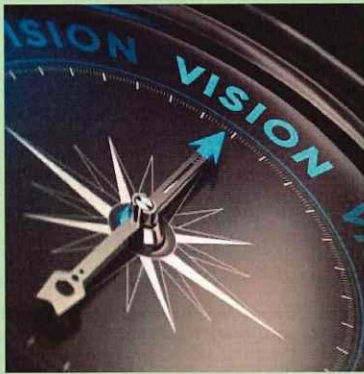


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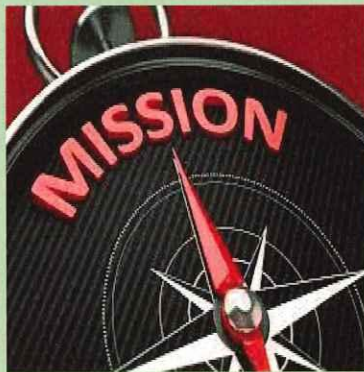
1ST April 2022 – 31st March 2023

East Surrey Domestic Abuse Services acronym ESDAS



VISION

To work toward the eradication of domestic abuse and violence.



MISSION

To deliver domestic abuse support that serves the needs of survivors across East Surrey through individual outreach, community engagement and partnerships.



CORE AIMS & VALUES

- Focus on the holistic recovery of all survivors including women, men, the LGBTQ+ and other minoritised communities.
- Understand and fulfil the individual needs of survivors taking a needs-led, trauma-informed, compassionate approach.
- Tirelessly raise awareness of domestic abuse and its impact on communities.
- Actively challenge injustice and discrimination.
- Build rewarding and meaningful partnerships with corporate, public and third sector organisations.

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Dear Supporters, Partners, and Friends of ESDAS,

As we conclude another year at East Surrey Domestic Abuse Services, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the resilience and dedication shown by our team. This year presented unique challenges, notably the cost-of-living crisis which has profoundly affected both survivors of domestic abuse and our people. Despite these challenges, our team has risen to the occasion, showcasing unwavering commitment and excellence in service.

This year our team has exemplified the true spirit of ESDAS – stepping up, leaning in, and delivering survivor and trauma-informed services with exceptional care and professionalism. Their adaptability and commitment to maintaining high-quality support for survivors have been truly remarkable.

I also extend my heartfelt thanks to our Board for their invaluable guidance and support through this year. Their wisdom and insight have been crucial in steering our charity forward.

Finally, I want to acknowledge and thank Michelle Blunsom MBE for her inspiring leadership. Under her stewardship, ESDAS has navigated through another year of challenges and has made significant strides in our mission to support survivors and combat domestic abuse.

In solidarity and gratitude,

Michelle Arnold
Chair of the Board of Trustees

LETTER FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

To Our Valued Community and Team,

As we reflect on the past year at East Surrey Domestic Abuse Services, the journey we've embarked upon, marked by both challenges and triumphs, fills me with immense pride and gratitude.

This year, more than ever, we faced a challenging environment for both survivors of domestic abuse and charities. Despite these hurdles, our unwavering commitment and innovative approaches have enabled us not only to sustain but also to enhance our funding. This achievement is a testament to the trust and confidence placed in us by our supporters and partners and our financial resilience which has been essential in navigating these tumultuous times.

During this year as ever, the strength and resilience of our team shone brightly. They upheld the highest standards of service, ensuring that our work remained impactful and empathetic. Working in this sector poses both professional and personal challenges. It can at times feel traumatising, overwhelming and like the very systems there to help people are riddled with injustice. Despite the injustice our team fight on, illuminating the stories of those who have been harmed or died as a result of abuse by those who are supposed to hold them dear.

A key focus this year has been our renewed commitment to tackling victim-blaming language and practices. By challenging and changing the narrative around domestic abuse, we aim to create a more supportive and understanding environment for survivors. The detrimental impact of victim-blaming and reinforces the need for a paradigm shift in societal attitudes and responses to domestic abuse. We will continue to ensure that those that do harm are centred within agency and community responses to domestic abuse.

Celebrating our 30th anniversary was a milestone that brought into focus the incredible strength of our partnerships with survivors, other organisations, and funders. These relationships form the bedrock of our success and our ability to impact lives meaningfully.

In conclusion, I am inspired daily by the grace, power, and resilience of the survivors we work with. Their stories and strength fuel our commitment. ESDAS is not just a charity; it's a beacon of hope, helping to illuminate a path out of darkness. As we move forward, we carry with us the strength and resilience of the survivors we serve, the dedication of our team, and the support of our community.

With deep appreciation and renewed commitment,

Michelle Blunsom MBE

CEO, East Surrey Domestic Abuse Services

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Company Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Vision

Our vision is to work towards the eradication of domestic abuse.

Mission

We offer support and empowerment to anyone experiencing domestic abuse within East Surrey and their children.

Core Aims and Values

Our core aims and values are to:

- focus on the holistic recovery of all survivors including women, men, the LGBTQ+ community and minorised communities
- understand and fulfil the individual needs of survivors taking a needs-led, trauma-informed, compassionate approach
- tirelessly raise awareness of domestic abuse and its impact on communities
- actively challenge injustice and discrimination
- build rewarding and meaningful partnerships with corporate, public and third sector organisations

ESDAS is an independent charity providing effective services to support survivors of domestic abuse and their children in East Surrey through individual outreach, community engagement and partnerships. Our service is open to any resident within the areas of Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, Mole Valley District Council and Tandridge District Council.

We are the lead provider in the Surrey Domestic Abuse Partnership, funded by Surrey County Council, Surrey Police and the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for Surrey to work with other service providers in the county to provide support to those experiencing or at risk of experiencing domestic abuse. Those with lived experience of domestic abuse are central to our own service delivery and development and aid us in holding other agencies to account for their response to those experiencing abuse.

In setting ESDAS' objectives and planning for its activities the trustees have given due consideration to guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit.

Our strategic focus to achieve our objectives has been:

- meeting the distinct needs of all survivors including those based on sex, age, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, mental health challenges, drug or alcohol dependency, refugee and immigrations status
- increasing our community engagement including both the commencement of a local project for the prevention of violence against women and girls through improved domestic abuse awareness education and at a national level, by influencing UK policy and practice
- living our commitment to race equality and we continued to actively champion this in the wider community as well as within our Board, staff and for our survivors
- building more and stronger partnerships as we strongly believe in the value of a coordinated community response to domestic abuse and continued to strengthen our connections with GPs, our local hospital, police and statutory agencies
- strengthening the charity's resilience through continued upskilling and development of staff and diversification of income sources for long term financial sustainability

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR

During the year ended 31 March 2023, we have seen both an increasing demand for our services and a higher level of complexity in the needs of the survivors we support. We received:

- 3,237 referrals (compared to 2,958 in the prior year) a 9% increase
- Dealt with 38,447 contacts from survivors and professionals
- Supported over 1,049 survivors identified as High Risk
- Improved the physical home security of 99 survivors and 152 children through our Sanctuary Scheme
- Worked with 40 children on a one-to-one basis or through group work

FUTURE PLANS

We were very successful in securing funding, both statutory and non-statutory, and this has continued beyond 31 March 2023. This additional funding has enabled us to expand and develop our services despite the cost-of-living crisis in the UK economy and the increased pressure this has exerted on survivors and staff.

