LADIES FIGHTING BREAST CANCER CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1088943

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2001-10-17
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Unit 4 Topaz Business Park Topaz Way Birmingham Road Bromsgrove Worcestershire B61 0GD
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Activities

Objects: 1) TO PROVIDE CARE TREATMENT AND OTHER MEDICAL BENEFITS FOR PATIENTS SUFFERING FORM BREAST CANCER RESIDING WITHIN A 70 MILE RADIUS OF THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM.2) TO PROVIDE RELIEF OR ASSISTANCE TO SUCH PATIENTS RECEIVING SUCH CARE TREATMENT AND OTHER MEDICAL BENEFITS FOR BREAST CANCER OR MEMBERS OF THE FAMILIES OR DEPENDANTS OF SUCH PATIENTS OR DECEASED FORMER PATIENTS WHO ARE SICK, CONVALESCENT, INFIRM OR IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.3) TO PROMOTE AND CARRY OUT RESEARCH INTO THE CAUSES CURE CONTROL AND TREATMENT OF BREAST CANCER AND TO PUBLISH THE USEFUL RESULTS THEREOF.4) TO CREATE AND TO IMPROVE FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT TO CARRY OUT SUCH RESEARCH AND FOR THE TREATMENT OF SUCH PATIENTS AT THE HOSPITAL OR ANY OTHER HOSPITAL OR RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT WITHIN A 70 MILE RADIUS OF THE HOSPITAL.5) TO PROVIDE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR SUCH PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES OR DEPENDANTS.

Activities: To raise funds to assist in the treatment of breast cancer.

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** WITHIN 70 MILE RADIUS OF THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM.
- Birmingham City
- Worcestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£232,859	£220,677	-	-
2024-08-31	£213,595	£188,258	-	-
2023-08-31	£175,265	£149,381	-	-
2022-08-31	£94,193	£98,479	-	-
2021-08-31	£77,831	£120,875	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Patricia KENNEDY	Chair	2016-09-12
Janet Johnson		2013-10-24
PARM RAI		2024-01-01
Peter Murtha		2018-10-18
Rosemary Sara Shorter		2025-09-25

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Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1088943

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Unaudited Financial Statements

31st August 2025

Zoo Accounting & Business Solutions Ltd

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31st August 2025

The Management Committee presents its director's report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31st August 2025.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name	Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer
Charity Registration No	1088943
Registered Office Address	Registered Office No 4 Topaz Business Park Birmingham Road, B610GD

Management Committee

Mrs. Shelley Duncan	Chair of Board of Trustee – Resigned as Chair in June 2025 and as a Trustee in July 2025
Ms. Jan Johnson	Trustee
Ms. Patricia Kennedy	Trustee
Ms. Samantha Jayne Murray	Trustee – Resigned July 2025
Mr. Jason Boden	Trustee – Resigned July 2025
Mr. Peter Murtha	Trustee

Senior Management Team

Ms. Veronica Kumeta	COO & Co Founder
Support workers	Lynda Jay, Maureen Ross & Joanna Leavy
Accountants	Zoo Accounting and Business Solutions Ltd 3 Arrow Court, Adams Way, Springfield Business Park, Alcester B49 6PU
Solicitors	Reid & Co Solicitors 1 St Paul's Square, Birmingham, B3 1QU

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Our Aims and Objectives

Purposes and Aims
Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are to:

The objective of the Charity is to provide care, treatment and other medical benefits for patients suffering breast cancer in the West Midlands.

The aim of the Charity is to raise awareness and much needed funds to help provide direct support and equipment for Breast Cancer patients in the West Midlands that goes above and beyond NHS means for Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham (QEHB) and other local hospital.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims.
We review our aims, objectives, and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to the group of people we are set up to help. The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remained focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. The trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The Focus of our Work
The focus of our work for the year continued to promote breast cancer awareness in our diverse community and to continue to raise funds for breast cancer patients and local hospitals in the West Midlands.

- Continue and expand our Breast Cancer Choir for patients.
- Set up support and sustain a network for breast cancer patients within the 70 mile radius of the QE Birmingham. Supported all third-party events (raising money on our behalf)

Who used and benefited from our service?
Our printed materials are available to the men and women attending breast screening and these receiving a Breast cancer diagnosis to all hospitals receiving our Hug Bags.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

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LFBC Choir

Thanks to the continued commitment of our volunteers and the success of our fundraising activities, we have been able to sustain and further develop our dedicated choir for people affected by breast cancer. The choir is led by a professional singing coach, supported by a volunteer facilitator, and delivered in partnership with Pop Voices, who provide oversight and guidance.

The group of 36 members and growing meets weekly during term time for two-hour evening sessions and remains well attended. Members include individuals who are newly diagnosed as well as those who have completed treatment, creating a welcoming and understanding environments for all. The choir has become an invaluable source of peer support, offering participants a positive and uplifting space where they can connect, build confidence, and enjoy the therapeutic benefits of singing together.

During 2024/2025, the choir has proudly performed at several community and cultural events, including the Solihull Festival, appearances at The Core Theatre, and a significant highlight of being invited once again to perform at Birmingham Symphony Hall in July, singing alongside over 500 Pop Voices participants. These performances have been both inspiring and deeply affirming for choir members, reinforcing the positive impact of the group on wellbeing and recovery.

The choir continues to be a powerful and uplifting initiative, helping participants set aside the challenges they face and experience joy, friendship, and a sense of achievement. We remain committed to securing ongoing funding to ensure this much-valued choir and support group can continue throughout 2025 and beyond.

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Breast Mates Support Group

Breast Mates Central continues to be a cornerstone of our support services for people affected by breast cancer. Established in 2020, the group has grown significantly and now supports an online community of over **788 members**, with new individuals joining on a daily basis. This growth reflects the increasing demand for accessible, compassionate support and highlights the trust placed in our organisation.

Many members value the flexibility and reassurance of online support, particularly during treatment or recovery, while others prefer face-to-face connection. We are pleased to offer both. Alongside our thriving online group, members are warmly welcomed to access in-person support at our office, as well as through craft sessions, coffee mornings, and a wide range of social and wellbeing events held throughout the year. This blended approach is a keyway in which we meet people where they are, ensuring no one feels alone on their breast cancer journey.

Support is delivered by our dedicated team of trained volunteers, all of whom have personal experience of breast cancer. Their shared understanding, empathy, and willingness to listen provide invaluable emotional reassurance to those who are newly diagnosed, facing recurrence, or feeling isolated. One-to-one support appointments remain available for those who require more individualised care.

As demand for our services continues to grow, we were delighted to welcome an additional Support Worker, Joanna, who joined the team in May 2025. Joanna's role has strengthened our capacity to respond to the increasing number of people seeking support and will be vital in helping us meet future needs in a timely and compassionate way.

Through regular online engagement, welcoming in-person activities, and a strong sense of community, Breast Mates Central remains a positive, heart-warming, and inclusive support network. It plays a crucial role in improving wellbeing, fostering connection, and ensuring that everyone affected by breast cancer feels heard, supported, and valued.

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Soft Services

Post-mastectomy bra fitting remains a core and highly valued element of our support services. Feedback consistently demonstrates the importance of access to properly fitted bras and prostheses, which play a significant role in improving comfort, confidence, and emotional wellbeing during recovery.

This service provides vital support for individuals navigating the physical and psychological impact of surgery. By helping people rebuild self-esteem and regain a sense of normality, it contributes meaningfully to mental health and emotional recovery at a time when challenges can feel overwhelming. Many recipients describe the experience of being fitted by a trained professional as reassuring, empowering, and restorative.

We actively listen to the voices of those we support through regular pulse surveys conducted throughout the year. This enables us to evaluate the effectiveness of the service, identify opportunities for improvement, and understand whether additional support would be beneficial. Ongoing feedback confirms that post-mastectomy bra fitting continues to be essential and should remain a central part of our support offer.

By responding to lived experience and adapting our services in line with expressed needs, we ensure this provision remains relevant, compassionate, and impactful. Properly fitted post-mastectomy bras are not only a practical necessity; they are fundamental to confidence, dignity, and emotional recovery. We remain committed to maintaining and developing this service throughout 2024/2025.

Hug-in-a-bag scheme

Beginning chemotherapy or radiotherapy can be an overwhelming experience, particularly for those who may have to attend appointments on their own. Our *Hug-in-a-Bag* initiative was created to offer comfort, reassurance, and practical support at a time when it is needed most. Each bag is thoughtfully put together to include a range of useful and caring items designed to support patients during treatment. Alongside everyday essentials such as a water bottle, moisturiser, and reading material, the bags also include items that respond to the less obvious side effects of treatment. These include a blanket to help manage changes in body temperature, as well as a hat and gloves, and other carefully selected additions. Over the past year, we have listened closely to feedback from both patients and healthcare professionals and have introduced new items to the bags to further enhance their comfort and usefulness.

We are proud to now be supporting up to 28 hospitals across the region, working closely with Breast Care Nurses who distribute the bags directly to patients at the start of their treatment journey. In addition, bags can be requested via our website and are posted directly to individuals who may not be able to access them in person.

Feedback for the *Hug-in-a-Bag* initiative has been overwhelmingly positive, with recipients frequently describing how comforting and reassuring it is to receive such a thoughtful gift at a difficult time. All bags are funded and donated by LFBC and are provided completely free of charge to recipients, ensuring that no one faces treatment without a small reminder that they are cared for and supported.

This initiative continues to be a vital and much-valued part of our work, helping to bring warmth, dignity, and compassion to people during one of the most challenging periods of their breast cancer experience.

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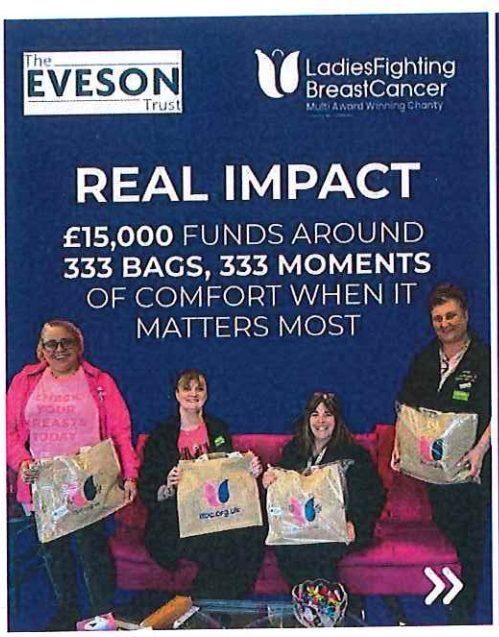
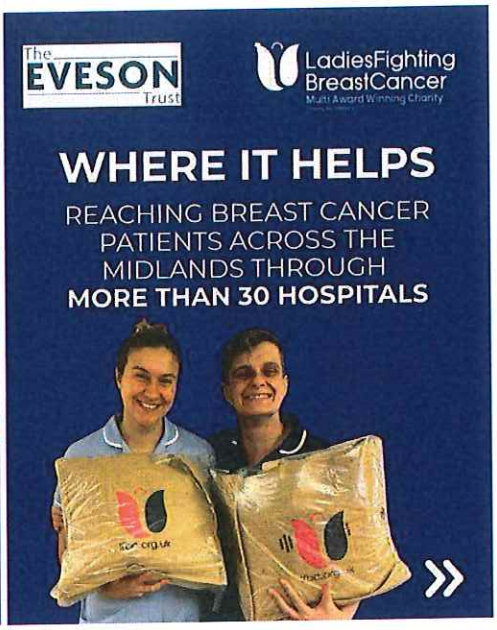
Examples of Hug-in-a-bag deliveries to hospitals within the 70 mile radius.





Recognition of the Charity.

✨ **2024–2025 Highlights:** A Year of Support, Joy, and Growth ✨

Monday 23rd September – Cheque Presentation from Danny Ryan MBE
£2,000 raised by the Irish Community

Friday 4th October 2024 – National Diversity Awards.
Finalist of the lifetime achievement award

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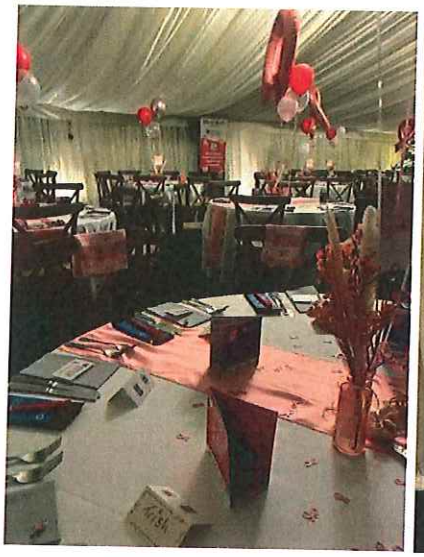
Friday 29th November 2024 – Breast Cancer Fundraising Event at the Talbot in Belbroughton An incredible amount raised by Emma Beardmore in her local community, a heartwarming night with lots of laughter, joy and awareness shared!



Friday 21st February 2025 – Kings Award presented by the High Sheriff of Worcestershire, Charles Moyle Veronica was honoured to be awarded this prestigious accolade.

Thursday 6th March 2025 – Henry Wong Fundraising Evening
A vibrant evening filled with community energy and dedication, uniting everyone to champion a cause that means so much to us all. Sponsored by Irwin Michell

Monday 10th March 2025 - Hollywood Collections Fashion Show
Raising funds to support our Hug in a bag initiative, great evening with lots of loyal supporters.

Saturday 22nd March 2025 – Mothering Sunday event at The Gables, Nursing Home in Hagley A local event, bringing the community together to support one and another when they need it the most.

