

# UNITY CENTRE ROTHERHAM

England & Wales · Charity number 1090559

## Details

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**Other names** THE UNITY CENTRE

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Charitable company

**Company number** [04312881](#)

**Registered** 2002-02-13

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1) PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THOSE PERSONS INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE ASIAN AND OTHER RACIAL GROUPS) LIVING OR WORKING IN THE BENEFICIAL AREA BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER WITH THE SAID PERSONS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO:A) RELIEVE THE POVERTY AND DISTRESS OF THE SAID PERSONS; ANDB) ADVANCE THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THE SAID PERSONS, PARTICULARLY (BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY) OF THOSE THAT ARE UNEMPLOYED; ANDC) PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR RECREATION OR OTHER LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION FOR THE SAID PERSONS IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE.2) PROVIDE FACILITIES TO CARE FOR AND ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF, CHILDREN BELOW COMPULSORY SCHOOL AGE.3) ESTABLISH OR SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE THE SAME (WHETHER ALONE OR IN CO-OPERATION WITH ANY LOCAL OR OTHER PERSON OR BODY) IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ABOVE OBJECTS4) PROMOTE SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE DETERMINED.

**Activities:** TO BRING ABOUT LASTING IMPROVEMENTS TO QUALITY OF LIFE, ECONOMIC & SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITIES (TO INCLUDE ECONOMIC MIGRANTS). TO PROVIDE NEW RESPONSES TO HELP BREAK DOWN EXISTING BARRIERS TO MAINSTREAM AND WIDER SERVICES INCLUDING, TRAINING, EDUCATION, HEALTH AND EMPLOYMENT. PROVIDING A UNIQUE DROP IN AND RESOURCE SERVICE TO THE ROMA COMMUNITY OF ROTHERHAM.

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Rotherham

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£380,326	£211,296	-	-
2024-03-31	£344,578	£211,060	-	-
2023-03-31	£256,448	£177,743	-	-
2022-03-31	£263,102	£175,928	-	-
2021-03-31	£216,309	£173,497	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Angham Ahmed		2025-08-06
GHULAM YASSEEN		2023-10-11
Izbeth Khan		2024-06-05
Mark Cummins		2023-10-11
SHAKOOR ADALAT		2024-06-05
Shabnum Noreen		2024-06-05
Sithule Mguni		2025-08-06

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England & Wales - Charity number 1090559

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# Accounts

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Unity Centre Rotherham

Financial Statements for the  
year ended 31st March 2025

**Charity number: 1090559**  
Registered England and Wales

**Company number: 04312881**  
Company limited by guarantee

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
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**for the year ended 31st March 2025**

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**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Administrative details  
for the year ended 31st March 2025**

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<b>Charity registered number</b>	1090559 (Registered on 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2002)
<b>Company registration number</b>	04312881 (Registered on 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2001)
<b>Trustees (Directors)</b>	S Moyo A Ahmed S Adalat S. Noreen I Khan Z Green M Cummins G Yasseen
<b>Secretary</b>	A Ahmed
<b>Registered address</b>	The Unity Centre St Leonards Road Rotherham S65 1PD
<b>Bankers</b>	Cooperative Bank Plc PO Box 250 Delf House, Southway Skelmersdale WN8 6WT  Unity Trust bank, P O Box 7193, Planetary Road, Willenhall, WV1 9DG
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Heera Singh FMAAT HSL Accountancy Solutions Ltd Enterprise House 61a Carr House Road Doncaster DN1 2BY

The Trustees, who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2025.

### **Exemptions**

The Trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

### **Aim and objectives**

To bring about lasting improvements to the quality of life and economic and social opportunities available to Ethnic Minority communities as well as the wider community and provide new responses to help break down existing barriers to training and employment opportunities. To increase the aspirations of local people and develop a commitment to lifelong learning, and equip them with the necessary confidence and vocational skills needed to access the labour market. To endeavour to ensure that all groups have access to, and are able to make full use of, The Unity Centre's facilities, and to assist in the development of local community groups by providing venue and facilities at affordable rates. To act as a medium for communities to access mainstream services and for statutory agencies to reach the communities and develop with them appropriate services. To monitor and evaluate services to ensure that the Centre continues to appropriately meet the changing needs of all communities, including cultural and religious needs of Ethnic Minority communities. To provide a safe and secure working environment with continuous training and development opportunities so that personal achievement and career advancement proceed in step with the progress of the Centre. To provide a cultural environment in which proactive attitudes can thrive and develop to contribute to a positive and evolutionary change. The specific activities undertaken over the last year are covered within achievements and performance.

### **Governing document**

The charity is registered as a company limited by guarantee, without share capital. Its governing instrument is its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

### **Organisational Structure**

The Unity Centre has a Board of Directors made up of key members of the community we serve, with at least seventy percent of the Board people from the BME community, in line with the constitution; The Board members all have a clear understanding of the aims and objectives of the organisation and the vision for the future. The Board has ultimate power over the strategic direction of the Centre. The General Manager acting as Chief Executive takes forward approved strategies for progression as well as managing on an operational level the daily running of the Centre and delivery of service contracts with the Local Authority.

The staffing position at the financial year-end (31st March 2025) is that the Centre employs 5 staff, one of whom is a full time worker. Staffing is overseen by the General Manager. Staffing breakdown: 1 Facilities Manager (f/t), 1 Finance Officer 0.6 F.T.E, 3 part-time caretakers 1.2 F.T.E, one sessional cleaner. The General Manager has overall responsibility for all areas.

The Board of Directors meet regularly to look at the financial situation, operational performance, policy & strategic direction/ progression.

### **Review of activities**

The Unity Centre remains a popular venue for the delivery of a wide range of community-based learning opportunities delivered by a number of organisations. These range from Acute Training Solutions Ltd, RMBC, CAB, SENSE, Refugee Council, RDASH, Reed Wellbeing Ltd, Rotherfed, RUCST, RUSH House, The Rotherham HealthWave, We are with you., Grow, VAR and many others. We also host a number of community groups to deliver their charitable activities including Kashmiri & Yemeni Older Peoples Group, South Yorkshire WH Community, U3A, Nayi Zindagi, Tamil Community Group, .Other hosted and delivered activities include sport, exercise classes and wellbeing workshops.

The Unity Centre continues to support the Refugee drop-in &Community Navigator surgeries. These highly popular services provide the local communities with access to support workers to advise and support them through a wide range of issues including benefit advice, accessing healthcare, accessing schools, and accompanying people to appointments where language is a major barrier.

The Healthy Body, Healthy Mind project, launched in June 2024 with National Lottery funding, has introduced weekly conversation clubs (with crèche facilities), and activities like healthy cooking, swimming, self-care, and crafts for local women.

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Trustees (Directors) Annual Report  
for the year ended 31st March 2025**

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**Review of activities (continued)**

**Food Bank** - Access to food remained limited for the most disadvantaged. The Unity Centre continued to operate a food bank to support those in need. The service is open to all communities in Rotherham. As well as food, toiletries, hygiene products, medicines and books were distributed. Over the year we issued food parcels to 381 households (575 people)

We continue to maintain tight reins on spending. We constantly monitor the financial position of all operational parts of the Centre to ensure that they are viable. Trading conditions remain difficult for the voluntary and community sector as a whole and community venues in particular. Despite these conditions The Unity Centre has generated a surplus of £169,030.

**Reserves policy**

The directors have discussed a reserves policy and have developed a formal policy.

The reserves policy aims to ensure Unity Centre Rotherham's activities can continue during a period of unforeseen difficulties. The directors consider a target number of free reserves to be set at between 3 and 6 months of current expenditure. Having reserves will enable the organisation to operate in the short term and to satisfy legal obligations in the event of the end of funding, a major reduction in funding, or a delay in further funding becoming available. Reserves can also be drawn upon in an emergency or to take advantage of unexpected opportunities. For planned renovation work, £100,000 should be designated from reserves. A further £40,000 is allocated from reserves for repairs, maintenance and improvement work.

**Risk management**

The major risks to which the company is exposed are examined and reviewed regularly and systems have been established to mitigate any risks identified. Major external risks to funding are currently being reviewed by the directors. Internal risks are minimized by procedures for authorisation of all transactions and to ensure a high quality of service delivery throughout the organisation.

