

# THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DERBY

England & Wales · Charity number 1087140

## Details

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Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	<a href="#">03952377</a>
Registered	2001-06-25
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1) TO PROVIDE EDUCATION IN AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN DIFFERENT FAITHS AND RELIGIONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM BY WHATEVER MEANS THE TRUSTEES MAY THINK FIT INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION THE PROVISION OF A MULTI-FAITH CENTRE AND TO PROMOTE AND PUBLICISE ACTIVITIES TO ENCOURAGE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MEMBERS OF DIFFERENT RELIGIONS OR FAITH TRADITIONS AND THEIR INTERACTIONS BOTH WITH ONE ANOTHER AND WITH THE WIDER SOCIETY2) TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS BY THE PROVISION OF SCHOLARSHIPS3) TO USE THE INCOME OF THE CHARITY IN MAINTAINING THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE INCLUDING THE FABRIC OF THE BUILDINGS AND THE CONTENTS OF THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE INCLUDING THE FABRIC OF THE BUILDINGS AND THE CONTENTS OF THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE AND THE MAINTENANCE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES IN THE PLACES OF WORSHIP WITHIN THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES4) TO PROVIDE OR AUGMENT THE STIPEND OF ANY MINISTER OR ASSIST THE MINISTER IN MEETING THE EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER DUTIES AND TO PROVIDE OR AUGMENT OR ASSIST WITH FINANCIAL COSTS OR EXPENSES FOR ANY RELIGIOUS ADVISORS OR CHAPLAINS PRACTISING HIS OR HER FAITH OR PROVIDING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE5) SUCH OTHER OBJECTS AS ARE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF ENGLAND AND WALES

**Activities:** The promotion of dialogue and understanding between members of different faith communities, within the City of Derby, Derbyshire, the East Midlands and generally within the United Kingdom.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** NO DEFINED
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£129,098	£145,615	-	-
2024-03-31	£277,794	£253,734	-	-
2023-03-31	£213,607	£199,599	-	-
2022-03-31	£123,409	£137,119	-	-
2021-03-31	£202,949	£161,864	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Ali Poostchi		2017-01-26
Andy Oakley		2017-11-13
Dhiraj Jogia		2026-01-07
Dr Hardial Singh Dhillon		2018-11-19
Dr Heather Kinuthia		2024-10-14
Dr Jo Bishton		2022-02-17
Eve Sacker		2023-07-13
Paul Freestone		2024-10-14
The Rt Revd Libby Lane		2019-09-02

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# Accounts

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**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03952377 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1087140**

**Report of the Trustees and  
Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

**for**

**Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
University of Derby**

**M. J. Shapcott & Co. Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Charter House, Wyvern Court  
Stanier Way  
Derby  
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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2025 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 2015).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives, aims and public benefit**

The Multi-Faith Centre (MFC) was founded in 2001 to build respect between people across different faiths and cultures. Since we opened, we have created a strong network of contacts in faith communities and with key public and voluntary organisations and developed a range of training and community projects with these partners.

More recently, because of the Covid-emergency, the Centre recognised that it could play a vital role as a connecting bridge between faith communities and civic society. It is an opportunity for the Centre to use its existing network and experience to forge a stronger strategic purpose and have a wider positive impact on local communities.

MFC's new, refreshed vision is a society where the diversity, expertise and richness of faith communities actively contributes to the building of safe, healthy, and cohesive communities throughout Derbyshire.

The MFC encourages and facilitates dialogue, co-operation, mutual respect and understanding between people from different faith communities and civil society, who by coming together aim to improve the wellbeing of vulnerable people living in Derbyshire.

To achieve this, we focus on four key objectives:

1. **CREATE AN INFRASTRUCTURE** - Producing a platform for the faith sector to come together to act strategically and maximise their impact.
2. **FACILITATE COMMUNICATION** - Creating safe spaces for faith groups to hold conversations on social and community issues common to everyone.
3. **NURTURE COLLABORATION** - Encouraging faith groups to join and then create partnerships with local authorities and key agencies.
4. **PROMOTE CELEBRATION** - Shining a light on good news stories around the positive contribution faith communities make to our society.

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**2024/25 Significant activities**

**UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF)**

The UKSPF funded project, that MFC was the lead partner and accountable body, has been completed. This project was a partnership with Community Action Derby. The final stage included the working with consultants (Lev Pedro Associates) to develop sustainability strategies for Derby's three VCFSE alliances-Advice, Faith, and Youth-to establish a foundation for creating investment cases that secure future funding and ensure long-term impact. Emphasis is placed on the need for tailored governance structures, strategic stakeholder engagement, and advocacy to amplify each alliance's unique role. Template content for funding bids has been provided for the Youth and Faith alliances, along with a proposal to the MFC board regarding a potential closer alignment between the Faith Alliance and MFC.

The consultants guided each alliance in advancing sustainability through initiatives focused on vision and values, defining membership engagement levels, identifying key stakeholder relationships, and assessing current capacities. Through workshops, each alliance has clarified its mission and objectives, developed membership tiers to maximise stakeholder inclusion, created strategies for key relationships, and tailored internal governance recommendations. Additional support has been provided to develop preliminary investment cases, with the next steps focused on governance enhancements, stakeholder engagement, and fostering collaboration across alliances.

New government priorities emphasise reducing inequalities, community empowerment, and efficient public service delivery, in tandem with increased devolution to local authorities, positioning Derby as part of the East Midlands Combined Authority under an elected mayor. NHS priorities, particularly the Integrated Care Systems initiative, are expected to empower local bodies and expand the role of the VCFSE sector in public health, presenting an opportunity for the alliances to collaborate strategically with the Derbyshire VCSE Alliance in healthcare-related areas. With the end of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, the alliances must develop alternative funding models aligned with government priorities to support Derby's vulnerable populations effectively.

Each alliance has a unique strategic focus supported by targeted partnerships. The Advice Alliance aims to improve access to legal, financial, and welfare services, reducing poverty and increasing financial literacy. It engages with local authorities, legal aid organisations, and community groups to reach its objectives. The Faith Alliance works to foster interfaith dialogue, community cohesion, and social inclusion through connections with religious leaders, local councils, and welfare organisations. The Youth Alliance prioritises creating safe spaces for young people, enhancing educational outcomes, and reducing anti-social behaviour by collaborating with schools, youth organisations, and businesses.

Governance frameworks should be customised to each alliance's mission and operational environment, with essential components for safeguarding, financial oversight, and risk management. Policies should be population-specific, with adequate training for staff and volunteers. Financial oversight policies, including management, auditing, and transparent reporting, are critical for accountability, while risk management strategies are essential for identifying and addressing operational, legal, and community-related risks.

The consultants recommend thorough stakeholder mapping to identify beneficiaries, funders, local government entities, businesses, and community groups. Engaging stakeholders through regular updates, consultation events, and collaborative program design will help build strong, sustainable relationships. For each alliance, a finalised membership structure that optimises stakeholder engagement, a communications plan to raise awareness and attract funders, and robust stakeholder engagement strategies are crucial steps for sustainability. Alliances should also identify short-term funding sources while developing long-term investment cases.

In summary, this extensive work provides a strategic plan and a roadmap for Derby's VCFSE alliances to strengthen governance, engage stakeholders, and build community impact. Through these steps, the alliances will be well-positioned to secure funding, align with government priorities, and continue serving Derby's diverse community needs effectively.

As a result of this work there are implications for MFC, not least the close alignment of MFC stated strategic objectives and those of the Faith Alliance. Consequently, the Faith Alliance has sent a proposal for forming a single governance entity or merger for the MFC trustees to consider.

Faith Alliance

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The Faith Steering Group met with Lev Pedro associates for a facilitated workshop in June. As a result of that session several decisions were made: In the next 12 months, the Faith Steering Group will prioritise creating a 'SMART' action plan and review it annually. It will transition from a steering group to a management group with defined involvement levels and formalised terms of reference. The role of MFC as a strategic and administrative support provider will be clearly articulated and funded, with efforts to support alliance independence. Membership engagement levels will be clarified, and onboarding processes developed. Activities will include strategic thematic spaces, celebratory events, and tricky conversations to foster trust and influence. Improved communication channels with the public sector will be established, and capacity building for faith organisations will be prioritised. A 'State of the Sector' report will be developed to highlight the sector's value, and work will begin on a case for investment.

**Women in Faith Networks**

The Women in Faith Network - has gone from strength to strength over recent months. Events are held on the third Wednesday of each month and cover topics highlighted by faith communities through the research project carried out by the Faith Community Development workers

The Women in Faith Network is a friendly, welcoming forum for Women of Faith from across Derby to come together to discuss issues which affect them. It is a supportive, nurturing, inspirational space where women can network, share experiences, learn from best practice, and find inspiration to continue the valuable work they do within their communities and workplaces throughout the city.

**Developing Relationships and Networks**

MFC has continued to work to establish its strategic networks and ensure that faith is now embedded into several city and county partnerships, providing a faith voice and perspective in local strategic plans and policies.

Derby & Derbyshire Integrated Care Partnership  
Derby Stronger Communities Board  
Derby City Cost of Living Strategic Working Group  
Derby Health Inequalities Partnership  
Derbyshire Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner  
Derby & Derbyshire Safeguarding Board  
Derbyshire 3D Network for Infrastructure Organisations  
University Pastoral Services Committee  
University Faith & Belief Network  
Derby City Strategic Action Group: Rising Cost of Living

**Training**

No training was delivered in the last financial period.

**Events**

Events are crucial for fostering interfaith collaboration and community cohesion. They provide platforms for dialogue, breaking down misconceptions and promoting understanding. A program of regular events helped to build trust and long-term relationships, promoted inclusivity and increased faith communities' visibility and influence, ensuring diverse faith voices were promoted.

MFC delivered, or co-produced the following:

Women in Faith Network: Celebrating Local Initiatives (Apr 2024)  
Faith & Belief Month: Can Any Human Life Have a Spiritual Dimension? (May 2024)  
Faith & Belief Month: Celebration of the Buddhist Festival of Vesak (May 2024)  
Women in Faith Network: Derby A City Of Sanctuary (May 2024)  
Women in Faith Network: Women Supporting Women (June 2024)  
WOMEN IN FAITH NETWORK: Practical Responses to Cost-of-Living Challenges (Sept 2024)  
Music for Peace in Collaboration with Derby Peace Week (Sept 2024)  
Women in Faith: Tackling Hate Crime in Derby (Oct 2024)  
Derby Light Parade: Lantern Making Workshop with Surtal Arts (Oct 2024)  
Women in Faith: Restorative Justice & Community Response to Crime (Nov 2024)  
Inter Faith Week Illumination and Holocaust Memorial Day: 80 Candles Quilt Workshop (Nov 2024)  
Women in Faith: End of Year Celebration (Dec 2024)  
Holocaust Memorial Day Interfaith Remembrance Event (Jan 2025)  
Women in Faith: Caring For Yourself with NHS Community Quality Conversations Team (Jan 2025)

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Women in Faith: Stitching Peace Workshop (Feb 2025)

World Interfaith Harmony Week Event: The Most Beautiful Story Ever Told, Interfaith Seminar with Dr Musharraf Hussain (Feb 2025)

Interfaith Community Ifar (March 2025)

**Use of Premises**

The MFC is a vital hub for many community groups and interests. Income from lettings and room hire continues to recover from the Lockdown period and is an increasingly vital income stream. Room bookings have increased leading to a 12% increase in hiring income for the year. New and repeat bookings from local community groups include Kaleidoscope, Viva Orchestra, Derby City Council, Conversations Across Faiths, Research Cafe (University of Derby), Studio 86 and ABRSM. In addition, MFC hosts a regular concert programme organised by Derby Chamber Music.

