

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

England & Wales · Charity number 1093087

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [04428280](#)

Registered 2002-07-23

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO PROMOTE ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY PRIMARILY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DISTRICT OF DERBYSHIRE DALES (HEREINAFTER CALLED "THE AREA OF BENEFIT") AND, IN PARTICULAR, THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, THE PROTECTION OF HEALTH AND THE RELIEF OF POVERTY, DISTRESS AND SICKNESS2. TO PROMOTE AND ORGANISE CO-OPERATION AND PARTNERSHIPS IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE ABOVE PURPOSES AND TO THAT END TO BRING TOGETHER IN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS AND STATUTORY AUTHORITIES WITHIN THE AREA OF BENEFIT

Activities: Derbyshire Dales CVS provides high quality information, advice, support, training and practical services to the voluntary and community sector in the Derbyshire Dales. The Charity also runs projects that benefit disadvantaged people in Derbyshire Dales and surrounding areas.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PRIMARILY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DISTRICT OF DERBYSHIRE DALES
- Derbyshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£404,143	£670,116	-	-
2024-03-31	£754,498	£609,548	£465,522	9
2023-03-31	£387,655	£454,497	-	-
2022-03-31	£505,384	£411,226	£389,329	7
2021-03-31	£416,949	£365,530	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MARTIN JOHN TOWNSEND	Chair	2013-03-26
Christine Louise Roberts		2026-05-30
Marilyn Amy Franks		2023-07-13
Noel Paul Fowler		2025-03-27
Philip Allen Stanyer		2019-03-21
Timothy Peter Furness		2025-11-13

Accounts

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 1093087

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER 04428280

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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Martin Townsend Wendy Amis Helen Bovey Noel Fowler Cllr Marilyn Franks Gill Geddes Phil Stanyer	(Appointed 27 March 2025)
Secretary	Martin Townsend	
Charity number	1093087	
Company number	04428280	
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DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements of Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service (hereinafter referred to as DDCVS) have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities of DDCVS and Public Benefit

The Objects of DDCVS, as stated in its governing document, are as follows.

3.1: To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community primarily, but not exclusively, in the local government district of Derbyshire Dales (hereinafter called the area of benefit) and, in particular the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.

3.2: To promote and organize co-operation and partnerships in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end, to bring together in council, representatives of the voluntary and other organisations and statutory authorities in the area of benefit.

In accordance with these objects, DDCVS has the following aims:

- Work with local voluntary organisations, statutory agencies and communities to identify needs and facilitate improved service provision to meet those needs.
- Work with local voluntary and community organisations to enable them to function effectively and deliver quality services.
- Facilitate effective communication and collaboration amongst local voluntary and community groups.
- Represent the views of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS), and wider communities at a strategic level, ensuring their views are taken into account by policy makers.
- Facilitate effective communication between the voluntary and statutory sectors and wider communities.

DDCVS engages in the following activities to meet these aims:

- Information to the VCS through our website, social media and e-mail bulletins.
- Training opportunities for the voluntary sector on a diverse range of topics all related to improving the effectiveness, sustainability and quality of their organisations.
- Extensive support to VCS organisations that need advice, help and support in the running of their organisations. This can range from a one-off piece of advice about a particular concern, through to hundreds of hours of support in major organisational development projects.
- Advice and support in identifying funding sources and making funding applications, and in income diversification / social enterprise.

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- The promotion and administration of a small grants programme and other grants programmes to benefit local voluntary organisations.
- Running projects with a focus on supporting people in need, and a community development programme, such as Social Prescribing.
- Providing a base for other voluntary organisations.
- Providing practical services such as photocopying, equipment loans and providing meeting space. These services are used by a wide range of organisations large and small.
- Developing joint projects with other organisations in both the voluntary and statutory sector.
- Developing collaborative working between voluntary sector organisations in the area.
- Representing the VCS at strategic level by attending Derbyshire Dales Place Alliance, and the Health and Wellbeing Partnership; by acting as a Board Member of the Peak District Partnership; by serving on the sub-committees of the PDP; and by being involved in various forums relating to themes such as youth, older people, health and the environment.

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

Achievements and performance

During the year, DDCVS has made achievements in the following areas of work.

Practical Support

DDCVS continues to support the local voluntary sector by providing low-cost practical services such as financial work, photocopying, loan of equipment and the provision of meeting space.

Information, advice, training and development support

We delivered advice, information, support and training to DDCV members this year. A wide variety of support was offered to clients ranging from simple one-off advice about constitutional issues or funding applications, through to the development of major projects and full organisational reviews. The provision of advice about sources of funding and making effective funding applications continues to be a very busy area of work, as does the governance of charities, charitable companies and community interest companies.

DDCVS ran several on-line networking events, members' events and funding events for local groups and other agencies, and these were well attended. We host an on-line series of events called Spotlight which provides local organisations with an opportunity to highlight their service and projects.

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During the year:

79 individuals were signposted.

638 enquiries from groups / organisations / statutory organisations.

13 of those groups 'new'.

213 funding enquiries dealt with.

12 newsletters written and shared with 430+ subscribers.

11 Spotlight – online information sessions hosted.

92 Spotlight participants over the 12 months.

2 x Member Feedback groups hosted with regular attendance from 5/6 DDCVS Members.

Training sessions delivered:

- Safeguarding Awareness
- Dementia Awareness (Hathersage)
- Safeguarding Policy Workshop
- Volunteer Policy Workshop
- Volunteer Passport (5 x 2 hours sessions) for 4 groups
- Dementia Awareness (Ashbourne)
- First Aid at Work
- Budgeting

In June 2024 DDCVS hosted the Funding Fair.

We were joined by Foundation Derbyshire, The National Lottery Community Fund, Severn Trent Community Fund, The National Lottery Heritage Fund, DDDC Local Projects Fund, Active Derbyshire and DDCVS representing the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund and the UKSPF Community Resilience Fund.

The fair was designed to connect local Derbyshire Dales organisations with key funding bodies, and the response exceeded all expectations. Due to overwhelming interest, we reached full capacity and opened a waiting list for additional attendees. 34 local organisations participated, engaging in one-to-one conversations with funders throughout the morning. 7 organisations were supported after the event by the development team with follow-up discussions to explore specific funding opportunities.

The session was open to any local Dales organisations and as a result we recruited 8 new member organisations.

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Social Prescribing

Our Social Prescribing service, New Connections, had a very successful year. A fourth member of the team joined during the year enabling us to work with more clients and achieve more outcomes for people using the service.

During 2024/25, the team received referrals for 381 patients of surgeries in the South Dales Primary Care Network (PCN) and 369 from surgeries in the North Derbyshire Dales PCN.

The top reasons for the patient referral were loneliness / isolation, mental ill health, long term health conditions and caring responsibilities.

The team delivered monthly online Live Well With Pain sessions for the North PCN. 2 Dementia Groups were supported on a monthly basis, as was Baslow Carer's group. A monthly walking group to support those living with Dementia was hosted, in conjunction with Peak Park.

Social Prescribing has been working hard to support those living with chronic pain with monthly Live Well with Pain sessions in Wirksworth and Ashbourne. These sessions are free to attend for anyone who is living with a condition that causes them long term pain and who are registered with a South Dales GP Surgery,

The Social Prescribing team hosted drop-in sessions at Ashbourne Elim Church and delivered a monthly Carers' Café in Wirksworth.

Social Connectedness

The Social Connectedness project has made significant strides in reducing isolation and fostering community engagement across the Derbyshire Dales. Over the course of the year, the project supported 48 new and existing community groups, offering tailored assistance ranging from funding applications and publicity support to governance information and volunteer recruitment support.

Support was provided to a wide range of groups for adults including dementia-friendly initiatives, LGBTQ+ parent groups, lunch clubs, book club, informal coffee and social groups, village halls, singing and music groups, a Pilates group which grew from 6 to 15 participants thanks to targeted support and discretionary funding.

The Social Connectedness Development Worker (SC DW) offered hands-on help with setting up new groups, developing constitutions and policies, and accessing training and funding.

Throughout the year, the SC DW maintained regular contact with groups to ensure ongoing support.

The SC DW's flexible and responsive approach has ensured that support is available when needed, even for groups that may not require immediate assistance but benefit from knowing help is available.

The project has a Social Connectedness Local Action Group, which brings together six key organisations: Derbyshire County Council Public Health, Connex Community Support, The Farming Life Centre, Careline Calling, Hurst Farm Regeneration and DDCVS.

The SC DW played a pivotal role in strengthening the Derbyshire Dales Community Hubs Network. They supported a fellow voluntary service organisation in identifying and connecting with a suitable partner and fostering collaboration. Additionally, the SC DW actively promoted the network to targeted groups and ensured consistent, wide-reaching publicity across the Derbyshire Dales and within the DDCVS membership.

The SC DW also collaborated with partners like Connex to identify gaps in provision, particularly in rural areas like Bradwell.

The SC Discretionary Fund has granted 6 applications during this year.

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Social Connectedness Events

In June 2024, the SC DW organised a Great Get Together Social Connectedness event as part of the national initiative aimed at reducing loneliness and isolation and fostering stronger, united communities. The SC DW invited representatives from the Jo Cox Foundation to attend and present, enriching the event with their insights and expertise.

To ensure accessibility across the geographically dispersed Derbyshire Dales, the event was hosted online, allowing broad participation and enabling Richard and James from the Jo Cox Foundation to join. They shared insights from the Seven Keys to Unlocking Social Connection research, explained the purpose and impact of the Great Get Together campaign, and introduced the More in Common network - highlighting ways individuals and organisations can get involved.

The event opened with a moving performance by the District Musicians, a local organisation, who sang and played music that beautifully showcased their project.

Another standout moment of the year was the September 2024 Socialympics Social Connectedness event, a vibrant celebration of community spirit and connection. Supported by other DDCVS staff and timed to follow their AGM, the event brought together a diverse mix of community groups, volunteers, and members of the public. Attendees enjoyed interactive “have-a-go” sessions led by local organisations such as Stronger for Longer, Age UK Derby & Derbyshire, DFMH, Winster Pickleball and Bakewell Open Doors, showcasing activities like curling and boccia.

The Socialympics served multiple purposes: it reduced isolation by offering a welcoming social space, promoted local services and organisations, encouraged volunteering, and inspired new ideas. Groups such as a village hall were directly influenced by the event, later applying for discretionary funding to purchase their own curling kit after seeing its impact and potential to appeal a wide audience from age 2 - 102. The event also facilitated networking among groups, including refugee support organisations, Parkinson’s support groups, and community transport providers, all of whom gained visibility and new connections.

Children and Young people

A Children and Young People’s Development Worker was appointed during the year. This is a new post funded by Public Health. The role was to focus on supporting people running voluntary-led groups for children and young people and developing new groups.

Children and Young People’s Network

After a period of staff absence, the Development Team restarted the Children and Young People’s Network and relaunched the Network in January 2025, with a small grant scheme for organisations working with Children and Young People, also with a strand around training needs. Thanks to the Derbyshire County Council Public Health Team for their ongoing funding and support for this project.

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Grants Programmes

DDCVS has continued to manage Derbyshire Dales District Council's small grants programme very successfully. This, combined with additional funding from Derbyshire ICB and Derbyshire County Council Public Health, is administered as the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund. We received 49 applications and made 42 awards. Awards totalling £48,542 for projects that supported a local history group with display items, a bench for the skatepark, a new Boules Pitch (see case study), a new heating system for a village hall and running costs for befriending clubs and lunch clubs to name a few.

DDCVS also managed the Public Health Locality Fund and was able to fund several excellent projects with this money.

DDCVS has continued to manage funding for the 'Growing Golden Opportunities' programme focusing on the Emotional Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People.

DDCVS won a tender to manage the Community Resilience Grants programme, part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, on behalf of Derbyshire Dales District Council. This is an exciting opportunity to fund local organisations and we have already funded a number of excellent projects. The funding was available until March 2025. The Community Resilience Grant Fund was managed on behalf of the District Council by DDCVS. The original contract was extended to include feasibility studies and additional grants; the original budget of £210,000 was increased by £105,000 to £315,000 to meet demand. The final open grants round closed in September 2024. Over the course of four grant rounds, the total allocation was paid to CVS to support community development. There were 67 registrations for this scheme and of those, 29 projects were awarded grant, support and signposting to develop the outstanding registrations has taken place. Engagement has been excellent with local communities and Derbyshire Dales CVS has exceeded the contract targets. Final monitoring has been completed and data has produced some notable outputs, including 21 community venues enhanced, 90 new volunteers recruited, and 2600 additional people using services and venues. 2 new social enterprise activities have started, and 2 feasibility studies have been completed.

