provided very specific, targeted support for children with complex life experiences."

"All the children felt comfortable during their 1:1 or group work."

"The referral process was straightforward and communication was clear throughout."

"The service supported children's learning needs and emotional wellbeing."



Plans for the future

Trustees' Priorities for the Year Ahead

As Stockport Without Abuse moves into the next financial year, the charity's focus will be on consolidating recent organisational development while strengthening sustainability, resilience and long-term impact in an increasingly challenging operating environment. The Trustees will prioritise the following areas:

Ensuring Service Sustainability and Capacity

Trustees will focus on maintaining safe, effective and sustainable services in the context of continued high demand. This will include oversight of capacity, caseloads and risk, alongside consideration of delivery models that balance quality, reach and staff wellbeing.

Embedding Strategic Delivery and Accountability

Trustees will oversee the implementation of the organisational strategy, ensuring priorities translate into clear delivery plans, measurable outcomes and effective risk management, with progress monitored regularly.

Strengthening Financial Resilience and Income Diversity

We will prioritise financial sustainability by diversifying income, reducing reliance on single funding streams and strengthening unrestricted reserves, alongside proactive engagement with funders and commissioners.

Deepening the Use of Data and Insight

Building on improved systems, Trustees will embed the use of data to inform decision-making, demonstrate value for money and support strategic engagement with partners, commissioners and funders.

Workforce Stability, Wellbeing and Leadership Development

We will continue to prioritise workforce wellbeing, retention and leadership development, recognising the demands of domestic abuse work and the importance of supervision, training and succession planning.

Meaningful Service User Involvement

SWA will further develop safe and ethical ways to involve service users in shaping services and informing organisational decision-making and improvement.

Partnership Effectiveness and System Influence

We will review partnership arrangements to ensure alignment with the charity's mission and values, while supporting effective contribution to system-wide responses to domestic abuse.

Innovation and Responding to Emerging Need

We will remain focused on identifying and responding to gaps in provision, particularly for victims whose needs are not consistently met, including those with complex needs, older victims, male victims and children and young people.

By maintaining a clear focus on sustainability, accountability and impact, the Trustees aim to ensure Stockport Without Abuse is well positioned to meet future challenges and continue delivering high-quality, life-saving support across Stockport.

Financial Review

At the end of the reporting period, total income was £762,110 (2024: £778,349). Income was lower than anticipated for the year, primarily due to the timing of new projects being implemented and the phased or delayed start of some services.

Income from charitable activities totalled £725,227 (2024: £749,491), supported by a mixed portfolio of statutory and charitable funding. During the year, the charity was successful in securing funding to maintain core provision and to continue delivering specialist services, including complex safeguarding, early help intervention, Specialist IDVA projects, and the IRIS ADViSE service. Funding also supported children's services and community-based provision, enabling the organisation to sustain delivery amid continued high demand and complexity.

Grant income supported delivery across community services, health-based interventions, and specialist roles, including the continuation of provision for male victims and targeted children and young people's services.

Total expenditure for the year was £826,801 (2024: £786,854). This increase reflects continued cost pressures across the organisation, including staffing, accommodation, and operational costs, alongside investment required to safely deliver services in a high-demand environment. The impact of inflation and the cost-of-living crisis continued to affect both service delivery and organisational costs.

The year-end position was total funds carried forward of £540,621, comprising £491,165 unrestricted funds and £49,456 restricted funds. As in previous years, staffing recruitment and retention challenges affected the pace of delivery in some areas, resulting in restricted funds being held at year end for projects continuing into 2025-2026.

Reserves policy

The Board of Trustees has examined the charity's requirement for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation and has established a policy that unrestricted funds not committed or invested in fixed assets, should cover a minimum of six months expenditure, due to an increased turnaround time on grant fund decision making, plus a redundancy provision, setting reserves requirement at around £239,384. As at 31 March 2025 unrestricted reserves was in excess of our reserves policy requirements.





Structure Governance and Management

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 8 December 1999 and registered as a charity on 7 February 2000. The previously unincorporated charity was registered on 11 August 1975.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its articles of association. Members of the charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up.

The trustees are members of the charity, but this entitles them only to voting rights. The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

All Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 10 to the accounts.

The continued focus on performance quality has been enhanced with new processes and procedures being implemented across the organisation to ensure the best possible quality support to victims.

Stockport Without Abuse strives to deliver a robust domestic abuse service to the community. The business and leadership model aims to allow a flexible, responsive, and innovative model of operation whereby funding streams are diversified and there is more than one grant source and service focus.