**Statement of Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)  
for the year ended 31st March 2025**

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**Statement of Directors and Trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company and the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and of the group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Small company provisions:**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors declare that they have approved the directors' report above. Signed on behalf of the company's directors:

Signed on behalf of the company Directors (Trustees)

Signed: 

Name and position: Mr Mark Cummins, Trustee/Director

Date: 06/08/2025

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2025**

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I report on the accounts of the Unity Centre Rotherham for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records;
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

  
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HSL Accountancy Solutions Ltd  
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61a Carr House Road  
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Date: 07 / 08 / 2025

Unity Centre Rotherham  
Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)  
for the year ended 31st March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>	<b>2</b>					
Grants and contracts		30,000	0	94,025	124,025	79,669
Charitable activities		250,621	0	120	250,741	260,250
Investments		5,559	0	0	5,559	4,659
Other		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>286,181</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>94,145</b>	<b>380,326</b>	<b>344,578</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>	<b>3</b>					
Raising funds		142	0	652	794	2,550
Charitable activities		189,433	0	21,069	210,502	208,510
Other		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>189,575</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,721</b>	<b>211,296</b>	<b>211,060</b>
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		96,606	0	72,424	169,030	133,517
Transfers between funds		-946	946	0	0	0
<b>Net movement in funds after transfers</b>		<b>95,660</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>72,424</b>	<b>169,030</b>	<b>133,518</b>
Balance brought forward at 1st April 2024		316,528	274,436	48,474	639,437	505,920
<b>Balance carried forward at 31st March 2025</b>		<b>412,188</b>	<b>275,383</b>	<b>120,897</b>	<b>808,467</b>	<b>639,437</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Balance sheet**  
**As at 31st March 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	5	137,335	108,854
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	6	61,704	25,874
Cash at bank & in hand		<u>628,339</u>	<u>518,434</u>
		690,043	544,309
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due within one year	6	<u>-15,271</u>	<u>-10,086</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		674,772	534,223
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>812,107</u>	<u>643,077</u>
<b>Long term liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due in more than one year	6	-3,640	-3,640
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>808,467</u>	<u>639,437</u>
<b>Funds of the company</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	7	412,188	316,528
Designated Funds		275,383	274,435
Restricted Funds		<u>120,897</u>	<u>48,474</u>
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>808,467</u>	<u>639,437</u>

For the year 31st March 2025, the company is entitled to the audit exemption under section 477 (2) of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- a) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386; and
- b) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirement of the companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.

**Small company provisions:**

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the company Directors (Trustees)

Signed: 

Name and position: Mr Mark Cummins, Trustee/Director

Date: 06/08/2025

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1.1. Basis of preparation**

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historic cost convention, with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- The Charities Act 2011
- The Companies Act 2006
- The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS102
- Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS102) (effective January 2015)

1.1.2. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

**1.2. Incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities. Incoming resources are recognised when:

- The company becomes entitled to the resources
- The trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fund-raising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Grants and donations are only included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Contractual income is only included in the Statement of Financial Activities once the related goods or performance related services have been delivered.

Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable.

**1.3. Expenditure**

Expenditure is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. Expenditure is classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of the charity's activities and services for its beneficiaries, including both direct and support costs. The expenditure has been analysed but usage.

Professional fees include those costs associated with meeting constitutional and statutory requirements, including Accountancy fees.

**1.4. Fund accounting**

Restricted funds are funds received from donors which are subject to restrictions on the purposes for which they may be used of which have been raised for a specific project. Unrestricted funds are those where there are no externally imposed restrictions. These include funds freely available to the charity for expenditure or appropriation to reserves for internally designated purposes.

**1.5. Assets**

Tangible assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £100. They are valued at cost, or, if gifted, at the value to the company on receipt. Rates used are:

Property and improvements	-	2% reducing balance
Fixture and fittings	-	15% reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	33% straight line

**1.6. Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

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**Notes to the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2025**

**1.7. Creditors**

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount. Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

**1.8. Taxes**

The company is not VAT registered. As a Charity the company is exempt from taxation on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

**2. Income from:**

	<b>General</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Grants and contracts</b>				
Big Lottery - Community Fund	0	19,982	19,982	54,549
Destitute Fund	0	0	0	120
Lloyds Foundation	30,000	0	30,000	25,000
Groundworks	0	74,043	74,043	0
	<u>30,000</u>	<u>94,025</u>	<u>124,025</u>	<u>79,669</u>
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Unity Centre - Facility hire and support services	250,621	120	250,741	260,250
<b>Investments</b>				
Bank interest	5,559	0	5,559	4,659
<b>Total 2025</b>	<u><b>286,181</b></u>	<u><b>94,145</b></u>	<u><b>380,326</b></u>	<u><b>344,578</b></u>
<b>Total 2024</b>	<u><b>264,909</b></u>	<u><b>79,669</b></u>	<u><b>344,578</b></u>	

**3. Expenditure on**

	<b>General</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Raising funds</b>				
Advertising and publicity	142	652	794	2,550
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Activity costs	0	0	0	297
Bad debts	211	0	211	458
Depreciation	2,824	7,401	10,225	4,549
Dues and subscriptions	1,144	0	1,144	612
Insurance expense	9,039	0	9,039	8,066
Office costs	3,959	197	4,156	10,674
Premise costs	15,391	263	15,654	37,727
Professional fees	22,603	33	22,636	21,228
Staff costs	95,228	11,972	107,201	87,552
Utilities costs	38,217	0	38,217	35,658
Volunteer expenses	816	1,203	2,019	1,688
<b>Total</b>	<u><b>189,575</b></u>	<u><b>21,721</b></u>	<u><b>211,296</b></u>	<u><b>211,060</b></u>
<b>Total 2024</b>	<u><b>129,908</b></u>	<u><b>81,152</b></u>	<u><b>211,060</b></u>	

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4. Staff costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Salaries and wages	77,543	67,814
Social security costs	11,794	8,361
Sessional workers	16,343	10,270
Pension	1,521	1107.18
	<u>107,201</u>	<u>87,552</u>

No person received emoluments of more than £60,000.in the year. (Nil: 2024)

The average number of staff during the year was 3 Full Time Equivalent (3 : 2024).

5. Fixed assets

	Freehold property	Equipment	Fixture & fittings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1st April 2024	138,150	76,414	26,879	241,442
Additions	0	0	38,706	38,706
<b>At 31st March 2025</b>	<u>138,150</u>	<u>76,414</u>	<u>65,585</u>	<u>280,148</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1st April 2024	36,051	71,075	25,462	132,588
Charge this period	2,763	1,444	6,018	10,225
<b>At 31st March 2025</b>	<u>38,814</u>	<u>72,518</u>	<u>31,480</u>	<u>142,813</u>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2025</b>	<u>99,335</u>	<u>3,895</u>	<u>34,105</u>	<u>137,335</u>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2024</b>	<u>102,098</u>	<u>5,339</u>	<u>1,417</u>	<u>108,854</u>

6. Debtors and creditors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	24,603	25,046
Prepayments	37,101	828
	<u>61,704</u>	<u>25,874</u>
Creditors due in one year	-15,271	-10,086
Deferred income	0	0
	<u>-15,271</u>	<u>-10,086</u>
Creditors due in more than one year		
Deposit held	-3,640	-3,640

7. Company Limited by Guarantee

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

8. Directors Remuneration

No remuneration was received by any directors in the period of these accounts. No expenses were claimed during the period of these accounts.

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<b>9. Movement of funds 2025</b>					
	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Resources Expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	316,528	286,181	-189,575	-946	412,188
<b>Designated funds</b>					
Reserves	274,435	0	0	946	275,383
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Big Lottery - Community fund	0	19,982	-14,151	0	5,831
Destitute Fund	212	120	-70	0	262
Groundworks	0	74,043	0	-38,706	35,337
Property and improvement fund	48,162	0	-7,401	38,706	79,467
Yorkshire Sports	100	0	-100		0
<b>Total funds 2025</b>	<b>639,437</b>	<b>380,326</b>	<b>-211,296</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>808,467</b>
<b>2024</b>					
	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Resources Expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	200,215	264,909	-129,908	-18,688	316,528
<b>Designated funds</b>					
Reserves	255,748	0	0	18,688	274,435
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Big Lottery - Community fund	0	54,549	-54,549	0	0
Destitute Fund	100	120	-8	0	212
Lloyds Foundation	0	25,000	-25,000	0	0
Property and improvement fund	49,756	0	-1,595	0	48,162
Yorkshire Sports	100	0	0	0	100
<b>Total funds 2024</b>	<b>505,920</b>	<b>344,578</b>	<b>-211,060</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>639,437</b>

**\*Designated funds**

The designated funds are unrestricted in nature. These funds have been set aside by the Trustees in accordance with the Charity's Reserves Policy, which is, to have at least 6 months operating costs, staff redundancy costs and closure costs, and planned renovation, improvement and maintain ace of the property.

**\*\*Restricted funds**

<b>Funder</b>	<b>Purpose/Project summary</b>
Destitute Fund - VAR	People in Need
National Lottery	Funding toward health Body, Healthy Mind Project.
Yorkshire Sports	Tackling inequalities
Groundworks	This funding has awarded toward building improvements and equipment.
Fixed asset fund	This fund has been created to write down the value of the freehold property and accumulated building improvements that have been financed by grant funding over the years.