Grants Awarded: 25 Grants were awarded totalling £241,997 2 Feasibility studies, totalling £34,610, 2 Energy Audits £6,929. Total grants awarded were 29

Staff and Trustee Development

Staff training and development is an important part of the ethos of DDCVS. Again, staff members have engaged in a wide range of training and learning opportunities that will support their work for DDCVS and their own personal development.

Governance, Management and Administration

Once again, DDCVS worked hard to make best use of its resources. DDCVS maintains a healthy level of free reserves relative to its turnover. Our turnover increased during the year. Our Policy Review Sub-Group continued to meet, reviewing all policies on a cyclical basis, and making recommendations to the Board about changes to policy and the development of new policies.

Evelyn Partners again managed our investments during the year. A review of the investments was undertaken and the return on them continued to be satisfactory. Work has been done to gain more income from our cash deposits.

The new accounts package adopted, Xero, has generated improvements in our financial management and reporting. The DDCVS Trustee who acts as Treasurer has access to the system, as does the Chair, adding a layer of transparency to processes.

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Membership

Once again, a significant number of new members were recruited, and this reflected our increased emphasis on ensuring we have a good level of membership within the organisation.

Partnerships

The development of effective partnerships with statutory and voluntary agencies, and the representation of the voluntary sector at a strategic level formed an important part of DDCVS's work. During the year, DDCVS was engaged in many partnership groups including the following:

- Derbyshire Dales 'Place' group
- Dales Health and Wellbeing Partnership
- Dales Local Integration Group
- Derbyshire Community Foundation grants panels
- Derby & Derbyshire Infrastructure Alliance (DDIA)
- Peak District Partnership
- Financial Inclusion sub-group
- Mental Health sub-group
- The UKSPF Board for the Dales

Thanks to our funders.

Thanks for the continued support from all our funders, without which we couldn't carry on with the amazing work we deliver for the Derbyshire Dales community.

Thanks to Derbyshire Dales District Council for their continuing support, the Council have been a lifeline of financial and operational support to the DDCVS team. Through Derbyshire Dales District Council, with support from Public Health, we can deliver the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund. Public Health at Derbyshire County Council also support fund DDCVS for Social Connectedness and the Children and Young People.

Thanks too, to Foundation Derbyshire for their grant to support core development work awarded over 2 years.

DDCVS has a contract with the South Primary Care Network, through which we deliver social prescribing services, thanks to our key contacts and supporters at the PCN to ensure that this service delivers vital support to those in our communities who need it most.

Our work with the Integrated Care Board means that DDCVS is at the heart of decision making around how the NHS 10-year plan supports neighbourhoods in the Derbyshire Dales, we value our relationships with the ICB and the work they are carrying out, as well as the financial support we receive.

DDCVS would not be able to do what we do without our funders and supporters.

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Financial review

Trading results are encouraging, reporting a deficit of £6,862 on unrestricted funds compared to the deficit of £22,111 for year ending March 2024.

As outlined in note 7 to the accounts, the reason for the net expenditure on restricted funds for the year is mainly due to the carry forward of unspent restricted funds from the year ended 31 March 2024 which were spent during the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial position total fund balances were £200,704 of which £57,935 were restricted. The unrestricted funds were £142,769.

The DDCVS acknowledges the difference between cash reserves and funds defined under Charities SORP 2015. The charitable company attempts to break even each year, however unrestricted funds will be allowed to reduce if it can be shown that such a course of action is in the best interests of the organisation.

The Reserves Policy states that restricted reserves are managed rigorously and are not allowed to become negative. Derbyshire Dales CVS will maintain minimum free reserves to meet its statutory obligations to staff and creditors.

Derbyshire Dales CVS will aim to keep a minimum of six months' core running costs in reserves, in addition to the reserves held to meet its statutory obligations. As at 31st March 2025 the reserves met all the criteria in the Reserves Policy.

The principal contract for project funding, was from the Derby and Derbyshire PCN North and Derby and Derbyshire PCN South, for social prescribing. The principal funder for core services was Derbyshire County Council, who funded Policy and Research and Adult Care.

A significant funder for projects was Public Health who funded Social Connectedness, Community Voice and Children Young People. Funding for Community Voice would not continue into 2025/26.

During this period DDCVS were informed that Derbyshire County Council funding would cease at the end of the financial year 2024/25. Efforts were made to replace this funding and Derbyshire Dales District Council committed to augment their existing funding support and agreed to additional funding for 2025/26.

There are no funds or subsidiaries in deficit.

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Structure, governance and management

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service as a Company Limited by Guarantee and Registered Charity, is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association adopted on 30th April 2002 and amended by special resolution dated 29th September 2005 and further amended by special resolution on 21st October 2021.

DDCVS has a Board of Trustees / Directors that is responsible for the governance of DDCVS. A third of trustees must seek re-election at every AGM. The Trustees may appoint additional members to the Board of Trustees to fill vacancies or to bring additional skills and experience to the governance of the organisation. Trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees must seek re-election at the next AGM.

The Board currently meets at least five times a year and makes the use of sub-groups to address particular topics, such as policy review.

DDCVS has Full members and Associate members. Full members have the right to vote at AGMs and EGMs and can nominate people for election to the Board of Trustees. Documents are circulated prior to every AGM informing the membership of the procedures for electing new members to the Board of Trustees and inviting nominations.

New trustees are appointed on the basis that they have appropriate skills and knowledge commensurate with the governance of a Charitable Company, and have knowledge and experience relating to the voluntary and community sector, the area of benefit or communities of interest, or have other specific areas of knowledge or experience that have been identified by the Trustees as valuable to the governance and development of DDCVS.

Trustees are inducted into the organisation by having an initial meeting with the Chair of the Trustees and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO); attending a Board meeting as an observer; being provided with relevant information from DDCVS, the Charity Commission and Companies House about the roles and responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Company Directors; information relating directly to DDCVS (e.g. copies of recent annual reports); and information from the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) relating to the role of Councils for Voluntary Service in a national context. Trustees are encouraged to attend training courses and conferences that will support their role as a Trustee. The Board of Trustees is periodically subject to a skills audit exercise to identify training needs, and gaps on the Board that can be filled through recruitment. The Charity has a Trustee Management Policy that lays out guidelines for recruitment, induction and ongoing management and support of trustees.

The Trustees delegate a large amount of the day-to-day decisions involved in the running of DDCVS to the paid staff, and in particular to the CEO. The CEO reports directly to the Board meetings. However, some decisions are made at Board level, having taken appropriate advice both from the CEO and Finance Manager and other relevant individuals and organisations. Decisions that require Board level agreement might be those that will have a significant financial or operational impact, or that will make significant changes to the way DDCVS is governed and administered.

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The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Martin Townsend

Wendy Amis

Helen Bovey

Noel Fowler

(Appointed 27 March 2025)

Cllr Marilyn Franks

Gill Geddes

Phil Stanyer

C Jennings

(Resigned 25 September 2024)

G Forrest

(Resigned 9 May 2024)

S Chaddha

(Resigned 26 March 2025)

Risk Management

Major risks to which DDCVS might be exposed have been identified by the Board based on information provided by the CEO and Finance Manager. A financial risk monitor document is presented at Board meetings, and a risk register is held and maintained by DDCVS. Where significant risks are identified, a strategy for mitigating those risks will be developed by senior staff and presented to the Board of Trustees for approval. A 'three levels of assurance' approach is taken for each identified risk. The main areas of risk identified by DDCVS, and measures taken to mitigate those risks are as follows.

Funding coming to an end:

Much of the funding received by DDCVS is time-limited and restricted, and a high proportion of the funding comes via local authorities and the Integrated Care Board (ICB). The Board is kept apprised of the current situation regarding funding through the reports received from the Finance Manager, including the provision of cash-flow forecasts to identify potential funding gaps. Where a particular funding stream is known to be coming to an end, or considered to be at risk, a full assessment of the impact of the withdrawal of that funding will be made, and plans put in place to identify and bring in new funding, if this is considered necessary and appropriate.

Inability to secure new funding.

Due to changes in funding priorities, DDCVS can no longer rely on historic funding sources, so needs to identify and apply for new funding.

Major increases in running costs:

By careful budgeting, based on extrapolations from actual expenditure in previous periods and assessment of likely changes to the operating environment of DDCVS, it is expected that DDCVS is unlikely to find itself placed in difficulty by significant unpredicted expenditure. The development of a healthy unrestricted reserve, in line with DDCVS's reserves policy, provides a buffer against unpredictable expenditure. The application of the principles of 'Full Cost Recovery' when making funding applications and bidding for contracts also helps to ensure that DDCVS does not find itself short of basic running costs.

Financial loss due to fraud or human error:

DDCVS has systems and financial procedures in place that minimize the risk of fraud or human error. These systems are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that they are still fit for purpose. Any errors in financial reporting and recording are investigated and actions taken to ensure that they are not repeated.

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Costs related to employment:

Direct employment costs are carefully budgeted. Indirect costs that might arise from employment (e.g. redundancy payments) are covered by having a level of unrestricted reserves that would enable the organisation to meet its statutory obligations to staff, and by having appropriate insurances in place to cover costs incurred as a result of legal action, employment tribunals etc.

Breach of contract:

DDCVS holds several contracts (or similar agreements) with funding bodies and other agencies. DDCVS aims to ensure that the terms of these contracts are adhered to through the effective management and administration of those contracts. DDCVS also has insurances in place to cover the costs incurred as a result of any legal action. DDCVS risk assesses new contracts to ensure that it is not committing itself to a contract that could be damaging to the organisation.

Leasing of property:

DDCVS currently leases office space. DDCVS mitigates risks relating to this by ensuring that the terms of the lease are appropriate to the needs of DDCVS; that a contingency is in place in the Annual Budget to cover the costs of moving premises; and that insurances are in place to ensure the continuation of business in the event of a move.

Failure of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) systems:

Like many organisations, a significant amount of DDCVS's business is conducted through electronic communication. A long-term failure of these systems would have a serious impact on DDCVS's ability to conduct its day-to-day work. An IT strategy is in place to ensure that data is stored and backed-up securely; that hardware and software are maintained to a fit-for-purpose standard. DDCVS has now moved to a cloud-based system which enables very effective remote working. DDCVS regularly reviews its policies and procedures relating to cyber security and puts new measures in place to protect its data.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees, who are also the directors of Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

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

Independent Examiner

UHY Hacker Young were appointed as DDCVS's independent examiners during the year.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Martin Townsend
Trustee

19 November 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity (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 financial statements of the charity 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 financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable 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 Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, 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 that in any material respect:

- 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).

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 financial statements to be reached.

