

**COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 04263909**

**CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1091044**

**Spiral Sussex**  
**Company Limited by Guarantee**  
**Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**31 August 2024**

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# **Spiral Sussex**

## **Company Limited by Guarantee**

### **Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)**

#### **Year ended 31 August 2024**

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The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024.

#### **Reference and administrative details**

<b>Registered charity name</b>	Spiral Sussex
<b>Charity registration number</b>	1091044
<b>Company registration number</b>	04263909
<b>Principal office and registered office</b>	168 Church Road Hove East Sussex BN3 2DL

#### **The trustees**

Mr M W Shanahan  
Mr M G F Blackwell  
Mr G D Stevenson

<b>Independent examiner</b>	UHY Hacker Young (S.E.) Ltd 168 Church Road Hove East Sussex BN3 2DL
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#### **Structure, governance and management**

The Trustees, who are also directors, present their annual report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 August 2024.

Spiral Sussex is constituted as a limited company and registered with the Charity Commissioners on 12 March 2002. The governing document is the memorandum and articles of association of the company (incorporated on 2 August 2001) as amended by special resolution updated 5 February 2002. The address of the charity is Unit 1A Prospect House, The Hyde Business Park, Bevendean, Brighton, BN2 4JE.

#### **Objectives and activities**

The principal aim of Spiral Sussex is to provide Day Centre, evening and weekend activities for young people and adults with learning difficulties and disabilities. These cover sports, leisure and recreational interests, social evenings, outings and annual holidays. Also, to provide training and skills through daytime learning programmes.

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#### **Year ended 31 August 2024**

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#### **Achievements and performance**

Review of developments, activities and achievements

As with 2023 the year end 2024 heralded a continued period of stabilisation, a changing of the guard and a further change in the emphasis of the kind of services being offered. The central aim of this year has been to consolidate our foundations and ensure that we have a solid financial base on which to build and develop during 2025/2026. To this end we have reduced some areas of staffing slightly through a policy of non-replacement of leavers and through promoting from within. We have also initiated a substantial increase in Day Centre Fees but being mindful of the impact on self-funding clients we have also introduced a discretionary grant system for those under financial hardship. The aim is to find Trust funds to help support this action. Spiral will also look to introduce new external activities later in the year under a project titled B-Active.

#### **Financial review**

##### **Capital Equipment**

Spiral has not had to spend much this year on computer equipment, other than to upgrade and replace damaged computer items.

The tablets we bought in 2021/22 are still being used both by clients and staff. They have served our clients well in facilitating their remote access to Spiral, as well as helping those. Clients who are physically attending the Day Centre, to do their projects.

However, we had to write off the two Peugeot minibuses as it has proven impossible to source spare parts.

##### **Minibuses**

We have managed to introduce real time vehicle tracking, which has proven very popular with our carers and clients who now have a much better idea of when a minibus will arrive. We are hoping to take on three new minibuses on five year contract hire which will largely resolve our transport issues.

#### **Small company provisions**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

## **Spiral Sussex**

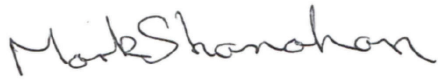
### **Company Limited by Guarantee**

#### **Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report) *(continued)***

#### **Year ended 31 August 2024**

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The trustees' annual report was approved on 27 May 2025 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mr M W Shanahan  
Trustee

# **Spiral Sussex**

## **Company Limited by Guarantee**

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Spiral Sussex**

#### **Year ended 31 August 2024**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Spiral Sussex ('the charity') for the year ended 31 August 2024.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

## **Spiral Sussex**

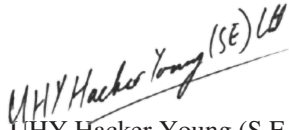
### **Company Limited by Guarantee**

#### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Spiral Sussex *(continued)***

#### **Year ended 31 August 2024**

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



UHY Hacker Young (S.E.) Ltd  
Independent Examiner

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## Spiral Sussex

### Company Limited by Guarantee

#### Statement of Financial Activities (including income and expenditure account)

Year ended 31 August 2024

		2024		2023
		Unrestricted		
	Note	funds	Total funds	Total funds
		£	£	£
<b>Income and endowments</b>				
Donations and legacies	5	9,814	9,814	11,419
Charitable activities	6	537,507	537,507	618,298
<b>Total income</b>		<u>547,321</u>	<u>547,321</u>	<u>629,717</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Expenditure on charitable activities	7,8	600,892	600,892	589,930
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>600,892</u>	<u>600,892</u>	<u>589,930</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds</b>		<u>(53,571)</u>	<u>(53,571)</u>	<u>39,787</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		9,407	9,407	(30,380)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>(44,164)</u>	<u>(44,164)</u>	<u>9,407</u>

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

The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.