Thursday 3rd April 2025 – High Sheriff of the West Midlands Award, Douglas Wright
Veronica received this incredible award for her dedication to helping others.

Friday 11th April 2025 – Visit from the National Lottery to see our office.
It was great to host them and for them to meet some of our beneficiaries and to see first-hand the work that we do.

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Wednesday 30th April 2025 – Their Majesties event at Buckingham Palace in recognition of Community-Based Cancer Support for Veronica & her team.
An amazing evening meeting other cancer support charities across the UK.

Tuesday 20th May 2025 – Birmingham Lion's Annual Quiz at the Chung Ying Central. Such a lively night filled with generosity, laughter, and purpose.

Friday 13th June 2025 – We turned 25 years old and held a celebration day at the Charity Office A significant milestone with joy for our loyal supporters. A fabulous celebration of 25 incredible years of our work in the community and helping others.

Thursday 19th June 2025 – No.5 Chambers Colmore Row, hosted an Ascot Day
Wonderful afternoon, bringing corporate support to a small local charity having a huge impact on awareness and raising much needed funds.

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Saturday 28th June 2025 – Choir Performance at the Core Theatre The power of music brought the community together in a moving and magical choir night raising both funds and spirits.

Sunday 13th July 2025 – Choir Performance at Symphony Hall
The choir were delighted to be invited to take part in Pop Voices annual concert, celebrating community and an uplifting event through the joy of music.

Thursday 7th July 2025 – Cheque Presentation at Edgbaston Golf Club
We were honoured to be chosen as one of the Masonic charities for 2025.

Sunday 31st August 2025 – Cheque Presentation at NewLife Testament Erdington
A beautiful gospel celebration, including lunch bringing communities together to support each other.

Making a difference in our Community

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Our Future Plans

Fundraising activity led by external supporters is beginning to recover, although levels remain significantly below those seen in previous years. Rising utility costs and the ongoing cost of living crisis continue to affect public giving, with many individuals understandably more cautious about charitable donations.

Despite these challenges, we remain committed to expanding our reach and impact. In line with our Memorandum and Articles, we aim to engage with more hospitals within a 70-mile radius of Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham and to extend our *Hug in a Bag* scheme across this area. During 2024/2025, our goal is to work with 30 hospitals, providing not only our support bags but also information about *Breast Mates Central*, our support group offering daily support to individuals with a breast cancer diagnosis.

Raising awareness of breast cancer across the West Midlands has always been central to the mission of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer. We continue to focus on educating people about the signs and symptoms of breast cancer, with a particular emphasis on reaching diverse and ethnic communities. We also actively promote the importance of attending mammogram appointments, reinforcing the life-saving benefits of early detection.

In October 2024, we hosted an event at our new offices for neighbouring businesses, which resulted in corporate sponsorship from MV Kelly. While grant funding remains highly competitive and difficult to secure, we continue to identify opportunities and submit applications wherever possible.

We are also continuing our partnership with the National Lottery, which plays an important role in enabling LFBC to support breast cancer patients across the Midlands. As public donations alone can no longer be relied upon in the current economic climate, developing sustainable funding partnerships remains a priority.

Within in the next year we are hoping to extend our wellbeing and holistic services, including counselling and holding a Beyond Breast Cancer event.

We hope to provide a monthly crafting group at our offices in Bromsgrove, as well as holding our own Christmas craft market.

We are looking into working in partnership with Blue Sky events our supporter to fundraise in new and exciting ways including running, cycling and climbing activities.

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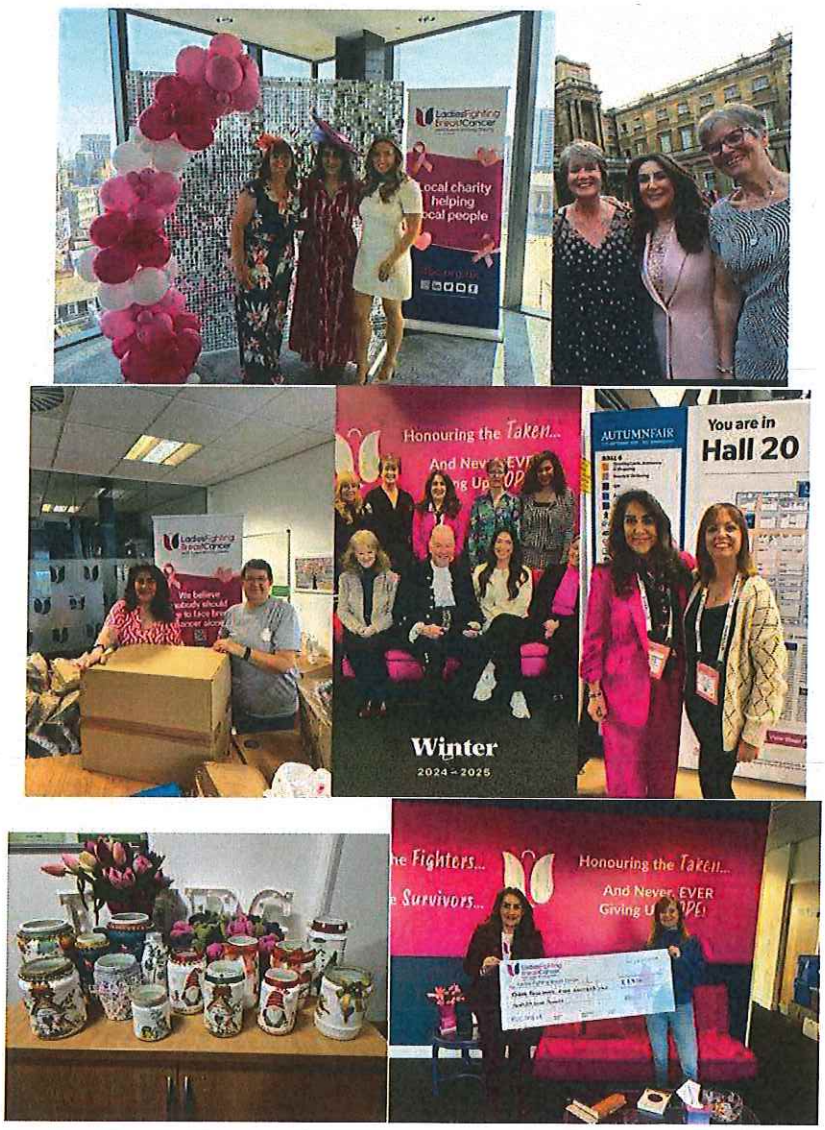
Like many responsible and hard-working charities, LFBC has experienced a significant decline in financial support and donations in recent years. Against this challenging backdrop, we are extremely grateful for the continued support we receive, which allows us to sustain our services and remain responsive to the needs of those affected by breast cancer.



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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

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We will continue to strive, to provide support to our local community, and to ensure that no one feels alone on their breast cancer journey.

Financial review

The results for the year, and the financial position at the end of the year, are shown in the attached financial statements.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 16th January 2026 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Ms P Kennedy
Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Year ended 31st August 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31st August 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Mr Wayne McCormack MAAT, of
Independent Examiner

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26th January 2026

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31st August 2025

	Note	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	4	213,654	**220,259**	200,664
Other trading activities	5	10,434	**11,709**	11,694
Investment income	6	891	**891**	1,238
Total Income		224,979	**232,859**	213,596
Expenditure				
Expenditure on raising funds:				
Costs of raising donations and legacies	7	18,044	**18,044**	7,500
Costs of other trading activities	8	1,108	**3,336**	14,672
Expenditure on charitable activities	9,10	184,228	**199,297**	166,097
Total expenditure		203,380	**220,677**	188,269
Net (expenditure) and net movement in funds		21,599	**12,182**	25,327
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		79,582	**79,582**	28,372
Total funds carried forward		91,764	**91,764**	79,582

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

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Statement of Financial Position

Year ended 31st August 2025

	Note	2025 £	£	2024 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets	15		4,775	1,042
Current assets				
Stocks	16	16,000		14,000
Debtors	17	1,320		
Cash at bank and in hand		70,958		69,142
		88,278		83,142
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(1,289)		(4,602)
Net current assets			86,989	78,540
Total assets less current liabilities			91,764	79,582
Net assets			91,764	79,582
Funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds			91,764	79,582
Total charity funds	19		91,764	79,582

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 26th January 2026, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Ms P Kennedy
Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31st August 2025

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 4 Topaz Business Park, Birmingham Road, Bromsgrove, B61 OGD

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 102 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the trust is a small entity.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed lo be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2025

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds. includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	20% straight line
Computer equipment	33% straight line

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash- generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Donations				
Sundry donations	76,474	80,079	74,142	74,142
Grants				
Grants	137,180	140,180	126,522	126,522
	213,654	220,259	200,664	200,664

5. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Ticket sales for fundraising events	10,434	11,709	11,694	11,694

6. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2025** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Bank interest receivable	891	891	1,238	1,238

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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7. Costs of raising donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
Cost of raising donations and legacies – Donations	18,044	18,044	7,500	7,500

8. Costs of other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
Activity & Events	1,108	3,336	14,672	14,672

9. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2025**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	4,872	4,872	8,112	8,112
Support services for breast cancer patients	173,223	188,312	154,741	154,741
Governance costs	6,133	6,113	5,807	5,807
	184,228	199,297	168,660	168,660

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	**Total Funds 2025**	Total Fund 2024
	£	£	£	£
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	4,872	-	4,872	8,112
Support services for breast cancer patients	188,312		188,312	154,741
Governance costs		6,133	6,133	5,807
	193,184	6,133	199,297	168,660

11. Analysis of support costs

	Analysis of support costs	Analysis of support costs	**Total 2025**	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
Governance costs	6,133	-	**6,133**	5,807

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2025

12. Net (expenditure)

Net (expenditure) is stated after charging:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**1,693**	431

13. Independent examination fees

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fees payable to the Independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**6,133**	5,808

14. Staff costs and emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows: The average head count of employees during the year was 4 (2024: 3).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2024: Nil). Consultancy fees £8,955 (2024 £39,880) were paid to the Trustees during the year.

15. Tangible fixed asset

	Computer	Equipment	**Total**
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1st September 2024	1,527	15,439	**16,966**
Depreciation			
At 1st September 2024	485	15,439	**15,924**
Charge for the year	1,092	601	**1,693**
At 31st August 2025	1,577	16,040	**17,617**
Carrying amount At 31st August 2025	1,849	2,927	**4,776**
At 31st August 2024	1,042	-	1,042

16. Stocks

	2025	2024
	£	£
Goods for resale	**16,000**	14,000

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Year ended 31st August 2025

17. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	1,320	-
Other debtors	-	-
	-	-

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	3,279
PAYE and NI	1,289	1,322
Accruals and deferred income		
	1,289	4,601

19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds	At 1st September 2024	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2025
	£	£	£	£
General funds	79,582	232,859	(220,677)	91,764

	At 1st September 2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	54,256	213,595	(188,258)	79,582

20. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2025**
	£	**£**
Tangible fixed assets	4,775	**4,775**
Current Assets	88,278	**88,278**
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,289)	**(1,289)**
Net assets	91,764	**91,764**

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,042	1,042
Current Assets	83,142	83,142
Creditors less than 1 year	(4,602)	(4,602)
Net assets	79,582	79,582

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Management Information

Year ended 31st August 2025

The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31st August 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Sundry donations	**80,079**	74,142
Grants	**140,180**	126,522
	220,259	200,664
Other trading activities		
Ticket sales for fundraising events	**11,709**	11,694
Investment Income		
Bank interest receivable	**891**	1,238
Total Income	**232,859**	213,595
Expenditure		
Rent	**16,608**	20,061
Room hire and meetings	**1,460**	4,248
Office costs	**4,582**	347
Insurance	**1,352**	1,233
Motor and travel expenses	**13,190**	10,022
Consultancy fees	**45,702**	39,880
Advertising and promotional expenses	**11,529**	13,949
Depreciation	**1,693**	431
Telephone	**1,664**	1,442
Postage and stationery	**3,922**	1,202
IT software and consumables	**887**	1,204
Subscriptions	**1,942**	894
Bank charges	**234**	160
Other event costs	**12,555**	14,672
Discretionary payments and support costs	**29,523**	30,049
Legal and professional fees	**7,412**	7,760
Charitable and political donations	**-**	647
Repairs and maintenance	**2,878**	737
Salaries	**63,545**	39,323
Total expenditure	**220,677**	188,258
Net expenditure	**12,182**	25,327

LADIES FIGHTING BREAST CANCER CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1088943

Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1088943

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Unaudited Financial Statements

31st August 2024

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Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31st August 2024

The Management Committee presents its director's report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31st August 2024.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name	Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer
Charity Registration No	1088943
Registered Office Address	Registered Office No 4 Topaz Business Park Birmingham Road, B610GD

Management Committee

Mrs. Shelley Duncan	Chair of Board of Trustee
Mrs. Eileen Fegan	Trustee – (resigned 9th July 2024)
Ms. Jan Johnson	Trustee
Ms. Patricia Kennedy	Trustee
Ms. Samantha Jayne Murray	Trustee
Mr. Jason Boden	Trustee
Mr. Peter Murtha	Trustee
Mr. Parm Rai	Trustee – (appointed 1st January 2024)

Senior Management Team

Ms. Veronica Kumeta	COO & Co Founder
Senior Support workers	Lynda Jay & Maureen Ross
Accountants	Zoo Accounting and Business Solutions Ltd 3 Arrow Court, Adams Way, Springfield Business Park, Alcester, B49 6PU

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Our Aims and Objectives

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's Declaration of Trust are to:

> The objective of the Charity is to provide care, treatment and other medical benefits for patients suffering breast cancer within a 70 mile radius of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham.