OUR APPROACH

Our approach remains holistic, intersectional, trauma-informed and focused on the needs of each individual survivors. The following reports provide details of the funding received in the year to 31 March 2023, and how it has been used in furtherance of our objectives and core aims to support survivors.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above. Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.



Michelle Arnold
Chair of the Board of Trustees
5th March 2024

OUR SERVICES – fact, figures, results and impact

OUTREACH



Via phone calls and email we had **17,799** contacts with survivors compared to 16,729 in the previous year (**a 6% increase**)

IMPACT

80% of survivors who engaged with us felt an increase in empowerment and safety

We received a **9% increase in referrals** this year to **3,237** in total

Over 80% of survivors were at either high or medium risk of serious harm.



95% of survivors were female. 541 had children.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES



We worked with **40** children on a 1:1 basis or in groups delivering over 362 sessions

IMPACT

Over 75% of these children reported improved mental health

OUTREACH SERVICE

Community Outreach

Our community outreach service provides emotional and practical support to those experiencing domestic abuse in the borough of Reigate and Banstead, and districts of Tandridge and Mole Valley. We use a needs-led and trauma-informed approach to provide a safe space for survivors to talk about their experiences and understand their options to keep themselves and their children safe.

Our clients are referred to us through a variety of agencies: the police, health professionals, children's centres and other statutory and voluntary agencies. Survivors also self-refer through our website and telephone helplines.

During 2022/2023 we received 3,237 referrals, which represents an increase of 9% compared to the previous year. Support is provided face-to-face in the community, by phone, video call, text and email depending upon the clients' needs and safety.

***A survivor told us "ESDAS really has been my safe space,
I trust them fully, it is a caring yet professional service."***

We are the lead provider of the Surrey Domestic Abuse Partnership ("SDAP") which comprises four charities covering Surrey and is commissioned by the SCC, OPCC, local authorities and other statutory agencies to provide community outreach services. The partnership is supported by a Survivor Steering Group who help to shape our services and inform the work of statutory and other agencies.

Each of our outreach workers support an average of 49 clients at any one time. Depending upon need, clients are offered:

- Risk and needs assessments
- Safety planning
- One to one support and group work
- Emotional and practical support
- Advocacy
- Referral and signposting to other agencies
- Support through the courts (both family and criminal)

We represented and advocated for clients at the MARAC (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference) 487 times during the year. This regular meeting brings together both statutory and voluntary agencies to discuss the highest risk survivors so that a safety plan can be created for them using the knowledge and resources of all the different agencies supporting the survivor.

***"Thanks to ESDAS I now have a strong support network.
Thank you so much for always listening to me and being so supportive."***

Specialist Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (“IDVA”) Services

Our Hospital Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (“HIDVA”) based at Sussex and Surrey Hospital (“SaSH”) provided emotional and practical support and safety planning for survivors admitted to hospital and built a bridge to community support for their safety after leaving. Over 441 referrals were received by our HIDVA and over 161 survivors engaged with that HIDVA to access support during the year.

We continued to run the Identification & Referral to Improve Safety (“IRIS”) programme for General Practitioners expanding it into the Banstead area. Our IRIS advocate both trains clinicians, receptionists and staff at GP surgeries to improve their domestic abuse awareness and receives patient referrals from clinicians to provide ongoing support according to patient needs and safety. 60 patients were referred to the IRIS advocate in the year.

Our focus on Housing and Multiple Disadvantage work for outreach clients added significantly to the safety of clients by working to secure them safe accommodation and appropriate support for mental health and other disadvantages.

Our Stalking Specialist Advocate worked across Surrey to support those experiencing stalking from intimate current or ex-partners providing advice and safety planning.

The ESDAS Police Advocate worked alongside officers in the Neighbourhood Policing and Domestic Abuse teams at the local police station to provide an enhanced level of support to survivors, whilst assisting with the professional development of police officers.

Community Based Groupwork

We deliver our group work programmes to adult survivors online as well as face-to-face during the daytime and evenings to provide flexibility and accessibility for our clients. These programmes include:

- **Drop-in support groups:** these cover wellbeing themes such as stress, sleep, mediation and self-esteem and supported over 30 clients
- **The Freedom programme:** this examines the roles played by attitudes and beliefs on the actions of abusive partners and survivors’ responses and benefitted 29 women
- **Recovery Toolkit:** 10 women attended this course
- **Own My Life:** a 12 week multi-media programme to educate and empower survivors to regain ownership of their lives which 10 survivors attended
- **Healthy Relationships:** this supported 13 women during the year.

“I cannot express to you enough how isolated and alone I felt until I spoke to you”

Our Children's Service provided 1:1 and group therapeutic support to children who have been affected by domestic abuse and whose parent is being supported by our adult outreach service. Through 1:1 and groupwork using therapeutic play, we support and listen to children to help them make sense of their experiences as part of their reparation process and explore their feelings in a safe and empathetic environment. This service is child-centred and needs-led and focused on helping children understand that abuse is not their fault.

We ran the Children Overcoming Domestic Abuse programme for children alongside a mother's group. 75% the children reported an improvement in their emotional wellbeing and mental health. These groups were facilitated in collaboration with Welcare Children's Centre and a local Primary School.

Our staff also delivered the 6 weeks Healing Together programme on a 1:1 basis as an initial intervention for children. This programme focuses on understanding the connection between trauma and body responses to improve their emotional wellbeing.

***"It's a huge relief to finally see I'm started to be listened too.
Thank you so much for all that you and ESDAS do for me.
The work is amazing and I'm so grateful that words can't describe it."***

We directly supported 34 children during the year through the Children's Service and 6 children and their mothers through group work. Play Therapy sessions with external counsellors, were delivered to a further 12 children. In total, we held over 362 1:1 sessions face-to-face in school settings, and via video and telephone calls. We also held 226 consultations with non-abusive parents to advise them on parenting issues and understanding children's needs from a child's perspective after trauma.

Furthermore, we have developed our service to offer family work to non-abusive parents. By providing a safe space to discuss the issues being faced and offering guidance and strategies, achievable goals are explored. This has empowered and validated their parenting role leading to improved confidence in managing challenging behaviour and understanding the impact of domestic abuse on them and their children.

Our Children's Services advocated children's voices at professional network meetings (including at Case Conferences, Core Groups, Educational Review meetings and CAMHS) and advocated in relation to family court issues in particular child arrangement orders.

In addition, the Children's Service increased community engagement and built more and stronger partnerships by delivering training about the impact on children and parenting capacity of domestic abuse to statutory agencies and delivering talks in schools about recognising and managing children's trauma responses.

"All the support that you gave me, everything you did for me was right, you allowed me to express how I felt without judgement but with understanding and constantly armed me with information and support."

COUNSELLING SERVICE

Our Service Counsellors and Volunteer Counsellors offer survivors face-to-face, telephone or video counselling. In 2022 - 23, our Counselling Service saw 80 survivors over 900 sessions.