**10. Related Party Transactions**

There are no related party transactions during the period of these accounts.

**11. Previous period comparative figures**

Where available, the previous periods figure has been included for comparison purposes only.

**UNITY CENTRE ROTHERHAM**

England & Wales - Charity number 1090559

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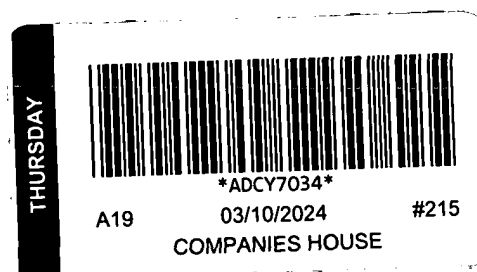
# Accounts

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**Unity Centre Rotherham**

**Financial Statements for the  
year ended 31st March 2024**



**Charity number: 1090559**  
Registered England and Wales

**Company number: 04312881**  
Company limited by guarantee

**Unity Centre Rotherham  
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**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Administrative details  
for the year ended 31st March 2024**

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**Charity registered number** 1090559 (Registered on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2002)

**Company registration number** 04312881 (Registered on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2001)

**Trustees (Directors)**  
S Moyo  
A Ahmed  
S Adalat  
S. Noreen  
I Khan  
Z Green  
M Cummins  
G Yasseen

**Secretary** A Ahmed

**Registered address**  
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WN8 6WT

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P O Box 7193,  
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**Independent Examiner**  
Heera Singh FMAAT  
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**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Trustees (Directors) Annual Report  
for the year ended 31st March 2024**

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The Trustees, who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2024.

**Exemptions**

The Trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

**Aim and objectives**

To bring about lasting improvements to the quality of life and economic and social opportunities available to Ethnic Minority communities as well as the wider community and provide new responses to help break down existing barriers to training and employment opportunities. To increase the aspirations of local people and develop a commitment to lifelong learning, and equip them with the necessary confidence and vocational skills needed to access the labour market. To endeavour to ensure that all groups have access to, and are able to make full use of, The Unity Centre's facilities, and to assist in the development of local community groups by providing venue and facilities at affordable rates. To act as a medium for communities to access mainstream services and for statutory agencies to reach the communities and develop with them appropriate services. To monitor and evaluate services to ensure that the Centre continues to appropriately meet the changing needs of all communities, including cultural and religious needs of Ethnic Minority communities. To provide a safe and secure working environment with continuous training and development opportunities so that personal achievement and career advancement proceed in step with the progress of the Centre. To provide a cultural environment in which proactive attitudes can thrive and develop to contribute to a positive and evolutionary change. The specific activities undertaken over the last year are covered within achievements and performance.

**Governing document**

The charity is registered as a company limited by guarantee, without share capital. Its governing instrument is its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

**Organisational Structure**

The Unity Centre has a Board of Directors made up of key members of the community we serve, with at least seventy percent of the Board people from the BME community, in line with the constitution; The Board members all have a clear understanding of the aims and objectives of the organisation and the vision for the future. The Board has ultimate power over the strategic direction of the Centre. The General Manager acting as Chief Executive takes forward approved strategies for progression as well as managing on an operational level the daily running of the Centre and delivery of service contracts with the Local Authority.

The staffing position at the financial year-end (31st March 2024) is that the Centre employs 5 staff, one of whom is a full time worker. Staffing is overseen by the General Manager. Staffing breakdown: 1 Office Administrator (f/t), 1 Finance Officer 0.6 F.T.E, 3 part-time caretakers 1.2 F.T.E, one sessional cleaner. The General Manager has overall responsibility for all areas.

The Board of Directors meet regularly to look at the financial situation, operational performance, policy & strategic direction/ progression.

**Review of activities**

The Unity Centre remains a popular venue for the delivery of a wide range of community-based learning opportunities delivered by a number of organisations. These range from Acute Training Solutions Ltd, RMBC, SENSE, Refugee Council, RDASH, Reed Wellbeing Ltd, Roterfed, RUCST and many others. We also host a number of community groups to deliver their charitable activities including Kashmiri & Yemeni Older Peoples Group, Wah Hong, U3A, Nayi Zindagi. Other hosted and delivered activities include sport, exercise classes and wellbeing workshops.

The Unity Centre continues to support the Roma Drop-in, Refugee drop-in & Community Navigator surgeries. These highly popular services provide the local communities with access to support workers to advise and support them through a wide range of issues including benefit advice, accessing healthcare, accessing schools, and accompanying people to appointments where language is a major barrier.

**Food Bank** - Access to food remained limited for the most disadvantaged. The Unity Centre continued to operate a food bank to support those in need. The service is open to all communities in Rotherham. As well as food, toiletries, hygiene products, medicines and books were distributed. Over the year we issued food parcels to 335 households (780) people

**Review of activities (continued)**

We continue to maintain tight reins on spending. We constantly monitor the financial position of all operational parts of the Centre to ensure that they are viable. Trading conditions remain difficult for the voluntary and community sector as a whole and community venues in particular. Despite these conditions The Unity Centre has generated a surplus of £133,518

**Reserves policy**

The directors have discussed a reserves policy and have developed a formal policy.

The reserves policy aims to ensure Unity Centre Rotherham's activities can continue during a period of unforeseen difficulties. The directors consider a target number of free reserves to be set at between 3 and 6 months of current expenditure. Having reserves will enable the organisation to operate in the short term and to satisfy legal obligations in the event of the end of funding, a major reduction in funding, or a delay in further funding becoming available. Reserves can also be drawn upon in an emergency or to take advantage of unexpected opportunities. For planned renovation work, £100,000 should be designated from reserves. A further £40,000 is allocated from reserves for repairs, maintenance and improvement work.

**Risk management**

The major risks to which the company is exposed are examined and reviewed regularly and systems have been established to mitigate any risks identified. Major external risks to funding are currently being reviewed by the directors. Internal risks are minimized by procedures for authorisation of all transactions and to ensure a high quality of service delivery throughout the organisation.

**Statement of Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)  
for the year ended 31st March 2024**

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**Statement of Directors and Trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company and the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and of the group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Small company provisions:**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors declare that they have approved the directors' report above. Signed on behalf of the company's directors:

Signed on behalf of the company Directors (Trustees))

Signed: 

Name and position: Mr Mark Cummins, Trustee/Director

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2024**

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I report on the accounts of the Unity Centre Rotherham for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records;
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 26<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>	<b>2</b>					
Grants and contracts		0	0	79,669	79,669	820
Charitable activities		260,250	0	0	260,250	254,714
Investments		4,659	0	0	4,659	914
Other					0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>264,909</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>79,669</b>	<b>344,578</b>	<b>256,448</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>	<b>3</b>					
Raising funds		1,100	0	1,450	2,550	0
Charitable activities		128,808	0	79,702	208,510	177,743
Other		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>129,908</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>81,152</b>	<b>211,060</b>	<b>177,743</b>
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		135,001	0	-1,483	133,517	78,705
Transfers between funds		-18,688	18,688	0	0	0
<b>Net movement in funds after transfers</b>		<b>116,313</b>	<b>18,688</b>	<b>-1,483</b>	<b>133,518</b>	<b>78,705</b>
Balance brought forward at 1st April 2023		200,215	255,748	49,957	505,920	427,214
<b>Balance carried forward at 31st March 2024</b>		<b>316,528</b>	<b>274,436</b>	<b>48,474</b>	<b>639,437</b>	<b>505,920</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Balance sheet**  
**As at 31st March 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>108,854</b>	<b>52,229</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	6	25,874	30,085
Cash at bank & in hand		518,434	443,580
		<u>544,309</u>	<u>473,665</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due within one year	6	<u>-10,086</u>	<u>-16,335</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>534,223</b>	<b>457,331</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>643,077</b>	<b>509,559</b>
<b>Long term liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due in more than one year	6	-3,640	-3,640
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>639,437</b>	<b>505,920</b>
<b>Funds of the company</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	7	316,528	200,215
Designated Funds		274,435	255,748
Restricted Funds		48,474	49,957
<b>Total funds</b>		<b>639,437</b>	<b>505,920</b>

For the year 31st March 2024, the company is entitled to the audit exemption under section 477 (2) of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386; and
- preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirement of the companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.

**Small company provisions:**

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the company Directors (Trustees))

Signed: 

Name and position: Mr Mark Cummins, Trustee/Director

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1.1. Basis of preparation**

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historic cost convention, with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- The Charities Act 2011
- The Companies Act 2006
- The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS102
- Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS102) (effective January 2015)

**1.1.2.** The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

**1.2. Incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities. Incoming resources are recognised when:

- The company becomes entitled to the resources
- The trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fund-raising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Grants and donations are only included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Contractual income is only included in the Statement of Financial Activities once the related goods or performance related services have been delivered.

Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable.

**1.3. Expenditure**

Expenditure is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. Expenditure is classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of the charity's activities and services for its beneficiaries, including both direct and support costs. The expenditure has been analysed but usage.

Professional fees include those costs associated with meeting constitutional and statutory requirements, including Accountancy fees.

**1.4. Fund accounting**

Restricted funds are funds received from donors which are subject to restrictions on the purposes for which they may be used of which have been raised for a specific project. Unrestricted funds are those where there are no externally imposed restrictions. These include funds freely available to the charity for expenditure or appropriation to reserves for internally designated purposes.

**1.5. Assets**

Tangible assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £100. They are valued at cost, or, if gifted, at the value to the company on receipt. Rates used are:

Property and improvements	-	2% reducing balance
Fixture and fittings	-	15% reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	33% straight line

**1.6. Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Notes to the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2024**

**1.7. Creditors**

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount. Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

**1.8. Taxes**

The company is not VAT registered. As a Charity the company is exempt from taxation on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

**2. Income from:**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Grants and contracts</b>				
Asda Foundation			0	700
Big Lottery - Community Fund		54,549	54,549	0
Destitute Fund		120	120	100
Lloyds Foundation		25,000	25,000	0
Donations			0	20
	<b>0</b>	<b>79,669</b>	<b>79,669</b>	<b>820</b>
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Unity Centre - Facility hire and support services	260,250		260,250	254,714
<b>Investments</b>				
Bank interest	4,659		4,659	914
<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>264,909</b>	<b>79,669</b>	<b>344,578</b>	<b>256,448</b>
<b>Total 2023</b>	<b>255,648</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>256,448</b>	<b>263,102</b>

**3. Expenditure on**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Raising funds</b>				
Advertising and publicity	1,100	1,450	2,550	0
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Activity costs	240	57	297	5,801
Bad debts	458	0	458	975
Depreciation	2,954	1,595	4,549	2,615
Dues and subscriptions	612	0	612	405
Insurance expense	8,066	0	8,066	6,748
Office costs	8,741	1,934	10,674	5,813
Premise costs	19,708	18,020	37,727	14,476
Professional fees	21,140	88	21,228	18,753
Staff costs	46,902	40,650	87,552	79,664
Utilities costs	19,631	16,026	35,658	41,000
Volunteer expenses	356	1,332	1,688	1,493
<b>Total</b>	<b>129,908</b>	<b>81,152</b>	<b>211,060</b>	<b>177,743</b>
<b>Total 2023</b>	<b>173,223</b>	<b>4,520</b>	<b>177,743</b>	<b>175,929</b>

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
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**for the year ended 31st March 2024**

**4. Staff costs**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Salaries and wages	67,814	61,325
Social security costs	8,361	7,322
Sessional workers	10,270	10,038
Pension	1,107	969
Travel expenses	0	8
	<b>87,552</b>	<b>79,664</b>

No person received emoluments of more than £60,000 in the year. (Nil: 2023)  
The average number of staff during the year was 3 Full Time Equivalent (3 : 2023).

**5. Fixed assets**

	Freehold property	Equipment	Fixture & fittings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1st April 2023	79,732	73,656	26,879	180,267
Additions	58,418	2,757		61,175
<b>At 31st March 2024</b>	<b>138,150</b>	<b>76,414</b>	<b>26,879</b>	<b>241,442</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1st April 2023	33,288	69,539	25,213	128,039
Charge this period	2,763	1,536	250	4,549
<b>At 31st March 2024</b>	<b>36,051</b>	<b>71,075</b>	<b>25,462</b>	<b>132,588</b>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2024</b>	<b>102,098</b>	<b>5,339</b>	<b>1,417</b>	<b>108,854</b>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2023</b>	<b>46,444</b>	<b>4,117</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>52,229</b>

**6. Debtors and creditors**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	25,046	29,263
Prepayments	828	822
	<b>25,874</b>	<b>30,085</b>
Creditors due in one year	-10,086	-16,335
Deferred income	0	0
	<b>-10,086</b>	<b>-16,335</b>
Creditors due in more than one year		
Deposit held	-3,640	-3,640

**7. Company Limited by Guarantee**

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

**8. Directors Remuneration**

No remuneration was received by any directors in the period of these accounts. No expenses were claimed during the period of these accounts.

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
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**for the year ended 31st March 2024**

<b>9. Movement of funds</b>					
<b>2024</b>					
	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Resources Expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	200,215	264,909	-129,908	-18,688	316,528
<b>Designated funds</b>					
Reserves	255,748	0	0	18,688	274,435
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Big Lottery - Community fund	0	54,549	-54,549	0	0
Destitute Fund	100	120	-8	0	212
Lloyds Foundation	0	25,000	-25,000	0	0
Property and improvement fund	49,756	0	-1,595	0	48,162
Yorkshire Sports	100	0	0	0	100
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>505,920</b>	<b>344,578</b>	<b>-211,060</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>639,437</b>
<b>2023</b>					
	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Resources Expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	134,195	255,648	-173,223	-16,405	200,215
<b>Designated funds</b>					
Reserves	239,344	0	0	16,405	255,748
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Property and improvement fund	51,351	0	-1,595	0	49,756
Destitute Fund	0	100	0	0	100
Asda Foundation	0	700	-700	0	0
Yorkshire Sports	461	0	-360	0	100
Diversity Festival	1,865	0	-1,865	0	0
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>340,041</b>	<b>256,448</b>	<b>-177,742</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>505,920</b>

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**\*\*Restricted funds**

<b>Funder</b>	<b>Purpose/Project summary</b>
Destitute Fund	People in Need
Big Lottery - Community fund	For a facility upgrade. This will be the renovation and expansion of current facility to accommodate the increased demand and incorporate eco-friendly features to reduce long term cost. Also towards running costs.
Yorkshire Sports	Tackling inequalities
Lloyds Foundation	Lloyds Bank - For Organisation development. Including professional support for consults to assist with business planning and professional development.
Fixed asset fund	This fund has been created to write down the value of the freehold property and accumulated building improvements that have been financed by grant funding over the years.

**10. Related Party Transactions**

There are no related party transactions during the period of these accounts.

**11. Previous period comparative figures**

Where available, the previous periods figure has been included for comparison purposes only.

**UNITY CENTRE ROTHERHAM**

England & Wales - Charity number 1090559

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# Accounts

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Unity Centre Rotherham

Financial Statements for the  
year ended 31st March 2023



Charity number: 1090559  
Registered England and Wales

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Company limited by guarantee

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Administrative details  
for the year ended 31st March 2023**

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<b>Charity registered number</b>	1090559 (Registered on 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2002)
<b>Company registration number</b>	04312881 (Registered on 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2001)
<b>Trustees (Directors)</b>	S Adalat S Mguni A Ahmed M Cummins G Yasseen I Khan S Noreen Z Green
<b>Secretary</b>	A Ahmed
<b>Registered address</b>	The Unity Centre St Leonards Road Rotherham S65 1PD
<b>Bankers</b>	Cooperative Bank Plc PO Box 250 Delf House, Southway Skelmersdale WN8 6WT  CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, Kent ME19 4JQ  Unity Trust bank, P O Box 7193, Planetary Road, Willenhall, WV1 9DG
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	Heera Singh FMAAT HSL Accountancy Solutions Ltd Enterprise House 61a Carr House Road Doncaster DN1 2BY

**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Trustees (Directors) Annual Report  
for the year ended 31st March 2023**

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The Trustees, who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023.

**Exemptions**

The Trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

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To bring about lasting improvements to the quality of life and economic and social opportunities available to Ethnic Minority communities as well as the wider community and provide new responses to help break down existing barriers to training and employment opportunities. To increase the aspirations of local people and develop a commitment to lifelong learning, and equip them with the necessary confidence and vocational skills needed to access the labour market. To endeavour to ensure that all groups have access to, and are able to make full use of, The Unity Centre's facilities, and to assist in the development of local community groups by providing venue and facilities at affordable rates. To act as a medium for communities to access mainstream services and for statutory agencies to reach the communities and develop with them appropriate services. To monitor and evaluate services to ensure that the Centre continues to appropriately meet the changing needs of all communities, including cultural and religious needs of Ethnic Minority communities. To provide a safe and secure working environment with continuous training and development opportunities so that personal achievement and career advancement proceed in step with the progress of the Centre. To provide a cultural environment in which proactive attitudes can thrive and develop to contribute to a positive and evolutionary change. The specific activities undertaken over the last year are covered within achievements and performance.