MFC is also landlord to the University of Derby Chaplaincy service including its regular events and activities. These include a weekly Fair-Trade Lunch and choir practice, yoga classes and Mindfulness Meditation sessions. The Chaplaincy runs the Interfaith Buddies sessions, welcoming students of any or no faith to discuss their opinions and experiences and a welcome event for international students at the MFC. UoD (University of Derby) students and staff of different faiths extensively use MFC meeting spaces Quiet Room for prayers, meditation, and reflection. The Chaplaincy hold weekly charity lunches for students which are extremely well attended.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

The charity constantly monitors its core activity costs against available core funding incomes throughout the year through budgets and forecasts. The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £ 150,934 (31/03/2025). The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The MFC has negotiated a payment schedule with the University against the loan on its balance sheet and continues to put £12,450 a year aside for the University loan.

**FUTURE PLANS**

MFC recognizes that there is a need for infrastructure to facilitate and coordinate a faith alliance. The MFC may help to articulate the strategic role for infrastructure as a facilitator, coordinator, and supporter of a faith alliance.

A trustee away-day was held in November 2024 to discuss the concept of the Faith Alliance and the future strategy of the MFC. Clarification and further discussion was requested on certain matters surrounding the Faith Alliance, such as ownership and intent of the alliance and the critical need for stakeholder alignment if there were any changes in governance.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

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

The Multi-Faith Centre at the University of Derby is constituted as a Registered Charity (25 June 2001) and a Company Limited by Guarantee. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 16 March 2000, amended, and submitted for approval and agreed by the Charity Commission in January 2006 and subsequently amended and agreed by the Charity Commission in March 2010.

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**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Under the amended Memorandum a total of fourteen Trustees are appointed as follows:

The Bishop of Derby

Up to six "Faith Community Trustees" of any faith or religion.

Three from the University of Derby

Four independent members

Trustees shall be appointed as directors and trustees of the company for an initial term of up to three years. At the end of their initial periods of appointment Trustees may be reappointed or re-elected as appropriate for further periods of up to three years, except that no Trustee (except the Bishop of Derby) may serve for more than three such periods [nine consecutive years] without having stood down from the Board for a minimum period of one year.

The Trustees have no financial interest in the company.

**Organisational structure**

The Trustees are responsible for decisions covering significant areas of MFC's affairs:

- Overall strategy and planning in accordance with the MFC's charitable purpose
- Approval of budgets and development of key policies including financial and risk management.
- Appointment and line management of the Director.

To carry out their duties effectively as a Board of Trustees, they are assisted by a few sub-committees: Finance, Human Resources, and Strategy & Performance. Other sub-committees or working groups may be convened for purposes required by the Board of Trustees.

The day-to-day management of MFC (Multi Faith Centre) affairs is delegated to the Director, Geoff Sweeney, who is responsible for overall organisational management. The Director is supported by a Deputy Director, Laura Burrill, a Reception & Administration Assistant (p/t), and finance officer (p/t).

The Director of the centre, Geoff Sweeney, resigned on 31 March 2025.

**Related parties**

The charity has a close working relationship with The University of Derby. The University of Derby has representation on the board and provide funding to enable the charity to carry out its objectives.

**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. A risk register is maintained and reviewed at each Board meeting.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**  
03952377 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**  
1087140

**Registered office**  
University of Derby  
Kedleston Road  
Derby  
DE22 1XB

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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

**Trustees**

The Rt Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby, Chair  
Mr Andy Oakley, Treasurer  
Mr A Poostchi  
Dr Hardial Singh Dhillon  
Dr Joanne Bishton  
Mr Ejaz Sarwar  
Mr Mohamed Irshad Baqui  
Ms Eve Sacker  
Heather Klnuthia (appointed October 2024)  
Paul Freestone (appointed October 2024)  
Dhiraj Jogia (appointed January 2025)

**Independent Examiner**

Mrs K F Shapcott BA(Hons) FCA  
M. J. Shapcott & Co. Limited  
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58 St. Peters Street  
Derby  
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**Solicitors**

Eversheds  
1 Royal Standard Place  
Nottingham  
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Interim Centre Director:  
Mr Jonathan Dwerryhouse

The centre director resigned on 31 March 2025 and this report was compiled by the interim director, Jonathan Dwerryhouse in October 2025.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21 October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

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The Rt Rev Libby Lane Bishop of Derby - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
University of Derby**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby ('the Company')**  
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

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.



Mrs K F Shapcott BA(Hons) FCA

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21 October 2025

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**Statement of Financial Activities  
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		100,402	-	100,402	100,453
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		-	-	-	69,545
Other trading activities	2	28,696	-	28,696	25,992
Other income		-	-	-	81,804
<b>Total</b>		<u>129,098</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>129,098</u>	<u>277,794</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
Raising funds		(1,221)	-	(1,221)	-
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		134,482	12,354	146,836	253,259
Other		-	-	-	475
<b>Total</b>		<u>133,261</u>	<u>12,354</u>	<u>145,615</u>	<u>253,734</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>					
Transfers between funds	11	(4,163) 17,510	(12,354) (17,510)	(16,517) -	24,060 -
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		13,347	(29,864)	(16,517)	24,060
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		(145,550)	1,420,079	1,274,529	1,250,469
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>(132,203)</u>	<u>1,390,215</u>	<u>1,258,012</u>	<u>1,274,529</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet  
31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	6	1,607	1,297,136	1,298,743	1,309,925
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	7	2,493	-	2,493	2,878
Cash at bank		124,927	93,080	218,007	241,360
		<u>127,420</u>	<u>93,080</u>	<u>220,500</u>	<u>244,238</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(256,952)	-	(256,952)	(274,462)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>		<u>(129,532)</u>	<u>93,080</u>	<u>(36,452)</u>	<u>(30,224)</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>(127,925)</u>	<u>1,390,216</u>	<u>1,262,291</u>	<u>1,279,701</u>
<b>ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME</b>	10	(4,278)	(1)	(4,279)	(5,172)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>(132,203)</u>	<u>1,390,215</u>	<u>1,258,012</u>	<u>1,274,529</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	11				
Unrestricted funds				(132,203)	(145,550)
Restricted funds				1,390,215	1,420,079
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>1,258,012</u>	<u>1,274,529</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

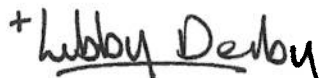
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

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 21 October 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

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Libby Lane Bishop of Derby - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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

**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.

**Allocation and apportionment of costs**

Allocation and apportionment of direct costs are based on staff time spent on those activities. Fixed overheads are based on percentage of usage of those activities.

**Tangible fixed assets**

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

Long leasehold	- over the period of the lease
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Only assets that are over a £5,000 capitalisation limit will be capitalised and depreciated in line with the above rates.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. The charity is outside the scope of VAT. Unrecovered VAT suffered is written off to the relevant expenditure.

**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.

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Lettings	28,696	25,992

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**3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	12,845	12,499
Deficit on disposal of fixed assets	-	633
	-	633

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**5. STAFF COSTS**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	86,361	119,956
	86,361	119,956

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

	2025	2024
Administration	4	7
	4	7

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

**6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Long leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2024	1,544,213	6,865	16,180	1,567,258
Additions	-	1,663	-	1,663
At 31 March 2025	1,544,213	8,528	16,180	1,568,921
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2024	234,723	6,865	15,745	257,333
Charge for year	12,354	382	109	12,845
At 31 March 2025	247,077	7,247	15,854	270,178
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2025	1,297,136	1,281	326	1,298,743
At 31 March 2024	1,309,490	-	435	1,309,925

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<b>7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>			
		2025	2024
		£	£
Fees receivable		2,493	2,878
		<u>2,493</u>	<u>2,878</u>
<b>8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>			
		2025	2024
		£	£
Other loans (see note 9)		256,952	256,952
Other creditors		-	17,510
		<u>256,952</u>	<u>274,462</u>
<b>9. LOANS</b>			
An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:			
		2025	2024
		£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:			
Other loans		256,952	256,952
		<u>256,952</u>	<u>256,952</u>
The loan is provided by the University of Derby. The loan provided is interest free and is repayable on demand.			
<b>10. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME</b>			
		2025	2024
		£	£
Accruals and deferred income		4,279	5,172
		<u>4,279</u>	<u>5,172</u>
<b>11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>			
	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			At 31.3.25
General	(145,550)	(4,163)	17,510
			(132,203)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	4,557	-	-
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,309,489	(12,354)	-
Holocaust Memorial Service	31	-	-
People's Health	1,833	-	-
PCC	39,788	-	-
PVE Training	6,325	-	-
Red Cross	16,210	-	-
BSBT	22,562	-	-
ELS Fund	293	-	-
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	17,510	-	(17,510)
Derby Homes	1,481	-	-
	<u>1,420,079</u>	<u>(12,354)</u>	<u>(17,510)</u>
			1,390,215
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,274,529</u>	<u>(16,517)</u>	<u>-</u>
			<u>1,258,012</u>

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**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	129,098	(133,261)	(4,163)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>129,098</u>	<u>(145,615)</u>	<u>(16,517)</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General	(151,477)	7,111	(1,184)	(145,550)
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth	4,557	-	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,321,843	(12,354)	-	1,309,489
Holocaust Memorial Service	3,264	(3,233)	-	31
People's Health	1,833	-	-	1,833
PCC	24,426	15,362	-	39,788
PVE Training	6,325	-	-	6,325
Red Cross	16,210	-	-	16,210
BSBT	23,195	(633)	-	22,562
ELS Fund	293	-	-	293
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	-	16,326	1,184	17,510
Derby Homes	-	1,481	-	1,481
	<u>1,401,946</u>	<u>16,949</u>	<u>1,184</u>	<u>1,420,079</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,250,469</u>	<u>24,060</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,274,529</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	126,386	(119,275)	7,111
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
Holocaust Memorial Service	59	(3,292)	(3,233)
PCC	42,257	(26,895)	15,362
BSBT	-	(633)	(633)
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	81,804	(65,478)	16,326
Derby Homes	27,288	(25,807)	1,481
	<u>151,408</u>	<u>(134,459)</u>	<u>16,949</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>277,794</u>	<u>(253,734)</u>	<u>24,060</u>

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**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General	(151,477)	2,948	16,326	(132,203)
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth	4,557	-	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,321,843	(24,708)	-	1,297,135
Holocaust Memorial Service	3,264	(3,233)	-	31
People's Health	1,833	-	-	1,833
PCC	24,426	15,362	-	39,788
PVE Training	6,325	-	-	6,325
Red Cross	16,210	-	-	16,210
BSBT	23,195	(633)	-	22,562
ELS Fund	293	-	-	293
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	-	16,326	(16,326)	-
Derby Homes	-	1,481	-	1,481
	<u>1,401,946</u>	<u>4,595</u>	<u>(16,326)</u>	<u>1,390,215</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,250,469</u>	<u>7,543</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,258,012</u>

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 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	255,484	(252,536)	2,948
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(24,708)	(24,708)
Holocaust Memorial Service	59	(3,292)	(3,233)
PCC	42,257	(26,895)	15,362
BSBT	-	(633)	(633)
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	81,804	(65,478)	16,326
Derby Homes	27,288	(25,807)	1,481
	<u>151,408</u>	<u>(146,813)</u>	<u>4,595</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>406,892</u>	<u>(399,349)</u>	<u>7,543</u>

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**12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

The charity has close working relationships with the University of Derby. The University has representation at the board. The University also makes a donation to the Centre and provides professional and other in-house premises services to the Centre for a fee.