The aim of the Charity is to raise awareness and much needed funds to help provide direct support and equipment for Breast Cancer patients in the West Midlands that goes above and beyond NHS means for Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham (QEHB) and other local hospital.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims.

We review our aims, objectives, and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to the group of people we are set up to help. The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remained focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. The trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The Focus of our Work

The focus of our work for the year continued to promote breast cancer awareness in our diverse community and to continue to raise funds for breast cancer patients and local hospitals within our geographical area.

- Continue and expand our Breast Cancer Choir for patients.
- Continue to and expand our Facebook support group and coffee mornings.
- Set up support and sustain a network for breast cancer patients within a 70mile radius of The Queen Elizabeth Hospital - Birmingham

Supported all third-party events (raising money on our behalf)

Who used and benefited from our service?

Over the course of the year, we have supported women and men with a breast cancer diagnosis by providing them with our "Hug in a Bag' containing donated and purchased items which help them through their chemotherapy/radiotherapy treatments and provided our printed material providing them with details of our further support services and information. These bags, together with heart shaped pillows and drain bags were available to patients in 28 hospitals in our Geographical area.

We have also supported over 750 people through our Private Facebook group and further supported patients through 1:1 contact with our COO and Support Workers, our Coffee Mornings and our Choir.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

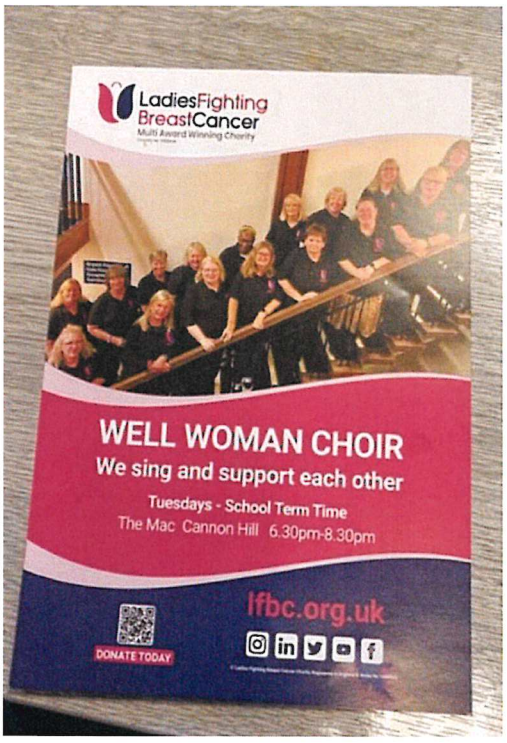
Year ended 31st August 2024

LFBC Choir

Set up Support Network.

Our choir for Breast Cancer Patients is now over 7 years old, this group is facilitated Support Workers (who volunteer part of their time), a professional singing coach and it is over seen by Pop Voices. This group continues to meet on a weekly basis in term time in the evening for 2 hours and has been a huge success. This group is attended by breast cancer patients who have already been treated or newly been diagnosed with breast cancer.

This Choir has proved to be a huge success and continues to act as a much-needed support group where like-minded people can come together and forget all their worries for a couple of hours with the joy of singing and we will continue to find funding in 2023/2024 so that this choir/ support group will continue. Highlight for the choir was being asked to sing again at Birmingham Symphony Hall in July 2024 with 500 others from Pop Voices.



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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Breast Mates Support Group

In 2020, we established *Breast Mates Central*, a dedicated support group aimed at offering both online and in-person support to individuals affected by breast cancer. We provide a combination of virtual gatherings and face-to-face meetings, alongside one-on-one support sessions for those who book appointments with our Support Workers.

Our Support Workers, all of whom are breast cancer survivors, offer valuable emotional support, share their personal experiences, and provide guidance to individuals who are newly diagnosed, undergoing re-diagnosis, or facing isolation due to treatments and government restrictions. Currently, our community includes over 786 members. We continue to offer Zoom support meetings, alongside at least one in-person gatherings weekly meetings. These face-to-face sessions are hosted at local garden centres and coffee shops located on opposite sides of the city, ensuring accessibility for those who can travel and wish to connect in person.

Together, these virtual and in-person meetings allow us to maintain a weekly support offering. In addition to regular support meetings, we organize a variety of activities for members, such as crafting sessions (including card making, wreaths, and cake decorating), cooking demonstrations, and Look Good Feel Better workshops. We also host spiritual evenings, social gatherings, and an annual Christmas party. These events have become a vital source of connection and comfort for the community.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Soft Services

We identified that post-mastectomy bra fittings remain a vital aspect of support for our patients. A properly fitted bra or prosthesis plays a key role in enhancing mental wellbeing during an emotionally and physically challenging period.. To ensure accessibility, we provided "Bra-saries" – free of charge to the patient – with each individual visit, fitting, and supply of a properly fitted bra/prosthesis amounting to £110. The overwhelmingly positive feedback reinforced the value of this service in supporting patients' mental health during such vulnerable times. We also provide support on request for wig services for those in need.

Hug-in-a-bag scheme

Attending your first chemotherapy or radiotherapy session can be extremely daunting. Especially if you must attend alone. That's why we have created our 'Hug-in-a-bag' initiative. We wanted to create a useful, practical resource which would provide everything a patient might need during these aggressive, yet critically important treatments.
The bags contain 'common sense' items such as a water bottle, moisturiser and a good book. It also contains less 'obvious items' including a blanket (as the treatments can impact body temperature dramatically) hat and gloves and a dark nail varnish (to hide the discoloration that the treatments can trigger).

From August 2023 – August 2024, we have provided over 1262 bags at a cost to the charity of £45 each. These bags were donated free of charge.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Examples of Hug-in-a-bag deliveries to hospitals within our 70-mile radius.

Previous years of LFBC promoting Breast Cancer Awareness in Birmingham

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Recognition of the Charity.

✨ 2023–2024 Highlights: A Year of Impact, Celebration & Growth ✨

Friday 22 September – Woman of the Year Dinner We joined forces with the inspiring Eileen and Siobhan for an unforgettable evening at the prestigious Heart of England venue in Coventry. The Woman of the Year dinner was a glamorous celebration of female empowerment, resilience, and community leadership.

Thursday 5 October – Hospital Wellness Visit Our ongoing support and outreach continued with another heartwarming visit, spreading smiles and comfort.

Friday 13 October – Hollywood Collections Fashion Show: Strictly Ballroom Nuthurst Grange sparkled with sequins and style as we enjoyed an evening of elegance and entertainment. The ballroom-themed fashion show was a dazzling spectacle celebrating glamour and giving back.

Sunday 29 October – BMC's 5th Birthday Bash We marked a milestone with joy and cake at Smithton's in Solihull! A fabulous celebration of five incredible years of BMC's work in the community.

Tuesday 31 October – Delivery Day! We delivered 80 vibrant and comforting softies to City Hospital—spreading colour, care, and compassion one softie at a time.

Saturday 4 November – Aston Villa Awards A proud moment as we were recognised in the *Charity of the Year* category at the Aston Villa award ceremony. What an honour!

Thursday 23 November – Black Country Awards A night to remember—*we won not one, but TWO awards*! They're now proudly displayed on our wall and in our hearts.

Friday 24 November – Zoo Quiz Night in Redditch A wild and wonderful evening full of fun facts, friendly competition, and fundraising!

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Tuesday 28 November – BMC at Smithton Another meaningful gathering with BMC—fuelling connection and community.

Wednesday 6 December – Cheque Presentation at the Office We gratefully received a generous donation—a huge boost to our work and a great way to wrap up the year.

Thursday 7 March 2024 – Hospital Wellness Visit Continuing our compassionate mission into the new year with care and kindness.

Saturday 18 May – E57 Social Club Fundraising Evening A lively night of community spirit and support—bringing people together to back a cause close to all our hearts.

Monday 10 June – Covered Wagon Fundraiser An uplifting evening at the Covered Wagon, filled with generosity, laughter, and purpose.

Saturday 20 July – Town Hall Choir Performance The power of music brought the community together in a moving and magical choir night—raising both funds and spirits

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Thursday 25 July – MAC Theatre Night: Leanne Pero Play A thought-provoking and emotional night at the MAC, watching Leanne Pero's powerful play exploring breast cancer and identity.

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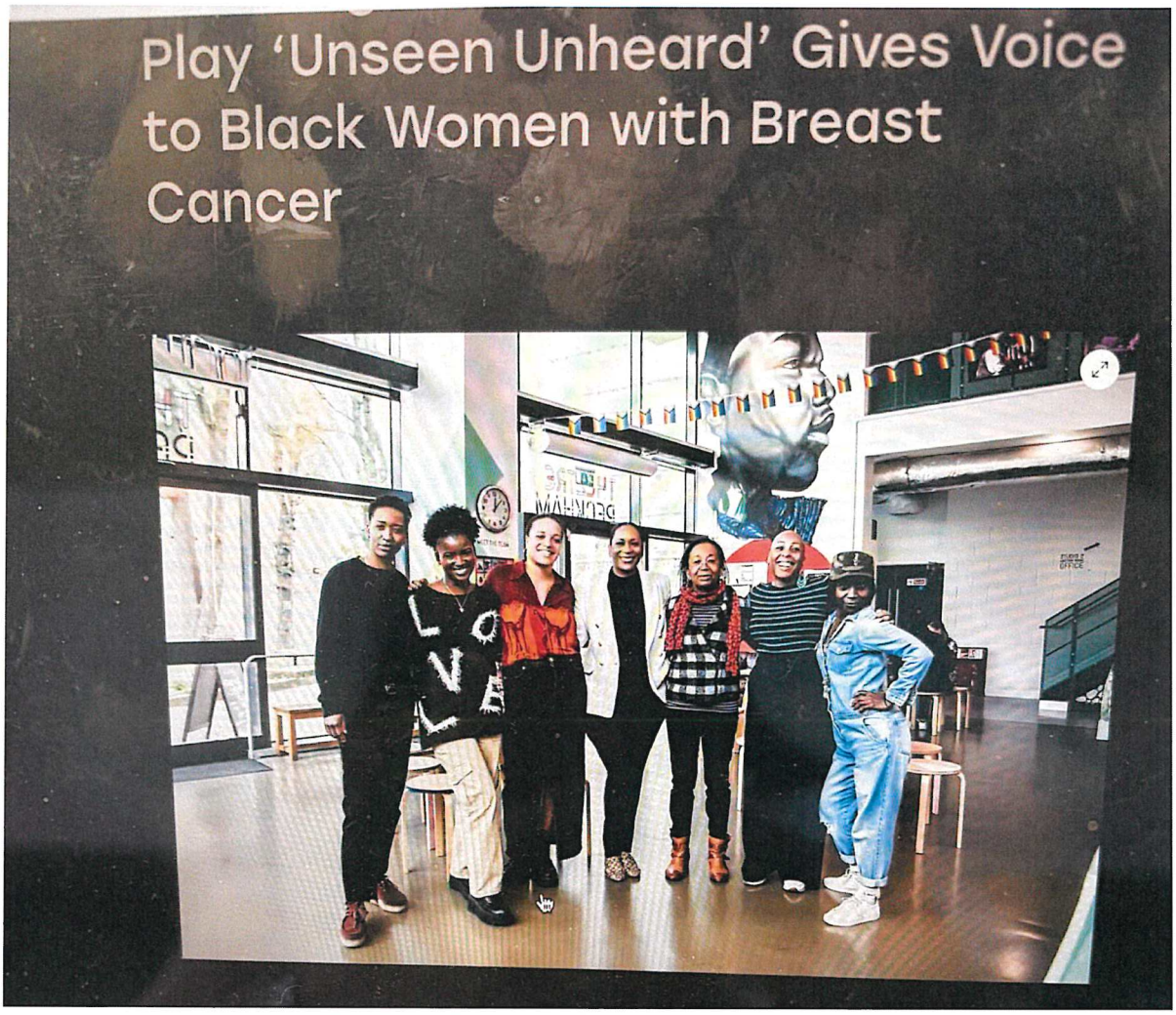

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Wednesday 21 August – *We Moved!* Topaz Business Park We made the big move! Our new home at Topaz Business Park gives us the space to grow our *Hugs in a Bag* campaign and reach even more hospitals across the Midlands. A new chapter begins

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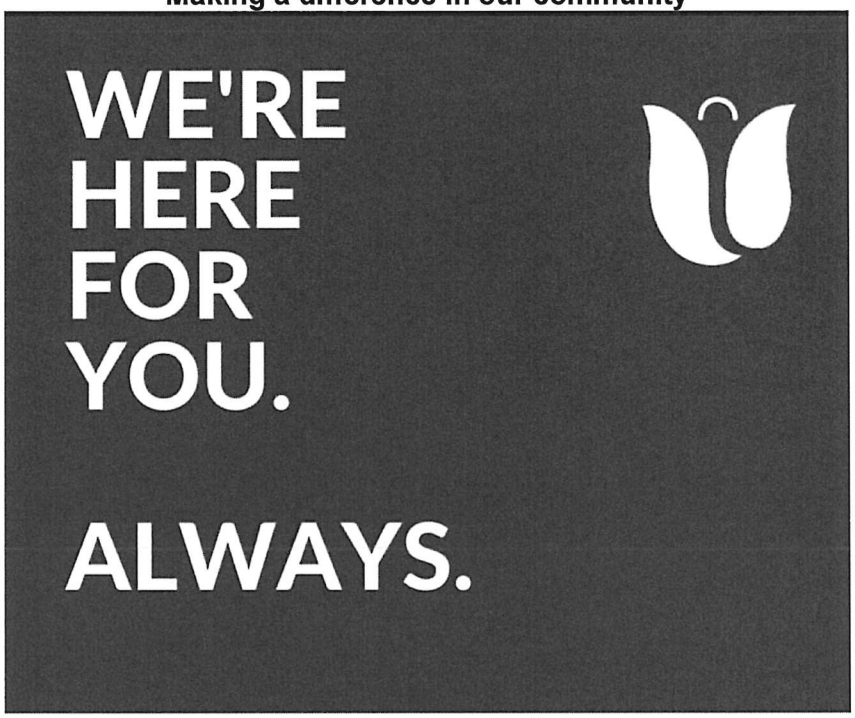
Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

Third Party Events

We were very lucky to be chosen as the beneficiary charity of several third-party events and we hosted our own 'smaller' fundraiser of 80 guests in October 2023, which raised over £4,000.