M Mealing BSc FCCA
UHY Hacker Young

Chartered Accountants

Dated: 19 November 2025

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
		funds	funds		funds	funds	
		2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024
Notes		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	500	-	500	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	81,515	312,744	394,259	66,609	687,889	754,498
Investments	5	9,384	-	9,384	-	-	-
Total income		<u>91,399</u>	<u>312,744</u>	<u>404,143</u>	<u>66,609</u>	<u>687,889</u>	<u>754,498</u>
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	8	99,416	570,700	670,116	90,896	518,652	609,548
Total expenditure		<u>99,416</u>	<u>570,700</u>	<u>670,116</u>	<u>90,896</u>	<u>518,652</u>	<u>609,548</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments							
	12	<u>1,155</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,155</u>	<u>2,176</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,176</u>
Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds							
	7	(6,862)	(257,956)	(264,818)	(22,111)	169,237	147,126
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		<u>149,631</u>	<u>315,891</u>	<u>465,522</u>	<u>171,742</u>	<u>146,654</u>	<u>318,396</u>
Fund balances at 31 March 2025							
		<u>142,769</u>	<u>57,935</u>	<u>200,704</u>	<u>149,631</u>	<u>315,891</u>	<u>465,522</u>

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

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

		2025		2024	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	14		86,812		85,657
Current assets					
Debtors	15	7,391		6,364	
Cash at bank and in hand		176,769		408,118	
		184,160		414,482	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(70,268)		(34,617)	
Net current assets			113,892		379,865
Total assets less current liabilities			200,704		465,522
The funds of the charity					
Restricted income funds	17		57,935		315,891
Unrestricted funds	18		142,769		149,631
			200,704		465,522

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 19 November 2025

Martin Townsend
Trustee

Company registration number 04428280 (England and Wales)

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		2025	2024
	Notes	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	21	(240,733)	164,211
Investing activities			
Investment income received		9,384	-
Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities		9,384	-
Net cash used in financing activities		-	-
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(231,349)	164,211
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		408,118	243,907
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		176,769	408,118

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Agricultural Business Centre, Agricultural Way, Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1AH.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's memorandum and articles, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention apart from fixed asset investments which are carried at market value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling with section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Donations and gifts	500	-
	<u>500</u>	<u>-</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

4 Income from charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 £
D&D ICB	25,841	46,363
D&D ICB (Small Grants)	250	1,350
D&D PCN (Soc Prescribing)	160,887	146,384
DCC	36,893	15,378
DCC - Community Voice	18,750	25,000
DCC - GGO Fund	-	95,000
DCC - Public Health (Small Grants)	-	9,000
DCC - Social Connectedness	4,397	35,000
DDDC - Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	38,450
DDDC - Hurst Farm	65,727	103,658
Living Well with Pain (South)	-	888
Localities & Places	-	24,097
MIND Derbyshire	-	4,200
Social Connectedness Enablement Fund	-	1,000
Social prescribing Mobility Scooter	-	1,195
Supporting Dementia	-	7,956
UKSPF	-	132,970
DDDC	31,161	31,161
Project & Service Delivery	42,275	28,226
Administrative Services	780	238
Reprographic Services	3,819	3,159
Equipment & Room Hire	3,400	3,825
Training	80	-
	<u>394,259</u>	<u>754,498</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	81,515	66,609
Restricted funds	312,744	687,889
	<u>394,259</u>	<u>754,498</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Interest receivable	9,384	-

6 Funds received as agent

During the year the charity administered funds on behalf of other entities as their agent. The total funds received and paid by the charity as agent during the year totalled £230,770.

At the year end date of 31 March 2025 the charity held balances on behalf of other entities as their agent totalling £19,506.

7 Explanation of deficit for the year

The net expenditure for the year totalling £264,818 is mainly due to the carry forward of unspent restricted funds from the financial year ended 31 March 2024 which were spent during the financial year ended 31 March 2025.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

8 Charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Direct costs		
Staff costs	351,871	357,989
Staff Travel	4,538	5,217
Telecommunications/IT	13,693	15,407
Events/Meetings	4,040	1,939
Project Grants	236,221	192,647
Professional fees	2,124	1,119
Publications and subscriptions	1,280	1,235
Staff training & development	1,376	350
Staff recruitment	11,043	1,788
Supplies and services	26,651	30,577
Ex-gratia payment	16,000	-
	<u>668,836</u>	<u>608,268</u>
Share of support and governance costs (see note 9)		
Governance	1,280	1,280
	<u>670,116</u>	<u>609,548</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	99,416	90,896
Restricted funds	570,700	518,652
	<u>670,116</u>	<u>609,548</u>

9 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Governance costs	<u>1,280</u>	<u>1,280</u>
Analysed between:		
Independent examination fees	<u>1,280</u>	<u>1,280</u>

10 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
	12	9
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Employment costs	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	313,138	318,413
Social security costs	20,498	21,178
Other pension costs	18,235	18,398
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	351,871	357,989
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

Remuneration of key management personnel

During the year trustees did not receive remuneration.

The key management personnel of the charity consist of the trustees and the Chief Executive Officer.

12 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investments	1,155	2,176
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

13 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

14 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2024	85,657
Valuation changes	1,155
	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2025	86,812
	<u> </u>
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2025	86,812
	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2024	85,657
	<u> </u>

15 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	7,391	6,364
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	35,103	32,750
Accruals and deferred income	35,165	1,867
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	70,268	34,617
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

17 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
CYPN (Localities)	2,926	-	(114)	-	2,812
DCC - GGO Fund	95,000	-	(94,233)	-	767
DCC - GGO for CYP	62,079	-	(23,711)	-	38,368
DCC - Public Health (Small Grants)	419	-	(247)	-	172
DCC - Social Connectedness	35,081	4,397	(34,978)	(4,500)	-
DDDC - Hurst Farm	3,855	65,727	(69,582)	-	-
Engagement Fund	5,319	-	(1,617)	-	3,702
Live Well with Pain (South)	859	-	(797)	-	62
Living Well (Small Grants)	1,562	-	(1,367)	-	195
Localities & Place	4,418	-	(4,412)	-	6
Peak Partners	7,949	-	-	-	7,949
Social Connect Enablement fund	1,000	-	(1,847)	4,500	3,653
Support Dementia	5,718	-	(5,718)	-	-
UKSPF	89,706	-	(89,706)	-	-
DCC - Community Voice	-	18,750	(18,750)	-	-
DCC	-	36,893	(36,893)	-	-
D&D PCN Social Prescribing	-	160,887	(160,887)	-	-
D&D ICB	-	25,841	(25,841)	-	-
D&D ICB (Small Grants)	-	250	-	-	250
	<u>315,891</u>	<u>312,744</u>	<u>(570,700)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>57,935</u>

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

17 Restricted funds

(Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
CYPN (Localities)	3,913	-	(987)	-	2,926
D&D ICB	-	46,363	(46,363)	-	-
D&D ICB (Small Grants)	-	1,350	(1,350)	-	-
D&D PCN (Social Prescribing)	-	146,384	(146,384)	-	-
DCC	-	15,378	(15,378)	-	-
DCC - Community Voice	-	25,000	(25,000)	-	-
DCC - Cost of Living	4,500	-	(4,500)	-	-
DCC - GGO fund	-	95,000	-	-	95,000
DCC - GGO for CYP	70,911	-	(8,832)	-	62,079
DCC - Public Health (Small Grants)	545	9,000	(9,126)	-	419
DCC - Social Connectedness	21,714	35,000	(21,633)	-	35,081
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales fund	-	38,450	(38,450)	-	-
DDDC- Hurst Farm	-	103,658	(99,803)	-	3,855
Engagement fund	9,702	-	(4,383)	-	5,319
Live Well with Pain (South)	-	888	(29)	-	859
Living Well (Small Grants)	7,600	-	(6,038)	-	1,562
Localities & Place	18,840	24,097	(38,519)	-	4,418
MIND Derbyshire	-	4,200	(4,200)	-	-
Peak Partners	7,949	-	-	-	7,949
Social Connect Enablement fund	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Social Prescribing Mobility Scooter	500	1,195	(1,695)	-	-
Supporting Dementia	-	7,956	(2,238)	-	5,718
Ukraine in Heart	480	-	(480)	-	-
UKSPF	-	132,970	(43,264)	-	89,706
	<u>146,654</u>	<u>687,889</u>	<u>518,652</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>315,891</u>

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

17 Restricted funds

(Continued)

CYPN (Localities)

Funding to support work related to the Children and Young People Network.

DCC – GGO fund

The Growing Golden Opportunities grants project is to promote an asset-based community approach to positively impact upon the emotional wellbeing of children and young people in the Derbyshire Dales.

DCC – GGO for CYP

The Growing Golden Opportunities project for Children and Young People funding to improve the emotional health and well being of children and young people in the Derbyshire Dales.

DCC – Public Health (Small Grants)

Funding for grants to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

DCC – Social Connectedness

Funding from Derbyshire Dales Health & Wellbeing Partnership to develop a district wide Action Group, develop an action plan to raise the profile of social connectedness and fund projects which improve social connectedness for people who are lonely or isolated, or at risk of being lonely or isolated and monitor the progress.

DDDC – Better Derbyshire Dales Fund

Funding to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisations that are working within the Derbyshire Dales, administered on behalf of Derbyshire Dales District Council.

DDDC – Hurst Farm

Funding to work strategically with the community and partner organisations to meet the needs of the community of Hurst Farm and develop and deliver the Estate Regeneration Plan.

Engagement Fund

Funds to provide individual funding payments to participants of Social Prescribing.

Live Well with Pain (South)

Funding for the establishment of two chronic pain peer support groups in Ashbourne and Wirksworth.

Living Well (Small Grants)

Funding to focus on adult mental health in the Derbyshire Dales.

Localities and Place

Fund to provide support for families and communities to address vulnerability.

Peak Partners

Grant to develop and explore ways in which local organisations could work together more effectively to tackle local issues.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

17 Restricted funds

(Continued)

Social Connectedness Enablement Fund

A discretionary fund to support voluntary and community groups working to improve social connectedness.

Supporting Dementia

A project to help fund supportive activities for those living with dementia and for their carers.

UKSPF

The UK Shared Prosperity Fund is to enable the awarding of Community Resilience grants as part of the UK Government's levelling up agenda.

18 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	149,631	91,399	(99,416)	1,155	142,769
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	171,742	66,609	(90,896)	2,176	149,631

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
At 31 March 2025:			
Investments	86,812	-	86,812
Current assets/(liabilities)	55,957	57,935	113,892
	142,769	57,935	200,704

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

(Continued)

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
At 31 March 2024:			
Investments	85,657	-	85,657
Current assets/(liabilities)	63,974	315,891	379,865
	<u>149,631</u>	<u>315,891</u>	<u>465,522</u>

20 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).

21 Cash generated from operations

	2025 £	2024 £
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	(264,818)	147,126
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(9,384)	-
Fair value gains and losses on investments	(1,155)	(2,176)
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(1,027)	92,213
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	35,651	(72,952)
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	<u>(240,733)</u>	<u>164,211</u>

22 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no material debt during the year.

Accounts

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Company Registration Number 04428280
Charity Number 1093087

DERBY COMMUNITY ACCOUNTANCY SERVICE

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**DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The Board of Trustees

Martin Townsend	Chair
Gill Geddes	
Phil Stanyer	Treasurer to 27 th September 2023
Cllr Tony Morley	Resigned 13 th July 2023
Helen Bovey	
Carolyn Jennings	
Wendy Amis	
Grant Forrest	
Cllr Marilyn Franks	Appointed 13 th July 2023
Shane Chaddha	Appointed Treasurer 27 th September 2023

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The trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Structure, Governance and Management of DDCVS

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service (hereinafter referred to as DDCVS), as a Company Limited by Guarantee and Registered Charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association adopted on 30th April 2002 and amended by special resolution dated 29th September 2005 and further amended by special resolution on 21st October 2021.

DDCVS has a Board of Trustees / Directors that is responsible for the governance of DDCVS. A third of trustees must seek re-election at every AGM. The Trustees may appoint additional members to the Board of Trustees to fill vacancies or to bring additional skills and experience to the governance of the organisation. Trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees must seek re-election at the next AGM.

The Board currently meets at least five times a year, and makes the use of sub-groups to address particular topics, such as policy review.

DDCVS has Full members and Associate members. Full members have the right to vote at AGMs and EGMs and can nominate people for election to the Board of Trustees. Documents are circulated prior to every AGM informing the membership of the procedures for electing new members to the Board of Trustees and inviting nominations.

New trustees are appointed on the basis that they have appropriate skills and knowledge commensurate with the governance of a Charitable Company, and have knowledge and experience relating to the voluntary and community sector, the area of benefit or communities of interest, or have other specific areas of knowledge or experience that have been identified by the Trustees as valuable to the governance and development of DDCVS.

Trustees are inducted into the organisation by having an initial meeting with the Chair of the Trustees; attending a Board meeting as an observer; being provided with relevant information from DDCVS, The Charity Commission and Companies House about the roles and responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Company Directors; information relating directly to DDCVS (e.g. copies of recent annual reports); and information from the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) relating to the role of Councils for Voluntary Service in a national context. Trustees are encouraged to attend training courses and conferences that will support their role as a Trustee. The Board of Trustees is periodically subject to a skills audit exercise to identify training needs, and gaps on the Board that can be filled through recruitment. The Charity recently adopted a Trustee Management Policy that lays out guidelines for recruitment, induction and ongoing management and support of trustees.