Related parties and relationships with other organisations

Stockport Without Abuse continues to be part of a commissioned formal partnership where partners work together towards collective goals and shared outcomes with a focus on prevention and delivering strength based interventions to standard and medium risk victims of domestic abuse.

We continue to strengthen relationships with other charities that hold shared values and pursue similar charitable objectives including Greater Manchester charities.

Remuneration policy for key management personnel

Key leadership and management personnel are remunerated in line with local benchmarks for similar roles with aligned responsibilities.

All job descriptions reflect the associated responsibilities that the post holder is likely to have and are graded with professional HR input.



Governance

Structure Governance and Management

Trustee Induction and Training

The Board of Trustees seeks to ensure sufficient and appropriate representation of their members to fit with the aims and objectives of the organisation. The diversity of the trustee body is recognised as vital to its effective governance and the recruitment of potential Board of Trustee members is undertaken by targeting individuals with appropriate skills, experience and knowledge within the voluntary, statutory and private sectors.

Newly appointed Trustees undertake an initial induction programme, which fits in with their own time constraints, to complement their individual existing knowledge of the organisation. Trustees receive written guidance about their roles and responsibilities and are encouraged to attend periodic training to familiarise themselves with the charity and the arena in which it operates. These cover: -

- The role and responsibilities of the Board of Trustees
- The governance of the organisation and accompanying documentation including; the Memorandum and Articles of Association, key organisation Policies and Procedures, accountability to Companies House and the Charity Commission
- Financial controls and development including reporting mechanisms and published accounts
- Strategic and business planning
- Domestic Abuse awareness
- Safeguarding

Trustees are asked to commit to a minimum term in post of three years and to give three months' notice when wishing to stand down.

Organisational structure

Stockport Without Abuse has a Board of Trustees which can be up to fifteen (15) members who have overall legal and financial responsibility for the organisation. The strategic and operational management of the organisation is entrusted to the Chief Executive, supported by operational managers. A contracted qualified accountant oversees the financial management in conjunction with the Chief Executive and a Business Administrator/Bookkeeper.

Board meetings are held regularly, chaired by the Chair of the Board and minutes recorded by the Board Secretary. The Chief Executive is in attendance at meetings; however, they do not have any voting rights.

To ensure the best use of board member's time, enable more focussed discussion on future strategy and speed up decision making an Executive Group was formed consisting of the Chair, Deputy Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

This Group works with the Chief Executive to review strategy and policies as required and make recommendations to the full board.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees regularly reviews the risks faced by the organisation including the following four key areas:

- Health and Safety
- Data Security and Governance
- Safeguarding
- Financial Processes

Appropriate policies to manage risk are in place.





Statement of Responsibilities of the Trustees

The trustees (who are also directors of Stockport Without Abuse Ltd for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which 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 the 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 then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that 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.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies' subject to the small companies' regime of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' annual report has been approved by the trustees on 01/12/2025 and signed on their behalf by

Janet Flynn
Chair, Stockport Without Abuse



Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 23 to 44.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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 company'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 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 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.

Jennifer Daniel FCCA DChA

Date: 19/12/2025

Slade & Cooper Limited Beehive Mill, Jersey Street Manchester, M4 6JG

Statement of Financial Activities

(including Income and Expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	16,270	12,000	28,270	22,012
Charitable activities: Domestic Abuse	4	239,703	485,524	725,227	749,491
Investments	5	8,613	-	8,613	6,846
Total income		264,586	497,524	762,110	778,349
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities: Domestic Abuse	6	257,813	568,988	826,801	786,854
Total expenditure		257,813	568,988	826,801	786,854
Net income/(expenditure) before net gains/(losses) on investments		6,773	(71,464)	(64,691)	(8,505)
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	8	6,773	(71,464)	(64,691)	(8,505)
Transfer between funds		7,552	(7,552)	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year		14,325	(79,016)	(64,691)	(8,505)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		476,840	128,472	605,312	613,817
Total funds carried forward		491,165	49,456	540,621	605,312

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

A full comparative Statement of Financial Activities is available on the last page of the financial statements.

Balance sheet as at 31 March 2025

Stockport Without Abuse Ltd
Company number 3890735

	Note	2025	2024
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	12	-	372
Total fixed assets		-	372
Current assets			
Debtors	13	149,420	87,157
Cash at bank and in hand	14	457,735	619,930
Total current assets		607,155	707,087
Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due in less than one year	15	(66,534)	(102,147)
Net current assets		540,621	604,940
Total assets less current liabilities		540,621	605,312
Net assets		540,621	605,312
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds	17	49,456	128,472
Unrestricted income funds	18	491,165	476,840
Total charity funds		540,621	605,312

For the year in question, the company was entitled to exemption from an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006,
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with FRS102 SORP, and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company.