**Governing document**

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**Organisational Structure**

The Unity Centre has a Board of Directors made up of key members of the community we serve, with at least seventy percent of the Board people from the BME community, in line with the constitution; The Board members all have a clear understanding of the aims and objectives of the organisation and the vision for the future. The Board has ultimate power over the strategic direction of the Centre. The General Manager acting as Chief Executive takes forward approved strategies for progression as well as managing on an operational level the daily running of the Centre and delivery of service contracts with the Local Authority.

The staffing position at the financial year-end (31st March 2023) is that the Centre employs 5 staff, one of whom is a full time worker. Staffing is overseen by the General Manager. Staffing breakdown: 1 Office Administrator (f/t), 1 Finance Officer 0.6 F.T.E, 3 part-time caretakers 1.2 F.T.E, one sessional cleaners. The General Manager has overall responsibility for all areas.

The Board of Directors meet regularly to look at the financial situation, operational performance, policy & strategic direction/ progression.

**Review of activities**

The Unity Centre remains a popular venue for the delivery of a wide range of community-based learning opportunities delivered by a number of organisations. These range from RMBC, SENSE, Refugee Council, RDASH, CAB, Reed Wellbeing Ltd, Roterfed, RUCST, Rotherham Community Transport and many others. We also host a number of community groups to deliver their charitable activities including Kashmiri & Yemeni Older Peoples Group, Wah Hong, U3A, Apna Haq. Other hosted and delivered activities include sport, exercise classes and wellbeing workshops.

The Unity Centre continues to support the Roma Drop-in, Refugee drop-in, Community Navigator surgeries & Citizens Advice sessions. These highly popular services provide the local communities with access to support workers to advise and support them through a wide range of issues including benefit advice, accessing healthcare, accessing schools, and accompanying people to appointments where language is a major barrier.

**Food Bank** - Access to food remained limited for the most disadvantaged. The Unity Centre continued to operate a food bank to support those in need. The service is open to all communities in Rotherham. As well as food, toiletries, hygiene products, medicines and books were distributed. Over the year we issued food parcels to 278 households (609 people)

**Review of activities (continued)**

We continue to maintain tight reins on spending. We constantly monitor the financial position of all operational parts of the Centre to ensure that they are viable. Trading conditions remain difficult for the voluntary and community sector as a whole and community venues in particular. Despite these conditions The Unity Centre has generated a surplus of £78,705.00

**Reserves policy**

The directors have discussed a reserves policy and have developed a formal policy.

The reserves policy aims to ensure Unity Centre Rotherham's activities can continue during a period of unforeseen difficulties. The directors consider a target number of free reserves to be set at between 3 and 6 months of current expenditure. Having reserves will enable the organisation to operate in the short term and to satisfy legal obligations in the event of the end of funding, a major reduction in funding, or a delay in further funding becoming available. Reserves can also be drawn upon in an emergency or to take advantage of unexpected opportunities. For planned renovation work, £100,000 should be designated from reserves. A further £40,000 is allocated from reserves for repairs, maintenance and improvement work.

**Risk management**

The major risks to which the company is exposed are examined and reviewed regularly and systems have been established to mitigate any risks identified. Major external risks to funding are currently being reviewed by the directors. Internal risks are minimized by procedures for authorisation of all transactions and to ensure a high quality of service delivery throughout the organisation.

**Statement of Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)  
for the year ended 31st March 2023**

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**Statement of Directors and Trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company and the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and of the group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Small company provisions:**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors declare that they have approved the directors' report above. Signed on behalf of the company's directors:

Signed on behalf of the company's trustees (directors):

Signed: 

Date: 23/10/23

Name and position: SITHULE MOUNI DIRECTOR

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2023**

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I report on the accounts of the Unity Centre Rotherham for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records;
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>	<b>2</b>					
Grants and contracts		20	0	800	820	10,648
Charitable activities		254,714	0	0	254,714	252,406
Investments		914	0	0	914	48
Other		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>255,648</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>256,448</b>	<b>263,102</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>	<b>3</b>					
Raising funds		0	0	0	0	43
Charitable activities		173,223	0	4,520	177,743	175,885
Other		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>173,223</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,520</b>	<b>177,743</b>	<b>175,928</b>
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		82,425	0	-3,720	78,705	87,174
Transfers between funds		-16,405	16,405	0	0	1
<b>Net movement in funds after transfers</b>		<b>66,020</b>	<b>16,405</b>	<b>-3,719</b>	<b>78,705</b>	<b>87,174</b>
Balance brought forward at 1st April 2022		134,195	239,344	53,676	427,214	340,041
<b>Balance carried forward at 31st March 2023</b>		<b>200,215</b>	<b>255,748</b>	<b>49,957</b>	<b>505,920</b>	<b>427,214</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Unity Centre Rotherham  
Balance sheet  
As at 31st March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	5	52,229	54,843
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	6	30,085	29,477
Cash at bank & in hand		<u>443,580</u>	<u>366,331</u>
		473,665	395,809
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due within one year	6	<u>-16,335</u>	<u>-19,675</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		457,331	376,133
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>509,559</u>	<u>430,977</u>
<b>Long term liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due in more than one year	6	-3,640	-3,763
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>505,920</u>	<u>427,214</u>
<b>Funds of the company</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	7	200,215	134,195
Designated Funds		255,748	239,344
Restricted Funds		<u>49,957</u>	<u>53,676</u>
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>505,920</u>	<u>427,214</u>

For the year 31st March 2023, the company is entitled to the audit exemption under section 477 (2) of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386; and
- preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirement of the companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.

**Small company provisions:**

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the company's trustees (directors):

Signed: 

Date: 23/10/23

Name and position: SITHULE MGUNI DIRECTOR

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1.1. Basis of preparation**

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historic cost convention, with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- The Charities Act 2011
- The Companies Act 2006
- The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS102
- Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS102) (effective January 2015)

1.1.2. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

**1.2. Incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities. Incoming resources are recognised when:

- The company becomes entitled to the resources
- The trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fund-raising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Grants and donations are only included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Contractual income is only included in the Statement of Financial Activities once the related goods or performance related services have been delivered.

Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable.

**1.3. Expenditure**

Expenditure is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. Expenditure is classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of the charity's activities and services for its beneficiaries, including both direct and support costs. The expenditure has been analysed but usage.

Professional fees include those costs associated with meeting constitutional and statutory requirements, including Accountancy fees.

**1.4. Fund accounting**

Restricted funds are funds received from donors which are subject to restrictions on the purposes for which they may be used of which have been raised for a specific project. Unrestricted funds are those where there are no externally imposed restrictions. These include funds freely available to the charity for expenditure or appropriation to reserves for internally designated purposes.

**1.5. Assets**

Tangible assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £100. They are valued at cost, or, if gifted, at the value to the company on receipt. Rates used are:

Property and improvements	-	2% reducing balance
Fixture and fittings	-	15% reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	33% straight line

**1.6. Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

**1.7. Creditors**

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount. Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

**1.8. Taxes**

The company is not VAT registered. As a Charity the company is exempt from taxation on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

**2. Income from:**

	General Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Grants and contracts</b>				
Awards for all			0	10,000
Asda Foundation	0	700	700	0
Destitute Fund	0	100	100	85
Donations	20	0	20	0
HMRC	0	0	0	263
Yorkshire Sports	0	0	0	300
	20	800	820	10,648
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Unity Centre - Facility hire and support services	254,714	0	254,714	252,406
<b>Investments</b>				
Bank interest	914	0	914	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>255,648</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>256,448</b>	<b>263,102</b>

**3. Expenditure on**

	General Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Raising funds</b>				
Advertising and publicity	0	0	0	43
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Activity costs	5,017	784	5,801	11,543
Bad debts	975	0	975	658
Depreciation	1,020	1,595	2,615	4,595
Dues and subscriptions	405	0	405	322
Insurance expense	6,748	0	6,748	6,135
Office costs	5,813	0	5,813	5,311
Premise costs	13,895	581	14,476	38,919
Professional fees	18,753	0	18,753	11,218
Staff costs	78,804	860	79,664	72,135
Utilities costs	40,300	700	41,000	23,199
Volunteer expenses	1,493	0	1,493	1,852
<b>Total</b>	<b>173,223</b>	<b>4,520</b>	<b>177,743</b>	<b>175,929</b>

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**4. Staff costs**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	£	£
Salaries and wages	61,325	52,192
Social security costs	7,322	6,791
Sessional workers	10,038	12,211
Pension	969	935
Travel expenses	9.81	5
	<b>79,664</b>	<b>72,135</b>

No person received emoluments of more than £60,000.in the year. (Nil: 2022)

The average number of staff during the year was 3 Full Time Equivalent (2.5: 2022).