The Trustees delegate a large amount of the day-to-day decisions involved in the running of DDCVS to the paid staff, and in particular to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO reports directly to the Board meetings. However, some decisions are made at Board level, having taken appropriate advice both from the CEO and Finance Manager and other relevant individuals and organisations. Decisions that require Board level agreement might be those that will have a significant financial or operational impact, or that will make significant changes to the way DDCVS is governed and administered.

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Risk Management

Major risks to which DDCVS might be exposed have been identified by the Board based on information provided by the CEO and Finance Manager. A financial risk monitor document is presented at Board meetings, and a risk register is held and maintained by DDCVS. Where significant risks are identified, a strategy for mitigating those risks will be developed by senior staff and presented to the Board of Trustees for approval. A 'three levels of assurance' approach is taken for each identified risk. The main areas of risk identified by DDCVS, and measures taken to mitigate those risks are as follows.

Funding coming to an end:

Much of the funding received by DDCVS is time-limited and restricted, and a high proportion of the funding comes via local authorities and the Integrated Care Board (ICB). The Board is kept apprised of the current situation regarding funding through the reports received from the Finance Manager, including the provision of cash-flow forecasts to identify potential funding gaps. Where a particular funding stream is known to be coming to an end, or considered to be at risk, a full assessment of the impact of the withdrawal of that funding will be made, and plans put in place to identify and bring in new funding, if this is considered necessary and appropriate.

Major increases in running costs:

By careful budgeting, based on extrapolations from actual expenditure in previous periods and assessment of likely changes to the operating environment of DDCVS, it is expected that DDCVS is unlikely to find itself placed in difficulty by significant unpredicted expenditure. The development of a healthy unrestricted reserve, in line with DDCVS's reserves policy, provides a buffer against unpredictable expenditure. The application of the principles of 'Full Cost Recovery' when making funding applications and bidding for contracts also helps to ensure that DDCVS does not find itself short of basic running costs.

Financial loss due to fraud or human error:

DDCVS has systems and financial procedures in place that minimize the risk of fraud or human error. These systems are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that they are still fit for purpose. Any errors in financial reporting and recording are investigated and actions taken to ensure that they are not repeated.

Costs related to employment:

Direct employment costs are carefully budgeted. Indirect costs that might arise from employment (e.g. redundancy payments) are covered by having a level of unrestricted reserves that would enable the organisation to meet its statutory obligations to staff, and by having appropriate insurances in place to cover costs incurred as a result of legal action, employment tribunals etc.

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Breach of contract:

DDCVS holds a number of contracts (or similar agreements) with funding bodies and other agencies. DDCVS aims to ensure that the terms of these contracts are adhered to through the effective management and administration of those contracts. DDCVS also has insurances in place to cover the costs incurred as a result of any legal action. DDCVS risk assesses new contracts to ensure that it is not committing itself to a contract that could be damaging to the organisation.

Leasing of property:

DDCVS currently leases office space. DDCVS mitigates risks relating to this by ensuring that the terms of the lease are appropriate to the needs of DDCVS; that a contingency is in place in the Annual Budget to cover the costs of moving premises; and that insurances are in place to ensure the continuation of business in the event of a move.

Failure of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) systems:

Like many organisations, a significant amount of DDCVS's business is conducted through electronic communication. A long-term failure of these systems would have a serious impact on DDCVS's ability to conduct its day-to-day work. An IT strategy is in place to ensure that data is stored and backed-up securely; that hardware and software are maintained to a fit-for-purpose standard. DDCVS has now moved to a cloud-based system which enables very effective remote working. DDCVS regularly reviews its policies and procedures relating to cyber security and puts new measures in place to protect its data.

Objectives and Activities of DDCVS and Public Benefit

The Objects of DDCVS, as stated in its governing document, are as follows.

3.1: To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community primarily, but not exclusively, in the local government district of Derbyshire Dales (hereinafter called the area of benefit) and, in particular the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.

3.2: To promote and organize co-operation and partnerships in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end, to bring together in council, representatives of the voluntary and other organisations and statutory authorities in the area of benefit.

In accordance with these objects, DDCVS has the following aims:

- Work with local voluntary organisations, statutory agencies and communities to identify needs and facilitate improved service provision to meet those needs.
- Work with local voluntary and community organisations to enable them to function effectively and deliver quality services.
- Facilitate effective communication and collaboration amongst local voluntary and community groups.

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- Represent the views of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS), and wider communities at a strategic level, ensuring their views are taken into account by policy makers.
- Facilitate effective communication between the voluntary and statutory sectors and wider communities.

DDCVS engages in the following activities to meet these aims:

- Information to the VCS through our website, social media and e-mail bulletins.
- Training opportunities for the voluntary sector on a diverse range of topics all related to improving the effectiveness, sustainability and quality of their organisations.
- Extensive support to VCS organisations that need advice, help and support in the running of their organisations. This can range from a one-off piece of advice about a particular concern, through to hundreds of hours of support in major organisational development projects.
- Advice and support in identifying funding sources and making funding applications, and in income diversification / social enterprise.
- The promotion and administration of a small grants programme and other grants programmes to benefit local voluntary organisations.
- Running projects with a focus on supporting people in need, and a community development programme, such as Social Prescribing.
- Providing a base for other voluntary organisations.
- Providing practical services such as photocopying, equipment loans and providing meeting space. These services are used by a wide range of organisations large and small.
- Developing joint projects with other organisations in both the voluntary and statutory sector.
- Developing collaborative working between voluntary sector organisations in the area.
- Representing the VCS at strategic level by attending Derbyshire Dales Place Alliance, and the Health and Wellbeing Partnership; by acting as a Board Member of the Peak District Partnership; by serving on the sub-committees of the PDP; and by being involved in various forums relating to themes such as youth, older people, health and the environment.

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

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Achievements and performance

During the year, DDCVS has made achievements in the following areas of work.

Practical Support

DDCVS continues to support the local voluntary sector by providing low-cost practical services such as financial work, photocopying, loan of equipment and the provision of meeting space.

Information, advice, training and development support

We delivered advice, information, support and training to one-hundred and thirty-three local organisations during the year. A wide variety of support was offered to clients ranging from simple one-off pieces of advice about constitutional issues or funding applications, through to the development of major projects and full organisational reviews. The provision of advice about sources of funding and making effective funding applications continues to be a very busy area of work, as does the governance of charities, charitable companies and community interest companies.

DDCVS ran a number of on-line networking events, members' events and funding events for local groups and other agencies, and these were well attended. We run an on-line series of events called Spotlight which provides local organisations with an opportunity to highlight their service and projects.

Projects and other notable pieces of work

Estate Regeneration Project – Hurst Farm Estate.

The Regeneration Project on Hurst Farm in Matlock has again been a considerable piece of work for DDCVS during the year, and considerable progress has been made by working closely in partnership with Derbyshire Dales District Council, Platform Housing, Friends of Hurst Farm, Hurst Farm Social Club, and many others. This year saw the establishment of Hurst Farm Regeneration Ltd, a Community Benefit Society that will deliver the HLF funded Heritage Trail project and will manage the woodland and green spaces around the Estate. A Business Manager and Ranger have been appointed, along with an Apprentice who is employed by DDDC.

Social Prescribing

Our Social Prescribing service, New Connections, had a very successful year. A fourth member of the team joined during the year enabling us to work with more clients and achieve more outcomes for people using the service. During the year we worked with a remarkable almost 700 clients across the Derbyshire Dales.

Social Connectedness

A Social Connectedness Development Worker was appointed during the year. This role has a focus on supporting small groups and communities to bring together people who may be experiencing loneliness and isolation.

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Children and Young people

A Children and Young People's Development Worker was appointed during the year. This is a new post funded by Public Health. The role will focus on supporting people running voluntary-led groups for children and young people and developing new groups.

Community Voice

The Community Voice project aims to provide reliable information about Covid and other health and wellbeing matters to the community, and to gather views and information that can be fed back to Public Health and the Integrated Care Board(ICB). A regular newsletter is produced, and our staff member attends many forums and networking events to promote the project.

Grants Programmes

DDCVS has continued to manage Derbyshire Dales District Council's small grants programme very successfully. This, combined with additional funding from Derbyshire ICB and Derbyshire County Council Public Health, is administered as the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund, and has given grants to many local voluntary and community organisations.

DDCVS also managed the Public Health Locality Fund and was able to fund a number of excellent projects with this money.

DDCVS has continued to manage funding for the 'Growing Golden Opportunities' programme focusing on the Emotional Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People.

DDCVS won a tender to manage the Community Resilience Grants programme, part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, on behalf of Derbyshire Dales District Council. This is an exciting opportunity to fund local organisations and we have already funded a number of excellent projects. The funding is available until March 2025.

Staff and Trustee Development

Staff training and development is an important part of the ethos of DDCVS. Again staff members have engaged in a wide range of training and learning opportunities that will support their work for DDCVS and their own personal development.

Governance, Management and Administration

Once again, DDCVS worked hard to make best use of its resources. DDCVS maintains a healthy level of free reserves relative to its turnover. Our turnover increased during the year.

Our Policy Review Sub-Group continued to meet, reviewing all policies on a cyclical basis, and making recommendations to the Board about changes to policy and the development of new policies.

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Evelyn Partners again managed our investments during the year. A review of the investments was undertaken and the return on them continued to be satisfactory. Work has been done to gain more income from our cash deposits. Two new interest-bearing accounts have been opened with the first deposits being made in April 2024.

We have been working towards adopting a new accounts package which we hope will lead to further improvements in our financial management and reporting.

Once again, a significant number of new members were recruited, and this reflected our increased emphasis on ensuring we have a good level of membership within the organisation.

We continued to work toward the targets in our Forward Plan, with the main focus being on increasing income, and on reviewing our approach to membership.

Partnerships

The development of effective partnerships with statutory and voluntary agencies, and the representation of the voluntary sector at a strategic level formed an important part of DDCVS's work. During the year, DDCVS was engaged in many partnership groups including the following:

- Derbyshire Dales 'Place' group
- Dales Health and Wellbeing Partnership
- Dales Local Integration Group
- Derbyshire Community Foundation grants panels
- Derby & Derbyshire Infrastructure Alliance (DDIA)
- Peak District Partnership
- Financial Inclusion sub-group.
- Mental Health sub-group.
- The UKSPF Board for the Dales.

Plans for the future

In the coming year, we will focus on the following priorities.

- Continue to deliver high quality information, advice, training and support to local voluntary and not-for-profit organisations.
- Continue to deliver the Estate Regeneration project of Hurst Farm.
- Further develop our Social Prescribing service.
- Deliver Social Connectedness
- Deliver the Community Voice Project.
- Deliver support for groups working with Children and Young People.
- Administer the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund, the Public Health Locality Fund, Social Connectedness Fund, Community Resilience Grants and the Growing Golden Opportunities Fund.
- Adopt a new Client Management System.
- Adopt a new accounts package.

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Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

Company law requires the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Board of Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Company will continue on that basis.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for maintaining 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 1985 and any subsequent revisions of that act. The Board of Trustees is 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.

Members of the Board of Trustees, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out at the start of this report.

Accountants

Derby Community Accountancy Service were again appointed as DDCVS's auditors during the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on **21st August 2024** and signed on its behalf by:

Martin Townsend

Martin Townsend
Chair of Derbyshire Dales CVS

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 11 to 24.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: **21st August 2024**

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2024 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023 £
Income from:					
Donations	3	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	66,609	687,889	754,498	387,655
Investment income	5	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		66,609	687,889	754,498	387,655
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		90,896	518,652	609,548	454,497
Total expenditure	6	90,896	518,652	609,548	454,497
Net income (expenditure)		(24,287)	169,237	144,950	(66,842)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(24,287)	169,237	144,950	(66,842)
Unrealised gain/(loss) on investments		2,176	-	2,176	(4,091)
Fund balances at 1 Apr 2023		171,742	146,654	318,396	389,329
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		149,631	315,891	465,522	318,396

The company had no new or discontinued activities during the year.