The University also provides financial support by way of grant instalments amounting to £100,000 during the year (2024 - £100,000).

The University provided a loan toward the building of the Centre. The loan balance is £256,952 at the end of the year. The University has agreed to waive its entitlement to charge interest at 5% on the loan until further notice and, therefore, no interest has been accrued for in these financial statements.

**13. LEGAL STATUS OF THE COMPANY**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £1.

**14. GOING CONCERN**

The trustees have formed a judgement at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate financial resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. This is dependent upon the support of the charitable company's funding partners and bankers, which is expected to continue. For these reasons, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

**15. FUNDS IN DEFICIT**

The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £132,203 compared to the 2024 deficit of £145,550. The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The majority of the deficits were accumulated during the formative years.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Gift Aids and donations	402	453
Donated services and facilities	100,000	100,000
	<u>100,402</u>	<u>100,453</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	28,696	25,992
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Projects and events	-	69,545
<b>Other income</b>		
Government grants	-	81,804
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>129,098</u>	<u>277,794</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Bad debts	60	-
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Gross wages	86,361	119,956
Other direct costs	10,194	75,921
	<u>96,555</u>	<u>195,877</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Premises costs	28,391	28,391
Administrative expenses	4,508	11,284
	<u>32,899</u>	<u>39,675</u>
<b>Other</b>		
Long leasehold	12,354	12,354
Fixtures and fittings	382	-
Computer equipment	109	145
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	633
	<u>12,845</u>	<u>13,132</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy and legal fees	3,256	5,050
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>145,615</u>	<u>253,734</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>	<u>(16,517)</u>	<u>24,060</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

**THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DERBY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1087140

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# Accounts

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**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03952377 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1087140**

**Report of the Trustees and  
Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023  
for  
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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

The trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2023 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 2015).

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives, aims and public benefit**

The Multi-Faith Centre (MFC) was founded in 2001 to build respect between people across different faiths and cultures. Since we opened, we have created a strong network of contacts in faith communities and with key public and voluntary organisations and developed a range of training and community projects with these partners.

More recently, because of the Covid-emergency, the Centre recognised that it could play a vital role as a connecting bridge between faith communities and civic society. It is an opportunity for the Centre to use its existing network and experience to forge a stronger strategic purpose and have a wider positive impact on local communities.

MFC's new, refreshed vision is a society where the diversity, expertise and richness of faith communities actively contributes to the building of safe, healthy, and cohesive communities throughout Derbyshire.

The MFC encourages and facilitates dialogue, co-operation, mutual respect and understanding between people from different faith communities and civil society, who by coming together aim to improve the wellbeing of vulnerable people living in Derbyshire.

To achieve this, we focus on four key objectives:

1. **CREATEAN INFRASTRUCTURE** Producing a platform for the faith sector to come together to act strategically and maximise their impact.
2. **FACILITATECOMMUNICATION** Creating safe spaces for faith groups to hold conversations on social and community issues common to everyone.
3. **NURTURE COLLABORATION** - Encouraging faith groups to join and then create partnerships with local authorities and key agencies.
4. **PROMOTE CELEBRATION** - Shining a light on good news stories around the positive contribution faith communities make to our society.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**2022/23 Significant activities**

**Ukraine**

MFC supported the University of Derby's Executive Board with developing its corporate response and messaging regarding the conflict. We liaised with the Ukrainian community and attended the Emergency Partnership meetings with representatives from international aid agencies and the local authorities and organisations to ensure consistent communication across the University, Students Union, and Chaplaincy and that offer of help were an appropriate response to clear need identified, and an effective logistics chain in place to the border with, or into Ukraine.

**Ukraine Interfaith Vigil**

In line with our strategic objective of amplifying the role of faith in Civic Society, MFC supported the city's faith communities with organisation, marketing, and facilitation support to organise a prayer vigil at Derby Cathedral. We are grateful to the many faith partners who responded to our call to convene a task and finish group and to organise something poignant at such short notice.

Christian, Sikh, Muslim, Hindu, Quakers and the Ukrainian Catholic Church and Association of Ukrainians of GB, Derby Branch were represented. This event was an excellent example of interfaith collaboration that we hope to build on as we develop the city's faith infrastructure and networks.

**Derby Faith Alliance**

We are grateful to Derby City Council for their financial support in 2022/23 to pay for MFC facilitation and support role in developing the Faith Alliance and faith infrastructure.

During this period MFC supported the establishment of a Faith Steering Group (which now includes representatives from the city's Hindu, Muslim, Sikh, Christian, Quakers, Jewish, Community Action, Derby City Council, and Derby Homes).

MFC enabled the Faith Steering Group to meet 7 times during the year and submitted 5 funding bids to support its work. We provided vital administrative, project management and delivery, fundraising and marketing support. MFC also took the lead role in encouraging interfaith partnership working, particularly events and prayer vigils that encouraged unity and collaboration around key issues such as the Ukraine conflict and tensions between the city's Muslim and Hindu communities.

MFC also secured additional financial support from Derby Homes and the Derbyshire Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner to support the important community development and networking aspects of this work.

This additional support enabled a step change in developing a faith sector infrastructure plan whilst developing a strengths-based approach and improving faith networks and representation from underrepresented and unengaged communities. We have used this period to understand the longer-term infrastructure and resource requirements and develop longer-term infrastructure support plan for the faith sector.

As part of this work over the last twelve months, MFC has delivered:

- " A Theory of Change for the faith alliance,
- " A Meeting with Derby City Council senior leadership was hosted to establish shared vision of faith infrastructure for the city.
- " A Milestone Plan for the implantation of the faith alliance.
- " Faith Community Development Workers recruited, inducted and line managed to implement relationship building and community consultation activities.

**Developing Relationships and Networks**

MFC has continued to work to establish its strategic networks and ensure that faith is now embedded into several city and county partnerships, providing a faith voice and perspective in local strategic plans and policies.

- " Derby & Derbyshire Integrated Care Partnership
- " Derby Stronger Communities Board
- " Derby City Cost of Living Strategic Working Group
- " Derby Health Inequalities Partnership
- " Derbyshire Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner
- " Derby & Derbyshire Safeguarding Board
- " Derbyshire 3D Network for Infrastructure Organisations
- " University Pastoral Services Committee
- " University Faith & Belief Network

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

" Derby City Strategic Action Group: Rising Cost of Living

**Cost of Living Crisis**

In May, as part of our work to support improved partnership working across faith communities and with civil society, we brought together voices from across the city's diverse faith communities to:

" Highlight the impact that the cost-of-living crisis is having on local communities.

" Communicate what support is available for those in need.

" Discuss what faith communities can do to alleviate the impact and increase community resilience.

" Plan for what faith communities can do in partnership immediately and in the coming months to support vulnerable people.

We organised two sessions and heard that faith communities are on the front line, playing a vital role to those in need. Across the two events, 50 people participated. MFC produced a summary report of those discussions which has informed the work of the Derby City Council Strategic Action Group which formed to create a city-wide response and tangible actions that positively affect our residents and increase community resilience.

**Equalities, Diversity & Inclusion Network Conference**

MFC was invited to be part of the University's EDINetwork and gave a keynote presentation which made the case for faith in Inclusion, Equity, Belonging and Allyship agendas.

**Faith Friendly Workplaces**

MFC, University of Derby and a network of 40 businesses (including Rolls-Royce plc, Thames Water, Ovo Energy) has formed a working group to support a Faith Friendly Workplaces initiative.

The project focuses on the belief that faith is crucial part of healthy and happy workforces and that it can improve and enhance organizational performance and productivity. It is recognised that staff faith networks create value, a sense of belonging in the workplace and contribute to emotional and spiritual well-being.

There is relevance and a business need for some form of 'faith kitemark'. This would enable organizations to articulate their commitment and engagement with faith as well as a continuous improvement framework for dealing with people and matters of faith in the workplace.

External validation of faith friendly workplaces would strengthen the evidence base that faith makes good business sense.

As part of this work, MFC has:

1. Created a partnership with business partners and the University of Derby's Knowledge Transfer Partnership.
2. Secured DRIVEN funding for an intern and academic support for the first stage of the project: a comprehensive literature review.
3. Completed the literature review to inform future stages of the project.

We are currently recruiting an intern for the second phase of the project.

**Social Prescribing for All Project (SP4ALL)**

Given the much worse life expectancy and overall health reported in people from ethnic minority groups, the Multi Faith Centre partnered with the University of Derby, Talk for Health, and Community Action Derby to develop strategies to mitigate the health inequalities experienced by people from ethnic minority groups.

SP4ALL project created practitioner training for people from ethnic minority groups and cultural competence training for practitioners to learn together by building on existing Social Prescribing networks and therapeutic training with our partners.

We piloted a training model to support people from ethnic minority groups as champions of their own cultural knowledge and co-facilitators alongside practitioners with therapeutic training.

The findings informed research in the field of social prescribing nationally and internationally where the evidence base is rather limited. Particularly academics working with the voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise (VCFSE) sector will have better understanding of inclusivity in the VCFSE sector and its vital contributions to implementing Social Prescribing programmes across the UK.

**Training**

MFC delivered the following courses:

" Overcoming Islamophobia: training to provide greater awareness of Muslims and Islam, increased understanding of the issues related to Islamophobia and anti-Muslim discrimination.

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" Overcoming Antisemitism: confidence building skills and strategies to prevent and confront prejudice, antisemitism, and hatred against Jews.

Events

MFC delivered, or co-produced the following:

- " Ukraine Vigil (April 2022)
- " Interfaith Spring Walk (April 2022)
- " Cost-of-Living Event (May 2022)
- " Summer Solstice Walk (June 2022)
- " Climate, Faith & Peace Event (Sept 2022)
- " Black History Month, Professor Anthony Reddie lecture (October 2022)
- " Interfaith Faith Trail to New Life Church, Jamia Mosque, Guru Arjan Dev Ji Gurdwara, and the Hindu Temple. (November 2022)
- " Speaking Across the Divide, for Holocaust Memorial Day (Jan 2022)
- " Ordinary People Extraordinary Lives, for Holocaust Memorial Day (Jan 2022)
- " Broken Instruments, for Holocaust Memorial Day (Jan 2022)
- " Auschwitz Sapling planting, for Holocaust Memorial Day (January 2023)
- " Ukraine Anniversary Peace March, Prayer vigil and community workshops (February 2023)
- " International Women's Day - establishment of a Women in faith group (March 2023)

Use of Premises

MFC is landlord to the University of Derby Chaplaincy service including its regular events and activities. These include a weekly Fair-Trade Lunch and choir practice, yoga classes and Mindfulness Meditation sessions. The Chaplaincy runs the Interfaith Buddies sessions, welcoming students of any or no faith to discuss their opinions and experiences and a welcome event for international students at the MFC.UoD (University of Derby) students and staff of different faiths extensively use MFC meeting spaces Quiet Room for prayers, meditation, and reflection.

