

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03828857 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1086003

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024
for
Benefit Advice Shop**

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Benefit Advice Shop

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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 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The aim of the Benefit Advice Shop is to ensure that no person loses out financially due to lack of information about, or understanding of, the social security system. This is achieved by providing free, independent, professional advice on all aspects of the benefit system to the general public.

The basic philosophy is that everyone is entitled to high quality, comprehensive, free advice, information and assistance regarding their entitlements through the benefit system. This allows clients to maximise their income and in turn circulates money into the local economy.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The Benefit Advice Shop's performance throughout 2023/24 has been good. The service was adapted during the Covid pandemic to ensure that no-one lost out on essential advice during that time. The adaptations put in place during that time have served the organisation well post covid as the organisation is able to offer more choice to people accessing advice, by telephone, face-to-face, zoom or through home visits. However, the demand on the service and the restricted resources available mean that it is not always possible to increase output in all areas of service provision. The Benefit Advice Shop continues to face a serious threat to its current level of provision with cutbacks to its funding. Whilst the organisation is working hard to try to replace this funding, it is finding it difficult. The Benefit Advice Shop would like to extend its thanks to those organisations which have continued to provide support over the years as well as those new funders who have provided grants for this financial year.

The organisation found the cost-of-living crisis has a great impact on the community and the number of clients struggling to meet their basic need increased. We have been able to develop our outreaches to access more people and our Tribunal Service remains busy. We remain the main organisation to represent at hearing in North Wales. We have continued to try to recruit volunteers for the office and for the Board of Trustees. Throughout the year we have continued to work effectively for the community and have confirmed gains of £4,049,645.00.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Benefit Advice Shop has a policy of retaining reserves in order to maintain its services to the communities in North Wales whilst searching for grants and future donations for future periods.

FURTHER FINANCIAL REVIEW DETAILS

In 2023/2024 we received £5000 from Community Foundation Wales. Postcode Community Trust £20000 of unrestricted funding. Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership £5616. Rhyl Town Council £14000. Colwyn Bay Town Council £6638. Abergele Town Council £500. Conwy Town Council £1000 and £500. Swayne Johnson £3675. Prestatyn Coastal Communities Partnership £5000. Independent Age Cost Of Living grant Fund £26500 over two years. Rhyl Flats Windfarm (Conwy area) £10000. Oakdale Trust £1000. Conwy Voluntary Sector Key Fund £23000. Large Gwynt y Mor £27268 over two years. Prestatyn Town Council £2000. Abergele District Foodbank £6000. Small Gwynt y Mor £9208.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Type of governing document: Memorandum and Articles of Association

How the Charity is constituted: Company Limited by Guarantee

Trustee selection methods: Elected at General Meeting

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Benefit Advice Shop by the members present but can also be appointed during the year at the discretion of the Board of Trustees.

Organisational structure

The Board of Trustees meets monthly and delegates the daily decisions to the members of staff. Assessments and reviews of the achievements and objectives are constantly performed by the staff and the results are forwarded to the Trustees.

The daily management of the Benefit Advice Shop has been delegated by the Trustees to Michelle Thomas.

Induction and training of new trustees

The induction and training is carried out with regard to the policies and procedures agreed by the Board of Trustees.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Additional Governance issues

The Benefit Advice Shop has a range of Policies and Procedures in place, including an Independence and Impartiality Policy and an Equality and Diversity Policy. The organisation will provide advice and assistance to any person who contacts them and places no geographical restrictions on its service provision, although this is coming under increasing pressure due to funding restrictions.

In order to properly assist clients, it is vital that the Benefit Advice Shop maintains a good professional relationship with other agencies in the area such as Foodbanks, independence money advice centres, The Red Cross, MIND, Hafod, NACRO, housing associations and various community based and anti-poverty groups. The signposting system in operation between local agencies and multi-agency take-up campaigns are two examples of local groups working constructively together to address the many difficulties faced by clients and to ensure the provision of high quality, comprehensive, accessible advice and assistance.