LEGAL SUPPORT

We help survivors navigate the complex processes and forms within the legal system, including advice on obtaining court orders, working to secure a better and more just outcome from the legal system. We also organise and facilitate legal advice surgeries with family solicitors offering pro-bono advice. This is invaluable support particularly for clients who have experienced financial abuse and control.

SANCTUARY SCHEME

To support domestic abuse survivors staying in their own homes but remaining safe, we run a Sanctuary Scheme in collaboration with Surrey County. The scheme is fundamental in the prevention of homelessness and managing risk by providing property security measures free-of-charge to high-risk survivors. This year 99 survivors and 152 children were helped through the scheme with new locks, security alarms, sanctuary rooms, video doorbells and other security measures.

DIRECT CLIENT SUPPORT

Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, Mole Valley District Council and Surrey County Council provide Household Support Grants to us for distribution to clients in financial hardship. These grants are used to provide clients with supermarket vouchers for food, to assist them with their fuel bills or provide essential items such as children's winter clothing.

SURREY SURVIVORS STEERING GROUP

The Surrey Survivors Steering Group comprises a group with lived experience of domestic abuse from across the county who meet regularly to provide a voice for survivors on key domestic abuse matters. ESDAS is proud to work with the group who provide feedback to statutory agencies on the opinions and experiences of survivors.

VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

During the year to 31st March 2023, we benefited from our amazing volunteer team who give their time and expertise to us supporting both staff and survivors. We now have 37 outreach volunteers including volunteer counsellors. These volunteers work with clients 1:1 providing emotional support and delivering programmes such as the Freedom Programme directly to clients where they are unable to access our group work sessions. They also support the ESDAS team in the office by answering the helpline and providing much needed administration support around the client case management system. We also have 29 volunteers who provide ad hoc support helping with essential tasks such as collections and deliveries of emergency food, clothes and toys to clients.

Collectively, the volunteers have spent more than 1,100 hours of time supporting 178 clients of ESDAS either directly or indirectly. Volunteers also represented ESDAS at Mindfest in Dorking and No More Week at a local Waitrose talking to the public about ESDAS services and raising awareness of domestic abuse.

Christmas was again a difficult time for our clients. Volunteers stepped in to sort the many donations kindly received from individuals and local organisations so that hampers of gifts for clients and their children could be delivered to them in December.

Volunteers also helped us to deliver food from food banks and meals donated by our local “Cook” frozen food shop to clients in financial hardship which was particularly welcome during the cost-of-living crisis.

The volunteers’ professionalism, dedication, patience and efficiency ensure that the support to clients is of a very high quality and meets the complex needs of survivors.

STAFF AND VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT & WELLBEING

It is central to ESDAS’ values to have a strong commitment to the personal and professional development of staff and volunteers. Therefore, we channel self-care and a trauma-informed approach into the very core of our challenging day-to-day work.

During the last financial year, staff and volunteers have taken part in many internal and external training sessions to contribute to their development and wellbeing.

The emotional pressures of dealing with trauma and abuse cannot be underestimated and all staff receive clinical therapy sessions which provide them with a safe space to reflect and offload the emotional pressures of their work.

RAISING AWARENESS AND TRAINING

We are committed to raising awareness within the community about domestic abuse and its far-reaching impacts. We use social media, attendance at community events and contributions to local and national debate to continue to raise the public's understanding that domestic abuse can be controlling, coercive or threatening behaviour, as well as violence, is more widespread than many people realise and can happen to anyone of any gender, age, ethnicity, orientation or income.

We believe that with the right training for professionals, they can offer more appropriate support and interventions for survivors with an increased understanding of domestic abuse in all its guises. Therefore, during the year to 31st March 2023, we continued to deliver training to professionals and statutory agencies across Surrey including courses such as DA: Understanding Coercive Control and the Multi-agency Framework, DA: Dynamics within the LBGTQ+ community and DA: Impact on Children and Parenting Capacity.

DONATIONS AND FUNDRAISING

With an increasingly difficult financial climate, we are overwhelmed by the generosity of our supporters who have given both time and money to help us continue to provide services to survivors in need.

In the year to 31st March 2023, we have been fortunate to receive numerous donations from individuals, community groups, organisations and charitable trusts as well as being beneficiaries of sponsored events such as marathons and campaigns through social media.

We were extremely grateful for a new 3-year grant towards core costs from Lloyds Bank Foundation who have also provided us with specialist consultancy support to develop our Risk Register and policies and procedures. The Nationwide Building Society Community fund provided a 2-year grant to support the work of our Housing & Multiple Disadvantage worker which has been very beneficial. Details of all the grants and major donations received are included within our Financial Statements.

These contributions not only enable us to continue delivering vital services but, equally importantly, the awareness raising and community spirit essential in these efforts truly reflects the compassion and commitment shown by all involved.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL SUPPORTERS!



Surrey County Council

The Office of Police and Crime
Commissioner in Surrey

Reigate and Banstead Borough
Council

Mole Valley District Council

Tandridge District Council

Surrey Police

Lloyds Bank Foundation

Nationwide Building Society

NHS Surrey Heartlands

Community Foundation for Surrey

Richmond Fellowship

Waitrose Community Matters

Tesco

Vinci UK Foundation



Thanks also go to all our individual donors, local businesses
and faith and community organisations
who make such a wonderful contribution to our work

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review of the Year Ended 31 March 2023

During this financial year, funds received were spent across our community and specialist outreach and children's services supporting survivors of domestic abuse and their children in East Surrey.

Total income for the year was £ 1,068,780 compared to £814,287 in 2021/2. We were able to expand our services significantly with the support of our funders. Grants from Surrey County Council, the Ministry of Justice and the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey enabled us to extend our adult outreach services to both adults and children. We also received additional funding for the specialist outreach work, as detailed in this Annual Report, to finance our work with survivors with more complex needs.

This year we received a high level of grant to support the Sanctuary Scheme that we operate both for survivors in East Surrey and for those requiring high cost home security measures across the county.

We continued to receive a major grant from The Lloyds Bank Foundation towards our core costs. We also received a new two-year grant from the Nationwide Building Society community fund to support our specialised outreach support to survivors requiring support to access secure accommodation especially when experiencing multiple disadvantages.

Expenditure in the year increased to £894,493 from £741,750 in 2021/22. This was partly due to a rise in staff costs with higher staff hours worked and pay rates increased to adjust for the cost of living crisis and the need to attract and retain high quality staff. Furthermore, securing increased funding for both the Sanctuary Scheme and for support to survivors in financial hardship, provided the opportunity of higher expenditure in both of those areas of our services.

The overall surplus for the year was £174,287 compared to £72,537 in 2021/22 which increased our overall reserves to £541,288 in line with the Reserves Policy set out below.

The charitable company's incoming and outgoing resources all related to continuing activities. The charitable company has no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for each year.

The financial statements comply with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)", "Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006.