The notes on pages 25 to 44 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 01/12/2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Janet Flynn (Chair)

Katharine Barker (Treasurer)

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ending 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	20	(170,808)	15,260
<i>Cash flows from investing activities:</i>			
Dividends, interest, and rents from investments		8,613	6,846
Cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		8,613	6,846
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(162,195)	22,106
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		619,930	597,824
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		457,735	619,930

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1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a Basis of preparation

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), second edition - 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 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Stockport Without Abuse Ltd meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

b Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern.

The trustees have made no key judgments which have a significant effect on the accounts.

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

c Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the charity is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

Income received in advance of a provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

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d Donated services and facilities

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), general volunteer time is not recognised; refer to the trustees' annual report for more information about their contribution.

On receipt, donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

e Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

f Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

g Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

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

h Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 7.

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i Operating leases

Operating leases are leases in which the title to the assets, and the risks and rewards of ownership, remain with the lessor. Rental charges are charged on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

j Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

Fixtures & fittings	4 years
Office equipment	4 years

k Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

l Cash at bank and in hand

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

m Creditors and provisions

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

n Pensions

Employees of the charity are entitled to join a defined contribution 'money purchase' scheme. The charity's contribution is restricted to the contributions disclosed in note 9. There were £2,210 outstanding contributions at the year end (2024: £2,337).

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2 Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity. The registered office address is disclosed on page 1.

3 Income from donations and legacies

Current reporting period	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £
Donations	16,270	12,000	28,270
Total	16,270	12,000	28,270
<i>Previous reporting period</i>	<i>Unrestricted £</i>	<i>Restricted £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
<i>Donations</i>	22,012	-	22,012
<i>Total</i>	22,012	-	22,012

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4 Income from charitable activities

Current reporting period

Domestic Abuse - Refuge

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £
Rents receivable	257,805	-	257,805
Voids	(33,769)	-	(33,769)

Subtotal	224,036	-	224,036
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Domestic Abuse - Community Services

Stockport Domestic Abuse Support	-	201,980	201,980
GP IDVA	-	29,167	29,167
Medium Risk IDVA	-	42,687	42,687
Male Worker	-	36,000	36,000
SHIDVA	-	35,000	35,000
IRIS ADViSE	-	5,839	5,839
Leathersellers	15,000	-	15,000
NHS Hospital IDVA	-	1,627	1,627
Masonic Charitable Foundation	-	20,000	20,000
Garfield Weston	-	20,000	20,000
Training Income	667	-	667

Subtotal	15,667	392,300	407,967
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Childrens work

CYP Refuge	-	40,009	40,009
CYP Temporary Accommodation	-	24,549	24,549
CYP Trauma Informed	-	28,666	28,666

Subtotal	-	93,224	93,224
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Total	239,703	485,524	725,227
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for the year ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

4 Income from charitable activities (Continued)

Previous reporting period

Domestic Abuse - Refuge

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £
Rents receivable	213,250	-	213,250
Voids	(22,275)	-	(22,275)

Subtotal	190,975	-	190,975
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Domestic Abuse - Community Services

Stockport Domestic Abuse Support	-	181,891	181,891
Medium Risk IDVA	-	41,000	41,000
Male Worker	-	34,000	34,000
SHIDVA	-	35,000	35,000
IRIS ADViSE	-	49,421	49,421
Leathersellers	15,000	-	15,000
NHS Hospital IDVA	-	52,500	52,500
ARIS Funding	-	20,000	20,000
Training Income	235	-	235

Subtotal	15,235	413,812	429,047
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Childrens work

CYP Refuge	-	33,000	33,000
CYP Temporary Accommodation	-	32,732	32,732
CYP Trauma Informed	-	63,737	63,737

Subtotal		129,469	129,469
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Total	206,210	543,281	749,491
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for the year ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

5 Investment income

Current reporting period

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2025 £
Income from bank deposits	8,613	-	8,613
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	8,613	-	8,613
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Previous reporting period