Income from lettings and room hire continues to recover from the Lockdown period and is an increasingly vital income stream. New and repeat bookings from local community groups include Kaleidoscope, Viva Orchestra, Derby City Council, Conversations Across Faiths, Research Cafe (UoD), Studio 86 and ABRSM. In addition, MFC hosts a regular concert programme organised by Derby Chamber Music.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

The charity constantly monitors its core activity costs against available core funding incomes throughout the year through budgets and forecasts. The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £151,477 (31/03/2023). The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The MFC has negotiated a payment schedule with the University against the loan on its balance sheet and continues to put £12,450 a year aside for the University loan.

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**FUTURE PLANS**

MFC believes there is a need for infrastructure to facilitate and coordinate the faith alliance, rather than being involved in direct service delivery. We will continue to help articulate the strategic role for infrastructure as a facilitator, coordinator, and supporter of the faith alliance.

MFC's work in 2022/23 will focus providing facilitation support to the city's Faith Steering Group and our work will include:

- 1) Defining the role of infrastructure clearly and avoid the perception of creating a cumbersome and resource-heavy entity. We want to articulate an infrastructure model that is nimble and light-touch while still being strategic and insightful. We need to counter past criticisms of infrastructure being too resource-intensive and putting power in the wrong hands.
- 2) Demonstrating the benefits of the alliance approach which can avoid competition, duplication, and piecemeal efforts by enabling strategic partnerships and empowering alliances to have a collective voice.
- 3) Creating a clear model that defines the role of infrastructure and encourages collaboration and coordinated efforts among stakeholders.
- 4) Establishing a framework that supports the alliance approach, identifies gaps in the current alliance structure, ensures effective resource allocation, and enables strategic partnerships for the benefit of the community.
- 5) Making the strategic case that infrastructure can play a crucial role as a facilitator, coordinator, and advocate.
- 6) Clarifying partner and stakeholder understanding and definition of the concept of Alliances and develop a shared language and understanding when using the term "alliance" to avoid confusion and misinterpretation.
- 7) Providing an understanding the strategic environment, engaging with stakeholders and commissioners, and articulating a model for funding the alliances.
- 8) Explore with stakeholders, funders and commissioners' potential avenues of financial support and their role in supporting alliance infrastructure.
- 9) Formally launching the faith alliance with the support of faith communities, civil society stakeholders and public sector commissioners.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

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

The Multi-Faith Centre at the University of Derby is constituted as a Registered Charity (25 June 2001) and a Company Limited by Guarantee. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 16 March 2000, amended, and submitted for approval and agreed by the Charity Commission in January 2006 and subsequently amended and agreed by the Charity Commission in March 2010.

**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Under the amended Memorandum a total of fourteen Trustees are appointed as follows:

The Bishop of Derby  
Six from faith members  
Three from the University of Derby  
Four independent members

Trustees shall be appointed as directors and trustees of the company for an initial term of up to three years. At the end of their initial periods of appointment Trustees may be reappointed or re-elected as appropriate for further periods of up to three years, except that no Trustee (except the Bishop of Derby) may serve for more than three such periods [nine consecutive years] without having stood down from the Board for a minimum period of one year.

The Trustees have no financial interest in the company.

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**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Organisational structure**

The Trustees are responsible for decisions covering significant areas of MFCs affairs:

- Overall strategy and planning in accordance with the MFC's charitable purpose
- Approval of budgets and development of key policies including financial and risk management.
- Appointment and line management of the Director.

To carry out their duties effectively as a Board of Trustees, they are assisted by a few sub-committees: Finance, Human Resources, and Strategy & Performance. Other sub-committees or working groups may be convened for purposes required by the Board of Trustees.

The day-to-day management of MFC (Multi Faith Centre) affairs is delegated to the Director, Geoff Sweeney, who is responsible for overall organisational management. The Director is supported by an office manager (p/t) and finance officer (p/t) and project managers and staff relating to the projects MFC delivers.

**Related parties**

The charity has a close working relationship with The University of Derby. The University of Derby has representation on the board and provide funding to enable the charity to carry out its objectives.

**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. A risk register is maintained and reviewed at each Board meeting.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

03952377 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1087140

**Registered office**

University of Derby  
Kedleston Road  
Derby  
DE22 1XB

**Trustees**

The Rt Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby (Chair)  
Mr Shain Bali (resigned December 2022)  
Mr Guy J Freeman  
Mr Graham Falgate  
Mrs Ruth P Dolby  
Qazi Abdul Mateen (resigned January 2023)  
Mr Ali Pootschi  
Mr Andy Oakley  
Dr Hardial Singh Dhillon  
Dr Joanne Bishton  
Mr Ejaz Sawar  
Mr Mohamed Irshad Baqui (appointed March 2023)



**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
University of Derby**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby ('the Company')**

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

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

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.

Mrs K F Shapcott, FCA

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Stanier Way  
Derby  
DE21 6BF

12 September 2023

**Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
University of Derby**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		100,555	(99)	100,456	88,168
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		29,250	16,976	46,226	20,417
Other trading activities	2	19,466	125	19,591	14,824
Other income		-	47,334	47,334	-
<b>Total</b>		<u>149,271</u>	<u>64,336</u>	<u>213,607</u>	<u>123,409</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		<u>120,791</u>	<u>78,808</u>	<u>199,599</u>	<u>137,119</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		28,480	(14,472)	14,008	(13,710)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		(179,957)	1,416,418	1,236,461	1,250,171
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>(151,477)</u></u>	<u><u>1,401,946</u></u>	<u><u>1,250,469</u></u>	<u><u>1,236,461</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
University of Derby**

**Balance Sheet  
31 March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	6	580	1,322,477	1,323,057	1,335,816
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	7	290	-	290	3,365
Cash at bank and in hand		160,494	79,470	239,964	160,933
		<u>160,784</u>	<u>79,470</u>	<u>240,254</u>	<u>164,298</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(303,382)	-	(303,382)	(256,952)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>		<u>(142,598)</u>	<u>79,470</u>	<u>(63,128)</u>	<u>(92,654)</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		(142,018)	1,401,947	1,259,929	1,243,162
<b>ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME</b>	10	(9,459)	(1)	(9,460)	(6,701)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>(151,477)</u>	<u>1,401,946</u>	<u>1,250,469</u>	<u>1,236,461</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted funds	11			(151,477)	(179,957)
Restricted funds				1,401,946	1,416,418
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>1,250,469</u>	<u>1,236,461</u>

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

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

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

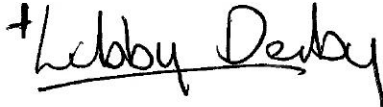
The notes form part of these financial statements

**Multi Faith Centre  
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**Balance Sheet - continued  
31 March 2023**

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 12 September 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Libby Lane Bishop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

Libby Lane Bishop of Derby - Trustee

**Multi Faith Centre  
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University of Derby**

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

**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.

**Allocation and apportionment of costs**

Allocation and apportionment of direct costs are based on staff time spent on those activities. Fixed overheads are based on percentage of usage of those activities.

**Tangible fixed assets**

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

Long leasehold	- over the period of the lease
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Only assets that are over a £5,000 capitalisation limit will be capitalised and depreciated in line with the above rates.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. The charity is outside the scope of VAT. Unrecovered VAT suffered is written off to the relevant expenditure.

**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.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Lettings	19,591	14,824
	<u>19,591</u>	<u>14,824</u>

**3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	12,759	13,055
	<u>12,759</u>	<u>13,055</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

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

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

**5. STAFF COSTS**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	79,196	75,422
	<u>79,196</u>	<u>75,422</u>

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

	2023	2022
Administration	4	3
	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>

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

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Long leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	1,544,213	6,865	17,640	1,568,718
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2022	210,015	6,865	16,022	232,902
Charge for year	12,354	-	405	12,759
At 31 March 2023	222,369	6,865	16,427	245,661
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2023	1,321,844	-	1,213	1,323,057
At 31 March 2022	1,334,198	-	1,618	1,335,816

**7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees receivable	290	3,355
Other debtors	-	10
	<u>290</u>	<u>3,365</u>

**8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2023 £	2022 £
Other loans (see note 9)	256,952	256,952
Other creditors	46,430	-
	<u>303,382</u>	<u>256,952</u>

**9. LOANS**

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Other loans	<u>256,952</u>	<u>256,952</u>

The loan is provided by the University of Derby. The loan provided is interest free and is repayable on demand.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**10. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	9,460	6,701
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.22	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.23
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	(179,957)	28,480	(151,477)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	4,557	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,334,197	(12,354)	1,321,843
Holocaust Memorial Service	4,923	(1,659)	3,264
People's Health	1,833	-	1,833
PCC	24,674	(248)	24,426
PVE Training	6,325	-	6,325
Red Cross	16,210	-	16,210
BSBT	23,406	(211)	23,195
ELS Fund	293	-	293
	<u>1,416,418</u>	<u>(14,472)</u>	<u>1,401,946</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,236,461</u>	<u>14,008</u>	<u>1,250,469</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	149,271	(120,791)	28,480
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
Holocaust Memorial Service	26	(1,685)	(1,659)
PCC	7,544	(7,792)	(248)
BSBT	-	(211)	(211)
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	47,334	(47,334)	-
Derby Homes	9,432	(9,432)	-
	<u>64,336</u>	<u>(78,808)</u>	<u>(14,472)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>213,607</u>	<u>(199,599)</u>	<u>14,008</u>

**Multi Faith Centre  
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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	(181,431)	1,474	(179,957)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	4,557	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,346,551	(12,354)	1,334,197
Holocaust Memorial Service	6,463	(1,540)	4,923
People's Health	1,833	-	1,833
PCC	25,683	(1,009)	24,674
PVE Training	6,325	-	6,325
Red Cross	16,210	-	16,210
BSBT	23,687	(281)	23,406
ELS Fund	293	-	293
	<u>1,431,602</u>	<u>(15,184)</u>	<u>1,416,418</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,250,171</u>	<u>(13,710)</u>	<u>1,236,461</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	105,596	(104,122)	1,474
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
Holocaust Memorial Service	566	(2,106)	(1,540)
PCC	17,247	(18,256)	(1,009)
BSBT	-	(281)	(281)
	<u>17,813</u>	<u>(32,997)</u>	<u>(15,184)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>123,409</u>	<u>(137,119)</u>	<u>(13,710)</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	(181,431)	29,954	(151,477)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	4,557	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,346,551	(24,708)	1,321,843
Holocaust Memorial Service	6,463	(3,199)	3,264
People's Health	1,833	-	1,833
PCC	25,683	(1,257)	24,426
PVE Training	6,325	-	6,325
Red Cross	16,210	-	16,210
BSBT	23,687	(492)	23,195
ELS Fund	293	-	293
	<u>1,431,602</u>	<u>(29,656)</u>	<u>1,401,946</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,250,171</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>1,250,469</u>

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 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	254,867	(224,913)	29,954
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(24,708)	(24,708)
Holocaust Memorial Service	592	(3,791)	(3,199)
PCC	24,791	(26,048)	(1,257)
BSBT	-	(492)	(492)
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	47,334	(47,334)	-
Derby Homes	9,432	(9,432)	-
	<u>82,149</u>	<u>(111,805)</u>	<u>(29,656)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>337,016</u>	<u>(336,718)</u>	<u>298</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

The charity has close working relationships with The University of Derby. The University has representation at the board. The University also makes a donation to the Centre and provides professional and other in-house premises services to the Centre for a fee.