Investment policy

The trustees have adopted a policy for the management of the charity's funds which limits the amount placed with any one financial institution other than with its main banker, Lloyds, and further mitigates risk by seeking to place funds on deposit in a way that they feel is prudent in the prevailing economic climate.

The charity's income is received by various payments in an uneven pattern over the financial year and careful management of the funds available ensures that whilst sufficient funds are always on hand to meet expected expenditure, further funds may always be withdrawn from deposit to cater for any unforeseen expenditure. The charity has no intention of increasing the level of risk taken with its investments to try to increase interest receipts.

Reserves policy

The trustees are mindful of their stewardship responsibilities and ESDAS' Reserves policy reflects the guidance of the Charity Commission. Therefore, it is the policy of ESDAS that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use are maintained at a level to cover 3 – 6 months of expenditure, contractual commitments in respect of its property lease and potential staff redundancies. The trustees consider that reserves at that level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be sufficient to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised or survivors assisted in finding alternative sources of support. The trustees review the level of reserves each year.

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association and registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed by the existing board. Before new trustees are appointed the board determines what new attributes and knowledge are needed within the board and shortlisting and interviews then take place with approval being voted on by existing trustees. New trustees have training and induction to familiarise themselves with their responsibilities and the charity itself. Trustees retire and are considered for reappointment in line with the procedures set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Organisational structure

The board of trustees is responsible for the strategic direction and policies of the charity in line with its stated mission. They also set the remuneration for the Chief Executive. A scheme of delegation is in place and day to day responsibility for the provision of services rests with the Chief Executive along with the senior management team. The Chief Executive is responsible for ensuring the charity delivers the services specified and follows the strategy developed by the trustees.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. To that end a risk register is maintained which is regularly reviewed by the senior management and board of trustees. Where significant risks are identified, policies, plans and procedures are established to mitigate or minimise the risk and then are regularly monitored.

In common with most charities, the loss of funding is always a significant risk. The trustees have therefore developed a strategic plan to diversify income and are appointing an external fundraiser to continue this plan.

To ensure a high level of health and safety for staff, volunteers and clients the charity strives to achieve best practice in respect of its safeguarding responsibilities.

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered company number

3585674

Registered charity number

1092643

Principal and registered office

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Trustees

Michelle Diane Arnold (Chair)

Ian Vinall

Charlotte Nicola Matier

Rebecca Claire Berry

Jonathan William Stanley Swain

Toluwase Victoria Oladosu (appointed 30 May 2023)

Juliet Mary Smith (appointed 30 May 2023)

Joanna Marie Hynes (appointed 30 May 2023)

Caroline Smith (appointed 11 July 2022, resigned 4 July 2023)

Nicole James (resigned 17 May 2022)

Michael Moloney (resigned 6 December 2022)

Bryony Sherwood Neale (resigned 6 December 2022)

Olaakanwa Chinwe Ugwu (resigned 15 August 2022)

Consultant to trustees

Kerry

Chief Executive Officer

Michelle A Blunsom MBE

Auditors

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EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

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

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

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

The auditors, Bennewith 2018 Limited (Statutory Auditors), will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 5th March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Michelle Arnold – Chair and Trustee

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES

Opinion

We have audited the revised financial statements of East Surrey Domestic Abuse Service – acronym ESDAS (“the charitable company”) for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the revised financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The revised financial statements replace the original financial statements approved by the directors on 4 December 2023. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). The revised financial statements have been prepared under the Companies (Revisions of Defective Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and accordingly do not take account of events which have taken place after the date the original financial statements were approved.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view, seen as at the date of the original financial statements were approved, of the state of the charitable company’s affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice seen as at the date the original financial statements were approved;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as they have effect under the Companies (Revision of Defective Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs UK) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors’ responsibilities for the audit of the revised financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the revised financial statements in the UK, including the FRC’s Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of matter – revisions of movement of funds note

We draw attention to note 15 of these revised financial statements which describes the need for revision primarily of the movement of funds note due to a misstatement in the original financial statements. The original financial statements were approved on 4 December 2023 and our previous audit report was signed on 8 December 2023. We have not performed a subsequent events review for the period from the date of our previous auditor’s report to the date of this report. Our opinion is not modified in this respect.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the revised financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees’ use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the revised financial statements is appropriate. Based on the work we performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company’s ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES (cont.)

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the revised financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the revised financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatement, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the revised financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees is inconsistent in any material respect with the revised financial statements; or
- the charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- the revised financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purpose of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the revised financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the revised financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the revised financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made of having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the revised financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these revised financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES (cont.)

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the entity and determined the most significant are those that relate to FRS 102 Section 1A, pension laws and regulations and tax regulations.

We assessed the risk of material misstatement in respect of fraud as follows:

- Enquiries made of management and those charged with governance
- Analytical procedures were used to identify if there were any unusual or unexpected relationships
- Discussions with management to identify any fraud risk factors of related party relationships and transactions

Based on the results of our risk assessment we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations identified above. Enquiries were made of management and those charged with governance. We corroborated our enquiries through the review of Board minutes and other papers provided. There was no contradictory evidence.

We considered the risk of fraud through management override and, in response, we incorporated testing of manual journal entries into our audit approach. We tested year end journals as well as journal entries throughout the year. There were no transactions identified outside the normal course of business.

Based on the results of our risk assessment we designed our audit procedures to identify and to address material misstatements in relation to fraud. We incorporated an element of unpredictability in the selection of the nature, timing and extend of audit procedures. Where transaction meeting risk criteria were identified, we carried out further work such as additional testing.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the revised financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

We are also required to report whether in our opinion the original financial statements failed to comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 in the respects identified by the directors. The audit of revised financial statements includes the performance of procedures to assess whether the revisions made by the directors are appropriate and have been properly made.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in the auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Bennewith 2018 Limited (Statutory Auditors)

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of Section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

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Date: 16 April 2024

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

Statement of Financial Activities – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 31.3.23 Total funds £ | 31.3.22 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME | | | | | |
| Donations | 3 | 21,952 | 0 | 21,952 | 54,732 |
| Charitable activities | 2 | 53,637 | 990,166 | 1,043,803 | 748,023 |
| Investment income | | 1,986 | 0 | 1,986 | 876 |
| Other income | 2 | 1,039 | 0 | 1,039 | 10,656 |
| Total Income | | 78,614 | 990,166 | 1,068,780 | 814,287 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | | |
| Costs of generating funds | 4 | (854) | 0 | (854) | (670) |
| Charitable activities | 4 | 0 | (893,639) | (893,639) | (741,080) |
| Total Expenditure | | (854) | (893,639) | (894,493) | (741,750) |
| Net income | | 77,760 | 96,527 | 174,287 | 72,537 |
| Transfers between funds | | - | - | - | - |
| NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS | | 77,760 | 96,527 | 174,287 | 72,537 |
| Total funds brought forward | | 353,538 | 13,463 | 367,001 | 294,464 |
| FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | 431,298 | 109,990 | 541,288 | 367,001 |