Making a difference in our community



OUR TEAM IS BACK ONLINE, HERE TO HELP.
JOIN US ON BREASTMATES CENTRAL
AND FIND YOURSELF IN OUR COMMUNITY.
WWW.LFBC.ORG.UK

Our Future Plans

Fundraising efforts by third party supporters continues to be slow. As a result, as a Charity we continue to explore new opportunities to attract new supporters and tap into new opportunities to fund raise and continue to be sustainable going forward.

As we have now successfully expanded our Hugs in a Bag offering to a significantly greater number of hospitals (and by extension a greater number of breast cancer patient) our aim is to expand the support services to a wider group of people across the areas that we are now reaching with our bags. This includes bringing in more Support Workers to ensure that the support being provided to a greater number of individuals does not decrease.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

The main objective for Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer has always been to raise awareness of breast cancer in our area of support and to make sure people know what the signs are they need to be looking out for. We are also determined to promote awareness in all our diverse and ethnic communities. Also, if they are called up for a mammogram appointment, we make sure that they fully understand the importance of attending their appointments as early detection saves lives. This continues to be our main objective to ensure early diagnosis.

Within our fundraising strategy we continue to seek ongoing Corporate Sponsorship and Grant funding. The Corporate Sponsorship is a key aim of ours, as not only does it assist with financial support, but it promotes community engagement with the Charity.

We do receive assistance with funding from the National Lottery to enable the progression of the Charity. Given the uptake in our services and the increased demand year on year, it has been necessary to bring on more paid employees and consultants, to ensure that we are meeting the demand and putting the structures in place to support the financial viability of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer for many years to come.

We will continue to strive, to provide support to our local community, and to ensure that no one feels alone on their breast cancer journey.

Financial review

The results for the year, and the financial position at the end of the year, are shown in the attached financial statements.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 21st February 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mrs S Duncan
Trustee

11/6/25.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Year ended 31st August 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31st August 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Mr Wayne McCormack MAAT, of
Independent Examiner

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8th May 2025

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31st August 2024

	Note	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	4	200,664	**200,664**	146,869
Other trading activities	5	11,694	**11,694**	27,913
Investment income	6	1,238	**1,238**	483
Total Income		213,596	**213,596**	175,265
Expenditure				
Expenditure on raising funds:				
Costs of raising donations and legacies	7	7,500	**7,500**	7,500
Costs of other trading activities	8	14,672	**14,672**	23,926
Expenditure on charitable activities	9,10	166,097	**166,097**	117,955
Total expenditure		188,269	**188,269**	149,381
Net (expenditure) and net movement in funds		25,327	**25,327**	25,884
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		54,256	**28,372**	28,372
Total funds carried forward		79,582	**79,582**	54,256

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

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Position

Year ended 31st August 2024

	Note	2024 £	£	2023 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets	15		1,042	914
Current assets				
Stocks	16	14,000		1,278
Debtors	17	-		
Cash at bank and in hand		69,142		53,540
		83,142		54,818
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(4,602)		(1,476)
Net current assets			78,540	53,342
Total assets less current liabilities			79,582	54,256
Net assets			79,582	54,256
Funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds			79,582	54,256
Total charity funds	19		79,582	54,256

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 21st February 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs S Duncan
Trustee

11/6/25

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31st August 2024

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is P.O. Box 210, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 9GZ.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 102 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the trust is a small entity.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed lo be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds. includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	20% straight line
Computer equipment	33% straight line

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash- generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations				
Sundry donations	74,142	74,142	89,642	89,642
Grants				
Grants	126,522	126,522	57,227	57,227
	200,664	200,664	146,869	146,869

5. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Ticket sales for fundraising events	11,694	11,694	27,913	27,913

6. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2024** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Bank interest receivable	1,238	1,238	483	483

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2024

7. Costs of raising donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2024**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Cost of raising donations and legacies – Donations	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500

8. Costs of other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2024**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising Events	12,098	12,098	23,426	23,426

9. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2024**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	8,112	8,112	6,310	6,310
Support services for breast cancer patients	154,741	154,741	109,384	109,384
Governance costs	5,807	5,807	2,760	2,760
	168,660	168,660	118,454	118,454

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	**Total Funds 2024**	Total Fund 2023
	£	£	£	£
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	8,112	-	8,112	6,310
Support services for breast cancer patients	154,741		154,741	109,384
Governance costs		5,807	5,807	2,760
	162,853	5,807	168,660	118,454

11. Analysis of support costs

	Analysis of support costs	Analysis of support costs	**Total 2024**	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Governance costs	5,807	-	**5,807**	2,760

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Year ended 31st August 2024

12. Net (expenditure)

Net (expenditure) is stated after charging:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**431**	875

13. Independent examination fees

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fees payable to the Independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**5,808**	2,760

14. Staff costs and emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows: The average head count of employees during the year was 3 (2023: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil). Consultancy fees £39,880 (2023 £44,890) were paid to the Trustees during the year.

15. Tangible fixed asset

	Computer	Equipment	**Total**
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1st September 2023 and 31st August 2024	1,527	15,439	**16,966**
Depreciation			
At 1st September 2023	54	15,439	**15,493**
Charge for the year	432		**432**
At 31st August 2024	486	15,439	**15,925**
Carrying amount At 31st August 2024	1,042	-	**1,042**
At 31st August 2023	-	-	

16. Stocks

	2024	2023
	£	£
Goods for resale	**14,000**	1,278

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Year ended 31st August 2024

17. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-
Other debtors	-	-
	-	-

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,279	1,476
PAYE and NI	1,322	
Accruals and deferred income	-	
	4,601	1,476

19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds	At 1st September 2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	54,256	213,595	(188,258)	79,582

	At 1st September 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	28,372	175,265	(149,381)	54,256

20. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2024**
	£	**£**
Tangible fixed assets	1,042	**1,042**
Current Assets	83,142	**83,142**
Creditors less than 1 year	(4,602)	**(4,602)**
Net assets	79,582	**79,582**

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	914	914
Current Assets	54,818	54,818
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,476)	(1,476)
Net assets	54,256	54,256

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Management Information

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The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Notes to the Detailed Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31st August 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Sundry donations	**74,142**	89,642
Grants	**126,522**	57,227
	200,664	146,869
Other trading activities		
Ticket sales for fundraising events	**11,694**	27,913
Investment Income		
Bank interest receivable	**1,238**	483
Total Income	**213,595**	175,265
Expenditure		
Rent	**20,061**	15,795
Room hire and meetings	**4,248**	4,365
Office costs	**347**	388
Insurance	**1,233**	992
Motor and travel expenses	**10,022**	10,095
Consultancy fees	**39,880**	44,890
Advertising and promotional expenses	**13,949**	12,448
Depreciation	**431**	875
Telephone	**1,442**	658
Postage and stationery	**1,202**	1,500
IT software and consumables	**1,204**	1,347
Subscriptions	**894**	773
Bank charges	**160**	114
Other event costs	**14,672**	23,926
Discretionary payments and support costs	**30,049**	28,456
Legal and professional fees	**7,760**	2,760
Charitable and political donations	**647**	
Repairs and maintenance	**737**	
Salaries	**39,323**	
Total expenditure	**188,258**	149,382
Net expenditure	**25,327**	25,883

LADIES FIGHTING BREAST CANCER CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1088943

Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1088943

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Unaudited Financial Statements

31st August 2023

Zoo Accounting & Business Solutions Ltd

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31st August 2023

The Management Committee presents its director's report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31st August 2023.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name	Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer
Charity Registration No	1088943
Company Registration No	09839270
Registered Office Address	c/o Reid & Co Solicitors 1 St Paul's Square Birmingham B3 1QU

Management Committee

Mrs. Shelley Duncan	Chair of Board of Trustee
Mrs. Eileen Fegan	Trustee
Ms. Jan Johnson	Trustee
Ms. Patricia Kennedy	Trustee
Ms. Samantha Jayne Murray	Trustee
Ms. Jessica Wilkes-Reading	Trustee (resigned 8th February 2023)
Mr. Jason Boden	Trustee
Mr. Peter Murtha	Trustee

Senior Management Team

Ms Veronica Kumeta	COO & Co Founder (resigned as trustee 10th July 2023)
Senior Support workers	Lynda Jay & Maureen Ross
Accountants	Zoo Accounting and Business Solutions Ltd 3 Arrow Court, Adams Way, Springfield Business Park, Alcester, B49 6PU
Solicitors	Reid & Co Solicitors St Paul's Square, Birmingham, B3 1QU

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

Structure, governance and management

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer was formed in June 2000, constituted under a Trust Deed dated 4th February 2001 and was granted charitable status on 17th October 2001.

Trustees are appointed by the board of trustees. Additionally there is a management sub-committee that meets on a regular basis to implement policy and organise fund raising activities.

Achievements and performance

Purposes and Aims
Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are to:

The objective of the Charity is to provide care treatment and other medical benefits for patients suffering breast cancer in the West Midlands.

The aim of the Charity is to raise awareness and much needed funds to help provide direct support and equipment for Breast Cancer patients in the West Midlands that goes above and beyond NHS means for Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham (QEHB) and other local hospital.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims
We review our aims, objectives, and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to the group of people we are set up to help. The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remained focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. The trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The Focus of our Work
The focus of our work for the year continued to promote breast cancer awareness in our diverse community and to continue to raise funds for breast cancer patients and local hospitals in the West Midlands.

- Continue and expand our Breast Cancer Choir for patients, Family and Friends
- Set up support and sustain a network for breast cancer patients.
  Supported all third-party events (raising money on our behalf)

Who used and benefited from our service?
Our printed materials are available to the 13,842 women attending breast screening in the West Midlands and are given by the nursing staff at the QEHB Hospitals (Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Heartlands Hospital, Solihull Hospital and Good Hope Hospital) and The Women's Hospital on the Q.E. site to all men and women receiving a breast cancer diagnosis.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

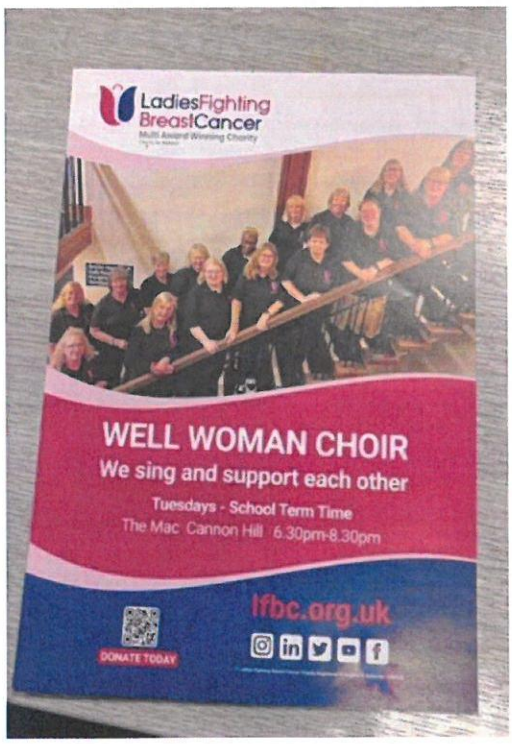
Year ended 31st August 2023

LFBC Choir

Set up Support Network.

With the support of our volunteers and successful fundraising we have been able to set up a choir for Breast Cancer Patients, this group is facilitated by a volunteer, a professional singing coach and it is over seen by Pop Voices. This group continues to meet on a weekly basis in term time in the evening for 2 hours and has been a huge success. This group is attended by breast cancer patients who have already been treated or newly been diagnosed with breast cancer.

This Choir has proved to be a huge success and continues to act as a much-needed support group where like-minded people can come together and forget all their worries for a couple of hours with the joy of singing and we will continue to find funding in 2022/23 so that this choir/ support group will continue. Highlight for the choir was being asked to sign at Birmingham Symphony Hall in July 2023 with 500 others from Pop voices.



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Year ended 31st August 2023

Breast Mates Support Group

We started our own support group called Breast Mates Central in 2020. An support group via social media, who meet both online and face to face and we offer 1-2-1 support sessions with those who book in with our volunteers. All our volunteers are Breast Cancer survivors who can offer support, experience, and guidance to those newly diagnosed, those facing re-diagnosis and those who are isolating due to current treatments and medical guidelines. Currently we have over 600 members. Since Covid restrictions lifted, the zooms support groups are still now continuing but there are now 2 face -to-face meetings in garden centers and/or coffee shops twice a month operating on opposite sides of the city enabling those who can or are well enough to travel the chance to meet in person. With the zooms and face to face meeting we provide a weekly get together service.