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £
Income from bank deposits	6,846	-	6,846
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	6,846	-	6,846
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6 Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Current reporting period	Refuge £	Community Services £	Childrens Work £	Total 2025 £
Staff costs	110,477	377,739	108,845	597,061
Accommodation	111,608	43,126	9,816	164,550
Running costs	39,257	15,256	3,807	58,320
Depreciation	374	-	-	374
Bad debts	1,292	-	-	1,292
Governance costs (see note 7)	1,834	2,773	597	5,204
	<u>264,842</u>	<u>438,894</u>	<u>123,065</u>	<u>826,801</u>
Previous reporting period	Refuge £	Community Services £	Childrens Work £	Total 2024 £
Staff costs	96,129	383,385	101,767	581,281
Accommodation	89,072	44,788	12,555	146,415
Running costs	14,782	19,155	6,058	39,995
Depreciation	1,925	-	-	1,925
Bad debts	10,103	-	-	10,103
Governance costs (see note 7)	1,283	4,777	1,075	7,135
	<u>213,294</u>	<u>452,105</u>	<u>121,455</u>	<u>786,854</u>
			2025 £	2024 £
Restricted expenditure			568,988	583,952
Unrestricted expenditure			257,813	202,902
			<u>826,801</u>	<u>786,854</u>

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for the year ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

7 Analysis of governance and support costs

Current reporting period	Basis of apportionment	Governance £	Total 2025 £
Independent examination	Governance	996	996
Accountancy fees	Governance	1,452	1,452
Management accountancy Services	Governance	1,027	1,027
Payroll	Governance	1,669	1,669
Other governance	Governance	60	60
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		5,204	5,204
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Previous reporting period	Basis of apportionment	Governance £	Total 2024 £
Independent examination	Governance	950	950
Accountancy fees	Governance	1,385	1,385
Management accountancy Services	Governance	3,508	3,508
Payroll	Governance	1,244	1,244
Other governance	Governance	48	48
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		7,135	7,135
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8 Net income/(expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging/(crediting):	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation	372	1,925
Operating lease rentals:		
Property	91,522	84,121
Independent examiner (net of VAT)		
Independent examination	830	790
Accountancy fees	1,210	1,155
Management accountancy Services	856	2,923
Payroll	1,391	1,037
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9 Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	514,948	504,779
Social security costs	41,549	38,081
Pension costs	13,649	14,564
Other Staff costs	2,595	10,268
Agency, recruitment, travel & training	24,320	13,589
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	597,061	581,281
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No employee has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2024: Nil).

The average number of staff employed during the period was 20 (2024: 22).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees, the Chief Executive Officer, Operations Manager, Senior Service Manager and the Business Administrator and Bookkeeper (2024: the trustees, the Chief Executive Officer, Operations Manager and the Business Administrator and Bookkeeper. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £145,167. (2024: £114,143).

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10 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions

Neither the management committee nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year (2024: Nil).

No (2024: no) member of the management committee received travel and subsistence expenses during the year (2024: £nil).

Aggregate donations from related parties were £nil (2024: £nil).

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2024: nil).

11 Corporation tax

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

12 Fixed assets: tangible assets

	Fixtures & fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	8,745	4,487	13,232
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	(2,419)	(2,419)
At 31 March 2025	<u>8,745</u>	<u>2,068</u>	<u>10,813</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	8,745	4,115	12,860
Charge for the year	-	372	372
Disposals	-	(2,419)	(2,419)
At 31 March 2025	<u>8,745</u>	<u>2,068</u>	<u>10,813</u>
Net book value			
At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>372</u>

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for the year ended 31 March 2025 (continued)

13 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Rents Receivable	15,184	15,843
Grants Receivable	120,113	56,763
Prepayments and accrued income	14,123	14,551
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	149,420	87,157
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14 Cash at bank and in hand

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at bank and on hand	457,735	619,930
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	457,735	619,930
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15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	14,291	12,283
Other creditors and accruals	43,683	22,476
Deferred income	-	56,875
Taxation and social security costs	8,560	10,513
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	66,534	102,147
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16 Deferred income

	2025 £	2024 £
Deferred grant brought forward	56,875	74,375
Grant received	-	35,000
Released to income from charitable activities	(56,875)	(52,500)
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Deferred grant carried forward	-	56,875
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17 Analysis of movements in restricted funds