**5. Fixed assets**

	<b>Freehold property</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Fixture &amp; fittings</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Cost</b>	£	£	£	£
At 1st April 2022	79,732	73,656	26,879	180,267
Additions				0
<b>At 31st March 2023</b>	<b>79,732</b>	<b>73,656</b>	<b>26,879</b>	<b>180,267</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1st April 2022	31,693	68,812	24,919	125,424
Charge this period	1,595	726	294	2,615
<b>At 31st March 2023</b>	<b>33,288</b>	<b>69,539</b>	<b>25,213</b>	<b>128,039</b>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2023</b>	<b>46,444</b>	<b>4,117</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>52,228</b>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2022</b>	<b>48,042</b>	<b>4,842</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>54,843</b>

**6. Debtors and creditors**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	£	£
Trade debtors	29,263	28,546
Prepayments	822	931
	<b>30,085</b>	<b>29,477</b>
Creditors due in one year	-16,335	-19,675
Deferred income	0	0
	<b>-16,335</b>	<b>-19,675</b>
Creditors due in more than one year		
Loan from Rotherham MBC	-3,640	-10,963

**7. Company Limited by Guarantee**

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

**8. Directors Remuneration**

No remuneration was received by any directors in the period of these accounts. No expenses were claimed during the period of these accounts.

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**9. Movement of funds**

	<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Resources Expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Closing Balance</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	134,195	255,648	-173,223	-16,405	200,215
<b>Designated funds</b>					
Reserves	239,344	0	0	16,405	255,748
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Property and improvement fund	51,351	0	-1,595		49,756
Destitute Fund	0	100	0		100
Asda Foundation	0	700	-700		0
Yorkshire Sports	461	0	-360		100
Diversity Festival	1,865	0	-1,865		0
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>340,041</b>	<b>256,448</b>	<b>-177,742</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>505,920</b>

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### **Review of activities**

The Unity Centre remains a popular venue for the delivery of a wide range of community-based learning opportunities delivered by a number of organisations. These range from RMBC, SENSE, Rotherham College, Harp Refugee Council, RDASH, Reform and many others. We also host a number of community groups to deliver their charitable activities including Kashmiri & Yemeni Older Peoples Group, Wah Hong and Mama Africa. Other hosted and delivered activities include sport, exercise classes and wellbeing workshops.

The Unity Centre continues to support the Roma Drop-in, Refugee drop-in, Community Navigator surgeries & Citizens Advice sessions.. This highly popular service provides the local communities with access to support workers to advise and support them through a wide range of issues including benefit advice, accessing healthcare, accessing schools, and accompanying people to appointments where language is a major barrier.

**Food Bank** - Access to food remained limited for the most disadvantaged. The Unity Centre continued to operate a food bank to support those in need. The service is open to all communities in Rotherham. As well as food, toiletries, hygiene products, medicines and books were distributed. Over the year we issued food parcels to 395 households (1005 people)

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**Review of activities (continued)**

We continue to maintain tight reins on spending. We constantly monitor the financial position of all operational parts of the Centre to ensure that they are viable. Trading conditions remain difficult for the voluntary and community sector as a whole and community venues in particular. Despite these conditions The Unity Centre has generated a surplus of £87174.00

**Reserves policy**

The directors have discussed a reserves policy and have developed a formal policy.

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**Risk management**

The major risks to which the company is exposed are examined and reviewed regularly and systems have been established to mitigate any risks identified. Major external risks to funding are currently being reviewed by the directors. Internal risks are minimized by procedures for authorisation of all transactions and to ensure a high quality of service delivery throughout the organisation.

**Statement of Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

**Statement of Directors and Trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company and the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and of the group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Small company provisions:**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors declare that they have approved the directors' report above. Signed on behalf of the company's directors:

Signed on behalf of the company's trustees (directors):

Signed:  Date: 07/09/2022

Name and position: ANGHAM AHMED  
CHAIR / DIRECTOR

**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)  
for the year ended 31st March 2022**

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I report on the accounts of the Unity Centre Rotherham for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records;
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>	<b>2</b>					
Grants and contracts		85	0	10,563	10,648	112,106
Charitable activities		252,406	0	0	252,406	104,165
Investments		48	0	0	48	38
Other					0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>252,539</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,563</b>	<b>263,102</b>	<b>216,309</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>	<b>3</b>					
Raising funds		43	0	0	43	187
Charitable activities		161,902	0	13,984	175,885	173,310
Other					0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>161,945</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,984</b>	<b>175,928</b>	<b>173,497</b>
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		90,594	0	-3,421	87,174	42,812
Transfers between funds		-76,570	76,571	0	1	0
<b>Net movement in funds after transfers</b>		<b>14,024</b>	<b>76,571</b>	<b>-3,420</b>	<b>87,174</b>	<b>42,812</b>
Balance brought forward at 1st April 2021		120,171	162,773	57,097	340,041	297,229
<b>Balance carried forward at 31st March 2022</b>		<b>134,195</b>	<b>239,344</b>	<b>53,676</b>	<b>427,214</b>	<b>340,041</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Unity Centre Rotherham  
Balance sheet  
As at 31st March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>5</b>	54,843	59,438
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	<b>6</b>	29,477	9,687
Cash at bank & in hand		<u>366,331</u>	<u>308,241</u>
		395,809	317,929
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due within one year	<b>6</b>	<u>-19,675</u>	<u>-26,363</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		376,133	291,566
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>430,977</u>	<u>351,004</u>
<b>Long term liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due in more than one year	<b>6</b>	-3,763	-10,963
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>427,214</u>	<u>340,041</u>
<b>Funds of the company</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	<b>7</b>	134,195	120,171
Designated Funds		239,344	162,773
Restricted Funds		<u>53,676</u>	<u>57,097</u>
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>427,214</u>	<u>340,041</u>

For the year 31st March 2022, the company is entitled to the audit exemption under section 477 (2) of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386; and
- preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirement of the companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.

**Small company provisions:**

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the company's trustees (directors):

Signed: 

Date: 07/09/2022

Name and position: ANGHAM AHMED  
CHAIR / DIRECTOR

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1.1. Basis of preparation**

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historic cost convention, with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- The Charities Act 2011
- The Companies Act 2006
- The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS102
- Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS102) (effective January 2015)

1.1.2. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

**1.2. Incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities. Incoming resources are recognised when:

- The company becomes entitled to the resources
- The trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fund-raising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Grants and donations are only included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Contractual income is only included in the Statement of Financial Activities once the related goods or performance related services have been delivered.

Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable.

**1.3. Expenditure**

Expenditure is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. Expenditure is classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of the charity's activities and services for its beneficiaries, including both direct and support costs. The expenditure has been analysed but usage.

Professional fees include those costs associated with meeting constitutional and statutory requirements, including Accountancy fees.

**1.4. Fund accounting**

Restricted funds are funds received from donors which are subject to restrictions on the purposes for which they may be used of which have been raised for a specific project. Unrestricted funds are those where there are no externally imposed restrictions. These include funds freely available to the charity for expenditure or appropriation to reserves for internally designated purposes.

**1.5. Assets**

Tangible assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £100. They are valued at cost, or, if gifted, at the value to the company on receipt. Rates used are:

Property and improvements	-	2% reducing balance
Fixture and fittings	-	15% reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	33% straight line

**1.6. Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

**1.7. Creditors**

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount. Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

**1.8. Taxes**

The company is not VAT registered. As a Charity the company is exempt from taxation on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

**2. Income from:**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>	<b>Total 2021</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Grants and contracts</b>				
Awards for all Destitute Fund	85	10,000	10,000	0
HMRC		263	263	15,915
Nation Lottery Community Fund			0	88,130
People in need			0	500
RMBC - CLF			0	310
South Yorkshire CF			0	5,000
Yorkshire Sports		300	300	2,151
	85	10,563	10,648	112,106
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Unity Centre - Facility hire and support services	252,406		252,406	104,165
<b>Investments</b>				
Bank interest	48		48	38

**3. Expenditure on**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Restricted Fund</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>	<b>Total 2021</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Raising funds</b>				
Advertising and publicity	43	0	43	187
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Activity costs	10,119	1,424	11,543	6,658
Bad debts	658		658	210
Depreciation	3,000	1,595	4,595	3,758
Dues and subscriptions	322		322	322
Insurance expense	6,135		6,135	5,758
Office costs	3,581	1,730	5,311	8,888
Premise costs	38,204	715	38,919	51,937
Professional fees	11,218		11,218	11,183
Staff costs	64,209	7,926	72,135	66,411
Utilities costs	23,199		23,199	16,897
Volunteer expenses	1,257	595	1,852	1,289
<b>Total</b>	<b>161,945</b>	<b>13,984</b>	<b>175,929</b>	<b>173,497</b>

Unity Centre Rotherham  
Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31st March 2022

4. Staff costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries and wages	52,192	56,517
Social security costs	6,791	2,966
Sessional workers	12,211	5,909
Pension	935	994
Travel expenses	5	24
	<u>72,135</u>	<u>66,411</u>

No person received emoluments of more than £60,000 in the year. (Nil: 2021)  
The average number of staff during the year was 3 Full Time Equivalent (2.5 : 2021).