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

Balance Sheet – As at 31 March 2023

Co registration No. 3585674

| | Notes | 31.3.23 Total funds £ | 31.3.22 Total funds £ |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Debtors | 8 | 124,521 | 62,315 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 663,532 | 630,138 |
| | | 788,053 | 692,453 |
| CREDITORS | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 9 | (246,765) | (325,452) |
| NET ASSETS | | 541,288 | 367,001 |
| FUNDS | | | |
| Restricted funds | 11 | 109,990 | 13,463 |
| Unrestricted funds: | 11 | | |
| -Contingency reserve | | 422,996 | 351,840 |
| -General purpose fund | | 8,302 | 1,698 |
| TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS | | 541,288 | 367,001 |

The directors have acknowledged their responsibilities for:

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

These financial statements have been audited under the requirements of Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 5th March 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



Michelle Arnold – Chair and Trustee

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

Cash Flow Statement – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| | 31.3.23 £ | 31.3.22 £ |
|--|----------------------|--------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | 31,408 | 309,283 |
| Interest received | 1,986 | 876 |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year | 33,394 | 310,159 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year | 630,138 | 319,979 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year | 663,532 | 630,138 |
| Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities | 31.3.23 £ | 31.3.22 £ |
| Net income for the year | 174,287 | 72,537 |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| Interest received | (1,986) | (876) |
| (Increase) / decrease in debtors | (62,206) | (29,721) |
| Increase / (decrease) in creditors and grants in advance | (78,687) | 267,343 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 31,408 | 309,283 |

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

Notes to the Financial Statements – Year Ended 31 March 2023

REVISION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These are revised financial statements replacing the original financial statements approved by the directors on 4 December 2023. They are now the statutory accounts of the company for the financial year ending 31 March 2023. The revised financial statements have been prepared under the Companies (Revision of Defective Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and accordingly do not take account of events which have taken place after the date the original financial statements were approved.

The original financial statements did not comply with the Companies Act 2006, Section 393 requirement to give a true and fair view. This was due to the total balance of Restricted funds and Unrestricted – Contingency reserve funds being materially misstated on the Balance Sheet and Note 11 “Movement of funds”. There were related misstatements in Note 11 “Movement of funds”, to general and restricted fund expenses and the transfer from General funds to Designated funds.

A full explanation of this revision is given in note 15.

STATUTORY INFORMATION

The charitable company is registered in England and Wales as a company limited by guarantee. Its registered office is at Redhill Chambers 2D High Street, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 1RJ. The registration numbers are shown on page 18. ESDAS is a public benefit charity whose objective is to provide a service to specific members of the general public as set out in the Annual Report and not to provide a financial return to members.

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies are summarised below. The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) ‘Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice’ applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) ‘Financial Reporting Standard 102’ and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2 Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be measured reliably except for certain income which is recognised in the period specified by the donor. Where the donor has specified that the grant is to be related to a fixed period for a specific use, these funds will be treated as deferred income and released to the Statement of Financial Activities to match the related expenditure.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

Accounting policies (continued)

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure includes costs that can be allocated directly to activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

1.4 Fund accounting

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

Designated funds have been set aside by the charity for a particular purpose. These funds remain unrestricted and can be used for another purpose at the trustees' discretion.

Restricted funds are subject to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or when the funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

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

1.5 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT.

1.6 Fixed assets

The charity doesn't capitalise assets that cost less than £2,000. Any assets over that amount would be capitalised and depreciated in accordance with their useful life.

1.7 Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

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

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| 2 Income from charitable operations | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | 31.3.23 Total | 31.3.22 Total |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| SCC SDAP partnership contract | 0 | 196,596 | 196,596 | 196,596 |
| Ministry of Justice IDVA grant | 0 | 118,557 | 118,557 | 114,031 |
| Public Health complex needs grant | 0 | 43,465 | 43,465 | 29,319 |
| <i>Local authority funding: Reigate and Banstead, Mole Valley and Tandridge</i> | 0 | 39,490 | 39,490 | 49,490 |
| RBBC Household Support Fund | 0 | 31,000 | 31,000 | 6,941 |
| MVDC Household Support Fund | 0 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 0 |
| SCC Household Support Fund | 0 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 0 |
| Partner Link outreach grant | 0 | 5,213 | 5,213 | 10,425 |
| Company of Actuaries Charitable Trust | 0 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Sanctuary Scheme grant | 0 | 100,666 | 100,666 | 20,072 |
| SCC Hospital IDVA grant | 0 | 47,115 | 47,115 | 46,919 |
| IRIS – SCC, RBBC and MVDC | 0 | 69,652 | 69,652 | 43,024 |
| NHS Surrey Heartlands grant | 0 | 20,324 | 20,324 | 20,324 |
| OPCC police advocate grant | 0 | 42,000 | 42,000 | 0 |
| OPCC counselling grant | 0 | 12,250 | 12,250 | 18,500 |
| OPCC children and young persons' grant | 0 | 9,120 | 9,120 | 0 |
| OPCC stalking advocate grant | 0 | 44,059 | 44,059 | 22,030 |
| OPCC VAWG prevention project grant | 0 | 24,806 | 24,806 | 0 |
| OPCC additional grants | 0 | 4,765 | 4,765 | 4,558 |
| SCC safer accommodation grant | 0 | 53,813 | 53,813 | 0 |
| SCC Bridge the Gap expenses grant | 0 | 1,250 | 1,250 | 0 |
| Surrey Police HHPU grant | 0 | 9,568 | 9,568 | 9,568 |
| CFS (NHS Charities Together) grant | 0 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,655 |
| CFS children and young persons' grant | 0 | 4,026 | 4,026 | 0 |
| CHC RBBC volunteers project grant | 0 | 2,156 | 2,156 | 0 |
| Lloyds Bank Charitable Foundation grant | 0 | 27,667 | 27,667 | 30,128 |
| Nationwide Community HMDAW grant | 0 | 24,938 | 24,938 | 0 |
| Richmond Fellowship grant | 0 | 3,126 | 3,126 | 3,126 |
| Tesco Community Trust grant | 0 | 1,375 | 1,375 | 500 |
| Vinci Charitable Trust grant | 0 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 0 |
| Waitrose Community Matters grant | 0 | 1,429 | 1,429 | 0 |
| Co-op Community Fund grant | 0 | 4,299 | 4,299 | 0 |
| Raven Brighter Futures Community grant | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,000 |
| Play Therapy grant | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,700 |
| The Hobson Charity grant | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7,000 |
| Postcode Community Trust grant | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13,337 |
| Gatwick Airport Community Trust grant | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,690 |
| Other specific use grants | 0 | 1,941 | 1,941 | 3,678 |
| Earned income | 53,637 | 0 | 53,637 | 55,412 |
| | 53,637 | 990,166 | 1,043,803 | 748,023 |

Other income of £1,039 (2022 – £10,656) is generated from fundraising activities.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| 3 Donations | Unrestricted funds | Restricted funds | 31.3.23 | 31.3.22 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | Total | Total |
| | | | £ | £ |
| Donations | 21,162 | 0 | 21,162 | 54,532 |
| Donations from related parties | 790 | 0 | 790 | 200 |
| | 21,952 | 0 | 21,952 | 54,732 |