The group organise, crafting sessions, cards, wreaths, cake decorations, cooking demonstrations and Look Good Feel Better sessions. Spiritual evenings, social evening get togethers, Christmas gatherings,

This service has been invaluable to the community.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

Soft Services

After a survey, we realized that bra fittings were extremely important to those who had recently had a mastectomy. The correct fitting bra/prosthesis aided the patient's mental health and wellbeing. We decided to provide a home-fitting service under strict PPE conditions and adhering to medical guidelines during Covid and continue now restrictions are lifted. We offer 'Bra-saries' so that there is no cost to the patients. Each individual visit, measure, complete with new properly fitted bra/prosthesis cost £100. The feedback has been outstanding, proving that this is an essential service for supporting patient's mental health and wellbeing after a breast cancer diagnosis.

Since Covid restrictions have been lifted, we now offer a full hairdressing/wig service to those who request help. We currently use two hair treatment centers in Birmingham and have a good rapport with both teams.

It has become apparent that food parcels continue to be required due to the cost of living crisis/not working and shielding because of their treatment. Many single parents with no local family are suffering the most. As a charity we decided to embark on delivering substantial food parcels on a weekly basis to those in need (complying with medical guidelines regarding PPE and patients who were shielding) at no cost to the Breast Cancer patient.

We also set up our micro bursaries which Breast Cancer patients and/or survivors could apply for online via our website. The bursaries are in the form of either supermarket vouchers or paid directly to the provider and/or services.

Hug-in-a-bag scheme

Attending your first chemotherapy or radiotherapy session can be extremely daunting. Especially if you must attend alone. That's why we have created our 'Hug-in-a-bag' initiative. We wanted to create a useful, practical resource which would provide everything a patient might need during these aggressive, yet critically important treatments.

The bags contain 'common sense' items such as a water bottle, moisturiser and a good book. It also contains less 'obvious items' including a blanket (as the treatments can impact body temperature dramatically) and a dark nail varnish (to hide the discoloration that the treatments can trigger)

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

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Year ended 31st August 2023

LFBC provides these bags free of charge to patients across the region; we provide them by application via the website and post out to patients and we have provided and continue to provide and stock of bags to 19 hospitals within our 70 radius, so that the Breast Care nurses can gift them to even more patients.

Up to August 2023 we have donated over 1500 bags at a cost to the charity of £40/45 each.

Examples of Hug-in-a-bag deliveries to hospitals within our 70 mile radius.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

Breast Cancer Awareness in the City of Birmingham.

Since 2012 we have 'decorated' the River Statue in Victoria Square Birmingham (otherwise known as the Floozie in the Jacuzzi) with a giant bra, to promote Breast Cancer Awareness month starting on October 1st. October 2022 was our tenth year. During the previous years we have as always liaised with Birmingham City Council as to access. The River statue was lifted in October 2021 for refurbishment. We liaised with Birmingham City Council as to whether we could 'decorate' the statue in October 2022 and they pondered and declined due to ' unforeseen circumstances beyond our control and no support from the original contractors'. We contacted CPC Civils the contracting company and who have provided a two year warranty and they were very happy to support a local charity promoting awareness and offered at no cost, the man power and equipment (cherry picker) to enable the bra to be attached to the statue to promote breast cancer awareness in the city of Birmingham on the tenth year.

Birmingham City Council agreed and then withdrew their permission on the day of decorating and declined from any further correspondence on the matter.

The second city in England had no representation of Breast Cancer Awareness during the month of October 2022.

Previous years of LFBC promoting Breast Cancer Awareness in Birmingham

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

Recognition of the Charity.

In September the charity was nominated as Charity of the Year – for making a difference by BBC Radio WM and we were delighted to accept the award.

In June 2023 our COO, Veronica Kumeta was nominated and recognised as one of 500 Coronation Champions in the UK attending the Coronation Concert at Windsor.

In May 2023 our COO was nominated in the Woman of the Year category in the British Sikh Awards and came away with a highly recommended.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

The Tulip Ball

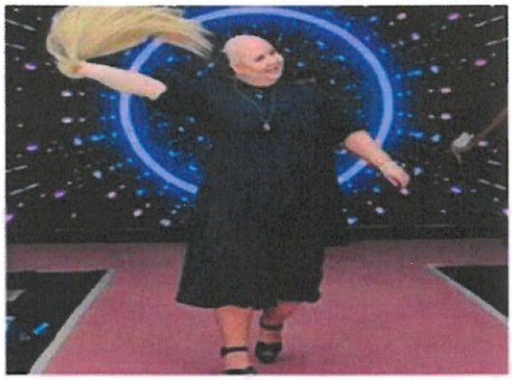
In March 2022 we started the long haul to organise a fund-raising ball for October 2022 in collaboration with QEHB charity.

The aim was to offer 40 current breast cancer patients a fabulous day/evening of fashion and fun and raise funds as well. This was oversubscribed with ladies putting themselves forward and a ballot occurred allowing 40 ladies to be picked from the 92 nominations. These ladies were then sent to two shops who kindly donated their services to pick and try on evening gowns to be worn on the night, on the catwalk. 40 Make up/hairdressing 3rd students arrived during the afternoon to pamper these ladies and ensure that their confidence levels were at their highest. By using students from one of our local city colleges we not only enabled them to be a focus for their 3rd year thesis but empowered these students to recognise the current and after effects that breast cancer can bring to women's hair/skin and confidence.

The ball, considering current fiscal climates was well attended with 290 guests enjoying a 3 course meal, music and a different fashion show. The total raised on the night was £17,602.25.

The ticket money was collected by QEHB Charity and once all the invoices for the evening were paid from the ticket monies that they held, the charity still owed QEHB Charity nearly four thousand pounds for invoices outstanding. Sadly, QEHB charity failed to promote the event to their database of over 5000 and four hospitals intranet until a week prior the event and bought no seats, nor provided any volunteer support, nor administrative support accept provide a portal to purchase seats/tables. It was therefore very disappointing that the 'collaboration' was not the alliance relationship we had hoped for.

It was a fantastic evening and everyone who attended spoke highly of the charity, naming the event as one of the best they had gone too, especially incorporating a confidence boosting fashion show for our BC ladies.



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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

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However, once the £3,900 had been repaid to QEHB charity the total raised was broken down respectively. A donation on the night of £5,000 was given by one guest to specifically send one BC fashion model (aged 32 with secondaries) to Euro Disney with her child as a memory building holiday.

Therefore the remaining £8,500 raised on the night did not justify 6 months of hard organisational work, time, commitment and worry and it was decided by the board that we would not organise another fundraising ball unless it was totally sponsored by corporates.

Third Party Events

We were very lucky to be chosen as the beneficiary charity of several third-party events during the accounting period of 2022/2023 and we hosted our own 'smaller' fundraiser of 80 guests in March 2023, which raised £4,000.

Our Future Plans

Fundraising efforts by others is slowly moving forward, but it is still not as it was in years gone by. Along with rising utility prices and the cost-of-living crisis, people are still reluctant to give to charities. Without our interim Covid grants from the National Lottery, ours as with other charities would have had to cease.

We aim to reach out to more hospitals within the 70-mile radius of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham as stated in our Memorandum and Articles and expand our hug-in-a-bag scheme to as many hospitals within this area. For 2022/2023 we aimed to reach out to 20 hospitals, but have achieved 19. Not only supplying them with our bags, but also our literature on our support group Breast Mates Central that provides support to all those with a breast cancer diagnosis on a daily basis.

The main objective for Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer has always been to raise awareness of breast cancer in the West Midlands and to make sure people know what the signs are they need to be looking out for. We are also determined to promote awareness in all our diverse and ethnic communities. Also, if they are called up for a mammogram appointment, we make sure that they fully understand the importance of attending their appointments as early detection saves lives.

Corporate sponsorship and grant funding continue to be difficult to obtain but we preserve and apply for all when we can. Sadly, we have received no corporate sponsorship during the accounting period of 2022/2023. We are now actively looking for further assistance with funding from the National Lottery for LFBC to continue to support Breast Cancer patients in the Midlands in the future as we now cannot solely rely on the past generosity of public donations in the future, plus the uncertainty of the cost-of-living crisis has had a remarked effect on people's lives worldwide and their thoughts about charity donations.

LFBC in common with many other responsible and hardworking charities has seen a significant fall in its support and its financial contributions and donations in the last few years.

We will endeavour to survive, to provide support to our local community, to make a difference.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

WE BELIEVE THAT NOBODY SHOULD HAVE TO FACE BREAST CANCER ALONE.

Financial review

The results for the year, and the financial position at the end of the year, are shown in the attached financial statements.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 21st February 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mrs S Duncan
Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Year ended 31st August 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31st August 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Mr Wayne McCormack MAAT, of
Independent Examiner

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21st February 2024

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31st August 2023

	Note	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	4	146,869	**146,869**	88,359
Other trading activities	5	27,913	**27,913**	5,823
Investment income	6	483	**483**	11
Total Income		175,265	**175,265**	94,193
Expenditure				
Expenditure on raising funds:				
Costs of raising donations and legacies	7	7,500	**7,500**	7,500
Costs of other trading activities	8	23,926	**23,926**	8,081
Expenditure on charitable activities	9,10	117,955	**117,955**	82,898
Total expenditure		149,381	**149,381**	98,479
Net (expenditure) and net movement in funds		25,884	**25,884**	(4,286)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		28,372	**28,372**	32,658
Total funds carried forward		54,256	**54,256**	28,372

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

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Position

31st August 2023

	Note	2023 £	£	2022 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets	15		914	821
Current assets				
Stocks	16	1,278		7,394
Debtors	17	-		
Cash at bank and in hand		53,540		27,129
		54,818		34,523
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(1,476)		(6,972)
Net current assets			53,342	27,551
Total assets less current liabilities			54,256	28,372
Net assets			54,256	28,372
Funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds			54,256	28,372
Total charity funds	19		54,256	28,372

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 21st February 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs S Duncan
Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31st August 2023

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is P.O. Box 210, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 9GZ.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 102 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the trust is a small entity.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed lo be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds. includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	20% straight line
Computer equipment	33% straight line

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where t e carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash- generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations				
Sundry donations	89,642	89,642	78,367	78,367
Grants				
Grants	57,227	57,227	9,992	9,992
	146,869	146,869	88,359	88,359

5. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Ticket sales for fundraising events	27,913	27,913	5,823	5,823

6. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2023** £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Bank interest receivable	483	483	11	11

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Year ended 31st August 2023

7. Costs of raising donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2023**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Cost of raising donations and legacies – Donations	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500

8. Costs of other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2023**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising Events	23,426	23,426	8,081	8,081

9. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2023**	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	6,310	6,310	4,678	4,678
Support services for breast cancer patients	109,384	109,384	74,545	74,545
Governance costs	2,760	2,760	3,675	3,675
	118,454	118,454	82,898	82,898

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	**Total Funds 2023**	Total Fund 2022
	£	£	£	£
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	6,310	-	6,310	4,678
Support services for breast cancer patients	109,384	-	109,384	74,545
Governance costs	-	2,760	2,760	3,675
	115,694	2,760	118,454	82,898

11. Analysis of support costs

	Analysis of support costs	Analysis of support costs	**Total 2023**	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Governance costs	2, 760	-	**2,760**	3,673

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Year ended 31st August 2023

12. Net (expenditure)

Net (expenditure) is stated after charging:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**875**	324

13. Independent examination fees

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fees payable to the Independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**2,760**	3,600

14. Staff costs and emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows: The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2022: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil). Consultancy fees £36,270 (2022 £28,000) were paid to the Trustees during the year.

15. Tangible fixed asset

	Computer	Equipment	**Total**
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023	968	15,439	**16,407**
Depreciation			
At 1st September 2022	-	14,618	**14,618**
Charge for the year	54	821	**875**
At 31st August 2022	54	15,439	**15,493**
Carrying amount At 31st August 2023	914	-	**914**
At 31st August 2022	-	821	821

16. Stocks

	2023	2022
	£	£
Goods for resale	**1,278**	7,394

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17. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-
Other debtors	-	-
	-	-

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,476	3,372
Accruals and deferred income	-	3,600
	1,476	6,972

19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds	At 1st September 2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	28,372	175,265	(149,381)	54,256

	At 1st September 2021	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2022
	£	£	£	£
General funds	32,658	94,193	(98,479)	28,372

20. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2023**
	£	**£**
Tangible fixed assets	914	**914**
Current Assets	54,818	**54,818**
Creditors less than 1 year	(1,476)	**(1,476)**
Net assets	54,256	**54,256**

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	821	821
Current Assets	34,523	34,523
Creditors less than 1 year	(6,972)	(6,972)
Net assets	28,372	28,372

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Management Information

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The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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Year ended 31st August 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Sundry donations	**89,642**	78,367
Grants	**57,227**	9,992
	146,869	88,359
Other trading activities		
Ticket sales for fundraising events	**27,913**	5,823
Investment Income		
Bank interest receivable	**483**	11
Total Income	**175,265**	94,193
Expenditure		
Rent	**15,795**	51
Room hire and meetings	**4,365**	-
Office costs	**388**	2,130
Insurance	**992**	976
Motor and travel expenses	**10,095**	8,156
Consultancy fees	**44,890**	42,515
Advertising and promotional expenses	**12,448**	8,103
Depreciation	**875**	324
Telephone	**658**	827
Postage and stationery	**1,500**	196
IT software and consumables	**1,347**	-
Subscriptions	**773**	-
Bank charges	**114**	92
Other event costs	**23,926**	8,081
Discretionary payments and support costs	**28,456**	23,353
Legal and professional fees	**2,760**	3,675
Total expenditure	**149,382**	98,479
Net expenditure	**25,883**	(4,286)

LADIES FIGHTING BREAST CANCER CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1088943

Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1088943

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Unaudited Financial Statements

31st August 2022

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31st August 2022

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2022.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust
Charity registration number	1088943
Principal office	1 St Paul's Square Birmingham B3 1QU
The trustees	Mrs S Duncan Mrs J Johnson Mrs E Fegan Mr J Boden Ms P Kennedy Mr P Murtha Ms S J Murray Ms V Kumeta
Independent examiner	Mr A A B Grainger FCA, of Griffiths & Pegg Limited Chartered Accountants 3 Hagley Court South Waterfront East Level Street Brierley Hill West Midlands DY5 1XE

Structure, governance and management

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer was formed in June 2000, constituted under a Trust Deed dated 4th February 2001 and was granted charitable status on 17th October 2001.