The University also provide financial support by way of grant instalments amounting to £100,000 during the year (2022 - £86,924).

The University provided a loan towards the building of the centre. The loan balance is £256,952 at the end of the year. The University has agreed to waive its entitlement to charge interest at 5% on the loan until further notice and, therefore, no interest has been accrued for in these financial statements.

**13. LEGAL STATUS OF THE COMPANY**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £1.

**14. GOING CONCERN**

The trustees have formed a judgement at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate financial resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. This is dependent upon the support of the charitable company's funding partners and bankers, which is expected to continue. For these reasons, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

**15. FUNDS IN DEFICIT**

The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £151,477 compared to the 2022 deficit of £179,957. The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The majority of the deficits were accumulated during the formative years.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Gift Aids and donations	456	1,244
Donated services and facilities	100,000	86,924
	<u>100,456</u>	<u>88,168</u>
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	19,591	14,824
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Projects and events	46,226	20,417
<b>Other income</b>		
Government grants	47,334	-
	<u>47,334</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>213,607</b>	<b>123,409</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Gross wages	79,196	75,422
Other direct costs	67,931	8,822
	<u>147,127</u>	<u>84,244</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Premises costs	28,391	28,391
Administrative expenses	7,736	7,471
	<u>36,127</u>	<u>35,862</u>
<b>Other</b>		
Long leasehold	12,354	12,354
Fixtures and fittings	-	162
Computer equipment	405	539
	<u>12,759</u>	<u>13,055</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Sundries	-	1,575
Accountancy and legal fees	3,586	2,383
	<u>3,586</u>	<u>3,958</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>199,599</b>	<b>137,119</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>14,008</b>	<b>(13,710)</b>

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**THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DERBY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1087140

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# Accounts

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**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03952377 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1087140**

**Report of the Trustees and  
Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022  
for  
Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
University of Derby**

**M. J. Shapcott & Co. Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Charter House, Wyvern Court  
Stanier Way  
Derby  
DE21 6BF**

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**Multi Faith Centre  
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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

The trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2022 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 2015).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives, aims and public benefit**

The Multi-Faith Centre (MFC) was founded in 2001 to build respect between people across different faiths and cultures. Since we opened, we have created a strong network of contacts in faith communities and with key public and voluntary organisations and developed a range of training and community projects with these partners.

More recently, because of the Covid-emergency, the Centre recognised that it could play a vital role as a connecting bridge between faith communities and civic society. It is an opportunity for the Centre to use its existing network and experience to forge a stronger strategic purpose and have a wider positive impact on local communities.

MFC's new, refreshed vision is a society where the diversity, expertise and richness of faith communities actively contributes to the building of safe, healthy, and cohesive communities throughout Derbyshire.

The MFC encourages and facilitates dialogue, co-operation, mutual respect and understanding between people from different faith communities and civil society, who by coming together aim to improve the wellbeing of vulnerable people living in Derbyshire.

To achieve this, we focus on four key objectives:

1. **CREATE AN INFRASTRUCTURE** - Producing a platform for the faith sector to come together to act strategically and maximise their impact.
2. **FACILITATE COMMUNICATION** Creating safe spaces for faith groups to hold conversations on social and community issues common to everyone.
3. **NURTURE COLLABORATION** Encouraging faith groups to join and then create partnerships with local authorities and key agencies.
4. **PROMOTE CELEBRATION** Shining a light on good news stories around the positive contribution faith communities make to our society.

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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Significant activities**

**Governance:**

The shadow of Covid and the subsequent lockdowns continued to impact the year. Consequently, the trustees undertook and completed two significant pieces of work to respond to the impact of the crisis.

1. A strategic review of the charity's purpose and operations. This resulted in a clear and stronger strategic purpose (as outlined in the previous section) and the implementation of a new strategic plan, developed in consultation with partners and stakeholders.
2. A governance review and action plan, to ensure the trustee board has the required governance expertise, strategic skills, and networks to support the plan.

**Projects:**

Two projects ended in 2021/22:

**Roma Community Care (RCC)**

Flowing from the strategic review, and after discussion with the project funders, project management of RCC was transferred to the St James Centre in January 2021.

This has enabled further development of a first-class comprehensive Advice Service that enables Roma people to move forward with their lives. It has created a more sustainable and resilient service for the Roma Community supported by the infrastructure and support of a larger charity.

MFC is proud of its role in supporting vulnerable Roma communities whilst raising awareness of their needs with local authorities and key agencies over the years. We are grateful for the generous support and guidance of the Tudor Trust, the Badur Foundation and Derby City Council and look forward to the projects next stage of development under the care of the St James Centre.

MFC remains committed to the success of the project having established a close and supportive working relationship with the St James Centre and will continue to offer support and practical help to ensure the project's continued success.

**Race & Religious Hate Crime Project**

Project ended with the end of funding in October 2021. The project created safe spaces to foster dialogue, build resilience and develop networks that supported victims and witnesses of hate crimes and incidents across Derbyshire. Significant project achievements included launching the project, building a network of organisations across the city and county, developing an online knowledge hub to share ideas and best practice, running Hate Crime Awareness activities and the successful launch of an Innovation Fund which supported community groups to trial new ways of working to tackle race and religious hate crime and support victims.

MFC looks forward to continuing its relationship with the new Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner and playing its part in ensuring the assets and expertise of the diverse faith communities contribute to making communities safer throughout the region.

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Activities:

**Derby Faith Steering Group**

Over the last 12 months, MFC has brought together the city's diverse faith communities and senior leaders of Derby City Council to reflect on the emergency response to the pandemic and to understand how we can use this experience to recover as a resilient, more collaborative city.

Our Derby Keeping the Faith conference (May 2020) highlighted new experiences of collaboration and partnership across the city and pointed towards changing relationships between faith organisations and the local authority, and what the implications might be for future policy.

We learned that there is a desire amongst faith communities to organise and act strategically and a willingness to be active partners in the city's recovery and renewal. We also found a growing appreciation of faiths' unique offer in helping the city's most vulnerable, but more needs to be done to support and develop innovation, partnership, and collaboration.

Our Building the New Normal conference in December 2021 brought faith communities and senior leaders from Derby City Council together to set out the ground rules for cooperation between faith groups and local councils that will help build confidence and trust on both sides and support them working together.

Building on the momentum from these events, the MFC was tasked by the City's Stronger Communities Board to re-establish a faith forum or alliance in Derby.

We have established a faith steering group. This group includes representatives from Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, and Christian faith communities along with Community Action Derby and Derby City Council's community development team. The group is chaired by the Very Revd Peter Robinson, Dean of Derby, and member of the University Governing Council.

The group is bringing forward proposals to ensure broad representation and diversity of membership to ensure all faiths are engaged (including those voices that are traditionally unengaged or under-represented such as women, minority ethnic communities, young people, and LGBT+ faith communities).

Given that a strength of faith communities is its hyper-local approach and its experience of working with the need of the most challenged communities, we believe that the sector is a huge, but under resourced asset to the city and county that can, if supported appropriately, be an effective partner in community renewal.

The work that the Multi Faith Centre and partners is doing is starting to shine a light on what can be achieved locally between faith groups and local authorities when they work together effectively. We are now working to bring the university alongside to build Derby's knowledge base, develop the faith sector's role in civil society and influence local and national policy and to improve the quality of life for all residents.

**Developing relationships and networks**

MFC has worked to establish its strategic networks and is now embedded into several city and county partnerships, providing a faith voice and perspective in local strategic plans and policies.

" Derby Stronger Communities Board

" Derby City Cost of Living Strategic Working Group

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**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

- " Derby Health Inequalities Partnership
- " Derby & Derbyshire Safeguarding Board
- " Derbyshire 3D Network for Infrastructure Organisations
- " University Pastoral Services Committee
- " University Faith & Belief Network

**Training**

MFC delivered the following courses:

- " Overcoming Islamophobia: training to provide greater awareness of Muslims and Islam, increased understanding of the issues related to Islamophobia and anti-Muslim discrimination.
- " Overcoming Antisemitism: confidence building skills and strategies to prevent and confront prejudice, antisemitism, and hatred against Jews.

**Events**

MFC delivered, or co-produced the following:

- " Reflecting on Faith Contributions during the Covid Recovery (May 2021)
- " Peace Walk for Derby Peace Week (Oct 2021)
- " National Hate Crime Awareness Week (Oct 2021)
- " Students Shine a Light on Faith for Interfaith Week (Nov 2021)
- " Building the New Normal conference (Dec 2021)
- " An Evening of Poetry and Music for Holocaust Memorial Day (Jan 2022)
- " Book of Remembrance for the late Desmond Tutu (Jan 2022)

**Use of Premises**

MFC is landlord to the University of Derby Chaplaincy service including its regular events and activities. These include a weekly Fair-Trade Lunch and choir practice, yoga classes and Mindfulness Meditation sessions. The Chaplaincy runs the Interfaith Buddies sessions, welcoming students of any or no faith to discuss their opinions and experiences and a welcome event for international students at the MFC. UoD (University of Derby) students and staff of different faiths extensively use MFC meeting spaces Quiet Room for prayers, meditation, and reflection.

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Income from lettings and room hire continues to recover from the Lockdown period and is an increasingly vital income stream. New and repeat bookings from local community groups include Kaleidoscope, Viva Orchestra, Derby City Council, Conversations Across Faiths, Research Cafe (UoD), Studio 86 and ABRSM. In addition, MFC hosts a regular concert programme organised by Derby Chamber Music.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

The charity constantly monitors its core activity costs against available core funding incomes throughout the year through budgets and forecasts. The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £179,957 (31.03.2022). The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The MFC has negotiated a payment schedule with the University against the loan on its balance sheet and continues to put £12,450 a year aside for the University loan.

**FUTURE PLANS**

MFC's work in 2021/22 has contributed to raising awareness of the faith sector's assets and potential, built networks and commitment, embedded faith into strategic thinking, created momentum, improved visibility and communication with the faith sector and civil society.