Donations of £790 were received from 3 trustees during the year. There were no other related party transactions in the year ended 31 March 2023 (2022 – £200).

| 4 Expenditure | Charitable Expenditure | Governance | 31.3.23 | 31.3.22 |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ | Total | Total |
| | | | £ | £ |
| Costs directly allocated to activities | | | | |
| Direct staff salaries, NI and pensions | 457,338 | 0 | 457,338 | 363,665 |
| Travelling and staff expenses | 12,000 | 0 | 12,000 | 5,362 |
| Recruitment costs | 780 | 0 | 780 | 1,350 |
| Consultancy | 22,916 | 0 | 22,916 | 56,419 |
| Group work and volunteer expenses | 6,754 | 0 | 6,754 | 3,815 |
| Counselling and survivor group costs | 18,389 | 0 | 18,389 | 20,751 |
| Client and family financial support | 54,769 | 0 | 54,769 | 17,094 |
| Sanctuary scheme | 60,252 | 0 | 60,252 | 24,559 |
| Children's support | 7,796 | 0 | 7,796 | 9,237 |
| Staff training and external supervision | 18,199 | 0 | 18,199 | 18,532 |
| Support costs allocated to activities | | | | |
| Premises costs | 31,467 | 0 | 31,467 | 36,557 |
| Central staff salaries, NI and pensions | 139,639 | 0 | 139,639 | 144,163 |
| General running costs | 40,136 | 0 | 40,136 | 29,447 |
| Office equipment | 9,628 | 0 | 9,628 | 1,337 |
| Project costs | 6,469 | 0 | 6,469 | 6,452 |
| Auditors' remuneration / examiner's fee | 0 | 5,860 | 5,860 | 2,340 |
| Legal fees | 1,247 | 0 | 1,247 | 0 |
| Expenditure on charitable activities | 887,779 | 5,860 | 893,639 | 741,080 |
| Costs of generating funds | | | 854 | 670 |
| Total expenditure | | | 894,493 | 741,750 |

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| 5 Employees | 31.3.23 Total £ | 31.3.22 Total £ |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Employee costs | | |
| Wages and salaries | 534,948 | 452,948 |
| Social security costs | 46,871 | 41,318 |
| Pension costs | 15,158 | 13,562 |
| | 596,977 | 507,828 |
| Number of employees | | |
| The average monthly number of employees during the year was: | No. | No. |
| Charitable activities | 16 | 13 |
| Support staff | 3 | 4 |
| | 19 | 17 |
| The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was: £60,001 - £70,000 | 1 | 0 |
| ESDAS contributes to a defined benefit pension scheme for all employees unless they choose to opt out. | | |

6 Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

None of the trustees received remuneration from the charity during the year (2022 – nil).
 No expenses including travel costs were reimbursed to trustees during the year (2022 – nil).
 Donations of £790 were received from trustees by the charity in the year (2022 – £200).

The total remuneration paid to Key Management Personnel was £67,117 (2022 – £59,122).
 The charity is also making contributions to a defined contribution pension scheme for one member of Key Management Personnel (2022 – one).

7 Taxation

As a charity, ESDAS is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.
 No tax charges arose for the charity during the year (2022 – nil).

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| 8 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year | 31.3.23 Total £ | 31.3.22 Total £ |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Trade debtors | 49,073 | 19,934 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | 33,172 | 42,381 |
| Other debtors | 42,276 | 0 |
| | 124,521 | 62,315 |

| 9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 31.3.23 Total £ | 31.3.22 Total £ |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Trade creditors | 33,853 | 42,000 |
| Accruals and deferred income | 16,168 | 9,373 |
| Grants received in advance | 161,215 | 274,079 |
| Other creditors | 35,529 | 0 |
| | 246,765 | 325,452 |

During the year ESDAS acted as intermediary agent for three other Surrey domestic abuse outreach providers (Your Sanctuary, North Surrey Domestic Abuse Services and South West Surrey Domestic Abuse Services) and as an agent it:

- received funds of £2,329,885 (2022 - £1,714,968)
- paid out funds of £1,679,628 (2022 - £1,317,678)
- charged lead provider fees of £46,022 (2022 - £35,931)

and owed £35,529 (2022 - £nil) to other providers and was owed £42,276 (2022 - £nil) as at 31st March 2023 included in other creditors and other debtors respectively.

| 10 Operating lease commitments | 31.3.23 Total £ | 31.3.22 Total £ |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases relating to premises rent up to the expiry date fall due as follows: | | |
| Within one year | 31,500 | 41,514 |
| Between two and five years | 85,071 | 0 |
| | 116,571 | 41,514 |

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| 11 Movement of funds | Balance at 1 April 2022 £ | Incoming Resources £ | Resources expended £ | Transfers £ | Balance of 31 March 2023 £ |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| RESTRICTED FUNDS | | | | | |
| SCC SDAP partnership contract | - | 196,596 | (159,109) | - | 37,487 |
| Ministry of Justice IDVA grant | - | 118,557 | (118,557) | - | - |
| Public Health complex needs | - | 43,465 | (43,465) | - | - |
| <i>Local authority funding:</i> Reigate and Banstead, Mole Valley and Tandridge | - | 39,490 | (39,490) | - | - |
| RBBC Household Support Fund | - | 31,000 | (31,000) | - | - |
| MVDC Household Support Fund | - | 5,500 | (5,500) | - | - |
| SCC Household Support Fund | - | 5,000 | (5,000) | - | - |
| Partner Link outreach | - | 5,213 | (5,213) | - | - |
| Company of Actuaries Charitable Trust | - | 5,000 | (5,000) | - | - |
| Sanctuary Scheme | 3,432 | 100,666 | (60,252) | - | 43,846 |
| SCC Hospital IDVA | - | 47,115 | (47,115) | - | - |
| IRIS – SCC, RBBC and MVDC | - | 69,652 | (69,652) | - | - |
| NHS Surrey Heartlands grant | - | 20,324 | (20,324) | - | - |
| OPPC police advocate | - | 42,000 | (42,000) | - | - |
| OPCC counselling | - | 12,250 | (12,250) | - | - |
| OPCC children and young person's grant | - | 9,120 | (9,120) | - | - |
| OPCC stalking advocate | - | 44,059 | (44,059) | - | - |
| OPCC VAWG prevention project grant | - | 24,806 | (24,806) | - | - |
| OPCC additional grants | - | 4,765 | (4,765) | - | - |
| SCC safer accommodation grant | - | 53,813 | (28,465) | - | 25,348 |
| SCC Bridge the gap grant | - | 1,250 | (114) | - | 1,136 |
| Surrey police HHPU grant | - | 9,568 | (9,568) | - | - |
| CFS (NHS Charities Together) | - | 25,000 | (25,000) | - | - |
| CFS children and young person's grant | - | 4,026 | (4,026) | - | - |
| CHC RBBC volunteers project grant | - | 2,156 | (2,156) | - | - |
| Lloyds Bank Charitable Foundation grant | - | 27,667 | (27,667) | - | - |
| Nationwide Community HMDAW grant | - | 24,938 | (24,938) | - | - |
| Richmond Fellowship grant | - | 3,126 | (3,126) | - | - |
| Tesco Community Trust grant | 500 | 1,375 | (1,875) | - | - |
| Vinci Charitable Trust grant | - | 5,000 | (3,455) | - | 1,545 |
| Waitrose Community Matters grant | - | 1,429 | (1,429) | - | - |
| Co-op Community Fund grant | - | 4,299 | (4,299) | - | - |
| Raven Brighter Futures Community | 2,935 | - | (2,935) | - | - |
| Play Therapy grant | 2,130 | - | (2,130) | - | - |
| The Hobson Charity | 2,911 | - | (2,911) | - | - |
| Gatwick Airport Community Trust | 770 | - | (770) | - | - |
| Other specific use | 785 | 1,941 | (2,098) | - | 628 |
| Total Restricted Funds | 13,463 | 990,166 | (893,639) | - | 109,990 |
| Movement | | | | | |