Trustees are appointed by the board of trustees. Additionally there is a management sub-committee that meets on a regular basis to implement policy and organise fund raising activities.

Achievements and performance

Purposes and Aims
Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are to:

The objective of the Charity is to provide care treatment and other medical benefits for patients suffering breast cancer in the West Midlands.

The aim of the Charity is to raise awareness and much needed funds to help provide direct support and equipment for Breast Cancer patients in the West Midlands that goes above and beyond NHS means for Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham (QEHB) and other local hospital.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims
We review our aims, objectives, and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to the group of people we are set up to help. The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remained focused on our stated purposes. We

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have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. The trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The Focus of our Work
The focus of our work for the year continued to promote breast cancer awareness in our diverse community and to continue to raise funds for breast cancer patients and local hospitals in the West Midlands.

- Continue and expand our Breast Cancer Choir for patients, Family and Friends
- Set up support and sustain a network for breast cancer patients.

Supported all third-party events (raising money on our behalf)

Who used and benefited from our service?
Our printed materials are available to the 13,743 women attending breast screening in the West Midlands and are given by the nursing staff at the QEHB Hospitals and The Women's Hospital on the Q.E. site to all men and women receiving a breast cancer diagnosis.

LFBC Choir

Set up Support Network.

With the support of our volunteers and successful fundraising we have been able to set up a choir for Breast Cancer Patients, this group is facilitated by a volunteer, a professional singing coach and it is over seen by Pop Voices. This group continues to meet on a weekly basis in term time in the evening for 2 hours and has been a huge success. This group is attended by breast cancer patients who have already been treated or newly been diagnosed with breast cancer, some family members, and friends.

Thirteen members of the choir were chosen to sing in the Mass 1000 Voice choir at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham in July 2022, had they not been members of the Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer choir they would not have had this amazing memory building opportunity.

This Choir has proved to be a huge success and continues to act as a much-needed support group where like-minded people can come together and forget all their worries for a couple of hours with the joy of singing and we will continue to find funding in 2021/2022 so that this choir/ support group will continue.

Members of choir at Commonwealth Games.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

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Breast Mates Support Group

Fishers House, which is a well-equipped full house a 'home away from home' for military patients and their families on site of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham kindly donates their library room for our Breast Cancer group to meet weekly on a Tuesday. Our free Breast Cancer drop-in centre is open to all, whether newly diagnosed, going through treatment and beyond. We provide free refreshments to all whether they need a chat, advice or just a listening ear. This has been well supported and continues to grow in strength. It is run entirely by volunteers all who have had breast cancer and all who are trained Macmillan volunteers.

Due to the nature of Breast Cancer and its subsequent treatment(s) we are unable to meet inside with vulnerable patients going through therapy who are having to isolate under the government's directions during the Covid period.

Therefore, we started our own support group called Breast Mates Central. An online support group via social media, and we offer 1-2-1 support sessions with those who book in with our volunteers. All our volunteers are Breast Cancer survivors who can offer support, experience, and guidance to those newly diagnosed, those facing re-diagnosis and those who are isolating due to current treatments and government guidelines. Currently we have over 500 members. Since Covid restrictions lifted, the zooms support groups are still now continuing but there are now 2 face -to-face meetings in garden centers and/or coffee shops twice a month operating on opposite sides of the city enabling those who can or are well enough to travel the chance to meet in person. With the zooms and face2face meeting we provide a weekly get together service.

This service has been invaluable to the community.

Soft Services

After a survey, we realized that bra fittings were extremely important to those who had recently had a mastectomy. The correct fitting bra/prosthesis aided the patient's mental health and wellbeing in an already difficult situation of shielding/Covid. We decided to provide a home-fitting service under strict

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PPE conditions and adhering to government guidelines. We offered 'Bra-saries' so that there would be no cost to the patients. Each individual visit, measure, complete with new properly fitted bra/prosthesis cost £100. The feedback has been outstanding, proving that this is an essential service for supporting patient's mental health and wellbeing during the pandemic.

Since restrictions have been lifted, we now offer a full hairdressing/wig service to those who request help. We currently use two hair treatment centers in Birmingham and have a good rapport with both teams.

It became apparent that due to Covid and patients isolating – hairdressing/mastectomy bra fittings/non-surgical procedures came to a halt, until certain restrictions were lifted, then closed again, lifted etc. Also, patients newly diagnosed were having to go to their appointments alone without family or a friend's support. Daunting as it is treatment continues but in a different format. No hospital visitors after surgery. No accompanying family or friends to chemotherapy/radiotherapy. So, we constructed our 'Hug-in-a- Bag' to post out to patients who would be going to chemotherapy/radiotherapy on their own. We asked previous patients in a poll what they would have found useful in a handy bag on their first treatment. The response was a list of 'essential items', a 'if only we had known' list. These answers gave us all the information we needed to create our 'Hug-in-a-Bag'. From soft hats, blankets, tissues, hand sanitiser, boiled sweets, colouring books, crayons, novels, dark paraben free nail polish, hand cream, water bottle, etc.

These bags have proved vital to our patients, giving them a supportive practical hug, when they need it most. These bags are donated to the Breast Cancer patients free of charge.

Up to August 2022 we have donated over 680 bags at a cost to the charity of £35/40 each. We now provide 11 hospitals within our local 70 - mile radius of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital with bags for their breast cancer patients.

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Due to Covid restrictions and isolations and in and out of national lockdowns, it became apparent that food parcels were required to those who were shielding because of their treatment. Many single parents with no local family were suffering the most. As a charity we decided to embark on delivering substantial food parcels on a weekly basis to those in need (complying with government guidelines regarding PPE and patients who were shielding) at no cost to the Breast Cancer patient.

We also set up our micro bursaries which Breast Cancer patients and/or survivors could apply for online via our website. The bursaries are in the form of either supermarket vouchers or paid directly to a third party for necessary support equipment and/or services.

Since lockdown restrictions have lifted, we still provide small micro bursaries if required on application.

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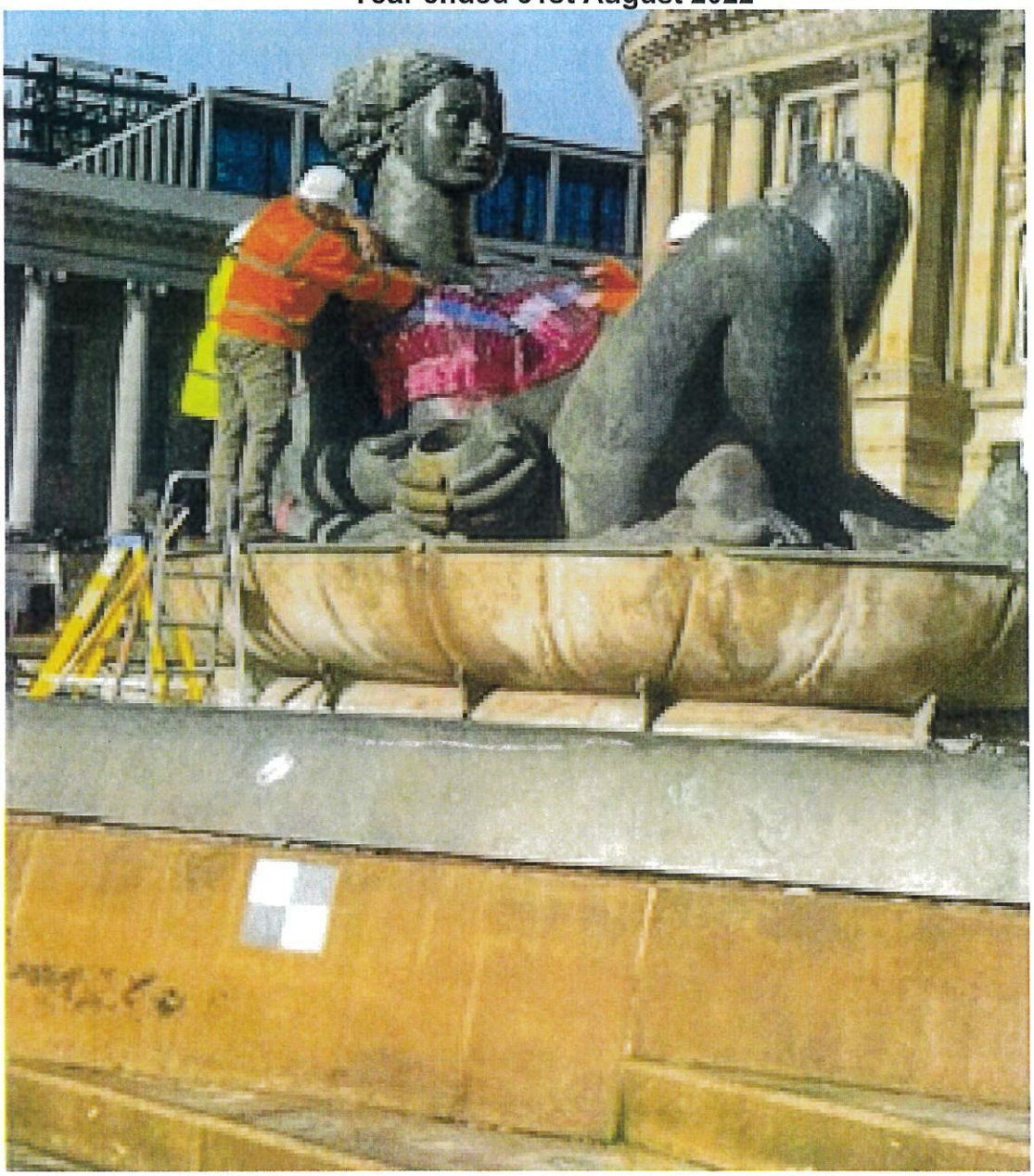

Bra on the River Statue 2021

We continue to raise awareness in our community every October 1st by putting a Bra on the River Statue in Victoria Square to kick start Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Birmingham. On the 1 October 2021 our bra was displayed for all to see, albeit for a short while due to the River Statue being lifted for refurbishment.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2022

Recognition of the Charity

Our Co-founder/COO was nominated for Central TV Pride of Britain award in October 2021 and won this area outright, which took her forward to the national presentation in London, sadly she didn't win the outright national prize, but her area award gave the charity not only recognition in our area but great awareness to the charity. In 2022 the charity was nominated and won several other awards as below, but the Pour Moi charity champion award in London was the first that came with a monetary prize. The £5000 that Veronica won went towards our upgrading of our 'hugs-in-a-bag' scheme.

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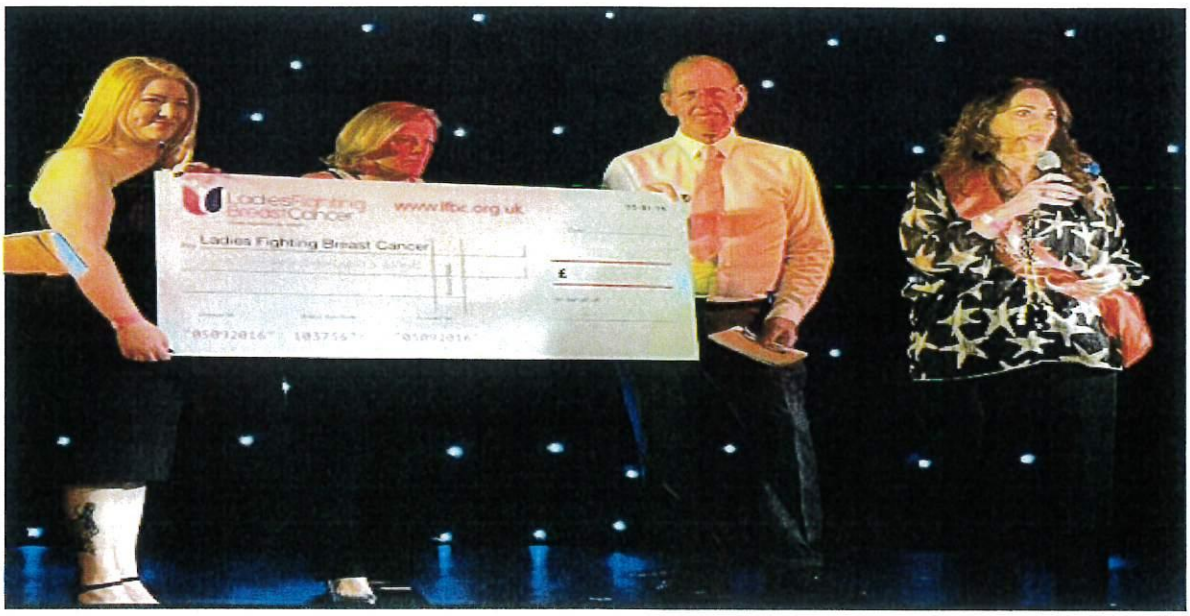
Third Party Events

As the country came out of lockdown, events very gently started to take place and we were lucky to be the nominated charity of several.