Current reporting period	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Domestic Abuse - Refuge					
Rotary Club Family Therapy	-	12,000	-	-	12,000
	-	12,000	-	-	12,000
Domestic Abuse - Community Services					
Stockport Domestic Abuse Support APR Complex	-	177,311	(177,311)	-	-
Safeguarding	9,856	-	(2,304)	(7,552)	-
GP IDVA	-	29,167	(21,529)	-	7,638
Male Worker	-	36,000	(36,000)	-	-
NHS Hospital IDVA	20,008	1,627	(21,635)	-	-
IRIS ADViSE	18,438	5,839	(24,277)	-	-
Medium Risk IDVA	-	42,687	(42,687)	-	-
MODAA	47,176	-	(47,176)	-	-
SHIDVA	-	35,000	(35,000)	-	-
MOJ Victims Grant	4,372	-	(72)	-	4,300
ARIS Funding	16,636	-	(5,534)	-	11,102
STAND Tall	-	40,000	(32,811)	-	7,189
	116,486	367,631	(446,336)	(7,552)	30,229
Children's work					
CYP Prevention	-	24,669	(24,669)	-	-
CYP Trauma Informed	-	28,666	(28,666)	-	-
CYP Refuge	785	40,009	(40,794)	-	-
CYP Temporary Accommodation	11,201	24,549	(28,523)	-	7,227
	11,986	117,893	(122,652)	-	7,227
Total	128,472	497,524	(568,988)	(7,552)	49,456

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17 Analysis of movements in restricted funds (Continued)

Previous reporting period	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Domestic Abuse - Refuge					
Pendlebury Trust	1,283	-	(1,283)	-	-
	<u>1,283</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,283)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Domestic Abuse - Community Services					
Stockport Domestic Abuse Support	-	181,891	(181,891)	-	-
APR Complex Safeguarding	16,958	-	(7,102)	-	9,856
Lloyds Foundation Lankelly Chase	36,351	-	(36,351)	-	-
COVID 19	3,853	-	(3,853)	-	-
Male Worker	-	34,000	(34,000)	-	-
NHS Hospital IDVA	13,125	52,500	(45,617)	-	20,008
IRIS ADViSE	-	49,421	(30,983)	-	18,438
Medium Risk IDVA	8,000	41,000	(49,000)	-	-
MODAA	73,153	-	(25,977)	-	47,176
SHIDVA	7,847	35,000	(42,847)	-	-
MOJ Victims Grant	4,676	-	(304)	-	4,372
ARIS Funding	-	20,000	(3,364)	-	16,636
	<u>163,963</u>	<u>413,812</u>	<u>(461,289)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>116,486</u>
Children's work					
CYP Trauma Informed	-	63,737	(63,737)	-	-
CYP Refuge	-	33,000	(32,215)	-	785
CYP Temporary Accommodation	3,897	32,732	(25,428)	-	11,201
	<u>-</u>	<u>129,469</u>	<u>(121,380)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,986</u>
Total	<u>165,246</u>	<u>543,281</u>	<u>(583,952)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>128,472</u>

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17 Analysis of movements in restricted funds (Continued)

Name of restricted fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
Stockport Domestic Abuse Support	Stockport Without Abuse manages Stockport's IDVA service under the Complex Safeguarding element of a new contract between partners in Stockport Domestic Abuse Support, focusing on high-risk victims. The IDVA team collaborates with victims on safety planning and legal processes, partnering with various agencies and groups. Funding comes from SMBC through a partnership arrangement with Stockport Without Abuse, Talk Listen Change, Stockport Homes and Age UK. SWA are commissioned to deliver 3.5 full-time IDVAs. The contract also covers a school-based Prevention Worker and a Refuge Caseworker for families in refuge accommodation.
APR Complex Safeguarding	Previous funds to support Complex Safeguarding.
GP IDVA	A specialist domestic abuse advocacy service delivered within GP practices, providing early identification, risk assessment and support for patients, alongside whole-practice training and guidance to strengthen best-practice responses to domestic abuse.
Male Worker	SWA have continued to be funded by GMCA to deliver a bespoke service to male victims of DA.
NHS Hospital IDVA	Funding was provided by NHS England for Hospital IDVAs to work to provide a dual offer of education and consultancy across the Trust's settings, and to provide an IDVA support service to victims identified. The IDVA also works as part of a multi-agency partnership to take the lead on safeguarding the most vulnerable and at-risk clients in Stockport, who have been deemed at risk of serious harm or homicide and presenting within the trust.
IRIS ADViSE	The ADViSE (Assessing for Domestic Abuse in Sexual Health Environments) programme is a pilot programme commissioned by Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership, and supports sexual health clinicians to identify and respond to patients affected by domestic violence and abuse (DVA) and provides them with a simple referral pathway to specialist services. Core areas of the programme include ongoing training, education and consultancy for the sexual health team and administrative staff, care pathways for sexual health care practitioners and an enhanced referral pathway to specialist domestic violence services for women with experience of DVA.