EAST SURREY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES (ESDAS)

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

| 11 Movement of funds (continued) | General funds £ | Designated funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total £ |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Summary of movement in funds in the year | | | | |
| Balances at 1 April 2022 | 1,698 | 351,840 | 13,463 | 367,001 |
| Movement in the year | | | | |
| -Incoming resources | 78,614 | 0 | 990,166 | 1,068,780 |
| -Resources expended | (854) | 0 | (893,639) | (894,493) |
| -Transfers | (71,156) | 71,156 | 0 | 0 |
| Balances at 31 March 2023 | 8,302 | 422,996 | 109,990 | 541,288 |

12 Purpose of funds

Restricted funds

Surrey County Council

Funding from Surrey County Council supported the provision of outreach support services for adults and children through the SDAP partnership Contract.

The SCC funded a specialist hospital-based IDVA worker for a second year and contributed towards the costs of the IRIS Advocator working with General Practitioners.

A grant was also provided from SCC's Household Support Fund for us to distribute to survivors in financial hardship to assist with fuel, food and other essential items.

Sanctuary Scheme

The Sanctuary Scheme finances changes to properties (eg. new locks, doors and sanctuary rooms) to improve security if a survivor elects to remain in their home. This year, there was a significant uplift in the restricted funding provided by SCC for this purpose.

Safer Accommodation

To provide safer accommodation for survivors of domestic abuse, in addition to the Sanctuary Scheme, SCC funded a specialist Housing IDVA to assist survivors facing housing challenges.

Ministry of Justice

Grants were provided by the MOJ to provide additional support for adult and children's IDVA services.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) – Year Ended 31 March 2023

12 Purpose of funds (cont.)

Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey

Funding from the OPCC supported specialist IDVA staff including a Police Advocate, a Stalking Advocate and a Violence Against Women and Girls Prevention worker. The OPCC also contributed to a Children and Young People's worker supporting survivors aged 16 – 24. The OPCC also provided grants to support other projects such as the Partner Link Project and a counselling programme.

Public Health

Public Health provided a grant to extend outreach work with survivors with complex needs.

Reigate and Banstead Borough Council

RBBC continued to fund outreach services in their area. They also supported the salary costs of the IRIS Advocator across that Borough.

They also provided a significant grant from their Household Support Fund for survivors living in the borough and requiring financial support with fuel, food and other essential items during the current cost-of-living crisis.

Mole Valley District Council

MVDC supported outreach services in their area and provided Household Support Fund grants for us to distribute to survivors in financial hardship in the Mole Valley district.

Tandridge District Council

Funding for outreach services was provided by Tandridge District Council for survivors living in that area. They also supported the salary costs of the IRIS Advocator working with General Practitioners in Tandridge.

NHS Surrey Heartlands

This funding continued to support outreach work throughout East Surrey.

Company of Actuaries Charitable Trust

This charitable trust provided a grant to support ESDAS' volunteer programme.

Surrey Police High Harm Perpetrator Unit

This fund is to support survivors during the work of the Surrey Police's perpetrator work.

Community Foundation for Surrey

Grants from CFS funded increased levels of support for children and young people and, through a CFS (NHS Charities Together) Grant also supported the mental health and wellbeing of adult survivors.

Creating Healthy Communities Reigate & Banstead Borough Council

This fund from RBBC was for the development of a training programme, in partnership with Against Violence & Abuse, to support and train survivors of domestic abuse who want to provide peer support to others in similar situations.

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12 Purpose of funds (cont.)

Lloyds Bank Foundation

This grant was for three-year funding towards ESDAS' core costs operating its charitable activities. The Lloyds Bank Foundation also facilitated specialist consultancy to support the development of the charity's Risk Register, Policies and Procedures and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion practices.

Nationwide Community

A Nationwide Community grant funded a new Housing & Multiple Disadvantage Domestic Abuse Worker for two years.

Richmond Fellowship

This funding was used to improve partnership working for those survivors experiencing mental ill health.

Vinci Foundation

This charitable foundation provided a grant to purchase laptops for staff to work securely off-site and buy smartphones for survivors' safe communication with support services.

Waitrose Community Matters

Charitable donations from Waitrose Community Matters supported vulnerable children and young people who had experienced domestic abuse.

Co-op Community Fund

This fund supported therapeutic play therapy for child survivors of domestic abuse to assist with their recovery.

Unrestricted funds

Donations made by members of the public or organisations which are not restricted are held for use in assisting survivors and their families directly.

A Contingency Reserve has been established as a Designated Fund to provide a resource so that, in the event of grants to the charity ending, the charity could administer its affairs in an orderly manner and continue to support existing clients for a period of 3 – 4 months in line with the recommendations of the Charity Commission. This reserve includes an allowance for the potential cost of staff redundancies and the charity's contractual commitment in respect of its property lease.

The Contingency Reserve is deemed necessary due to the financial uncertainty caused by ESDAS having to re-apply for the majority of funding with the decisions of that process only being known shortly before the beginning of each new financial year. It is essential not only for the security of employees but also for our vulnerable client group, whose lives and welfare could be endangered by a sudden curtailment of our support.