The company does not distribute any monies to the trustees, who are all unpaid volunteers. Any surplus made from the accounts is retained within the reserves of the company.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

03828857 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1086003

Registered office

19 Bedford Street
Rhyl
Denbighshire
LL18 1SY

Trustees

Mrs M G Roberts
Miss M A Jones
Mrs C Holliday
Mr J A Ball
Mr M I Shipley

Company Secretary

Mrs M G Roberts

Independent Examiner

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OTHER OPTIONAL INFORMATION

The Benefit Advice Shop would like to thank all those organisations which provide funding for their continued support and to extend thanks to those organisations which provided one-off grants.

In 2023 to 2024 the Benefit Advice Shop assisted 3,154 people with 6,012 enquiries, £4,049,645 were obtained for clients money that is circulated back into the local economy.

Finally, it is appropriate to thank both the paid and unpaid staff for the last twelve months. The service provided by unpaid volunteers increases the level of service that can be provided to the public, without the assistance of the volunteers of the Benefit Advice Shop the paid members of staff would be unable to provide the same level of service.

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**Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9.9.2024 and signed on its behalf by:

M A Jones

Miss M A Jones - Trustee

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Benefit Advice Shop**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Benefit Advice Shop ('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

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.



Aled Roberts

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Date: 13.01.2024

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	31,525	121,193	152,718	110,414
Investment income	3	163	-	163	41
Total		<u>31,688</u>	<u>121,193</u>	<u>152,881</u>	<u>110,455</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Operating costs		<u>13,599</u>	<u>92,728</u>	<u>106,327</u>	<u>127,026</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
Transfers between funds	11	<u>18,089</u> <u>32,692</u>	<u>28,465</u> <u>(32,692)</u>	<u>46,554</u> <u>-</u>	<u>(16,571)</u> <u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>50,781</u>	<u>(4,227)</u>	<u>46,554</u>	<u>(16,571)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>8,185</u>	<u>55,132</u>	<u>63,317</u>	<u>79,888</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>58,966</u></u>	<u><u>50,905</u></u>	<u><u>109,871</u></u>	<u><u>63,317</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet 31 March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	9,166	155	9,321	8,598
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	1,929	-	1,929	2,131
Cash at bank and in hand		50,032	51,376	101,408	58,703
		51,961	51,376	103,337	60,834
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,161)	(626)	(2,787)	(6,115)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		49,800	50,750	100,550	54,719
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		58,966	50,905	109,871	63,317
NET ASSETS		58,966	50,905	109,871	63,317
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				58,966	8,185
Restricted funds				50,905	55,132
TOTAL FUNDS				109,871	63,317

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

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 9-9-2024 and were signed on its behalf by:


Miss M A Jones - Trustee CHAIR


Mr J A Ball - Trustee TREASURER

The notes form part of these financial statements

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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

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

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

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

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

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	200	30
Grants	152,518	110,237
Other income	-	147
	<u>152,718</u>	<u>110,414</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 March 2024

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES - continued

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Rhyl Town Council	14,001	17,000
Colwyn Bay Town Council	6,638	4,500
Conwy Town Council	500	1,000
Abergele Town Council	500	4,000
Oakdale Trust	1,000	-
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	-	4,909
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	5,000	2,375
Prestatyn Town Council	2,000	2,000
Gwynt Y Mor	22,842	12,249
Comic Relief Community Fund	-	4,684
Prestatyn & Meliden Partnership	5,000	5,000
Conwy Rhyl Flats	10,000	15,233
Postcode Community Trust	20,000	14,196
Swayne Johnson	3,675	2,475
Tackling Financial Hardship	-	10,000
Mab Gwalia	-	5,000
Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership	5,616	5,616
Community Fund	5,000	-
Age Independant	13,250	-
Abergele District Foodbank	6,000	-
Conwy Voluntary Sector Key Fund	23,000	-
Other grants	8,496	-
	<u>152,518</u>	<u>110,237</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>163</u>	<u>41</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>2,664</u>	<u>2,348</u>

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.