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Our Future Plans

As the country has reopened and life as we knew it returns albeit slowly, fundraising efforts by others is slowly moving forward, but it is still not as it was in years gone by. Along with rising utility prices, rising costs, people are still reluctant to give to charities. Without our interim Covid grants from the National Lottery, ours as with other charities would have had to cease.

We aim to reach out to more hospitals within the 70-mile radius of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham as stated in our Memorandum and Articles and expand our hug-in-a-bag scheme to as many hospitals within this area. For 2022/2023 we aim to reach out to 20 hospitals. Not only supplying them with our bags, but also our literature on our support group Breast Mates Central that provides support to all those with a breast cancer diagnosis on a daily.

The main objective for Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer has always been to raise awareness of breast cancer in the West Midlands and to make sure people know what the signs are they need to be looking out for. We are also determined to promote awareness in all our diverse and ethnic communities. Also, if they are called up for a mammogram appointment, we make sure that they fully understand the importance of attending their appointments as early detection saves lives.

Corporate sponsorship and grant funding continue to be difficult to obtain but we preserve and apply for all when we can. Sadly, we have received no corporate sponsorship during the accounting period of 2021/2022.

We are now actively looking for further assistance with funding from the National Lottery for LFBC to continue to support Breast Cancer patients in the Midlands in the future as we now cannot solely rely on the past generosity of public donations in the future as once again this year there has been a lot of adverse press which has hugely affected donations, plus the uncertainty of rising costs has had a remarked effect on people's lives worldwide and their thoughts about charity funding.

LFBC in common with many other responsible and hardworking charities has seen a significant fall in its support and its financial contributions and donations due to firstly Brexit, then Covid and currently rising prices.

We will endeavour to survive, to provide support to our local community, to make a difference.

Financial review

The results for the year, and the financial position at the end of the year, are shown in the attached financial statements.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 27th March 2023 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mrs S Duncan
Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Year ended 31st August 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31st August 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Mr A A B Grainger FCA, of
Independent Examiner

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27th March 2023

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31st August 2022

	Note	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	**4**	88,359	**88,359**	76,870
Other trading activities	**5**	5,823	**5,823**	956
Investment income	**6**	11	**11**	5
Total Income		94,193	**94,193**	77,831
Expenditure				
Expenditure on raising funds:				
Costs of raising donations and legacies	**7**	7,500	**7,500**	7,500
Costs of other trading activities	**8**	8,081	**8,081**	10,114
Expenditure on charitable activities	**9,10**	82,898	**82,898**	103,261
Total expenditure		98,479	**98,479**	120,875
Net (expenditure) and net movement in funds		(4,286)	**(4,286)**	(43,044)
Reconclliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		32,658	**32,658**	75,702
Total funds carried forward		28,372	**28,372**	32,658

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

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Statement of Financial Position

31st August 2022

	Note	2022 £	£	2021 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets	15		821	1,145
Current assets				
Stocks	16	7,394		1,100
Debtors	17	–		5,619
Cash at bank and in hand		27,129		31,994
		34,523		38,713
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(6,972)		(7,200)
Net current assets			27,551	31,513
Total assets less current liabilities			28,372	32,658
Net assets			28,372	32,658
Funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds			28,372	32,658
Total charity funds	19		28,372	32,658

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 27th March 2023, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

V F Kumeta

Ms V Kumeta

Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31st August 2022

1. General Information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is P.O. Box 210, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 9GZ.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 102 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the trust is a small entity.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2022

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	-	20% straight line

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2022

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Donations				
Sundry donations	78,367	**78,367**	26,211	26,211
Grants				
Grants	9,992	**9,992**	50,659	50,659
	88,359	**88,359**	76,870	76,870

5. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Ticket sales for fundraising events	5,823	**5,823**	956	956

6. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Bank interest receivable	11	**11**	5	5

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2022

7. Costs of raising donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Costs of raising donations and legacies - Donations	7,500	**7,500**	7,500	7,500

8. Costs of other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Fundraising Events	8,081	**8,081**	10,114	10,114

9. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2022 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	4,678	**4,678**	7,862	7,862
Support services for breast cancer patients	74,545	**74,545**	87,394	87,394
Governance costs	3,675	**3,675**	8,005	8,005
	82,898	**82,898**	103,261	103,261

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	**Total funds 2022 £**	Total fund 2021 £
Discretionary support grants to breast cancer patients	4,678	–	**4,678**	7,862
Support services for breast cancer patients	74,545	–	**74,545**	87,394
Governance costs	–	3,675	**3,675**	8,005
	79,223	3,675	**82,898**	103,261

11. Analysis of support costs

	Analysis of support costs £	Analysis of support costs £	**Total 2022 £**	Total 2021 £
Governance costs	3,600	73	**3,673**	8,005

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12. Net (expenditure)

Net (expenditure) is stated after charging:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**324**	727

13. Independent examination fees

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**3,600**	3,600

14. Staff costs and emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2021: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2021: Nil).

Consultancy fees of £28,000 (2021 £30,000) were paid to the Trustees during the year.

15. Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022	15,439	**15,439**
Depreciation		
At 1st September 2021	14,294	**14,294**
Charge for the year	324	**324**
At 31st August 2022	14,618	**14,618**
Carrying amount		
At 31st August 2022	821	**821**
At 31st August 2021	1,145	1,145

16. Stocks

	2022	2021
	£	£
Goods for resale	**7,394**	1,100

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17. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	–	1,847
Other debtors	–	3,772
	–	5,619

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	**3,372**	–
Accruals and deferred income	**3,600**	7,200
	6,972	7,200

19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1st September 2021	Income	Expenditure	**At 31st August 2022**
	£	£	£	**£**
General funds	32,658	94,193	(98,479)	**28,372**

	At 1st September 2020	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2021
	£	£	£	£
General funds	75,702	77,831	(120,875)	32,658

20. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	**Total Funds 2022**
	£	**£**
Tangible fixed assets	821	**821**
Current Assets	34,523	**34,523**
Creditors less than 1 year	(6,972)	**(6,972)**
Net assets	28,372	**28,372**

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2021
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,144	1,144
Current Assets	38,714	38,714
Creditors less than 1 year	(7,200)	(7,200)
Net assets	32,658	32,658

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Management Information

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The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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	2022 £	2021 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Sundry donations	**78,367**	26,211
Grants	**9,992**	50,659
	88,359	76,870
Other trading activities		
Ticket sales for fundraising events	**5,823**	956
Investment Income		
Bank interest receivable	**11**	5
Total Income	**94,193**	77,831
Expenditure		
Rent	**51**	3,827
Office costs	**2,130**	424
Insurance	**976**	880
Motor and travel expenses	**8,156**	5,653
Consultancy fees	**42,515**	60,111
Advertising and promotional expenses	**8,103**	10,719
Depreciation	**324**	727
Telephone	**827**	1,107
Postage and stationery	**196**	257
Bank charges	**92**	204
Other event costs	**8,081**	10,114
Discretionary payments and support costs	**23,353**	18,847
Legal and professional fees	**3,675**	8,005
Total expenditure	**98,479**	120,875
Net expenditure	**(4,286)**	(43,044)

LADIES FIGHTING BREAST CANCER CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1088943

Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1088943

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Unaudited Financial Statements

31st August 2021

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31st August 2021

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2021.

Achievements and performance

Purposes and Aims

Our charity's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are:

> The objective of the Charity is to provide care treatment and other medical benefits for patients suffering breast cancer in the West Midlands.

The aim of the Charity is to raise awareness and much needed funds to help provide direct support and equipment for Breast Cancer patients in the West Midlands that goes above and beyond NHS means for Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham (QEHB) and other local hospitals.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

We review our aims, objectives, and activities each year. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to the group of people we are set up to help. The review also helps us ensure our aim, objectives and activities remained focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. The trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The Focus of our Work

The focus of our work for the year continued to promote breast cancer awareness in our diverse community and to continue to raise funds for breast cancer patients and local hospitals in the West Midlands.

- Continue and expand our Breast Cancer Choir for patients, Family and Friends
- Set up support and sustain a network for breast cancer patients
- Supported all third-party events (raising money on our behalf)

Who used and benefited from our service?

Our printed materials are available to the women attending breast screening in the West Midlands and are given by the nursing staff at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital and The Women's Hospital on the Q.E. site to all men and women receiving a breast cancer diagnosis.

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LFBC Choir

Set up Support Network.

With the support of our volunteers and successful fundraising we have been able to set up a choir for Breast Cancer Patients, this group is facilitated by a volunteer, a professional singing coach and it is over seen by Aston Performing Arts Academy. This group continues to meet on a weekly basis in the evening for 2 hours and has been a huge success. This group is attended by breast cancer patients who have already been treated or newly been diagnosed with breast cancer, some family members, and friends.

This Choir has proved to be a huge success and continues to act as a much-needed support group where like-minded people can come together and forget all their worries for a couple of hours with the joy of singing and we will continue to find funding in 2021/22 so that this choir/ support group will continue

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Covid restrictions August 2020/August 2021

The choir has gone over to a zoom format. Initially this was found to be exceedingly difficult, due to the complexity of people's own systems. We meet fortnightly and have found that there is a stronger need for interaction during these very pressing times. We are hopeful that once Covid is over, and we have the reassurance from the government we can in time meet up once again face to face in large groups inside and sing.

Breast Mates Support Group

Fishers House, which is a well-equipped full house a 'home away from home' for military patients and their families on site of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham kindly donates their library room for our Breast Cancer group to meet weekly on a Tuesday. Our free Breast Cancer drop-in centre is open to all, whether newly diagnosed, going through treatment and beyond. We provide free refreshments to all whether they need a chat, advice or just a listening ear. This has been well supported and continues to grow in strength. It is run entirely by volunteers all who have had breast cancer and all who are trained Macmillan volunteers.

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Covid Period March 2020 – August 2021

Due to the nature of Breast Cancer and its subsequent treatment(s) we are unable to meet inside with vulnerable patients going through therapy who are having to isolate under the government's directions.

Therefore, we have started our own support group called Breast Mates Central. This is an online support group via social media, and we offer 1-2-1 support sessions with those who book in with our volunteers. All our volunteers are Breast Cancer survivors who can offer support, experience, and guidance to those newly diagnosed, those facing re-diagnosis and those who are isolating due to current treatments and government guidelines. Currently we have over 300 members.

This service has been invaluable to the community.

Soft Services – August 2020 – August 2021

We were able to continue and support a lot of our patients with soft services, this included fitting and purchasing of Mastectomy bras by sending in a trained professional to each patients home with full PPE for fittings and after hairdressers were open during periods when we were not locked down we were able to provide wigs, unfortunately the 'salon experience' wasn't the same as it had been prior to covid lockdowns we were still able to provide a service as such with limitations.

Covid periods August 2020 – August 2021

It became apparent that due to Covid and patients isolating – hairdressing/mastectomy bra fittings/non-surgical procedures came to a halt, until certain restrictions were lifted, then closed again, lifted etc. Also, patients newly diagnosed were having to go to their appointments alone without family or a friend's support. Daunting as it is treatment continues but in a different format. No hospital visitors after surgery. No accompanying family or friends to chemotherapy/radiotherapy. So, we constructed our 'Hug-in-a- Bag' to post out to patients who would be going to chemotherapy/radiotherapy on their own. We asked previous patients in a poll what they would have found useful in a handy bag on their first treatment. The response was a list of 'essential items', a 'if only we had known' list. These answers gave us all the information we needed to create our 'Hug-in-a-Bag'. From soft hats, blankets, tissues, hand sanitiser, boiled sweets, colouring books, crayons, novels, dark paraben free nail polish, hand cream, water bottle, etc.

These bags have proved vital to our patients, giving them a supportive practical hug, when they need it most. These bags are donated to the Breast Cancer patients free of charge.

Up to August 2021 we have donated over 400 bags at a cost to the charity of £35/40 each. Our aim is to provide 11 hospitals within our local 70 - mile radius of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital with bags for their breast cancer patients

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After a survey, we realized that bra fittings were extremely important to those who had recently had a mastectomy. The correct fitting bra/prosthesis aided the patient's mental health and wellbeing in an already difficult situation of shielding/Covid. We decided to provide a home-fitting service under strict PPE conditions and adhering to government guidelines. We offered 'Bra-saries' so that there would be no cost to the patients. Each individual visit, measure, complete with new properly fitted bra/prosthesis cost £100. The feedback has been outstanding, proving that this is an essential service for supporting patient's mental health and wellbeing during the pandemic.

Due to Covid restrictions and isolations and in and out of national lockdowns, it became apparent that food parcels were required to those who were shielding because of their treatment. Many single parents with no local family were suffering the most. As a charity we decided to embark on delivering substantial food parcels on a weekly basis to those in need (complying with government guidelines regarding PPE and patients who were shielding) at no cost to the Breast Cancer patient.

We also set up our micro bursaries which Breast Cancer patients and/or survivors could apply for online via our website. The bursaries are in the form of either supermarket vouchers or paid directly to a third party for necessary support equipment and/or services.

PLEASE. SWALLOW YOUR PRIDE.

the LFBC bursary is a hardship fund

Created specifically to provided urgent financial support anyone who has had a Breast Cancer diagnosis.

Applicants can apply direct to the fund via the form below, or anyone can nominate someone in genuine and urgent need of financial assistance.

All applications are reviewed within 7 days on a rolling basis, with all applicants contacted for a brief interview.