5. Fixed assets

	Freehold property	Equipment	Fixture & fittings	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1st April 2021	79,732	73,656	26,879	180,267
Additions				0
<b>At 31st March 2022</b>	<u>79,732</u>	<u>73,656</u>	<u>26,879</u>	<u>180,267</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1st April 2021	30,098	66,158	24,573	120,829
Charge this period	1,595	2,654	346	4,595
<b>At 31st March 2022</b>	<u>31,693</u>	<u>68,812</u>	<u>24,919</u>	<u>125,424</u>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2022</b>	<u>48,039</u>	<u>4,844</u>	<u>1,960</u>	<u>54,843</u>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2021</b>	<u>49,634</u>	<u>7,498</u>	<u>2,306</u>	<u>59,438</u>

6. Debtors and creditors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade debtors	28,546	9,088
Prepayments	931	599
	<u>29,477</u>	<u>9,687</u>
Creditors due in one year	-19,675	-26,363
Deferred income	0	0
	<u>-19,675</u>	<u>-26,363</u>
Creditors due in more than one year		
Loan from Rotherham MBC	-3,763	-10,963

7. Company Limited by Guarantee

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

8. Directors Remuneration

No remuneration was received by any directors in the period of these accounts. No expenses were claimed during the period of these accounts.

9. Movement of funds

	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	120,171	252,539	-161,945	-76,570	134,195
<b>Designated funds</b>					
Reserves	162,773	0	0	76,570	239,344
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Property and improvement fund	52,945	0	-1,595		51,351
RMBC Building Stronger Communities	195	0	-195		0
Destitute Fund	20	0	-20		0
HMRC	0	263	-263		0
Awards for all	0	10,000	-10,000		0
Yorkshire Sports	2,071	300	-1,910		461
Diversity Festival	1,865	0	0		1,865
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>340,041</b>	<b>263,102</b>	<b>-175,928</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>427,214</b>

**\*Designated funds**

The designated funds are unrestricted in nature. These funds have been set aside by the Trustees in accordance with the Charity's Reserves Policy, which is, to have at least 6 months operating costs, staff redundancy costs and closure costs, and planned renovation, improvement and maintain ace of the property.

**\*\*Restricted funds**

<u>Funder</u>	<u>Purpose/Project summary</u>
Destitute Fund - VAR	People in Need
HMRC	Furlough grant
Awards for all	Covid-19 response grant
South Yorkshire CF	Covid-19 response grant
Yorkshire Sports	Tackling inequalities
Diversity Festival	This funding has been ring fenced to be spent on the Diversity Festival.
Fixed asset fund	This fund has been created to write down the value of the freehold property and accumulated building improvements that have been financed by grant funding over the years.

10. Related Party Transactions

There are no related party transactions during the period of these accounts.

11. Previous period comparative figures

Where available, the previous periods figure has been included for comparison purposes only.

**UNITY CENTRE ROTHERHAM**

England & Wales - Charity number 1090559

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# Accounts

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## **Unity Centre Rotherham**

**Financial Statements for the  
year ended 31st March 2021**

**Charity number: 1090559**  
Registered England and Wales

**Company number: 04312881**  
Company limited by guarantee

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
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**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Administrative details**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2021**

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**Charity registered number**

1090559 (Registered on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2002)

**Company registration number**

04312881 (Registered on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2001)

**Trustees (Directors)**

S Adalat  
S Moyo  
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A Ahmed

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**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Trustees (Directors) Annual Report  
for the year ended 31st March 2021**

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The Trustees, who are also Directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2021.

**Exemptions**

The Trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

**Aim and objectives**

To bring about lasting improvements to the quality of life and economic and social opportunities available to Ethnic Minority communities and provide new responses to help break down existing barriers to training and employment opportunities. To increase the aspirations of local people and develop a commitment to lifelong learning, and equip them with the necessary confidence and vocational skills needed to access the labour market. To endeavour to ensure that all groups have access to, and are able to make full use of, The Unity Centre's facilities, and to assist in the development of local community groups by providing venue and facilities at affordable rates. To act as a medium for communities to access mainstream services and for statutory agencies to reach the communities and develop with them appropriate services. To monitor and evaluate services to ensure that the Centre continues to appropriately meet the changing needs of all communities, including cultural and religious needs of Ethnic Minority communities. To provide a safe and secure working environment with continuous training and development opportunities so that personal achievement and career advancement proceed in step with the progress of the Centre. To provide a cultural environment in which proactive attitudes can thrive and develop to contribute to a positive and evolutionary change. The specific activities undertaken over the last year are covered within achievements and performance.

**Governing document**

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**Review of activities**

The Unity Centre remains a popular venue for the delivery of a wide range of community-based learning opportunities delivered by a number of organisations we support or broker. These range from RMBC Community Learning (who deliver ESOL, Numeracy & Literacy classes) through to WEA classes in Social Politics & I.T. and arts and crafts activities. We also host a number of community groups who run activities for young people such as BME Young people and Carers group. Our work with older people has continued this year. We delivered weekly sessions throughout the year to BME People aged 50 + The older people have taken parts in arts and craft sessions, seated exercise and poetry classes.

**Black History Month**

For Black History Month 2019, REMA organised, facilitated and coordinated a series of talks, poetry sessions and workshops to take place during the month, culminating in a celebration party held at the end of October. This was an extremely ambitious project with more than a dozen workshops and events planned during the month. Ten of the events were hosted by REMA at the Unity Centre, with two commissioned off-site organised by Rotherham Youth Cabinet and Grimm and Co.

The events included:

- #Dismantling Racism Workshop - delivered by Anu Priya
- #What is White Privilege? - delivered by Annalisa Toccara
- #On my own side, and why all women should be- delivered by Tchiyiwe Chihana
- #Raising Issues Facing BME Communities who are disabled - delivered by Nayi Zindagi
- #An Audience with Johnny Nelson – Racism in Sport

#### **Conversation club**

The Unity Centre also delivered It's Eyup! 'ave a cuppa and a chat project. With the help of a grant from Awards for All, We ran a womens only session on Saturdays and a monthly open session. Sessions were very well attended by different communities, different ages and backgrounds. Approximately twenty people attended each week.

#### **Food Share**

The centre now also provides a food bank service in partnership with foodshare. A large selection of food is available including tinned goods, cereals, cooking sauces and staple foods. An average of 30 parcels a month are distributed to people in crises.

The Unity Centre continues to support the Roma Drop-in. This highly popular service provides the local Roma community with access to a Roma support worker to advise and support them through a wide range of issues including benefit advice, accessing healthcare, accessing schools, and accompanying people to appointments where language is a major barrier. Due to increasing demand, this service was expanded during the year.

We continue to maintain tight reins on spending. We constantly monitor the financial position of all operational parts of the Centre to ensure that they are viable. Trading conditions remain difficult for the voluntary and community sector as a whole and community venues in particular. Despite these conditions The Unity Centre has made a surplus of £26,054

#### **Reserves policy**

The directors have discussed a reserves policy and have developed a formal policy.

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The major risks to which the company is exposed are examined and reviewed regularly and systems have been established to mitigate any risks identified. Major external risks to funding are currently being reviewed by the directors. Internal risks are minimized by procedures for authorisation of all transactions and to ensure a high quality of service delivery throughout the organisation.

#### **Statement of Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. enable the organisation to operate in the short term and to satisfy legal obligations in the event of the end of funding, a major reduction in funding, or a delay in further funding becoming available. Reserves can also be drawn upon in an emergency or to take advantage of unexpected opportunities.