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets			
UK Investments	10	85,657	83,481
Current assets			
Debtors	11	6,364	98,577
Cash at bank and in hand		408,118	243,907
		<u>414,482</u>	<u>342,484</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(34,617)	(107,569)
Net current assets		<u>379,865</u>	<u>234,915</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>465,522</u>	<u>318,396</u>
Net assets		<u>465,522</u>	<u>318,396</u>
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted	13	315,891	146,654
Unrestricted – general reserves	13	149,631	171,742
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>465,522</u>	<u>318,396</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2024 the company 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 accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

These financial statements were approved by the directors and authorised for issue on **21st August 2024** and are signed on their behalf by:

Martin Townsend
Martin Townsend
Director

Company Registration Number: 04428280

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Company information

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service is a company limited by guarantee not having any share capital. The company's registered office is at the Agricultural Business Centre, Agricultural Way, Bakewell, DE45 1AH. At the end of the year there were 8 Trustees, each of whom, under the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, had undertaken to contribute the sum not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up of the company.

1.1 Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2016. The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in Sterling which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared on historical cost convention apart from fixed asset investments which are carried at market value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Gifts in kind have been included at market value of gifts received and in assets acquired. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

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1.5 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources. Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in the support of the charitable activities.

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discounts offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the company's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimated and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

3. Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2024	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations and fundraising	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2024	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023
	£	£	£	£
CYPN (Localities)	-	--	-	4,228
D&D ICB	-	46,363	46,363	46,213
D&D ICB (Small Grants)	-	1,350	1,350	1,500
D&D PCN (Soc Prescribing)	-	146,384	146,384	109,295
DCC	-	15,378	15,378	15,378
DCC - Community Voice	-	25,000	25,000	6,250
DCC - Contain	-	-	-	9,000
DCC - Cost of Living	-	-	-	13,875
DCC - GGO Fund	-	95,000	95,000	-
DCC - Public Health (Small Grants)	-	9,000	9,000	9,000
DCC - Social Connectedness	-	35,000	35,000	-
DDDC - Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	38,450	38,450	39,538
DDDC - Hurst Farm	-	103,658	103,658	49,992
Engagement Fund	-	-	-	(225)
Living Well with Pain (South)	-	888	888	-
Living Well (Small Grants)	-	-	-	(400)
Localities & Places	-	24,097	24,097	27,827
MIND Derbyshire	-	4,200	4,200	-
Social Connectedness Enablement Fund	-	1,000	1,000	-
Social prescribing Mobility Scooter	-	1,195	1,195	500
Supporting Dementia	-	7,956	7,956	-
Ukraine in Heart	-	-	-	500
UKSPF	-	132,970	132,970	-
DDDC	31,161	-	31,161	31,161
Project & Service Delivery	28,226	-	28,226	16,158
Administrative Services	238	-	238	85
Reprographic Services	3,159	-	3,159	3,115
Equipment & Room Hire	3,825	-	3,825	4,665
	<u>66,609</u>	<u>687,889</u>	<u>754,498</u>	<u>387,655</u>

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5. Investment income

	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2024 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023 £
Bank interest receivable (unrestricted)	-	-

6. Analysis of expenditure (unrestricted and restricted)

	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2024 £	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2023 £
Employment costs	357,989	294,747
Staff Travel	5,217	3,248
Telecommunications/IT	15,407	12,259
Events/Meetings	1,939	764
Project Grants	192,647	115,992
Community Involvement	-	13
Professional fees	2,399	2,257
Publications and subscriptions	1,235	1,324
Staff training & development	350	661
Staff Recruitment	1,788	56
Supplies and services	30,577	23,176
	609,548	454,497

Expenditure on charitable activities was £609,548 (2023: £454,497) of which £518,652 was restricted (2023: £374,387).

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7. Net (expenditure)/income

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent Examiner's Fees	<u>1,280</u>	<u>1,200</u>

8. Directors and key management personnel

During the year trustees did not receive remuneration.

The key management personnel of the charity consist of the trustees and the Chief Executive Officer.

9. Employees

The average monthly number of persons employed during the year was

	Year to 31 Mar 2024	Year to 31 Mar 2023
	No	No
Charitable activities	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>

Employment costs

	Year to 31 Mar 2024	Year to 31 Mar 2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	318,413	261,286
Social security costs	21,178	16,027
Pension costs	18,398	17,434
	<u>357,989</u>	<u>294,747</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 per annum.

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10. Fixed Asset Investments

	2024 £	2023 £
UK Quoted Investments		
Market Value at start of year	83,481	87,572
Acquisitions at Cost	-	-
Disposals at opening book value	-	-
Net unrealised investment loss/gains	2,176	(4,091)
	<u>85,657</u>	<u>83,481</u>
Market Value at end of year	85,657	83,481
	<u>52,145</u>	<u>52,145</u>
Historical Cost at end of year	52,145	52,145
The investment portfolio consists of the following UK investment:		
Evelyn Partners Managed Investment Fund	<u>85,657</u>	<u>83,481</u>

11. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	6,364	98,577
Accrued Income	-	-
	<u>6,364</u>	<u>98,577</u>

12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Grants in Advance	32,750	105,177
Accruals	1,867	2,392
	<u>34,617</u>	<u>107,569</u>

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13. Analysis of movements in unrestricted and restricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2023 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Unrealised (Loss)/Gain £	Transfers	At 31Mar 2024 £
Unrestricted- General Reserves	171,742	66,609	(90,896)	2,176	-	149,631
Total unrestricted funds	171,742	66,609	(90,896)	2,176	-	149,631
 CYPN (Localities)	 3,913	 -	 (987)	 -	 -	 2,926
D&D ICB	-	46,363	(46,363)	-	-	-
D&D ICB (Small Grants)	-	1,350	(1,350)	-	-	-
D&D PCN (Social Prescribing)	-	146,384	(146,384)	-	-	-
DCC	-	15,378	(15,378)	-	-	-
DCC - Community Voice	-	25,000	(25,000)	-	-	-
DCC - Cost of Living	4,500	-	(4,500)	-	-	-
DCC - GGO fund	-	95,000	-	-	-	95,000
DCC - GGO for CYP	70,911	-	(8,832)	-	-	62,079
DCC - Public Health (Small Grants)	545	9,000	(9,126)	-	-	419
DCC - Social Connectedness	21,714	35,000	(21,633)	-	-	35,081
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales fund	-	38,450	(38,450)	-	-	-
DDDC- Hurst Farm	-	103,658	(99,803)	-	-	3,855
Engagement fund	9,702	-	(4,383)	-	-	5,319
Live Well with Pain (South)	-	888	(29)	-	-	859
Living Well (Small Grants)	7,600	-	(6,038)	-	-	1,562
Localities & Place	18,840	24,097	(38,519)	-	-	4,418
MIND Derbyshire	-	4,200	(4,200)	-	-	-
Peak Partners	7,949	-	-	-	-	7,949
Social Connect Enablement fund	-	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Social Prescribing Mobility Scooter	500	1,195	(1,695)	-	-	-
Supporting Dementia	-	7,956	(2,238)	-	-	5,718
Ukraine in Heart	480	-	(480)	-	-	-
UKSPF	-	132,970	(43,264)	-	-	89,706
 Total restricted funds	 146,654	 687,889	 (518,652)	 -	 -	 315,891
 Total funds	 318,396	 754,498	 (609,548)	 2,176	 -	 465,522

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14. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Tangible fixed assets £	Other net assets £	Total £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted Reserves	85,657	63,974	149,631
 Restricted funds			
CYPN (Localities)	-	2,926	2,926
DCC - GGO fund	-	95,000	95,000
DCC - GGO for CYP	-	62,079	62,079
DCC - Public Health (Small Grants)	-	419	419
DCC - Social Connectedness	-	35,081	35,081
DDDC - Hurst Farm	-	3,855	3,855
Engagement fund	-	5,319	5,319
Live Well with Pain (South)	-	859	859
Living Well (Small Grants)	-	1,562	1,562
Localities & Places	-	4,418	4,418
Peak Partners	-	7,949	7,949
Social Connected Enablement fund	-	1,000	1,000
Supporting Dementia	-	5,718	5,718
UKSPF	-	89,706	89,706
 Total funds	 85,657	 379,865	 465,522

15. Related party transactions

The charity had no related party transactions that required disclosure.

16. Leasehold Commitment

The charity entered into a 12 year lease on 1st April 2008 for the rental of the business premises. The term of the lease is at an annual rental of £10,790 plus VAT and thereafter reviewed every three years at market value.

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Description of Funds

CYPN (Localities)

Funding to support work related to the Children and Young People Network.

D&D ICB and D&D ICB (Small Grants)

Funding for the core activities of the CVS, developing and providing information to local voluntary and community groups and providing small grants to community groups in the Derbyshire Dales for health and well-being activities.

D&D PCN (Social Prescribing)

Funding to develop and deliver a Social Prescribing service in the Derbyshire Dales that will link patients referred from GP surgeries in the Derbyshire Dales Primary Care Network with appropriate services and support from the voluntary, community and non-profit sector and inform and support the development of new and additional services that would be beneficial to patients in the Derbyshire Dales.

DCC

Funding to deliver core activities of the CVS – supporting local and voluntary community groups and engaging in strategic work with statutory and voluntary sector partners.

DCC – Community Voice

Funding to support Derbyshire in the dissemination of health and wellbeing advice and information following COVID-19.

DCC – Cost of Living

Assisting voluntary groups within the Derbyshire Dales to fund activities to help alleviate the impact of the rise in the cost of living for those in need.

DCC – GGO fund

The Growing Golden Opportunities grants project is to promote an asset-based community approach to positively impact upon the emotional wellbeing of children and young people in the Derbyshire Dales.

DCC – GGO for CYP

The Growing Golden Opportunities project for Children and Young People funding to improve the emotional health and well being of children and young people in the Derbyshire Dales.

DCC – Public Health (Small Grants)

Funding for grants to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

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DCC – Social Connectedness

Funding from Derbyshire Dales Health & Wellbeing Partnership to develop a district wide Action Group, develop an action plan to raise the profile of social connectedness and fund projects which improve social connectedness for people who are lonely or isolated, or at risk of being lonely or isolated and monitor the progress.

DDDC – Better Derbyshire Dales Fund

Funding to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisations that are working within the Derbyshire Dales, administered on behalf of Derbyshire Dales District Council.

DDDC – Hurst Farm

Funding to work strategically with the community and partner organisations to meet the needs of the community of Hurst Farm and develop and deliver the Estate Regeneration Plan.

Engagement Fund

Funds to provide individual funding payments to participants of Social Prescribing.

Live Well with Pain (South)

Funding for the establishment of two chronic pain peer support groups in Ashbourne and Wirksworth.

Living Well (Small Grants)

Funding to focus on adult mental health in the Derbyshire Dales.

Localities and Place

Fund to provide support for families and communities to address vulnerability.

MIND Derbyshire

Funding via MIND Derbyshire for the development and delivery of nature prescriptions in conjunction with the RSPB and the Peak District National Park Authority.

Peak Partners

Grant to develop and explore ways in which local organisations could work together more effectively to tackle local issues.

Social Connectedness Enablement Fund

A discretionary fund to support voluntary and community groups working to improve social connectedness

Social Prescribing Mobility Scooter

Raising funds from awarding bodies to fund a mobility scooter for one of our social prescribing clients in the Derbyshire Dales.

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Supporting Dementia

A project to help fund supportive activities for those living with dementia and for their carers.

Ukraine in Heart

Supporting a group of Ukrainian women to organise activities for themselves and other residents in Ashbourne.

UKSPF

The UK Shared Prosperity Fund is to enable the awarding of Community Resilience grants as part of the UK Government's levelling up agenda.

Accounts

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The Board of Trustees

Martin Townsend	Chair
Gill Geddes	
Phil Stanyer	Treasurer
Cllr Tony Morley	
Helen Bovey	
Carolyn Jennings	Appointed 12 th May 2022
Wendy Amis	Appointed 21 st September 2022
Grant Forest	Appointed 21 st September 2022

Registered office

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The trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Structure, Governance and Management of DDCVS

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service (hereinafter referred to as DDCVS), as a Company Limited by Guarantee and Registered Charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association adopted on 30th April 2002 and amended by special resolution dated 29th September 2005 and further amended by special resolution on 21st October 2021.

DDCVS has a Board of Trustees / Directors that is responsible for the governance of DDCVS. A third of trustees must seek re-election at every AGM. The Trustees may appoint additional members to the Board of Trustees to fill vacancies or to bring additional skills and experience to the governance of the organisation. Trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees must seek re-election at the next AGM.