# Spiral Sussex

## Company Limited by Guarantee

### Statement of Financial Position

31 August 2024

	Note	2024 £	£	2023 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>				
Tangible fixed assets	13		28,406	42,779
<b>Current assets</b>				
Debtors	14	57,965		67,725
Cash at bank and in hand		20,470		32,571
		78,435		100,296
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	124,088		104,151
<b>Net current liabilities</b>			45,653	3,855
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			(17,247)	38,924
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	16		26,917	29,517
<b>Net liabilities</b>			(44,164)	9,407
<b>Funds of the charity</b>				
Unrestricted funds			(44,164)	9,407
<b>Total charity funds</b>	18		(44,164)	9,407

For the year ending 31 August 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

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

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

The statement of financial position  
continues on the following page.

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## **Spiral Sussex**

### **Company Limited by Guarantee**

#### **Statement of Financial Position** *(continued)*

**31 August 2024**

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These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 27 May 2025, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Mr M W Shanahan  
Trustee

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**The notes on pages 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.**

## Spiral Sussex

### Company Limited by Guarantee

#### Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 August 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Net (expenditure)/income	(53,571)	39,787
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	9,469	14,260
Interest payable and similar charges	3,897	6,878
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	5,221	2,806
Accrued expenses/(income)	25,441	(14,240)
<i>Changes in:</i>		
Trade and other debtors	9,760	(14,875)
Trade and other creditors	(5,504)	4,461
Cash generated from operations	(5,287)	39,077
Interest paid	(3,897)	(6,878)
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities	<u>(9,184)</u>	<u>32,199</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Purchase of tangible assets	(317)	(17,990)
Proceeds from sale of tangible assets	–	2,600
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(317)</u>	<u>(15,390)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from borrowings	(2,600)	(7,083)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(2,600)</u>	<u>(7,083)</u>
<b>Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	(12,101)	9,726
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year</b>	<u>32,571</u>	<u>22,845</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>	<u>20,470</u>	<u>32,571</u>

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## **Company Limited by Guarantee**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

**Year ended 31 August 2024**

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#### **1. General information**

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 168 Church Road, Hove, East Sussex, BN3 2DL.

#### **2. Statement of compliance**

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

#### **3. Accounting policies**

##### **Basis of preparation**

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

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

##### **Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. The validity of this assumption depends on the continuing support of the creditors. If the going concern basis proves not to be appropriate, adjustments would have to be made to reduce the balance sheet value of assets to their recoverable amount and to provide for any further liabilities that might arise.

##### **Disclosure exemptions**

The entity satisfies the criteria of being a qualifying entity as defined in FRS 102. As such, advantage has been taken of the following disclosure exemptions available under paragraph 1.12 of FRS 102:

- Disclosures in respect of financial instruments have not been presented.

##### **Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

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

# **Spiral Sussex**

## **Company Limited by Guarantee**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements** *(continued)*

**Year ended 31 August 2024**

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#### **3. Accounting policies** *(continued)*

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

##### **Incoming resources**

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

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

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## **Company Limited by Guarantee**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements** *(continued)*

**Year ended 31 August 2024**

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#### **3. Accounting policies** *(continued)*

##### **Resources expended**

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

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

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

##### **Tangible assets**

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

##### **Depreciation**

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

Short leasehold property	-	Evenly over the term of the lease
Plant and machinery	-	25% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	-	25% reducing balance
Equipment	-	25% reducing balance

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements** *(continued)*

**Year ended 31 August 2024**

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#### **3. Accounting policies** *(continued)*

##### **Impairment of fixed assets**

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

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

##### **Financial instruments**

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument. Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted. Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

##### **Defined contribution plans**

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

#### **4. Limited by guarantee**

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have share capital.

The liability of the members in the event of the company being liquidated is limited to £1 per member.