Our plans for the year ahead include:

- " Securing funding to develop inclusive Faith networks and infrastructure and nurture collaboration.
- " Developing the frameworks to ensure the local faith sector is increasingly flexible in responding to the changing needs of statutory partners and communities.
- " Provide safe spaces for dialogue and hold conversations on social & community issues of fundamental concern to all faith communities, such as neighbourhood crime and safety, health inequalities and poverty.
- " Support the development positive relationships between local faith, OPCC and local authority partners to enable faith communities to engage in delivering outcomes within local plans.
- " Ensuring faith sector is involved in strategic development via the appropriate structures.
- " Ensuring the voice of the faith sector is heard and considered and processes for communication and discussion at strategic and local level are recognised
- " Co-ordinating and supporting community consultation and co-production
- " Writing an investment plan to support the development of the city's Faith infrastructure.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

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

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The Multi-Faith Centre at the University of Derby is constituted as a Registered Charity (25 June 2001) and a Company Limited by Guarantee. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 16 March 2000, amended, and submitted for approval and agreed by the Charity Commission in January 2006 and subsequently amended and agreed by the Charity Commission in March 2010.

**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Under the amended Memorandum a total of fourteen Trustees are appointed as follows:

The Bishop of Derby  
Six from faith members  
Three from the University of Derby  
Four independent members

Trustees shall be appointed as directors and trustees of the company for an initial term of up to three years. At the end of their initial periods of appointment Trustees may be reappointed or re-elected as appropriate for further periods of up to three years, except that no Trustee (except the Bishop of Derby) may serve for more than three such periods [nine consecutive years] without having stood down from the Board for a minimum period of one year.

The Trustees have no financial interest in the company.

**Organisational structure**

The Trustees are responsible for decisions covering significant areas of MFCs affairs:

- Overall strategy and planning in accordance with the MFC's charitable purpose
- Approval of budgets and development of key policies including financial and risk management.
- Appointment and line management of the Director.

To carry out their duties effectively as a Board of Trustees, they are assisted by a few sub-committees: Finance, Human Resources, and Strategy & Performance. Other sub-committees or working groups may be convened for purposes required by the Board of Trustees.

The day-to-day management of MFC (Multi Faith Centre) affairs is delegated to the Director, Geoff Sweeney, who is responsible for overall organisational management. The Director is supported by an office manager (p/t) and finance officer (p/t) and project managers and staff relating to the projects MFC delivers.

**Related parties**

The charity has a close working relationship with The University of Derby. The University of Derby has representation on the board and provide funding to enable the charity to carry out its objectives.

**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. A risk register is maintained and reviewed at each Board meeting.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**  
03952377 (England and Wales)

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**Registered Charity number**

1087140

**Registered office**

University of Derby  
Kedleston Road  
Derby  
DE22 1XB

**Trustees**

The Rt Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby (Chair)  
Mr Shain Bali  
Mr Guy J Freeman  
Mr Graham Falgate  
Mrs Ruth P Dolby  
Qazi Abdul Mateen  
Mr Ali Pootschi  
Mr Andy Oakley  
Dr Hardial Singh Dhillon  
Dr Joanne Bishton (Appointed February 2022)  
Mr Keith Munnings (Resigned October 2021)  
Mr Ejaz Sawar (Appointed December 2021)

**Independent Examiner**

Mrs K F Shapcott, FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
M. J. Shapcott & Co. Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Charter House, Wyvern Court  
Stanier Way  
Derby  
DE21 6BF

**Bankers**

Natwest  
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Derby  
DE1 1XL

**Solicitors**

Eversheds  
1 Royal Standard Place  
Nottingham  
NG1 6FZ

**Centre Director:**

Mr Geoff Sweeney

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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees (who are also the directors of Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland"

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 those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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 special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10 October 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

The Rt Rev Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby (Chair of Trustees)

+ Libby Derby

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

**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.

Mrs K F Shapcott, FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
M. J. Shapcott & Co. Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Charter House, Wyvern Court  
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DE21 6BF

10 October 2022

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**Statement of Financial Activities  
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		87,602	566	88,168	97,557
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		3,170	17,247	20,417	91,097
Other trading activities	2	14,824	-	14,824	4,295
Other income		-	-	-	10,000
<b>Total</b>		<u>105,596</u>	<u>17,813</u>	<u>123,409</u>	<u>202,949</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		104,122	32,997	137,119	115,826
Other		-	-	-	46,038
<b>Total</b>		<u>104,122</u>	<u>32,997</u>	<u>137,119</u>	<u>161,864</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		1,474	(15,184)	(13,710)	41,085
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		(181,431)	1,431,602	1,250,171	1,209,086
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>(179,957)</u>	<u>1,416,418</u>	<u>1,236,461</u>	<u>1,250,171</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet  
31 March 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	6	774	1,335,042	1,335,816	1,348,871
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	7	3,365	-	3,365	15,905
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>79,556</u>	<u>81,377</u>	<u>160,933</u>	<u>161,320</u>
		82,921	81,377	164,298	177,225
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(256,952)	-	(256,952)	(256,952)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>					
		<u>(174,031)</u>	<u>81,377</u>	<u>(92,654)</u>	<u>(79,727)</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		(173,257)	1,416,419	1,243,162	1,269,144
<b>ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME</b>					
	10	(6,700)	(1)	(6,701)	(18,973)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>(179,957)</u>	<u>1,416,418</u>	<u>1,236,461</u>	<u>1,250,171</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted funds	11			(179,957)	(181,431)
Restricted funds				<u>1,416,418</u>	<u>1,431,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
				<u>1,236,461</u>	<u>1,250,171</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet - continued  
31 March 2022**

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10 October 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

The Rt. Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby (Chair of Trustees)

+ Libby Derby

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

**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.

**Allocation and apportionment of costs**

Allocation and apportionment of direct costs are based on staff time spent on those activities. Fixed overheads are based on percentage of usage of those activities.

**Tangible fixed assets**

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

Long leasehold	- over the period of the lease
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Only assets that are over a £5,000 capitalisation limit will be capitalised and depreciated in line with the above rates.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. The charity is outside the scope of VAT. Unrecovered VAT suffered is written off to the relevant expenditure.

**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.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Lettings	<u>14,824</u>	<u>4,295</u>

**3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>13,055</u>	<u>12,862</u>

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

**5. STAFF COSTS**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	<u>75,422</u>	<u>99,526</u>
	<u>75,422</u>	<u>99,526</u>

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

	2022	2021
Administration	3	2
Project	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

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

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**6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Long leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	<u>1,544,213</u>	<u>6,865</u>	<u>17,640</u>	<u>1,568,718</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2021	197,661	6,703	15,483	219,847
Charge for year	<u>12,354</u>	<u>162</u>	<u>539</u>	<u>13,055</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>210,015</u>	<u>6,865</u>	<u>16,022</u>	<u>232,902</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,334,198</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,618</u>	<u>1,335,816</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>1,346,552</u>	<u>162</u>	<u>2,157</u>	<u>1,348,871</u>

**7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2022 £	2021 £
Fees receivable	3,355	905
Other debtors	<u>10</u>	<u>15,000</u>
	<u>3,365</u>	<u>15,905</u>

**8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2022 £	2021 £
Other loans (see note 9)	<u>256,952</u>	<u>256,952</u>

**9. LOANS**

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Other loans	<u>256,952</u>	<u>256,952</u>

The loan is provided by the University of Derby. The loan provided is interest free and is repayable on demand.

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**10. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME**

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>6,701</u>	<u>18,973</u>

**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	(181,431)	1,474	(179,957)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	4,557	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,346,551	(12,354)	1,334,197
Holocaust Memorial Service	6,463	(1,540)	4,923
People's Health	1,833	-	1,833
PCC	25,683	(1,009)	24,674
PVE Training	6,325	-	6,325
Red Cross	16,210	-	16,210
BSBT	23,687	(281)	23,406
ELS Fund	<u>293</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>293</u>
	<u>1,431,602</u>	<u>(15,184)</u>	<u>1,416,418</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,250,171</u>	<u>(13,710)</u>	<u>1,236,461</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	105,596	(104,122)	1,474
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
Holocaust Memorial Service	566	(2,106)	(1,540)
PCC	17,247	(18,256)	(1,009)
BSBT	<u>-</u>	<u>(281)</u>	<u>(281)</u>
	<u>17,813</u>	<u>(32,997)</u>	<u>(15,184)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>123,409</u>	<u>(137,119)</u>	<u>(13,710)</u>

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**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General	(196,001)	17,524	(2,954)	(181,431)
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth	4,557	-	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,358,905	(12,354)	-	1,346,551
Holocaust Memorial Service	5,857	606	-	6,463
People's Health	1,833	-	-	1,833
PCC	10,970	14,713	-	25,683
PVE Training	6,325	-	-	6,325
Roma Care	115	(3,069)	2,954	-
Red Cross	571	15,639	-	16,210
BSBT	15,661	8,026	-	23,687
ELS Fund	293	-	-	293
	<u>1,405,087</u>	<u>23,561</u>	<u>2,954</u>	<u>1,431,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,209,086</u>	<u>41,085</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,250,171</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	117,137	(99,613)	17,524
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
Holocaust Memorial Service	606	-	606
PCC	32,007	(17,294)	14,713
Roma Care	14,906	(17,975)	(3,069)
Red Cross	18,389	(2,750)	15,639
BSBT	19,904	(11,878)	8,026
	<u>85,812</u>	<u>(62,251)</u>	<u>23,561</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>202,949</u>	<u>(161,864)</u>	<u>41,085</u>

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**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General	(196,001)	18,998	(2,954)	(179,957)
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth	4,557	-	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,358,905	(24,708)	-	1,334,197
Holocaust Memorial Service	5,857	(934)	-	4,923
People's Health	1,833	-	-	1,833
PCC	10,970	13,704	-	24,674
PVE Training	6,325	-	-	6,325
Roma Care	115	(3,069)	2,954	-
Red Cross	571	15,639	-	16,210
BSBT	15,661	7,745	-	23,406
ELS Fund	293	-	-	293
	<u>1,405,087</u>	<u>8,377</u>	<u>2,954</u>	<u>1,416,418</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,209,086</u>	<u>27,375</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,236,461</u>

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 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	222,733	(203,735)	18,998
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(24,708)	(24,708)
Holocaust Memorial Service	1,172	(2,106)	(934)
PCC	49,254	(35,550)	13,704
Roma Care	14,906	(17,975)	(3,069)
Red Cross	18,389	(2,750)	15,639
BSBT	19,904	(12,159)	7,745
	<u>103,625</u>	<u>(95,248)</u>	<u>8,377</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>326,358</u>	<u>(298,983)</u>	<u>27,375</u>

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**12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

The charity has close working relationships with The University of Derby. The University has representation at the board. The University also makes a donation to the Centre and provides professional and other in-house premises services to the Centre for a fee.

The University also provide financial support by way of grant instalments amounting to £86,924 during the year (2021 - £61,924).

The University provided a loan towards the building of the centre. The loan balance is £256,952 at the end of the year. The University has agreed to waive its entitlement to charge interest at 5% on the loan until further notice and, therefore, no interest has been accrued for in these financial statements.