The Board currently meets five times a year.

DDCVS has Full members and Associate members. Full members have the right to vote at AGMs and EGMs, and can nominate people for election to the Board of Trustees. Documents are circulated prior to every AGM informing the membership of the procedures for electing new members to the Board of Trustees and inviting nominations.

New trustees are appointed on the basis that they have appropriate skills and knowledge commensurate with the governance of a Charitable Company, and have knowledge and experience relating to the voluntary and community sector, the area of benefit or communities of interest, or have other specific areas of knowledge or experience that have been identified by the Trustees as valuable to the governance and development of DDCVS.

Trustees are inducted into the organisation by having an initial meeting with the Chair of the Trustees; attending a Board meeting as an observer; being provided with relevant information from DDCVS, The Charity Commission and Companies House about the roles and responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Company Directors; information relating directly to DDCVS (e.g. copies of recent annual reports); and information from the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) relating to the role of Councils for Voluntary Service in a national context. Trustees are encouraged to attend training courses and conferences that will support their role as a Trustee. The Board of Trustees is periodically subject to a skills audit exercise to identify training needs, and gaps on the Board that can be filled through recruitment.

The Trustees delegate a large amount of the day-to-day decisions involved in the running of DDCVS to the paid staff, and in particular to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO reports directly to the Board meetings. However, some decisions are made at Board level, having taken appropriate advice both from the CEO and other relevant individuals and organisations. Decisions that require Board level agreement might be those that will have a significant financial or operational impact, or that will make significant changes to the way DDCVS is governed and administered.

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Risk Management

Major risks to which DDCVS might be exposed have been identified by the Board based on information provided by the CEO and Finance Manager. A financial risk monitor document is presented to each Board meeting, and a risk register is held and maintained by DDCVS. Where significant risks are identified, a strategy for mitigating those risks will be developed by senior staff and presented to the Board of Trustees for approval. The main areas of risk identified by DDCVS, and measures taken to mitigate those risks are as follows.

Funding coming to an end:

Much of the funding received by DDCVS is time-limited and restricted, and a high proportion of the funding comes via local authorities and the Derby and Derbyshire Integrated Care Board (ICB). The Board is kept apprised of the current situation regarding funding through the reports received from the Finance Manager, including the provision of cash-flow forecasts to identify potential funding gaps. Where a particular funding stream is known to be coming to an end, or considered to be at risk, a full assessment of the impact of the withdrawal of that funding will be made, and plans put in place to identify and bring in new funding, if this is considered necessary and appropriate.

Major increases in running costs:

By careful budgeting, based on extrapolations from actual expenditure in previous periods and assessment of likely changes to the operating environment of DDCVS, it is expected that DDCVS is unlikely to find itself placed in difficulty by significant unpredicted expenditure. The development of a healthy unrestricted reserve, in line with DDCVS's reserves policy, provides a buffer against unpredictable expenditure. The application of the principles of 'Full Cost Recovery' when making funding applications also helps to ensure that DDCVS does not find itself short of basic running costs.

Financial loss due to fraud or human error:

DDCVS has systems and financial procedures in place that minimize the risk of fraud or human error. These systems are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that they are still fit for purpose. Any errors in financial reporting and recording are investigated and actions taken to ensure that they are not repeated.

Costs related to employment:

Direct employment costs are carefully budgeted. Indirect costs that might arise from employment (e.g. redundancy payments) are covered by having a level of unrestricted reserves that would enable the organisation to meet its statutory obligations to staff, and by having appropriate insurances in place to cover costs incurred as a result of legal action, employment tribunals etc.

Breach of contract:

DDCVS holds a number of contracts (or similar agreements) with funding bodies and other agencies. DDCVS aims to ensure that the terms of these contracts are adhered to through the effective management and administration of those contracts. DDCVS also has insurances in place to cover the costs incurred as a result of any legal action. DDCVS risk assesses new contracts to ensure that it is not committing itself to a contract that could be damaging to the organisation.

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Leasing of property:

DDCVS currently leases office space. DDCVS mitigates risks relating to this by ensuring that the terms of the lease are appropriate to the needs of DDCVS; that a contingency is in place in the Annual Budget to cover the costs of moving premises; and that insurances are in place to ensure the continuation of business in the event of a move.

Failure of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) systems:

Like many organisations, a significant amount of DDCVS's business is conducted through electronic communication. A long-term failure of these systems would have a serious impact on DDCVS's ability to conduct its day-to-day work. An IT strategy is in place to ensure that data is stored and backed-up securely; that hardware and software are maintained to a fit-for-purpose. We have recently changed our IT provider and have moved all of our IT to the cloud and adopted Microsoft 365. We have also taken steps to improve our cyber security.

Objectives and Activities of DDCVS and Public Benefit

The Objects of DDCVS, as stated in its governing document, are as follows.

3.1: To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community primarily, but not exclusively, in the local government district of Derbyshire Dales (hereinafter called the area of benefit) and, in particular the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.'

3.2: To promote and organize co-operation and partnerships in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end, to bring together in council, representatives of the voluntary and other organisations and statutory authorities in the area of benefit.

In accordance with these objects, DDCVS has the following aims:

- Work with local voluntary organisations, statutory agencies and communities to identify needs and facilitate improved service provision to meet those needs.
- Work with local voluntary and community organisations to enable them to function effectively and deliver quality services.
- Facilitate effective communication and collaboration amongst local voluntary and community groups.
- Represent the views of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS), and wider communities at a strategic level, ensuring their views are taken into account by policy makers.
- Facilitate effective communication between the voluntary and statutory sectors and wider communities.

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DDCVS engages in the following activities to meet these aims:

- Information to the VCS through our website, social media and e-mail bulletins.
- Training opportunities for the voluntary sector on a diverse range of topics all related to improving the effectiveness, sustainability and quality of their organisations.
- Extensive support to VCS organisations that need advice, help and support in the running of their organisations. This can range from a one-off piece of advice about a particular concern, through to hundreds of hours of support in major organisational development projects.
- Advice and support in identifying funding sources and making funding applications, and in income diversification / social enterprise.
- The promotion and administration of a small grants programme to benefit local voluntary organisations.
- Running projects with a focus on supporting people in need, and a community development programme.
- Providing a base for other voluntary organisations.
- Providing practical services such as photocopying, equipment loans and providing meeting space. These services are used by a wide range of organisations large and small.
- Developing joint projects with other organisations in both the voluntary and statutory sector.
- Developing collaborative working between voluntary sector organisations in the area.
- Representing the VCS at strategic level by attending Derbyshire Dales Place Alliance, and the Health and Wellbeing Partnership; by acting as a Board Member of the Peak District Partnership; by serving on the sub-committees of the PDP; and by being involved in various forums relating to themes such as youth, older people, health and the environment.

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

Achievements and performance

During the year, DDCVS has made achievements in the following areas of work.

Practical Support

DDCVS continues to support the local voluntary sector by providing low-cost practical services such as financial work, photocopying, loan of equipment and the provision of meeting space.

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Information, advice, training and development support

We delivered three hundred and eighty-six sessions to local organisations during the year. A wide variety of support was offered to clients ranging from simple one-off pieces of advice about constitutional issues or funding applications, through to the development of major projects and full organisational reviews. The provision of advice about sources of funding and making effective funding applications continues to be a very busy area of work, as does the governance of charities, charitable companies and community interest companies.

A particularly notable piece of development work during the year was supporting a group for Ukrainian refugees who are living in and around Ashbourne.

DDCVS ran a number of networking events, members' events and funding events for local groups and other agencies and these were well attended. We developed a new on-line series of events called Spotlight, which provides local organisations with an opportunity to highlight their service and projects.

Projects and other notable pieces of work

Estate Regeneration Project – Hurst Farm Estate.

The Regeneration Project on Hurst Farm in Matlock has again been a considerable piece of work for DDCVS during the year, and significant progress has been made by working closely in partnership with Derbyshire Dales District Council, Platform Housing, Friends of Hurst Farm, Hurst Farm Social Club, and many others. This year saw the completion of an important element of the project: the complete refurbishment of the old Social Club on Hurst Farm into a wonderful modern venue that will be of benefit to the whole community. In addition, funding was finally secured from the Heritage Lottery Fund to create a management company for the estate, and to deliver a heritage trail, creating two jobs.

Social Prescribing

Our Social Prescribing service, New Connections, had a very successful year. They worked with 480 clients, and achieved some excellent results for the people they were working with. The average wellbeing score for clients went from 36% to 85% during the time they were engaged with the service, a remarkable level of impact.

Social Connectedness

Our Social Connectedness project hit something of a hiatus during the year due to staff sick-leave, but got going again by the end of the year. There are significant plans in place to take this work forward next year.

Small grants

DDCVS has continued to manage Derbyshire Dales District Council's small grants programme very successfully. This, combined with additional funding from the Derby and Derbyshire ICB and Derbyshire County Council Public Health, is administered as the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund, and has given grants to many local voluntary and community organisations.

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DDCVS also managed the Public Health Locality Fund and was able to fund a number of excellent projects with this money. In addition to this, we administered the Cost of Living fund, also for DCC, which aimed at supporting those in need due to the rise in the cost of living, particularly energy costs.

Contain

We were fortunate enough to gain additional funding from DCC Public Health. This 'Contain' funding enabled us to work with groups that were supporting people who had been most affected by the pandemic.

Community Voice

The Community Voice project continued to provide reliable information about Covid and other health and wellbeing matters to the community, and to gather views and information that can be fed back to Public Health and the Integrated Care Board. A regular newsletter is produced, and our staff member attends many forums and networking events to promote the project.

Staff and Trustee Development

Staff training and development is an important part of the ethos of DDCVS. Staff members have engaged in a wide range of training and learning opportunities that will support their work for DDCVS and their own personal development.

Governance, Management and Administration

Once again, DDCVS worked hard to make best use of its resources. DDCVS maintains a healthy level of free reserves relative to its turnover. Our turnover increased during the year.

Our Policy Review Sub-Group continued to meet, reviewing all policies on a cyclical basis, and making recommendations to the Board about changes to policy and the development of new policies.

Evelyn Partners (formerly Tilney) again managed our investments during the year. A review of the investments was undertaken and the return on them continued to be satisfactory. The return on cash deposits during the year was again relatively low, and the amount of money kept on deposit was consequently kept to a minimum.

Our staff team remained unchanged during the year and three new trustees were appointed.

Once again, a significant number of new members joined, and this reflected our increased emphasis on ensuring we have a good level of membership within the organisation.

We completed work on a new Forward Plan, with the main focus being on increasing income, and on reviewing our approach to membership.

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Partnerships

The development of effective partnerships with statutory and voluntary agencies, and the representation of the voluntary sector at a strategic level formed an important part of DDCVS's work. During the year, DDCVS was engaged in many partnership groups including the following:

- Derbyshire Dales 'Place' group
- Dales Health and Wellbeing Partnership
- Dales Local Integration Group (DLIG)
- Derbyshire Community Foundation grants panels
- Third Sector Support for Derbyshire (3D)
- Peak District Partnership
- Both Heath and Social Care Forums in Derbyshire
- Financial Inclusion sub-group of DLIG.
- Mental Health sub-group of DLIG.
- The UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) Board for the Dales.

Plans for the future

In the coming year, we will focus on the following priorities.

- Increase income
- Review our approach to membership.
- Provide information, advice, training and support to the local VCS
- Provide information, advice and support to community interest companies (CICs) and other social businesses
- Deliver two social prescribing contracts
- Deliver a grants programme to the local VCS
- Work with Connex Community Support to promote volunteering in the Dales
- Deliver the Hurst Farm Regeneration Project as a member of the Partnership.
- Board recruitment and development.

Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

Company law requires the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Board of Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Company will continue on that basis.

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Board of Trustees is responsible for maintaining 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 1985 and any subsequent revisions of that act. The Board of Trustees is 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.

Members of the Board of Trustees, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out at the start of this report.