**Statement of Directors and Trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure of the charitable company and the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

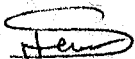
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and of the group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Small company provisions:**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006. The directors declare that they have approved the directors' report above. Signed on behalf of the company's directors:

Signed on behalf of the company's trustees (directors):

Signed:



Date: 06/10/2021

Name and position: SITHU MEUNI  
DIRECTOR

**Unity Centre Rotherham  
Independent Examiners report to the Trustees (Directors)  
for the year ended 31st March 2021**

I report on the accounts of the Unity Centre Rotherham for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**


In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records;
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

  
Heera Singh FMAAT  
HSL Accountancy Solutions Ltd  
Enterprise House  
61a Carr House Road  
Doncaster  
DN1 2BY

Date:

12<sup>th</sup> October 2021

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**for the year ended 31st March 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>	<b>2</b>					
Grants and contracts				112,106	112,106	535
Charitable activities		104,165			104,165	178,892
Investments		38			38	126
Other					0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>104,203</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>112,106</b>	<b>216,309</b>	<b>179,553</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>	<b>3</b>					
Raising funds				187	187	38
Charitable activities		61,853		111,457	173,310	153,462
Other					0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>61,853</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>111,644</b>	<b>173,497</b>	<b>153,500</b>
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		42,350	0	461	42,812	26,054
Transfers between funds		-70,057	70,057	0	0	0
<b>Net movement in funds after transfers</b>		<b>-27,707</b>	<b>70,057</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>42,812</b>	<b>26,054</b>
Balance brought forward at 1st April 2020		147,878	92,716	56,635	297,229	271,176
<b>Balance carried forward at 31st March 2021</b>		<b>120,171</b>	<b>162,773</b>	<b>57,097</b>	<b>340,041</b>	<b>297,229</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

**Unity Centre Rotherham**  
**Balance sheet**  
**As at 31st March 2021**

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	5	59,438	63,196
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	6	9,687	30,401
Cash at bank & in hand		308,241	229,208
		<u>317,929</u>	<u>259,608</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due within one year	6	<u>-26,363</u>	<u>-11,612</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		291,566	247,996
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>351,004</u>	<u>311,192</u>
<b>Long term liabilities</b>			
Creditors - amounts due in more than one year	6	-10,963	-13,963
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>340,041</u>	<u>297,229</u>
<b>Funds of the company</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	7	120,171	147,878
Designated Funds		162,773	92,716
Restricted Funds		57,097	56,635
<b>Total funds</b>		<u>340,041</u>	<u>297,229</u>

For the year 31st March 2021, the company is entitled to the audit exemption under section 477 (2) of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- a) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386; and
- b) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirement of the companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as is applicable to the company.

**Small company provisions:**

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the company's trustees (directors):

Signed: 

Date: 06/10/2021

Name and position: SITHULE MGUNU  
 DIRECTOR

**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1.1. Basis of preparation**

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historic cost convention, with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- The Charities Act 2011
- The Companies Act 2006
- The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS102
- Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS102) (effective January 2015)

**1.1.2.** The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

**1.2. Incoming resources**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities. Incoming resources are recognised when:

- The company becomes entitled to the resources
- The trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fund-raising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Grants and donations are only included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the company has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Contractual income is only included in the Statement of Financial Activities once the related goods or performance related services have been delivered.

Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable.

**1.3. Expenditure**

Expenditure is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. Expenditure is classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of the charity's activities and services for its beneficiaries, including both direct and support costs. The expenditure has been analysed but usage.

Professional fees include those costs associated with meeting constitutional and statutory requirements, including Accountancy fees.

**1.4. Fund accounting**

Restricted funds are funds received from donors which are subject to restrictions on the purposes for which they may be used of which have been raised for a specific project. Unrestricted funds are those where there are no externally imposed restrictions. These include funds freely available to the charity for expenditure or appropriation to reserves for internally designated purposes.

**1.5. Assets**

Tangible assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £100. They are valued at cost, or, if gifted, at the value to the company on receipt. Rates used are:

Property and improvements	-	2% reducing balance
Fixture and fittings	-	15% reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	33% straight line

**1.6. Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

**1.7. Creditors**

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount. Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

**1.8. Taxes**

The company is not VAT registered. As a Charity the company is exempt from taxation on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or s256 of the Taxation of chargeable gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

**2. Income from:**

	General Fund	Restricted Fund	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
<b>Grants and contracts</b>				
Destitute Fund		100	100	0
HMRC		15,915	15,915	0
Nation Lottery Community Fund		88,130	88,130	0
People in need		500	500	0
RMBC - CLF		310	310	0
RMBC - Interfaith Event			0	535
South Yorkshire CF		5,000	5,000	0
Yorkshire Sports		2,151	2,151	0
	0	112,106	112,106	535
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Unity Centre - Facility hire and support services	104,165		104,165	178,892
Unity Nursery - Childcare provision			0	0
<b>Investments</b>				
Bank interest	38		38	126

**3. Expenditure on**

	General Fund	Restricted Fund	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
<b>Raising funds</b>				
Advertising and publicity	0	187	187	38
<b>Charitable activities</b>				
Activity costs	5,255	1,403	6,658	1,346
Bad debts	210	0	210	409
Buffet and refreshments	0	0	0	0
Depreciation	2,163	1,595	3,758	5,055
Dues and subscriptions	87	235	322	280
Insurance expense	5,758	0	5,758	5,620
Office costs	2,183	6,706	8,888	6,968
Premise costs	11,693	40,243	51,937	20,261
Professional fees	6,007	5,176	11,183	17,219
Staff costs	21,742	44,669	66,411	61,117
Sundry expense	0	0	0	176
Utilities costs	6,394	10,503	16,897	33,570
Volunteer expenses	362	927	1,289	1,441
<b>Total</b>	<b>61,853</b>	<b>111,644</b>	<b>173,497</b>	<b>153,500</b>

4. Staff costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Salaries and wages	56,517	49,314
Social security costs	2,966	2,687
Sessional workers	5,909	8,271
Pension	994	845
Travel expenses	24	0
	<u>66,411</u>	<u>61,117</u>

No person received emoluments of more than £60,000 in the year. (Nil: 2020)

The average number of staff during the year was 3 Full Time Equivalent (2.5 : 2020).

5. Fixed assets

	Freehold property	Equipment	Fixture & fittings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1st April 2020	79,732	73,656	26,879	180,267
Additions				0
<b>At 31st March 2021</b>	<u><b>79,732</b></u>	<u><b>73,656</b></u>	<u><b>26,879</b></u>	<u><b>180,267</b></u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1st April 2020	28,503	64,402	24,166	117,071
Charge this period	1,595	1,756	407	3,758
<b>At 31st March 2021</b>	<u><b>30,098</b></u>	<u><b>66,158</b></u>	<u><b>24,573</b></u>	<u><b>120,829</b></u>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2021</b>	<u><b>49,634</b></u>	<u><b>7,498</b></u>	<u><b>2,306</b></u>	<u><b>59,438</b></u>
<b>Net book value at 31st March 2020</b>	<u><b>51,229</b></u>	<u><b>9,254</b></u>	<u><b>2,713</b></u>	<u><b>63,196</b></u>

6. Debtors and creditors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade debtors	9,088	29,801
Prepayments	599	599
	<u>9,687</u>	<u>30,401</u>
Creditors due in one year	-26,363	-11,612
Deferred income	0	0
	<u>-26,363</u>	<u>-11,612</u>
Creditors due in more than one year		
Loan from Rotherham MBC	-10,963	-13,963
	<u>-10,963</u>	<u>-13,963</u>

7. Company Limited by Guarantee

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

8. Directors Remuneration

No remuneration was received by any directors in the period of these accounts. No expenses were claimed during the period of these accounts.

9. Movement of funds

	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	147,878	104,203	-61,853	-70,057	120,171
<b>Designated funds</b>					
Reserves	92,716	0	0	70,057	162,773
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Property and improvement fund	54,540	0	-1,595		52,945
RMBC Building Stronger Communities	220	0	-25		195
Destitute Fund	0	100	-80		20
HMRC	0	15,915	-15,915		0
Nation Lottery Community Fund	0	88,130	-88,130		0
People in need	0	500	-500		0
RMBC - CLF	0	310	-310		0
South Yorkshire CF	0	5,000	-5,000		0
Yorkshire Sports	0	2,151	-80		2,071
Diversity Festival	1,875	0	-10		1,865
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>297,229</b>	<b>216,309</b>	<b>-173,497</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>340,041</b>

**\*Designated funds**

The designated funds are unrestricted in nature. These funds have been set aside by the Trustees in accordance with the Charity's Reserves Policy, which is, to have at least 6 months operating costs, staff redundancy costs and closure costs, and an alternative accommodation.

**\*\*Restricted funds**

<u>Funder</u>	<u>Purpose/Project summary</u>
Destitute Fund - VAR	People in Need
HMRC	Furlough grant
Nation Lottery Community Fund	Coronavirus Community Support Fund
RMBC - CLF	Food bank support
South Yorkshire CF	Covid-19 response grant
Yorkshire Sports	Tackling inequalities
Diversity Festival	This funding has been ring fenced to be spent on the Diversity Festival.
Fixed asset fund	This fund has been created to write down the value of the freehold property and accumulated building improvements that have been financed by grant funding over the years.

10. Related Party Transactions

There are no related party transactions during the period of these accounts.

11. Previous period comparative figures

Where available, the previous periods figure has been included for comparison purposes only.