Bursary grants can be made in the form of vouchers or paid directly to a third party supplier (for example, direct purchase or vouchers).

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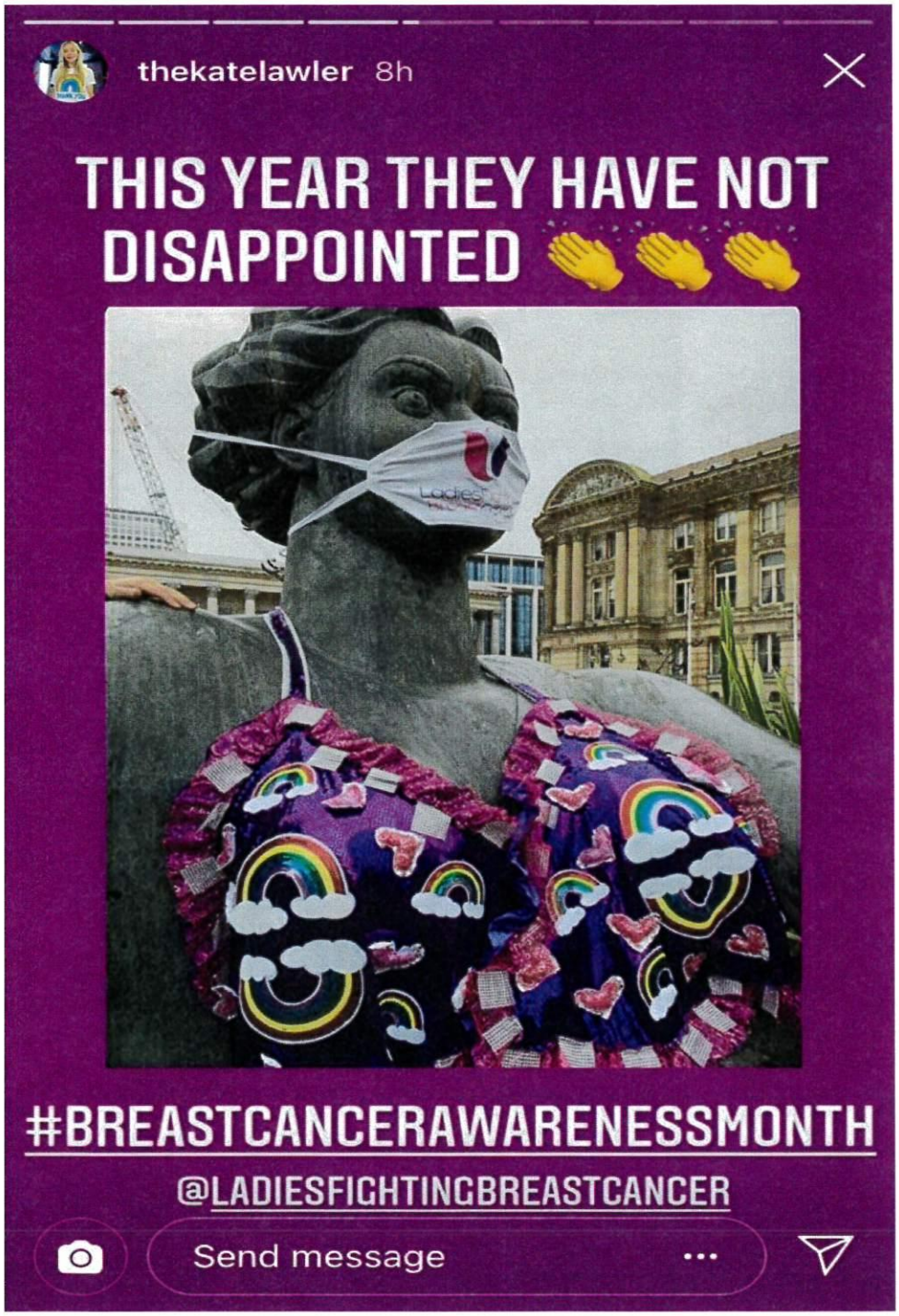

We continue to raise awareness in our community every October 1st by putting a Bra on the River Statue in Victoria Square to kick start Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Birmingham. On the 1 October 2020, our bra was a reworked bra from a previous year with a salute to the NHS.

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Third Party Events

Sadly, third party events have been on the decline as events are so expensive to put on, and the ones that have we attended all the events and provided marketing materials and merchandise for them to raise fund on our behalf. This has continued to be successful as we were not spending funds on organizing these events. Since Covid in March 2020 and forced national lockdown, all events have been cancelled and fundraising has virtually ceased.

Whilst the country opened during 2020/2021 events were not being booked.

Applying for a National Lottery Covid grant has kept the charity open.

Financial review

The results for the year, and the financial position at the end of the year, are shown in the attached financial statements.

Structure, governance and management

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer was formed in June 2000, constituted under a Trust Deed dated 4th February 2001 and was granted charitable status on 17th October 2001.

Trustees are appointed by the board of trustees. Additionally there is a management sub-committee that meets on a regular basis to implement policy and organise fund raising activities.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

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Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust
Charity registration number	1088943
Principal office	1 St Paul's Square Birmingham B3 1QU

The trustees

Mrs S Duncan	
Mrs J Johnson	
Mrs E Fagan	
Mr J Boden	
Mr N Basu	(resigned 6.10.21)
Ms P Kennedy	
Mr P Murtha	
Ms S J Murray	
Ms J Wilkes-Ball	
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Plans for future periods

Our Future Plans

This financial year has once again proved difficult in fundraising with the fiscal situation the country finds itself with the uncertainty of Covid and constant lockdowns and reopening. We were faced with a total shutdown with the Covid pandemic from March 2020 but then the country reopened, albeit slightly and somewhat sporadically. But although we wanted to do even better in this financial year sadly it is proving to be an even tougher year than last year 2019/2020 with no third-party support, fewer events pre Covid and people not generally giving many donations to charities. We have kept in consultation with many other charities who are also find it exceedingly difficult to survive in the current climate.

The Q.E. Hospital has now taken over 3 other hospitals which are Heartlands Hospital, Good Hope and Solihull Hospital. We were informed by the CEO of the QEHB Charity Mr. Michael Hammond that overnight the hospital charity lost 95% of its income due to the Covid Pandemic. They, of course can apply for high level government assistance and government grants, we as a small local charity can only apply for small grants. We applied for another National Lottery 6-month interim grant and once again we were successful. Without this grant the charity would have had to close after twenty years.

The main objective for Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer has always been to raise awareness of breast cancer in the West Midlands and to make sure people know what the signs are they need to be looking out for. We are also determined to promote awareness in all our diverse and ethnic communities. Also, if they are called up for a mammogram appointment, we make sure that they fully understand the importance of attending their appointments as early detection saves lives.

Corporate sponsorship and grant funding continue to be difficult to obtain but we preserve and apply for all when we can. Sadly, we have received no corporate sponsorship during the accounting period of 2020/2021.

We are now actively looking for further assistance with funding from the National Lottery for LFBC to continue to support Breast Cancer patients in the Midlands in the future as we now cannot solely rely on the past generosity of public donations in the future as once again this year there has been a lot of adverse press which has hugely affected donations, plus the uncertainty of Covid has had a remarked effect on people's lives worldwide and their thoughts about charity funding.

LFBC in common with many other responsible and hardworking charities has seen a significant fall in its support and its financial contributions and donations due to the uncertainty of Brexit and Covid has shut the country down with regards to fundraising.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2021

We will endeavour to survive, to provide support to our local community, to make a difference.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 21st June 2022 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mrs S Duncan
Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Year ended 31st August 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31st August 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

Mr A A B Grainger FCA, of
Independent Examiner

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Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31st August 2021

	Note	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	**4**	76,870	**76,870**	105,969
Other trading activities	**5**	956	**956**	3,509
Investment income	**6**	5	**5**	59
Total income		77,831	**77,831**	109,537
Expenditure				
Expenditure on raising funds:				
Costs of raising donations and legacies	**7**	83,909	**83,909**	63,085
Costs of other trading activities	**8**	10,114	**10,114**	8,172
Expenditure on charitable activities	**9,10**	26,852	**26,852**	14,200
Total expenditure		120,875	**120,875**	85,457
Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds		(43,044)	**(43,044)**	24,080
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		75,702	**75,702**	51,622
Total funds carried forward		32,658	**32,658**	75,702

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

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Position

31st August 2021

	Note	2021 £	£	2020 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets	**15**		**1,145**	1,872
Current assets				
Stocks	**16**	**1,100**		1,500
Debtors	**17**	**5,619**		3,043
Cash at bank and in hand		**31,994**		76,487
		38,713		81,030
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**18**	**(7,200)**		(7,200)
Net current assets			**31,513**	73,830
Total assets less current liabilities			**32,658**	75,702
Net assets			**32,658**	75,702
Funds of the charity				
Unrestricted funds			**32,658**	75,702
Total charity funds	**19**		**32,658**	75,702

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 21st June 2022, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mrs S Duncan

Trustee

Ladies Fighting Breast Cancer Charitable Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31st August 2021

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is P.O. Box 210, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 9GZ.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Disclosure exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 102 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the trust is a small entity.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	-	20% straight line

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stock to its present location and condition.

4. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Donations				
Sundry donations	26,211	**26,211**	47,788	47,788
Grants				
Grants	50,659	**50,659**	58,181	58,181
	76,870	**76,870**	105,969	105,969

5. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Ticket sales for fundraising events	956	**956**	3,509	3,509

6. Investment Income

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Bank interest receivable	5	**5**	59	59

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31st August 2021

7. Costs of raising donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Costs of raising donations and legacies - Donations	83,909	**83,909**	63,085	63,085

8. Costs of other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Merchandise costs	–	**–**	43	43
Fundraising Events	10,114	**10,114**	8,129	8,129
	10,114	**10,114**	8,172	8,172

9. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	**Total Funds 2021 £**	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Discretionary payments to Breast Cancer patients	7,862	**7,862**	5,777	5,777
Funding of support network for Breast Cancer patients	10,985	**10,985**	1,985	1,985
Support costs	8,005	**8,005**	6,438	6,438
	26,852	**26,852**	14,200	14,200

10. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	**Total funds 2021 £**	Total fund 2020 £
Discretionary payments to Breast Cancer patients	7,862	–	**7,862**	5,777
Funding of support network for Breast Cancer patients	10,985	–	**10,985**	1,985
Governance costs	–	8,005	**8,005**	6,438
	18,847	8,005	**26,852**	14,200

11. Analysis of support costs

	Accountancy £	Legal fees £	**Total 2021 £**	Total 2020 £
Governance costs	3,673	4,333	**8,006**	4,069

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12. Net (expenditure)/income

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

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	**727**	696

13. Independent examination fees

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
Independent examination of the financial statements	**3,600**	3,600
Other financial services	**73**	169
	3,673	3,769

14. Staff costs and emoluments

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2020: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2020: Nil).

Consultancy fees of £30,000 (2020: £28,500) were paid to the Trustees during the year.

15. Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment	**Total**
	£	**£**
Cost		
At 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021	15,439	**15,439**
Depreciation		
At 1st September 2020	13,567	**13,567**
Charge for the year	727	**727**
At 31st August 2021	14,294	**14,294**
Carrying amount		
At 31st August 2021	1,145	**1,145**
At 31st August 2020	1,872	1,872

16. Stocks

	2021	2020
	£	£
Finished goods	**1,100**	1,500

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17. Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	1,847	65
Other debtors	3,772	2,978
	5,619	3,043

18. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	7,200	7,200

19. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1st September 2020	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2021
	£	£	£	£
General funds	75,702	77,831	(120,875)	32,658

	At 1st September 2019	Income	Expenditure	At 31st August 2020
	£	£	£	£
General funds	51,622	109,537	(85,457)	75,702

20. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2021
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,145	1,145
Current Assets	38,713	38,713
Creditors less than 1 year	(7,200)	(7,200)
Net assets	32,658	32,658

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2020
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,872	1,872
Current Assets	81,030	81,030
Creditors less than 1 year	(7,200)	(7,200)
Net assets	75,702	75,702

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Management Information

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The following pages do not form part of the financial statements.

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	2021	2020
	£	£
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Sundry donations	**26,211**	47,788
Grants	**50,659**	58,181
	76,870	105,969
Other trading activities		
Ticket sales for fundraising events	**956**	3,509
Investment income		
Bank interest receivable	**5**	59
Total income	**77,831**	109,537

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Expenditure		
Costs of raising donations and legacies		
Rent and storage costs	**3,827**	3,368
IT and software costs	**–**	3,734
Office costs	**424**	654
Insurance	**880**	715
Motor vehicle and travel expenses	**5,653**	1,930
Consultancy fees	**60,111**	39,483
Advertising and promotional expenses	**10,719**	11,376
Depreciation	**727**	696
Telephone	**1,107**	749
Postage and stationery	**257**	347
Bank charges	**204**	33
	83,909	63,085
Costs of other trading activities		
Purchases	**–**	43
Venue costs	**–**	4,268
Other event costs	**10,114**	3,861
	10,114	8,172
Expenditure on charitable activities		
Payments to patients and support groups		
Discretionary payments to Breast Cancer patients	**7,862**	5,777
Support groups	**10,985**	1,985
	18,847	7,762
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	**3,673**	4,069
Legal and other professional fees	**4,332**	1,410
Governance costs - costs of trustees' meetings	**–**	959
	8,005	6,438
Expenditure on charitable activities	**26,852**	14,200
Total expenditure	**120,875**	85,457
Net (expenditure)/income	**(43,044)**	24,080