Independent Examiners

Derby Community Accountancy Service were again appointed as DDCVS's independent examiners during the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 30th August 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Martin Townsend

Martin Townsend
Chair of Derbyshire Dales CVS

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 11 to 23.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Newey

30th August 2023

Mark Newey ACMA
Derby Community Accountancy Service
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**DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022 £
Income from:					
Donations	3	-	-	-	3,299
Charitable activities	4	55,184	332,471	387,655	502,085
Investment income	5	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		55,184	332,471	387,655	505,384
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		80,110	374,387	454,497	411,226
Total expenditure	6	80,110	374,387	454,497	411,226
Net income (expenditure)		(24,926)	(41,916)	(66,842)	94,158
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(24,926)	(41,916)	(66,842)	94,158
Unrealised gain/(loss) on investments		(4,091)	-	(4,091)	1,126
Fund balances at 1 Apr 2022		200,759	188,570	389,329	294,045
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		171,742	146,654	318,396	389,329

The company had no new or discontinued activities during the year.

The notes on pages 13 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		2023	2022
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets			
UK Investments	10	83,481	87,572
Current assets			
Debtors	11	98,577	18,037
Cash at bank and in hand		243,907	289,012
		<u>342,484</u>	<u>307,049</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(107,569)	(5,292)
Net current assets		<u>234,915</u>	<u>301,757</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>318,396</u>	<u>389,329</u>
Net assets		<u>318,396</u>	<u>389,329</u>
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted	13	146,654	188,570
Unrestricted – general reserves	13	171,742	200,759
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>318,396</u>	<u>389,329</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the company 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 accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

These financial statements were approved by the directors and authorised for issue on 30th August 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:

Martin Townsend

Martin Townsend
Director

Company Registration Number: 04428280

The notes on pages 13 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Company information

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service is a company limited by guarantee not having any share capital. The company's registered office is at the Agricultural Business Centre, Agricultural Way, Bakewell, DE45 1AH. At the end of the year there were 8 Trustees, each of whom, under the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, had undertaken to contribute the sum not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up of the company.

1.1 Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2016. The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in Sterling which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared on historical cost convention apart from fixed asset investments which are carried at market value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Gifts in kind have been included at market value of gifts received and in assets acquired. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

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1.5 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources. Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in the support of the charitable activities.

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discounts offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the company's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimated and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

3. Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022
	£	£	£	£
Donations and fundraising	-	-	-	3,299
	-	-	-	3,299

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4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022
	£	£	£	£
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	39,538	39,538	38,803
DDDC-Comm Dev Manager HF	-	49,992	49,992	49,971
DCC- Public Health (Small Grants)	-	9,000	9,000	10,618
DCC-Public Health (Community Voice)	-	6,250	6,250	22,916
DCC Public Health- Emotional well Being YP	-	-	-	95,000
DCC-Public Health (S/Connectedness)	-	-	-	21,714
Derby & Derbyshire ICB (Soc Prescribing)	-	109,295	109,295	81,506
Derby & Derbyshire ICB	-	46,213	46,213	45,775
Localities & Places	-	27,827	27,827	33,465
Localities & Places- CYPN	-	4,228	4,228	-
Localities & Places -Social Prescribing Engagement (DDCVS)	-	(225)	(225)	350
Localities & Places-Steps Together(DDCVS)	-	-	-	3,549
DCC	-	15,378	15,378	15,378
DCC- Contain	-	9,000	9,000	-
DCC- Cost of Living	-	13,875	13,875	-
Police & Crime Commissioners- Vulnerable	-	-	-	5,980
Derby & Derbyshire ICB (Small Grants)	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Living Well(Small Grants)	-	(400)	(400)	8,000
Foundation Derbyshire	-	-	-	11,650
Ukraine in Heart	-	500	500	-
Social prescribing Mobility Scooter	-	500	500	-
DDDC	31,161	-	31,161	31,161
Project & Service Delivery	16,158	-	16,158	18,947
Administrative Services	85	-	85	224
Reprographic Services	3,115	-	3,115	958
Equipment & Room Hire	4,665	-	4,665	4,620
	<u>55,184</u>	<u>332,471</u>	<u>387,655</u>	<u>502,085</u>

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5. Investment income

	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2023 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022 £
Bank interest receivable (unrestricted)	-	-

6. Analysis of expenditure (unrestricted and restricted)

	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2023 £	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2022 £
Employment costs	294,747	234,131
Staff Travel	3,248	1,372
Telecommunications/IT	12,259	13,980
Events/Meetings	764	461
Project Grants	115,992	129,855
Community Involvement	13	-
Professional fees	2,257	1,894
Publications and subscriptions	1,324	1,588
Staff training & development	661	1,034
Staff Recruitment	56	2,652
Supplies and services	23,176	24,259
	<u>454,497</u>	<u>411,226</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £454,497 (2022: £411,226) of which £374,387 was restricted (2022: £367,759).

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7. Net (expenditure)/income

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

	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent Examiner's Fees	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,050</u>

8. Directors and key management personnel

During the year trustees did not receive remuneration.

The key management personnel of the charity consist of the trustees and the Chief Executive Officer.

9. Employees

The average monthly number of persons employed during the year was

	Year to 31 Mar 2023	Year to 31 Mar 2022
	No	No
Charitable activities	8	7
	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>

Employment costs

	Year to 31 Mar 2023	Year to 31 Mar 2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	261,286	194,601
Social security costs	16,027	12,334
Pension costs	17,434	27,196
	<u>294,747</u>	<u>234,131</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 per annum.

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10. Fixed Asset Investments

	2023 £	2022 £
UK Quoted Investments		
Market Value at start of year	87,572	86,446
Acquisitions at Cost	-	-
Disposals at opening book value	-	-
Net unrealised investment loss/gains	(4,091)	1,126
	<u>83,481</u>	<u>87,572</u>
Market Value at end of year	<u>83,481</u>	<u>87,572</u>
Historical Cost at end of year	<u>52,145</u>	<u>52,145</u>
The investment portfolio consists of the following UK investment:		
Evelyn Partners Managed Investment Fund	<u>83,481</u>	<u>87,572</u>

11. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	98,577	18,037
Accrued Income	-	-
	<u>98,577</u>	<u>18,037</u>

12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Grants in Advance	105,177	-
Accruals	2,392	5,292
	<u>107,569</u>	<u>5,292</u>

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13. Analysis of movements in unrestricted and restricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2022 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Unrealised (Loss)/Gain £	Transfers	At 31Mar 2023 £
Unrestricted- General Reserves	200,759	55,184	(80,110)	(4,091)	-	171,742
Total unrestricted funds	200,759	55,184	(80,110)	(4,091)	-	171,742
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	39,538	(39,538)	-	-	-
DDDC- Comm Dev Manager HF	-	49,992	(49,992)	-	-	-
DCC- Public Health (Small Grants)	-	9,000	(8,455)	-	-	545
DCC- Public Health (Social Connectedness)	21,714	-	-	-	-	21,714
DCC- Public Health (Community Voice)	17,187	6,250	(23,437)	-	-	-
DCC- Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing)	2,942	-	(2,942)	-	-	-
Derby & Derbyshire ICB (Social Prescribing)	-	109,295	(109,295)	-	-	-
Derby & Derbyshire ICB	-	46,213	(46,213)	-	-	-
Derby & Derbyshire ICB (Small Grants)	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-	-
Digital Connections	4,602	-	(50)	-	(4,552)	-
Localities & Places	22,478	27,827	(31,465)	-	-	18,840
Localities & Places- CYPN	-	4,228	(315)	-	-	3,913
Localities & Places-Social Prescribing Engagement (DDCVS)	4,260	(225)	(3,323)	-	8,990	9,702
Localities& Places- Steps Together (DDCVS)	4,438	-	-	-	(4,438)	-
DCC	-	15,378	(15,378)	-	-	-
DCC- Contain	-	13,875	(13,875)	-	-	-
DCC- Cost of Living	-	9,000	(4,500)	-	-	4,500
Peak Partners	7,949	-	-	-	-	7,949
DCC Public Health- Emotional WellbeingYP	95,000	-	(24,089)	-	-	70,911
Living Well (Small Grants)	8,000	(400)	-	-	-	7,600
Ukraine in Heart	-	500	(20)	-	-	480
Social Prescribing Mobility Scooter	-	500	-	-	-	500
Total restricted funds	188,570	332,471	(374,387)	-	-	146,654
Total funds	389,329	387,655	(454,497)	(4,091)	-	318,396

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14. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Tangible fixed assets £	Other net assets £	Total £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted Reserves	83,481	88,261	171,742
 Restricted funds			
DCC- Public Health (Small Grants)		545	545
DCC Public Health (Social Connectedness)	-	21,714	21,714
Localities & Places	-	18,840	18,840
Localities & Places- CYPN	-	3,913	3,913
 Localities & Places- Social Prescribing (DDCVS)	-	9,702	9,702
DCC- Cost of Living	-	4,500	4,500
Peak Partners	-	7,949	7,949
DCC Public Health-Emotional Wellbeing YP	-	70,911	70,911
Living Well (Small Grants)	-	7,600	7,600
Ukraine in Heart	-	480	480
Social Prescribing Mobility Scooter	-	500	500
 Total funds	 83,481	 234,915	 318,396

15. Related party transactions

The charity had no related party transactions that required disclosure.

16. Leasehold Commitment

The charity entered into a 12 year lease on 1st April 2008 for the rental of the business premises. The term of the lease is at an annual rental of £10,790 plus VAT and thereafter reviewed every three years at market value.

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Description of Funds

DDDC-Better Derbyshire Dales Fund- a pot of funding to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisations that are working within the Derbyshire Dales, administered on behalf of Derbyshire Dales District Council.

DDDC – Community Development Manager Hurst Farm, funding to work strategically with the community and partner organisations to meet the needs of the community of Hurst Farm and develop and deliver the Estate Regeneration Plan.

DCC- Public Health, a pot of funding for grants to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

DCC- Public Health (Social Connectedness), funding from Derbyshire Dales Health & Wellbeing Partnership to develop a district wide Action Group, develop an action plan to raise the profile of social connectedness and fund projects which improve social connectedness for people who are lonely or isolated, or at risk of being lonely or isolated and monitor the progress.

DCC- Public Health (Community Voice), funding to support Derbyshire in the fight against COVID-19.

DCC- Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing), the 5 Ways to Wellbeing (namely Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give) provided small grants to organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

Derby & Derbyshire ICB (Social Prescribing), funding to develop and deliver a Social Prescribing service in the Derbyshire Dales that will link patients referred from GP surgeries in the Derbyshire Dales Primary Care Network with appropriate services and support from the voluntary, community and non-profit sector and inform and support the development of new and additional services that would be beneficial to patients in the Derbyshire Dales.

Derby & Derbyshire ICB provide funding for the core activities of the CVS, developing and providing information to local voluntary and community groups and providing small grants to community groups in the Derbyshire Dales for health and well-being activities.

Derby & Derbyshire ICB (Small Grants)- a fund provided by the Integrated Care Board to award small grants for health-related projects within the community.

Digital Connections, project to support community and voluntary groups to connect digitally with people in the local area.

Localities & Place, fund to provide support for families and communities to address vulnerability.

Localities & Places- CYPN- this is funding to support work related to the Children and Young People Network.

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Social Prescribing Engagement Fund, provide individual funding payments to participants of Social Prescribing.

Steps Together, project linking people with a volunteer for a local walk.

Derbyshire County Council (DCC) – supplies funding to deliver core activities of the CVS – supporting local and voluntary community groups and engaging in strategic work with statutory and voluntary sector partners.

DCC- Contain- Funding for work with the voluntary sector during the COVID 19 pandemic.

DCC- Cost of Living- This funding was to assist voluntary groups within Derbyshire Dales to fund activities to help alleviate the impact of the rise in the cost of living for those in need.

Peak Partners, DDCVS administers a small grant to develop and explore ways in which local organisations could work together more effectively to tackle local issues.

DCC Public Health Emotional Wellbeing YP- The Growing Golden Opportunities project is to promote an asset-based community approach to positively impact upon the emotional wellbeing of children and young people in the Derbyshire Dales.

Living Well (Small Grants)- funding to focus on adult mental health in the Derbyshire Dales.

Ukraine in Heart- supporting a group of Ukrainian women to organise activities for themselves and other residents in Ashbourne.

Social Prescribing Mobility Scooter- this was raising funds from awarding bodies to fund a mobility scooter for one of our social prescribing clients in the Derbyshire Dales.