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17 Analysis of movements in restricted funds (Continued)

Medium Risk IDVA	The medium risk IDVA funding provides a service to those individuals who are not ordinarily high risk through domestic abuse but experience complex presenting needs which escalates their exposure to risk. This funding from the Greater Manchester Combined Authority, via SMBC provides an enhanced intervention aimed to reduce risks and reduce barriers to accessing support to the most vulnerable individuals.
MODAA	Funding for supporting individuals at risk of homelessness through domestic abuse from SMBC has commissioned a service for "Moving On Domestic Abuse Advisors." This supports individuals to access support is fleeing from domestic abuse, preparing to leave or resettling following abuse.
SHIDVA	Continued funding received from Greater Manchester Combined Authority allowed for continuation of a bespoke and tailored service to support victims of domestic abuse related stalking and harassment.
MOJ Victims Grant	Due to the rising cost of living compounding safety and access to support, SWA were supported to provide emergency funds to victims of domestic abuse to enable them to break free from financial hardship and access emergency items and cost of living support.
ARIS Funding	Funding received from the Proceeds of Crime Act to enhance our accommodation facilities with essential resources to create a safe environment that empowers individuals to break free from cycles of abuse.
Stand TALL	Stand TALL (Tackling Abuse in Later Life). The project delivers specialist 1:1 support through a structured programme and also awareness raising to professionals and community organisations. The specialist focus is unique across the Borough and across Greater Manchester.
CYP Trauma Informed	Through a successful partnership with Trafford Domestic Abuse Services, SWA were commissioned through the Children Affected by Domestic Abuse fund to provide a trauma informed support service to children and young people in Stockport who have experienced domestic abuse. The service provides 1:1 and group trauma informed support.
CYP Refuge	Funding received from SMBC following the updates within the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 allow for a CYP Refuge worker to provide a dedicated service to children and young people living in refuge due to domestic abuse.
CYP Temporary Accommodation	Stockport Homes support SWA to deliver a dedicated service to children and young people living in temporary accommodation due to domestic abuse.

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18 Analysis of movement in unrestricted funds

Current reporting period	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2025 £
General fund	395,556	264,586	(242,295)	25,318	443,165
Strategic Priorities	81,284	-	(15,518)	(17,766)	48,000
	<u>476,840</u>	<u>264,586</u>	<u>(257,813)</u>	<u>7,552</u>	<u>491,165</u>
Previous reporting period	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	As at 31 March 2024 £
General fund	398,007	235,068	(167,119)	(70,400)	395,556
Strategic Priorities	46,667	-	(35,783)	70,400	81,284
	<u>444,674</u>	<u>235,068</u>	<u>(202,902)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>476,840</u>

Name of unrestricted fund

Description, nature and purposes of the fund

General fund	The free reserves after allowing for all designated funds
Strategic Priorities	The fund was created to support both Refuge refurbishment activities and leadership development. Following completion of the refurbishment programme, the unspent balance of £17,766 was transferred back to unrestricted funds. A balance of £48,000 has been carried forward to support the leadership structure during 2025-2026.

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19 Analysis of net assets between funds

Current reporting period	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)	443,165	48,000	49,456	540,621
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Total	443,165	48,000	49,456	540,621
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Previous reporting period	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	372	-	-	372
Net current assets/(liabilities)	395,184	81,284	128,472	604,940
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Total	395,556	81,284	128,472	605,312
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20 Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	(64,691)	(8,505)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charge	372	1,925
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(8,613)	(6,846)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(62,263)	38,238
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(35,613)	(9,552)
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Net cash provided by/(used in) operating	(170,808)	15,260
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21 Prior year Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure account)

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	22,012	-	22,012	23,898
Charitable activities: Domestic Abuse	4	206,210	543,281	749,491	850,833
Investments	5	6,846	-	6,846	67
Total income		235,068	543,281	778,349	874,798
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities: Domestic Abuse	6	202,902	583,952	786,854	706,280
Total expenditure		202,902	583,952	786,854	706,280
Net income/(expenditure) before net gains/(losses) on investments		32,166	(40,671)	(8,505)	168,518
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	8	32,166	(40,671)	(8,505)	168,518
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year		32,166	(40,671)	(8,505)	168,518
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		444,674	169,143	613,817	445,299
Total funds carried forward		476,840	128,472	605,312	613,817

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.