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6. STAFF COSTS

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

	2024	2023
Charity activities	4	4
Other	1	1
	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

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

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	12,677	97,737	110,414
Investment income	46	(5)	41
Total	<u>12,723</u>	<u>97,732</u>	<u>110,455</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Operating costs	25,233	101,793	127,026
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(12,510)	(4,061)	(16,571)
Transfers between funds	11,378	(11,378)	-
Net movement in funds	(1,132)	(15,439)	(16,571)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	9,322	70,566	79,888
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>8,190</u>	<u>55,127</u>	<u>63,317</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2023	32,327	18,744	51,071
Additions	-	3,387	3,387
At 31 March 2024	<u>32,327</u>	<u>22,131</u>	<u>54,458</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2023	29,022	13,451	42,473
Charge for year	495	2,169	2,664
At 31 March 2024	<u>29,517</u>	<u>15,620</u>	<u>45,137</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2024	<u>2,810</u>	<u>6,511</u>	<u>9,321</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>3,305</u>	<u>5,293</u>	<u>8,598</u>

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9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments	<u>1,929</u>	<u>2,131</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	246	229
Accruals and deferred income	625	3,971
Accrued expenses	<u>1,916</u>	<u>1,915</u>
	<u>2,787</u>	<u>6,115</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Fund	8,185	18,089	32,692	58,966
Restricted funds				
Big Lottery	1,487	-	(1,487)	-
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	4,909	-	(4,909)	-
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	375	-	-	375
Santander voucher account	205	(51)	-	154
Rhyl Town Council	5,384	-	-	5,384
RWE Coastal Partnership	6,175	-	(6,175)	-
Comic Relief Community Fund	9,836	-	(9,836)	-
Gwynt Y Mor	12,721	9,208	-	21,929
Prestatyn & Meliden Partnership	3,755	-	-	3,755
Denbighshire Coastal Partnership	232	-	(232)	-
Prestatyn Town Council	1,571	-	(1,571)	-
Conwy Rhyl Flats	-	5,000	-	5,000
Grantscape	518	-	(518)	-
Moondance Foundation	2,692	-	(2,692)	-
Postcode Community Lottery	5,272	-	(5,272)	-
Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership	-	3,500	-	3,500
Community Fund	-	-	-	-
	-	5,000	-	5,000
Conwy Community Advice and Assistance: Cost of Living	-	5,808	-	5,808
	<u>55,132</u>	<u>28,465</u>	<u>(32,692)</u>	<u>50,905</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>63,317</u>	<u>46,554</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>109,871</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 March 2024

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General Fund	31,688	(13,599)	18,089
Restricted funds			
Oakdale Trust (Training)	1,000	(1,000)	-
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	5,000	(5,000)	-
Santander voucher account	-	(51)	(51)
Rhyl Town Council	10,501	(10,501)	-
Comic Relief Community Fund	3,346	(3,346)	-
Gwynt Y Mor	22,842	(13,634)	9,208
Prestatyn & Meliden Partnership	5,000	(5,000)	-
Conwy Rhyl Flats	10,000	(5,000)	5,000
Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership	9,116	(5,616)	3,500
Conwy Town Council	500	(500)	-
Colwyn Bay Town Council Community Fund	6,638	(6,638)	-
	5,000	-	5,000
Age Independant	13,250	(13,250)	-
Conwy Community Advice and Assistance: Cost of Living	23,000	(17,192)	5,808
Abergele District Foodbank	6,000	(6,000)	-
	<u>121,193</u>	<u>(92,728)</u>	<u>28,465</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>152,881</u>	<u>(106,327)</u>	<u>46,554</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 March 2024