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13 Comparatives for the Statement of Financial Activities

| | Unrestricted funds £ | Restricted funds £ | 31.3.22 Total funds £ |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME | | | |
| Donations | 54,732 | 0 | 54,732 |
| Charitable activities | 55,412 | 692,611 | 748,023 |
| Investment income | 876 | 0 | 876 |
| Other income | 10,656 | 0 | 10,656 |
| Total Income | 121,676 | 692,611 | 814,287 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | |
| Costs of generating funds | (670) | 0 | (670) |
| Charitable activities | (40,516) | (700,564) | (741,080) |
| Total Expenditure | (41,186) | (700,564) | (741,750) |
| Net income | 80,490 | (7,953) | 72,537 |
| Transfers between funds | - | - | - |
| NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS | 80,490 | (7,953) | 72,537 |
| Total funds brought forward | 273,048 | 21,416 | 294,464 |
| FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | 353,538 | 13,463 | 367,001 |

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| 14 Comparatives for movement of funds | Balance at 1 April 2021 £ | Incoming Resources £ | Resources expended £ | Transfers £ | Balance of 31 March 2022 £ |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| RESTRICTED FUNDS | | | | | |
| SCC SDAP partnership contract | - | 196,596 | (196,596) | - | - |
| Ministry of Justice IDVA grant | - | 114,031 | (114,031) | - | - |
| Public Health complex needs | - | 29,319 | (29,319) | - | - |
| Local authority funding: Reigate and Banstead, Mole Valley and Tandridge | - | 49,490 | (49,490) | - | - |
| RBBC household support grant | - | 6,940 | (6,940) | - | - |
| Partner Link outreach | - | 10,425 | (10,425) | - | - |
| Company of Actuaries Charitable Trust | 6,308 | 5,000 | (11,308) | - | - |
| Sanctuary Scheme | 7,919 | 20,072 | (24,559) | - | 3,432 |
| SCC Hospital IDVA | - | 46,919 | (46,919) | - | - |
| IRIS – RBBC and MVDC | - | 43,024 | (43,024) | - | - |
| NHS Surrey Heartlands grant | - | 20,324 | (20,324) | - | - |
| OPCC counselling | - | 18,500 | (18,500) | - | - |
| OPCC stalking advocate | - | 22,030 | (22,030) | - | - |
| OPCC additional grants | - | 4,558 | (4,558) | - | - |
| Surrey police HHPU grant | - | 9,568 | (9,568) | - | - |
| CFS (NHS Charities Together) | - | 25,655 | (25,655) | - | - |
| Lloyds Bank Charitable Foundation grant | - | 30,128 | (30,128) | - | - |
| Richmond Fellowship grant | - | 3,126 | (3,126) | - | - |
| Raven Brighter Futures Community | - | 5,000 | (2,065) | - | 2,935 |
| Play Therapy grant | - | 3,700 | (1,570) | - | 2,130 |
| The Hobson Charity | - | 7,000 | (4,089) | - | 2,911 |
| Postcode Community Trust | - | 13,337 | (13,337) | - | - |
| Gatwick Airport Community Trust | - | 3,690 | (2,920) | - | 770 |
| Other specific use | 7,189 | 4,179 | (10,083) | - | 1,285 |
| Total Restricted Funds | 21,416 | 692,611 | (700,564) | - | 13,463 |
| Movement | | | | | |

| | General funds £ | Designated funds £ | Restricted funds £ | Total £ |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Summary of movement in funds in the comparative year | | | | |
| Balances at 1 April 2021 | 2,208 | 270,840 | 21,416 | 294,464 |
| Movement in the year | | | | |
| -Incoming resources | 121,676 | 0 | 692,611 | 814,287 |
| -Resources expended | (41,186) | 0 | (700,564) | (741,750) |
| -Transfers | (81,000) | 81,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Balances at 31 March 2022 | 1,698 | 351,840 | 13,463 | 367,001 |

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15 Revision of Financial Statements

These are revised financial statements replacing the original financial statements approved by the directors on 4 December 2023. They are now the statutory accounts of the company for the financial year ending 31 March 2023. The revised financial statements have been prepared under the Companies (Revision of Defective Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and accordingly do not take account of events which have taken place after the date the original financial statements were approved.

The original financial statements did not comply with the Companies Act 2006, Section 393 requirement to give a true and fair view. This was due to the total balance of Restricted funds and Unrestricted – Contingency reserve funds being materially misstated on the Balance Sheet and Note 11 “Movement of funds”. There were related misstatements in Note 11 “Movement of funds”, to general and restricted fund expenses and the transfer from General funds to Designated funds.

The following significant amendments were made in the revised financial statements:

Balance Sheet Revision

The funds section of the balance sheet was revised to correctly show the split between Restricted funds and the unrestricted funds contingency reserve. The alterations in the funds totals are shown below.

Revision to balance sheet funds

| | 31.3.23 Total funds per original balance sheet £ | 31.3.23 Total funds per revised balance sheet £ | Change to total funds figure £ |
|----------------------------|--|---|---|
| FUNDS | | | |
| Restricted funds | 47,155 | 109,990 | 62,835 |
| Unrestricted funds: | | | |
| -Contingency reserve | 485,831 | 422,996 | (62,835) |
| -General purpose fund | 8,302 | 8,302 | - |
| TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS | 541,288 | 541,288 | - |

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15 Revision of Financial Statements (cont.)

Movement of Funds (Note 11) Revision

Restricted Funds Detail

This part of the movement of funds note was revised to correctly show the total Restricted funds and resources expended and balances as at 31 March 2023 for each fund. The resources expended and balance figures revised are outlined below.

Figures revised in the restricted funds detail

| | Resources expended per original note £ | Resources expended per revised note £ | Change in resources expended figure £ | Balance of 31 March 2023 per original note £ | Balance of 31 March 2023 per revised note £ | Change to balance of 31 March 2023 figure £ |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| RESTRICTED FUNDS | | | | | | |
| SCC SDAP partnership contract | (196,596) | (159,109) | 37,487 | - | 37,487 | 37,487 |
| SCC safer accommodation grant | (53,813) | (28,465) | 25,348 | - | 25,348 | 25,348 |
| Total Restricted Funds Movement | (956,474) | (893,639) | 62,835 | 47,155 | 109,990 | 62,835 |

Summary of Movement of Funds Revision

This part of the movement of funds note was revised to correctly show the movement in the year of resources expended and transfers between general funds, designated funds and restricted funds. The revisions to the resources expended, transfers, and balance figures are outlined below.

| Figures revised in Summary of Movement of funds | General funds £ | Designated funds £ | Restricted funds £ |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Summary of movement in funds in the year | | | |
| Resources expended | | | |
| - Per original note | | | |
| - Per revised note | 61,981 | - | (956,474) |
| - Change in figure | (854) | - | (893,639) |
| | (62,835) | - | 62,835 |
| Transfers | | | |
| - Per original note | (133,991) | 133,991 | - |
| - Per revised note | (71,156) | 71,156 | - |
| - Change in figure | 62,835 | (62,835) | - |
| Balances at 31 March 2023 | | | |
| - Per original note | 8,302 | 485,831 | 47,155 |
| - Per revised note | 8,302 | 422,996 | 109,990 |
| - Change in figure | - | 62,835 | (62,835) |

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| CAMHS | Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services |
| CFS | Community Foundation for Surrey |
| DA | Domestic Abuse |
| ESDAS | East Surrey Domestic Abuse Services |
| HIDVA | Hospital Independent Domestic Violence Advisor |
| IDVA | Independent Domestic Violence Advisor |
| IRIS | Identification & Referral to Improve Safety |
| MARAC | Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference |
| MOJ | Ministry of Justice |
| MVDC | Mole Valley District Council |
| OPCC | Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner |
| RBBC | Reigate and Banstead Borough Council |
| SaSH | Sussex and Surrey Hospital |
| SCC | Surrey County Council |
| SDAP | Surrey Domestic Abuse Partnership |
| SORP | Statement of Recommended Practice |