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## Company Limited by Guarantee

### Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 August 2024

#### 5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
<b>Grants</b>				
Grants receivable	<u>9,814</u>	<u>9,814</u>	<u>11,419</u>	<u>11,419</u>

#### 6. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Events	252,869	252,869	254,174	254,174
Holiday income	92,802	92,802	158,495	158,495
Media group income	179,646	179,646	183,884	183,884
Miscellaneous	<u>12,190</u>	<u>12,190</u>	<u>21,745</u>	<u>21,745</u>
	<u>537,507</u>	<u>537,507</u>	<u>618,298</u>	<u>618,298</u>

#### 7. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Direct charitable activities	<u>600,892</u>	<u>600,892</u>	<u>589,930</u>	<u>589,930</u>

#### 8. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Total funds 2024 £	Total fund 2023 £
Direct charitable activities	<u>600,892</u>	<u>600,892</u>	<u>589,930</u>

#### 9. Net (expenditure)/income

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

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>9,469</u>	<u>14,260</u>



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### Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

#### Year ended 31 August 2024

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#### 10. Independent examination fees

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>2,640</u>	<u>2,400</u>

#### 11. Staff costs

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	302,575	278,173
Social security costs	16,299	13,917
Employer contributions to pension plans	<u>5,002</u>	<u>4,308</u>
	<u>323,876</u>	<u>296,398</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 20 (2023: 18). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	No.	No.
Number of operating staff	<u>20</u>	<u>18</u>

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

#### 12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees.

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## Company Limited by Guarantee

### Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

#### Year ended 31 August 2024

#### 13. Tangible fixed assets

	Short leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Equipment £	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 September 2023	7,014	9,039	84,690	4,810	105,553
Additions	–	–	–	317	317
Disposals	–	–	(16,500)	–	(16,500)
<b>At 31 August 2024</b>	<u>7,014</u>	<u>9,039</u>	<u>68,190</u>	<u>5,127</u>	<u>89,370</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 September 2023	7,013	8,008	44,420	3,333	62,774
Charge for the year	–	258	8,762	449	9,469
Disposals	–	–	(11,279)	–	(11,279)
<b>At 31 August 2024</b>	<u>7,013</u>	<u>8,266</u>	<u>41,903</u>	<u>3,782</u>	<u>60,964</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>					
<b>At 31 August 2024</b>	<u>1</u>	<u>773</u>	<u>26,287</u>	<u>1,345</u>	<u>28,406</u>
At 31 August 2023	<u>1</u>	<u>1,031</u>	<u>40,270</u>	<u>1,477</u>	<u>42,779</u>

#### 14. Debtors

	<b>2024</b>	2023
	£	£
Trade debtors	50,965	60,725
Prepayments and accrued income	2,000	2,000
Other debtors	5,000	5,000
	<u>57,965</u>	<u>67,725</u>

#### 15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>2024</b>	2023
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	6,720	6,720
Accruals and deferred income	99,677	74,236
Social security and other taxes	16,606	22,203
Other creditors	1,085	992
	<u>124,088</u>	<u>104,151</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

#### Year ended 31 August 2024

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#### 16. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	<u>26,917</u>	<u>29,517</u>

#### 17. Pensions and other post retirement benefits

##### Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £5,002 (2023: £4,308).

#### 18. Analysis of charitable funds

##### Unrestricted funds

	At 1 September 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 August 20 24 £
General funds	<u>9,407</u>	<u>547,321</u>	<u>(600,892)</u>	<u>(44,164)</u>

	At 1 September 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 August 20 23 £
General funds	<u>(30,380)</u>	<u>629,717</u>	<u>(589,930)</u>	<u>9,407</u>

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## Company Limited by Guarantee

### Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

#### Year ended 31 August 2024

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#### 19. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	28,406	28,406
Current assets	78,435	78,435
Creditors less than 1 year	(124,088)	(124,088)
Creditors greater than 1 year	(26,917)	(26,917)
<b>Net liabilities</b>	<b>(44,164)</b>	<b>(44,164)</b>

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	42,779	42,779
Current assets	100,296	100,296
Creditors less than 1 year	(104,151)	(104,151)
Creditors greater than 1 year	(29,517)	(29,517)
<b>Net liabilities</b>	<b>9,407</b>	<b>9,407</b>

#### 20. Reserves/funds policy

In view of the current financial position, the trustees are reviewing the policy and discussing steps to take to eliminate any deficits that arise.

#### 21. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 Sep 2023	Cash flows	At 31 Aug 2024
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	32,571	(12,101)	20,470
Debt due within one year	(6,720)	—	(6,720)
Debt due after one year	(29,517)	2,600	(26,917)
	<u>(3,666)</u>	<u>(9,501)</u>	<u>(13,167)</u>