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Fund	9,322	(12,515)	11,378	8,185
Restricted funds				
Big Lottery	1,487	-	-	1,487
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	4,909	-	-	4,909
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	500	(125)	-	375
Santander voucher account	274	(69)	-	205
Rhyl Town Council	5,384	-	-	5,384
RWE Coastal Partnership	6,175	-	-	6,175
Comic Relief Community Fund	13,182	(3,346)	-	9,836
Gwynt Y Mor	12,721	-	-	12,721
Prestatyn & Meliden Partnership	3,895	(140)	-	3,755
Denbighshire Coastal Partnership	232	-	-	232
Prestatyn Town Council	1,571	-	-	1,571
Grantscape	2,392	-	(1,874)	518
Moondance Foundation	3,068	(376)	-	2,692
Rhyl Flats Community Fund	9,504	-	(9,504)	-
Postcode Community Lottery	5,272	-	-	5,272
	<u>70,566</u>	<u>(4,056)</u>	<u>(11,378)</u>	<u>55,132</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>79,888</u>	<u>(16,571)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>63,317</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 March 2024

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General Fund	12,723	(25,238)	(12,515)
Restricted funds			
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	4,909	(4,909)	-
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	2,375	(2,500)	(125)
Santander voucher account	(1)	(68)	(69)
Rhyl Town Council	11,000	(11,000)	-
Comic Relief Community Fund	4,683	(8,029)	(3,346)
Gwynt Y Mor	12,249	(12,249)	-
Abergele Town Council	4,000	(4,000)	-
Prestatyn & Meliden Partnership	5,000	(5,140)	(140)
Prestatyn Town Council	2,000	(2,000)	-
Conwy Rhyl Flats	13,732	(13,732)	-
Moondance Foundation	-	(376)	(376)
Postcode Community Lottery	14,194	(14,194)	-
Swayne Johnson	2,475	(2,475)	-
Tackling Financial Hardship	10,000	(10,000)	-
Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership	5,616	(5,616)	-
Conwy Town Council	1,000	(1,000)	-
Colwyn Bay Town Council	4,500	(4,500)	-
	<u>97,732</u>	<u>(101,788)</u>	<u>(4,056)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>110,455</u>	<u>(127,026)</u>	<u>(16,571)</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 March 2024

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	At 1/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/3/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Fund	9,322	5,574	44,070	58,966
Restricted funds				
Big Lottery	1,487	-	(1,487)	-
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	4,909	-	(4,909)	-
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	500	(125)	-	375
Santander voucher account	274	(120)	-	154
Rhyl Town Council	5,384	-	-	5,384
RWE Coastal Partnership	6,175	-	(6,175)	-
Comic Relief Community Fund	13,182	(3,346)	(9,836)	-
Gwynt Y Mor	12,721	9,208	-	21,929
Prestatyn & Meliden Partnership	3,895	(140)	-	3,755
Denbighshire Coastal Partnership	232	-	(232)	-
Prestatyn Town Council	1,571	-	(1,571)	-
Conwy Rhyl Flats	-	5,000	-	5,000
Grantscape	2,392	-	(2,392)	-
Moondance Foundation	3,068	(376)	(2,692)	-
Rhyl Flats Community Fund	9,504	-	(9,504)	-
Postcode Community Lottery	5,272	-	(5,272)	-
Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership Community Fund	-	3,500	-	3,500
	-	5,000	-	5,000
Conwy Community Advice and Assistance: Cost of Living	-	5,808	-	5,808
	<u>70,566</u>	<u>24,409</u>	<u>(44,070)</u>	<u>50,905</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>79,888</u>	<u>29,983</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>109,871</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the year ended 31 March 2024