**13. LEGAL STATUS OF THE COMPANY**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £1.

**14. GOING CONCERN**

The trustees have formed a judgement at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate financial resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. This is dependent upon the support of the charitable company's funding partners and bankers, which is expected to continue. For these reasons, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

**15. FUNDS IN DEFICIT**

The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £179,957 compared to the 2021 deficit of £181,431. The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The majority of the deficits were accumulated during the formative years.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Gift Aids and donations	1,244	35,633
Donated services and facilities	<u>86,924</u>	<u>61,924</u>
	88,168	97,557
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	14,824	4,295
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Projects and events	20,417	91,097
<b>Other income</b>		
Government grants	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	123,409	202,949
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Gross wages	75,422	99,526
Other direct costs	<u>8,822</u>	<u>15,702</u>
	84,244	115,228
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Premises costs	28,391	17,460
Advertising	-	12,000
Administrative expenses	<u>7,471</u>	<u>2,166</u>
	35,862	31,626
<b>Finance</b>		
Sundries	-	360
<b>Other</b>		
Long leasehold	12,354	12,354
Carried forward	12,354	12,354

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	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Other</b>		
Brought forward	12,354	12,354
Fixtures and fittings	162	54
Computer equipment	<u>539</u>	<u>454</u>
	13,055	12,862
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Sundries	1,575	-
Accountancy and legal fees	<u>2,383</u>	<u>1,788</u>
	<u>3,958</u>	<u>1,788</u>
Total resources expended	<u>137,119</u>	<u>161,864</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>	<u>(13,710)</u>	<u>41,085</u>

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**THE MULTI-FAITH CENTRE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DERBY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1087140

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# Accounts

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**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 03952377 (England and Wales)**  
**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1087140**

**Report of the Trustees and  
Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**for**

**Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
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M. J. Shapcott & Co. Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

The trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2021 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 2015).

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives, aims and public benefit**

#### **Our vision**

Our vision is a society where the diversity, expertise and richness of faith communities actively contributes to the building of safe, healthy and cohesive communities throughout Derbyshire.

#### **Our mission**

The Multi Faith Centre encourages and facilitates dialogue, co-operation, mutual respect and understanding between people from different faith communities and civil society, who by coming together aim to improve the wellbeing of vulnerable people living in Derbyshire.

#### **Our objectives**

Part of the process of building these bridges is to better understand what the faith sector actually needs, and also to unite leaders of different faiths so that civic services can engage with the faith sector more easily. With this in mind, MFC will focus on four key objectives:

1. **CREATE AN INFRASTRUCTURE** Produce a platform for the faith sector to come together to act strategically and maximise their impact
2. **FACILITATE COMMUNICATION** Create safe spaces for faith groups to hold conversations on social and community issues common to everyone
3. **NURTURE COLLABORATION** Encourage faith groups to join together and then create partnerships with local authorities and key agencies
4. **PROMOTE CELEBRATION** Shine a light on good news stories around the positive contribution faith communities make to our society

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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Significant activities**

**Covid:**

Like every charity today, we face challenges and uncertainty resulting from the current pandemic. It has been an incredibly difficult year for our organisation. Sadly, we have seen the temporary closure of our premises, considerable disruption to our work programmes, events cancelled and lost income. Staff and trustees have had to adapt to new ways of working. We are grateful to the Community Lottery Fund and Derby City Council for the emergency funding that offset a loss of income and ensured that we could maintain vital services.

**Strategy & Governance Review:**

The significant disruption caused by Covid 19 pandemic and the untold damage to the health and wellbeing of communities across our region gave our staff and trustees cause to reflect on the charity's strategic purpose and business plan.

Our objective is to come through this period stronger as an organisation and pave the way for an invigorated and increasingly impactful future. To this end, MFC:

1. Commissioned a governance review. Audited the skills and capabilities of the current board. Created an improvement plan to ensure effective strategic decision-making and the right balance between strategy and governance.
2. Created a new strategic plan for the Multi Faith Centre that is owned by trustees, staff, stakeholders and funders. This included work around MFC's vision, mission and core values; created a framework and dialogue around strategic strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats; setting goals, objectives and action plans.

**Projects:**

**Race & Religious Hate Crime Project**

MFC continued to manage a network of 35 community groups to build bridges, improve communications and shape better police responses and interventions around the Race & Religious Hate Crime agenda. The network supports communities that might not otherwise know about services such as the Derbyshire Victim Service or feel confident to speak to the police directly. It also identifies and flags issues of community concern. MFC then co-ordinates efforts to tackle religious hate crime through this network and its close links with the Derbyshire Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Significant achievements for the year include implementing a 'remote delivery model' and a total transition to Teams, Zoom, and online Knowledge Hub. This transition enabled more people to join and more time per meeting/event to host various activities, as we did not have to account as much time for intros, settling in, commutes, etc. as we would for in-person events.

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Functioning fully remotely for a project on hate crimes gave our project new contours, as issues of (online) bullying and harassment faced by Asian community and network members became the centre of our meetings immediately following the initial lockdown and the anti-Asian hate that has been running parallel to the pandemic itself. A hyper-focused initiative to address this came via the Hate Crimes Awareness Week in October 2020. Our work on the Race and Religion Hate Crimes Project grew over time with the pandemic. Many members of the community institutions that comprise our Network shared they and/or people they know have been facing hate violence first-hand. We addressed this in our Network meetings by inviting guest speakers from Stop Hate UK, the OPCC (Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner) itself, as well as Inspirative Arts. Key takeaways from our Network meetings, as well as research done by our Program Manager, have been shared with the OPCC and the Hate Crimes Practitioners' Network.

Currently, the current Program Manager has developed a solid structure to the Core Partners program that the previous Program Manager began working on. With this structure, we can keep abreast of support services being offered by our Core Partners, as well as find parallel between that work and our efforts within the Network.

Going forward, we will continue strengthening the Network by recruiting more members and offering a program of support tailored to needs specific to our members' experiences. With regard to tangible results coming out our conversations with the Core Partners and from our Network initiatives, we await the OPCC's word on which of our proposed ideas to see to fruition.

### **Roma Community Care (RCC)**

Roma Community Care was established in 2013 as the only Roma led support organisation in Derby and Derbyshire providing advice and advocacy to Eastern European Roma communities.

The project adapted to the Covid crisis by closing the drop-in centre and creating a service offer that included online, phone and home visits to support vulnerable people at a time of crisis. This support was maintained throughout the pandemic relying on the commitment and energies of the project staff.

Flowing from the challenging environment resulting from the Covid pandemic, and with the support of our funders, the management of the project was transferred to the St James Centre in January 2021.

The trustees of both organisations believe the advantages of this new approach provide Roma communities with greater access to a broader range of services, advice and support and creates a sustainable and resilient service that is supported by the infrastructure of a larger charity.

MFC is grateful for the generous support and guidance of the Tudor Trust and the Badur Foundation and look forward to the projects next stage of development under the care of the St James Centre. MFC remains committed to the success of the project having established a close and supportive working relationship with the St James Centre and will continue to offer support and practical help to ensure the project's continued success.

### **Training**

No training was delivered in a classroom environment. MFC developed an online version of its award-winning Overcoming Anti-Semitism training and delivered and evaluated it in January.

### **Use of Premises**

In line with government restrictions and University of Derby policy, the premises were closed throughout the year. No onsite events, activities or services were undertaken. At the time of writing, the country is tentatively emerging from a third lockdown, but the building remains closed.

### **Online Events**

All events at the Centre were cancelled and we developed and tested new activities online including:

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- Celebrating Interfaith Week at an online event for Derby City Council employees on 10th November
- Contributing to a Multi Faith Conference "Faith in uncertain times" for employees at Rolls-Royce plc in November
- Ran weekly online Buddhist Mediation Classes
- Organised a Hate Crime Awareness Online Conference attracting 109 delegates.
- Online Annual General Meeting - October
- Supported Holocaust Memorial Day - January 2020

In addition, MFC also made regular contributions to local radio shows, helping to raise the profile of faith and contribute to civil discourse on a range of subjects:

- Radio Sound Community Radio event - Sunday 20th September - produced a radio special for community radio to support Derby Peace Week. Panel discussion involving faith representatives and peace related songs and prayers. - Provided a Jewish perspective on Radio Derby's Donna Alos Breakfast Show yesterday about anti-Semitism and Jewish worship in lock-down
- Ali Akbar on Radio Derby - Interview about local perspective on story about Prophet Mohamed sparking community protest in Batley.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

The charity constantly monitors its core activity costs against available core funding incomes throughout the year through budgets and forecasts. The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £181,431 (31.03.2021). The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The MFC has negotiated a payment schedule with the University against the loan on its balance sheet, and continues to put £12,450 a year aside for the University loan.

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**FUTURE PLANS**

The effects of Covid 19 continue to have an enormous impact on communities across our region. The crucial work that faith groups undertook during this time has led to a growing awareness from central and local government that there is much to be gained from partnering with faith communities to meet the needs of vulnerable communities.

There is a willingness from faith communities to move their pandemic response models from providing emergency support to becoming active partners in the region's recovery and beyond. However, faith communities need support, resources, facilitation and organisation, networks and infrastructure if they are to organise and achieve their potential as partners.

Extensive consultation with communities, local authorities, and public sector stakeholders identified an important strategic role for MFC - a role that enables faith communities to build on what they are currently doing to support vulnerable communities, improve and connect faith networks with local partners across public sector and civil society, and cultivate honest dialogue and greater collaboration within and across faith communities.

In line with the strategic review and extensive research and consultation to shape the way forward, the Multi Faith Centre will align future activities around four key objectives:

- Creating an Infrastructure: Produce a platform for the faith sector to come together to act strategically and maximise their impact.
- Facilitating communication: Create safe spaces for faith communities and civil society to hold conversations on social and community issues common to everyone.
- Nurturing collaboration: Encourage faith groups to join and create partnerships with local authorities and key agencies that meet the needs of vulnerable communities in Derby and Derbyshire.
- Promoting Celebration: Shine a light on good news stories around the positive contribution faith communities make to our society.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

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

The Multi-Faith Centre at the University of Derby is constituted as a Registered Charity (25 June 2001) and a Company Limited by Guarantee. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 16 March 2000, amended and submitted for approval and agreed by the Charity Commission in January 2006 and subsequently amended and agreed by the Charity Commission in March 2010.

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**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Under the amended Memorandum a total of fourteen Trustees are appointed as follows:

The Bishop of Derby  
Six from faith members  
Three from the University of Derby  
Four independent members

Trustees shall be appointed as directors and trustees of the company for an initial term of up to three years. At the end of their initial periods of appointment Trustees may be reappointed or re-elected as appropriate for further periods of up to three years, except that no Trustee (except the Bishop of Derby) may serve for more than three such periods [nine consecutive years] without having stood down from the Board for a minimum period of one year.

The Trustees have no financial interest in the company.

**Organisational structure**

The Trustees are responsible for decisions covering significant areas of MFCs (Multi Faith Centre) affairs:

- Overall strategy and planning in accordance with the MFC's charitable purpose
- Approval of budgets and development of key policies including financial and risk management.
- Appointment and line management of the Director.

In order to carry out their duties effectively as a Board of Trustees, they are assisted by a few sub-committees: Finance, Human Resources, and Planning & Development. Other sub-committees or working groups may be convened for purposes required by the Board of Trustees.

The day to day management of MFC affairs was delegated to the Interim Director, Geoff Sweeney, who was responsible for overall organisational management. The Director is supported by an office manager (p/t) and finance officer (p/t) and project managers and staff relating to the projects MFC delivers.

**Related parties**

The charity has a close working relationship with The University of Derby. The University of Derby has representation on the board and provide funding to enable the charity to carry out its objectives.