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General Fund	44,411	(38,837)	5,574
Restricted funds			
Oakdale Trust (Training)	1,000	(1,000)	-
Trusthouse Charitable Foundation	4,909	(4,909)	-
Government of Ireland; Emigrant Support Programme	7,375	(7,500)	(125)
Santander voucher account	(1)	(119)	(120)
Rhyl Town Council	21,501	(21,501)	-
Comic Relief Community Fund	8,029	(11,375)	(3,346)
Gwynt Y Mor	35,091	(25,883)	9,208
Abergele Town Council	4,000	(4,000)	-
Prestatyn & Meliden Partnership	10,000	(10,140)	(140)
Prestatyn Town Council	2,000	(2,000)	-
Conwy Rhyl Flats	23,732	(18,732)	5,000
Moondance Foundation	-	(376)	(376)
Postcode Community Lottery	14,194	(14,194)	-
Swayne Johnson	2,475	(2,475)	-
Tackling Financial Hardship	10,000	(10,000)	-
Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership	14,732	(11,232)	3,500
Conwy Town Council	1,500	(1,500)	-
Colwyn Bay Town Council	11,138	(11,138)	-
Community Fund			
	5,000	-	5,000
Age Independant	13,250	(13,250)	-
Conwy Community Advice and Assistance:			
Cost of Living	23,000	(17,192)	5,808
Abergele District Foodbank	6,000	(6,000)	-
	<u>218,925</u>	<u>(194,516)</u>	<u>24,409</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>263,336</u>	<u>(233,353)</u>	<u>29,983</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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13. FUNDS

Gwynt Y Mor (£13,634 + £9,208) provide funds to for workers salaries and assists with home visit travel.

Rhyl Town Council (£14,000) provides funding to employ an appeal worker and part-time Welfare Rights Trainee to assist with advice in the Rhyl Office.

Bay of Colwyn Town Council (£6,638) and **Prestatyn Town Council** (£2,000) provided funding to assist the residents of their communities to access Welfare Benefit advice.

Prestatyn Coastal Communities Partnership (£5,000) supports the outreach offices in Prestatyn as well as the residents of Prestatyn and Meliden.

Rhyl Coastal Communities Partnership (£5,616) provides funding for advice given within the Rhyl area.

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade; Emigrant Support Programme (£5,000) the grant awarded covers the period running to 30th June 2024 and was for the following activities: specialist Welfare Benefit advice given to Irish Emigrant families.

Postcode Community Trust (£20,000) provided funding towards salaries and running costs with Advice and Appeal work.

Conwy Town Council (£500) funding to support residents of Conwy.

Abergele Town Council (£500) funding to support residents of Abergele.

Swayne Johnson (£3,675) provided funding towards salaries.

Conwy Rhyl Flats (£10,000) provided funding towards salaries, advertising, travel expenses and general running costs of the charity.

Independent Age Cost of Living (£13,250) provided funding over a two year period to cover salaries and running costs in relation to a advice and support for older people.

Conwy Voluntary Sector Key Fund (£23,000) provided funds to cover salary costs.

Community Foundation Wales (£5,000) provided funds to cover salaries and running costs.

The Oakdale Trust (£1,000) provided funds to cover costs in relation to welfare benefit advice and representation to refugees.

Abergele District Foodbank (£6,000) provided funding towards salaries to continue its weekly welfare benefit advice at Abergele Foodbank.

Alex Ferry Foundation (£5,000) awarded a grant to assist with running costs.

Clients kindly provided donations of £200.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	200	30
Grants	152,518	110,237
Other income	-	147
	<hr/> 152,718	<hr/> 110,414
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	163	41
	<hr/> 152,881	<hr/> 110,455
Total incoming resources		
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	77,543	107,368
Pensions	1,298	1,766
Service & maintenance charges	2,601	2,494
Insurance	3,910	4,050
Telephone	5,515	2,402
Postage and stationery	882	1,222
Advertising	1,860	394
Sundries	2,271	798
Staff training	1,152	-
Repairs and maintenance	-	306
Publications	299	157
Computer costs	3,130	734
Travelling expenses	292	183
Fixtures and fittings	496	583
Computer equipment	2,169	1,764
	<hr/> 103,418	<hr/> 124,221
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	2,116	2,265
Legal fees	793	540
	<hr/> 2,909	<hr/> 2,805
Total resources expended	<hr/> 106,327	<hr/> 127,026
Net income/(expenditure)	<hr/> <hr/> 46,554	<hr/> <hr/> (16,571)

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