**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. A risk register is maintained and reviewed regularly.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

03952377 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1087140

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**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**Registered office**

University of Derby  
Kedleston Road  
Derby  
DE22 1XB

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G Falgate  
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A Mateen  
A Poostchi  
A G Oakley  
Dr H S Dhillon  
K J Munnings  
The Rt Rev E J H Lane

**Independent Examiner**

Mrs K F Shapcott, FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
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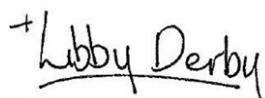
**Solicitors**

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Nottingham  
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**Interim Director**

Geoff Sweeney (appointed on a 12-month contract on 18.05.20)

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19 August 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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The Rt Rev E J H Lane - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Multi Faith Centre  
at the  
University of Derby**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

**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.

Mrs K F Shapcott, FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
M. J. Shapcott & Co. Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Charter House, Wyvern Court  
Stanier Way  
Derby  
DE21 6BF

19 August 2021

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University of Derby**

**Statement of Financial Activities  
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		96,952	605	97,557	70,235
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		5,890	85,207	91,097	114,586
Other trading activities	2	4,295	-	4,295	20,505
Other income		10,000	-	10,000	-
<b>Total</b>		<u>117,137</u>	<u>85,812</u>	<u>202,949</u>	<u>205,326</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Projects and events		65,928	49,898	115,826	199,128
Other		33,684	12,354	46,038	(517)
<b>Total</b>		<u>99,612</u>	<u>62,252</u>	<u>161,864</u>	<u>198,611</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>17,525</u>	<u>23,560</u>	<u>41,085</u>	<u>6,715</u>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	11	(2,954)	2,954	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		14,571	26,514	41,085	6,715
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		(196,001)	1,405,087	1,209,086	1,202,371
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>(181,430)</u></u>	<u><u>1,431,601</u></u>	<u><u>1,250,171</u></u>	<u><u>1,209,086</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet  
31 March 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	6	1,194	1,347,677	1,348,871	1,359,262
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	7	906	14,999	15,905	5,449
Cash at bank and in hand		92,394	68,926	161,320	147,975
		<u>93,300</u>	<u>83,925</u>	<u>177,225</u>	<u>153,424</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(256,952)	-	(256,952)	(256,952)
		<u>(163,652)</u>	<u>83,925</u>	<u>(79,727)</u>	<u>(103,528)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>					
		<u>(163,652)</u>	<u>83,925</u>	<u>(79,727)</u>	<u>(103,528)</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
		(162,458)	1,431,602	1,269,144	1,255,734
<b>ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME</b>					
	10	(18,973)	-	(18,973)	(46,648)
		<u>(181,431)</u>	<u>1,431,602</u>	<u>1,250,171</u>	<u>1,209,086</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>					
		<u>(181,431)</u>	<u>1,431,602</u>	<u>1,250,171</u>	<u>1,209,086</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
	11			(181,431)	(196,001)
Unrestricted funds				1,431,602	1,405,087
Restricted funds				<u>1,250,171</u>	<u>1,209,086</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>					
				<u>1,250,171</u>	<u>1,209,086</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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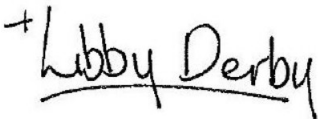
**Balance Sheet - continued  
31 March 2021**

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 August 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "E J H Lane". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined.

E J H Lane - Trustee

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**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.

**Allocation and apportionment of costs**

Allocation and apportionment of direct costs are based on staff time spent on those activities. Fixed overheads are based on percentage of usage of those activities.

**Tangible fixed assets**

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

Long leasehold	- over the period of the lease
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities. The charity is outside the scope of VAT. Unrecovered VAT suffered is written off to the relevant expenditure.

**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.

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**2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Lettings	4,295	20,505
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**3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	12,862	12,472
Other operating leases	12,000	-
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**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Mr Mateen (a Trustee) received the amounts of £13,003 in wages. This was for the project management and delivery of a specialist project for young people. There is a written agreement between the Charity and Qazi Mateen. Payments were authorised by the Director and Trustees. Mr Mateen did not take part in any decision made by the Trustees in any aspect of this agreement.

**5. STAFF COSTS**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	99,526	122,466
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	<u>99,526</u>	<u>122,466</u>

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

	2021	2020
Administration	2	3
Project	2	6
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	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>

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

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**6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Long leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>				
At 1 April 2020	1,544,213	6,865	15,169	1,566,247
Additions	-	-	2,471	2,471
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At 31 March 2021	1,544,213	6,865	17,640	1,568,718
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<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1 April 2020	185,307	6,649	15,029	206,985
Charge for year	12,354	54	454	12,862
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At 31 March 2021	197,661	6,703	15,483	219,847
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<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 31 March 2021	1,346,552	162	2,157	1,348,871
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At 31 March 2020	1,358,906	216	140	1,359,262
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**7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2021 £	2020 £
Fees receivable	905	5,449
Other debtors	15,000	-
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	15,905	5,449
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**8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other loans (see note 9)	256,952	256,952
	<u>256,952</u>	<u>256,952</u>

**9. LOANS**

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Other loans	256,952	256,952
	<u>256,952</u>	<u>256,952</u>

The loan is provided by the University of Derby. The loan provided is interest free and is repayable on demand.

**10. ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	18,973	46,648
	<u>18,973</u>	<u>46,648</u>

**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.20	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.21
	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General	(196,001)	17,524	(2,954)	(181,431)
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth	4,557	-	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,358,905	(12,354)	-	1,346,551
Holocaust Memorial Service	5,857	606	-	6,463
People's Health	1,833	-	-	1,833
PCC	10,970	14,713	-	25,683
PVE Training	6,325	-	-	6,325
Roma Care	115	(3,069)	2,954	-
Red Cross	571	15,639	-	16,210
BSBT	15,661	8,026	-	23,687
ELS Fund	293	-	-	293
	<u>1,405,087</u>	<u>23,561</u>	<u>2,954</u>	<u>1,431,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,209,086</u>	<u>41,085</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,250,171</u>

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**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	117,137	(99,613)	17,524
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
Holocaust Memorial Service	606	-	606
PCC	32,007	(17,294)	14,713
Roma Care	14,906	(17,975)	(3,069)
Red Cross	18,389	(2,750)	15,639
BSBT	19,904	(11,878)	8,026
	<u>85,812</u>	<u>(62,251)</u>	<u>23,561</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>202,949</u>	<u>(161,864)</u>	<u>41,085</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.20 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	(234,898)	38,897	(196,001)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	4,694	(137)	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,371,259	(12,354)	1,358,905
Holocaust Memorial Service	3,102	2,755	5,857
People's Health	1,833	-	1,833
PCC	-	10,970	10,970
PVE Training	6,325	-	6,325
Roma Care	17,920	(17,805)	115
Red Cross	4,817	(4,246)	571
BSBT	15,661	-	15,661
CMF Funds	4,785	(4,785)	-
ELS Fund	6,873	(6,580)	293
	<u>1,437,269</u>	<u>(32,182)</u>	<u>1,405,087</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,202,371</u>	<u>6,715</u>	<u>1,209,086</u>

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**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	106,316	(67,419)	38,897
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	144	(281)	(137)
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(12,354)	(12,354)
Holocaust Memorial Service	2,969	(214)	2,755
PCC	33,863	(22,893)	10,970
Roma Care	29,708	(47,513)	(17,805)
Red Cross	6,215	(10,461)	(4,246)
BSBT	10,391	(10,391)	-
CMF Funds	15,720	(20,505)	(4,785)
ELS Fund	-	(6,580)	(6,580)
	<u>99,010</u>	<u>(131,192)</u>	<u>(32,182)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>205,326</u>	<u>(198,611)</u>	<u>6,715</u>

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**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General	(234,898)	56,421	(2,954)	(181,431)
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth	4,694	(137)	-	4,557
Restricted Fixed Assets	1,371,259	(24,708)	-	1,346,551
Holocaust Memorial Service	3,102	3,361	-	6,463
People's Health	1,833	-	-	1,833
PCC	-	25,683	-	25,683
PVE Training	6,325	-	-	6,325
Roma Care	17,920	(20,874)	2,954	-
Red Cross	4,817	11,393	-	16,210
BSBT	15,661	8,026	-	23,687
CMF Funds	4,785	(4,785)	-	-
ELS Fund	6,873	(6,580)	-	293
	<u>1,437,269</u>	<u>(8,621)</u>	<u>2,954</u>	<u>1,431,602</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>1,202,371</u></u>	<u><u>47,800</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,250,171</u></u>

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**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 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General	223,453	(167,032)	56,421
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth	144	(281)	(137)
Restricted Fixed Assets	-	(24,708)	(24,708)
Holocaust Memorial Service	3,575	(214)	3,361
PCC	65,870	(40,187)	25,683
Roma Care	44,614	(65,488)	(20,874)
Red Cross	24,604	(13,211)	11,393
BSBT	30,295	(22,269)	8,026
CMF Funds	15,720	(20,505)	(4,785)
ELS Fund	-	(6,580)	(6,580)
	<u>184,822</u>	<u>(193,443)</u>	<u>(8,621)</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>408,275</u></u>	<u><u>(360,475)</u></u>	<u><u>47,800</u></u>

**12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

The charity has close working relationships with The University of Derby. The University has representation at the board. The University also makes a donation to the Centre and provides professional and other in-house premises services to the Centre for a fee.

The University also provide financial support by way of grant instalments amounting to £61,924 during the year (2019 - £61,924).

The University provided a loan towards the building of the centre. The loan balance is £256,952 at the end of the year. The University has agreed to waive its entitlement to charge interest at 5% on the loan until further notice and, therefore, no interest has been accrued for in these financial statements.

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**13. LEGAL STATUS OF THE COMPANY**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £1.

**14. GOING CONCERN**

The trustees have formed a judgement at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate financial resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. This is dependent upon the support of the charitable company's funding partners and bankers, which is expected to continue. For these reasons, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

**15. FUNDS IN DEFICIT**

The unrestricted fund deficit currently stands at £181,431 compared to the 2020 deficit of £196,001. The board will budget to reduce this amount steadily in future years to ensure greater financial stability. The majority of the deficits were accumulated during the formative years.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Gift Aids and donations	35,633	8,211
Donated services and facilities	61,924	62,024
	97,557	70,235
<b>Other trading activities</b>		
Lettings	4,295	20,505
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Projects and events	91,097	114,586
<b>Other income</b>		
Government grants	10,000	-
	202,949	205,326
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Gross wages	99,526	107,212
Other direct costs	15,702	24,398
	115,228	131,610
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Gross wages	-	15,254
Premises costs	17,460	35,165
Administrative expenses	2,166	2,322
	19,626	52,741
<b>Finance</b>		
Other operating leases	12,000	-
Sundries	360	-
	12,360	-
<b>Other</b>		
Long leasehold	12,354	12,354
Carried forward	12,354	12,354

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
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	2021	2020
	£	£
<b>Other</b>		
Brought forward	12,354	12,354
Fixtures and fittings	54	71
Computer equipment	454	47
	<u>12,862</u>	<u>12,472</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,788	1,788
	<u>161,864</u>	<u>198,611</u>
Total resources expended		
	<u>41,085</u>	<u>6,715</u>
<b>Net income</b>		

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