Accounts

DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE
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FOR
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Company Registration Number 04428280
Charity Number 1093087

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**DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE
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DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The Board of Trustees

Martin Townsend	Chair
Gill Geddes	
Beverley Shephard	Treasurer (Resigned 24 th March 2022)
Janet Walker	(Resigned 13 th May 2021)
Phil Stanyer	Treasurer from 24 th March 2022
Cllr Tony Morley	
Helen Bovey	
Sheila Winlow	(Resigned 21 st October 2021)

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DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Structure, Governance and Management of DDCVS

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service (hereinafter referred to as DDCVS), as a Company Limited by Guarantee and Registered Charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association adopted on 30th April 2002 and amended by special resolution dated 29th September 2005 and further amended by special resolution on 21st October 2021.

DDCVS has a Board of Trustees / Directors that is responsible for the governance of DDCVS. A third of trustees must seek re-election at every AGM. The Trustees may appoint additional members to the Board of Trustees to fill vacancies or to bring additional skills and experience to the governance of the organisation. Trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees must seek re-election at the next AGM.

The Board currently meets five times a year.

DDCVS has Full members and Associate members. Full members have the right to vote at AGMs and EGMs, and can nominate people for election to the Board of Trustees. Documents are circulated prior to every AGM informing the membership of the procedures for electing new members to the Board of Trustees and inviting nominations.

New trustees are appointed on the basis that they have appropriate skills and knowledge commensurate with the governance of a Charitable Company, and have knowledge and experience relating to the voluntary and community sector, the area of benefit or communities of interest, or have other specific areas of knowledge or experience that have been identified by the Trustees as valuable to the governance and development of DDCVS.

Trustees are inducted into the organisation by having an initial meeting with the Chair of the Trustees; attending a Board meeting as an observer; being provided with relevant information from DDCVS, The Charity Commission and Companies House about the roles and responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Company Directors; information relating directly to DDCVS (e.g. copies of recent annual reports); and information from the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) relating to the role of Councils for Voluntary Service in a national context. Trustees are encouraged to attend training courses and conferences that will support their role as a Trustee. The Board of Trustees is periodically subject to a skills audit exercise to identify training needs, and gaps on the Board that can be filled through recruitment.

The Trustees delegate a large amount of the day-to-day decisions involved in the running of DDCVS to the paid staff, and in particular to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO reports directly to the Board meetings. However, some decisions are made at Board level, having taken appropriate advice both from the CEO and other relevant individuals and organisations. Decisions that require Board level agreement might be those that will have a significant financial or operational impact, or that will make significant changes to the way DDCVS is governed and administered.

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Risk Management

Major risks to which DDCVS might be exposed have been identified by the Board based on information provided by the CEO and Finance Manager. A financial risk monitor document is presented to each Board meeting, and a risk register is held and maintained by DDCVS. Where significant risks are identified, a strategy for mitigating those risks will be developed by senior staff and presented to the Board of Trustees for approval. The main areas of risk identified by DDCVS, and measures taken to mitigate those risks are as follows.

Funding coming to an end:

Much of the funding received by DDCVS is time-limited and restricted, and a high proportion of the funding comes via local authorities and clinical commissioning groups (the Derby and Derbyshire Integrated Care Board with effect from July 2022). The Board is kept apprised of the current situation regarding funding through the reports received from the Finance Manager, including the provision of cash-flow forecasts to identify potential funding gaps. Where a particular funding stream is known to be coming to an end, or considered to be at risk, a full assessment of the impact of the withdrawal of that funding will be made, and plans put in place to identify and bring in new funding, if this is considered necessary and appropriate.

Major increases in running costs:

By careful budgeting, based on extrapolations from actual expenditure in previous periods and assessment of likely changes to the operating environment of DDCVS, it is expected that DDCVS is unlikely to find itself placed in difficulty by significant unpredicted expenditure. The development of a healthy unrestricted reserve, in line with DDCVS's Reserves Policy, provides a buffer against unpredictable expenditure. The application of the principles of 'Full Cost Recovery' when making funding applications also helps to ensure that DDCVS does not find itself short of basic running costs.

Financial loss due to fraud or human error:

DDCVS has systems and financial procedures in place that minimize the risk of fraud or human error. These systems are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that they are still fit for purpose. Any errors in financial reporting and recording are investigated and actions taken to ensure that they are not repeated.

Costs related to employment:

Direct employment costs are carefully budgeted. Indirect costs that might arise from employment (e.g. redundancy payments) are covered by having a level of unrestricted reserves that would enable the organisation to meet its statutory obligations to staff, and by having appropriate insurances in place to cover costs incurred as a result of legal action, employment tribunals etc.

Breach of contract:

DDCVS holds a number of contracts (or similar agreements) with funding bodies and other agencies. DDCVS aims to ensure that the terms of these contracts are adhered to through the effective management and administration of those contracts. DDCVS also has insurances in place to cover the

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costs incurred as a result of any legal action. DDCVS risk assesses new contracts to ensure that it is not committing itself to a contract that could be damaging to the organisation.

Leasing of property:

DDCVS currently leases office space. DDCVS mitigates risks relating to this by ensuring that the terms of the lease are appropriate to the needs of DDCVS; that a contingency is in place in the Annual Budget to cover the costs of moving premises; and that insurances are in place to ensure the continuation of business in the event of a move.

Failure of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) systems:

Like many organisations, a significant amount of DDCVS's business is conducted through electronic communication. A long-term failure of these systems would have a serious impact on DDCVS's ability to conduct its day-to-day work. An IT strategy is in place to ensure that data is stored and backed-up securely; that hardware and software are maintained to a fit-for-purpose standard with Windows 10 recently being installed along with a new server; and that technical support is in place to enable problems to be fixed with the minimum of down time. DDCVS has recently carried out a review of its cyber security and put new measures in place to protect its data.

Objectives and Activities of DDCVS and Public Benefit

The Objects of DDCVS, as stated in its governing document, are as follows.

3.1: To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community primarily, but not exclusively, in the local government district of Derbyshire Dales (hereinafter called the area of benefit) and, in particular the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.

3.2: To promote and organize co-operation and partnerships in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end, to bring together in council, representatives of the voluntary and other organisations and statutory authorities in the area of benefit.

In accordance with these objects, DDCVS has the following aims:

- Work with local voluntary organisations, statutory agencies and communities to identify needs and facilitate improved service provision to meet those needs.
- Work with local voluntary and community organisations to enable them to function effectively and deliver quality services.
- Facilitate effective communication and collaboration amongst local voluntary and community groups.
- Represent the views of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS), and wider communities at a strategic level, ensuring their views are taken into account by policy makers.
- Facilitate effective communication between the VCS and wider communities.

DDCVS engages in the following activities to meet these aims:

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- Information to the VCS through our website, social media and e-mail bulletins.
- Training opportunities for the voluntary sector on a diverse range of topics all related to improving the effectiveness, sustainability and quality of their organisations.
- Extensive support to VCS organisations that need advice, help and support in the running of their organisations. This can range from a one-off piece of advice about a particular concern, through to hundreds of hours of support in major organisational development projects.
- Advice and support in identifying funding sources and making funding applications, and in income diversification / social enterprise.
- The promotion and administration of a small grants programme to benefit local voluntary organisations.
- Running projects with a focus on supporting people in need, and a community development programme.
- Providing a base for other voluntary organisations.
- Providing practical services such as photocopying, equipment loans and providing meeting space. These services are used by a wide range of organisations large and small.
- Developing joint projects with other organisations in both the voluntary and statutory sector.
- Developing collaborative working between voluntary sector organisations in the area.
- Representing the VCS at strategic level by attending Derbyshire Dales Place Alliance, and the Health and Wellbeing Partnership; by acting as a Board Member of the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP); by serving on the sub-committees of the LSP; and by being involved in various forums relating to themes such as youth, older people, health and the environment.

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

Achievements and performance

During the year, DDCVS has made achievements in the following areas of work.

Practical Support

DDCVS continues to support the local voluntary sector by providing low-cost practical services such as financial work, photocopying, loan of equipment and the provision of meeting space. Demand for these services declined during the worst of the COVID-19 period, but demand increased again during this year.

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Information, advice, training and development support

We delivered around two hundred and eighty sessions to local organisations during the year. A wide variety of support was offered to clients ranging from simple one-off pieces of advice about constitutional issues or funding applications, through to the development of major projects and full organisational reviews. The provision of advice about sources of funding and making effective funding applications continues to be a very busy area of work, as does the governance of charities, charitable companies and community interest companies.

DDCVS ran a number of on-line networking events, members' events and funding events for local groups and other agencies and these were well attended. We also continued our on-line 'coffee mornings' for members, which proved very popular.

Projects and other notable pieces of work

Estate Regeneration Project – Hurst Farm Estate.

The Regeneration Project on Hurst Farm in Matlock has again been a considerable piece of work for DDCVS during the year, and significant progress has been made by working closely in partnership with Derbyshire Dales District Council, Platform Housing, Friends of Hurst Farm, Hurst Farm Social Club, and many others. After the delays in 2020-21 caused by the Pandemic, much was achieved during this year to progress the project. The redevelopment of the Hurst Farm Social Club was largely completed, and the challenging job of managing the building project fell to our Business Development Manager. This is now a fantastic facility for the community of Hurst Farm. Much work also went into submitting a second-round Heritage Lottery Fund bid which will bring in £1.2 million to enhance the woodland surrounding the estate and employ local people to manage this and other community assets in the area. A Community Benefit Society has been created to employ staff and own and manage assets.

Social Prescribing

After a difficult first year due to the Pandemic, our Social Prescribing team developed this piece of work very well during the second year, and provided an excellent service to over 300 local residents. The implementation of a new piece of client management software, 'Joy', will enable us to improve how we track the progress of individual clients and report to the Primary Care Network which funds this work. We recruited a third member of staff towards the end of the year, which will enable us to improve coverage of the Derbyshire Dales and provide an enhanced service to our clients.

Social Connectedness

Like other infrastructure organisations in Derbyshire, DDCVS was awarded c£53,000 to promote Social Connectedness in the Dales. All the projects funded from this money progressed during the year, following delays caused by COVID-19. A further tranche of money was made available, and this will be allocated in the coming year.

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Small grants

DDCVS has continued to manage Derbyshire Dales District Council's small grants programme very successfully. This, combined with additional funding from Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group (now the Integrated Care Board) and Derbyshire County Council Public Health, is administered as the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund, and has given grants to many local voluntary and community organisations.

DDCVS also took on the management of the Public Health Locality Fund and was able to fund a number of excellent projects with this money.

Community Voice

The Community Voice project aims to provide reliable information about COVID-19 and other health and wellbeing matters to the community, and to gather views and information that can be fed back to Public Health and the Clinical Commissioning Group (now the Integrated Care Board). A regular newsletter is produced, and our staff member attends many forums and networking events to promote the project.

Staff and Trustee Development

Staff training and development is an important part of the ethos of DDCVS. Again, staff members have engaged in a wide range of training and learning opportunities that will support their work for DDCVS and their own personal development.

Governance, Management and Administration

Once again, DDCVS worked hard to make best use of its resources. DDCVS maintains a healthy level of free reserves relative to its turnover, and we will be making efforts in the coming year to maintain or grow this. Our turnover increased during the year, and we were able to generate a surplus which will improve our free reserves position.

We created a Policy Review Sub-Group during year, and this will review all policies on a cyclical basis, and make recommendations to the Board about changes to policy and the development of new policies.

Tilney again managed our investments during the year. A review of the investments was undertaken and the return on them continued to be satisfactory. The return on cash deposits during the year was again relatively low, and the amount of money kept on deposit was consequently kept to a minimum.

Untypically, there was quite a bit of change to staffing during the year. Two long-standing members of staff retired. We recruited a new development worker to fill one of these posts, and created two separate posts to cover the work of the second, these being Finance Manager, and Administration and Facilities Manager. We also recruited a new post to work on Hurst Farm, the Business Development Manager, and a third Social Prescriber, as mentioned above. At a time when many organisations are finding it difficult to recruit staff, we were very pleased to make excellent appointments in to all of these posts.

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Once again, a significant number of new members were recruited during the year, and this reflected our increased emphasis on ensuring we have a good level of membership within the organisation.

We began work on a new Forward Plan towards the end of the year, and this work will be completed in the coming year.

Partnerships

The development of effective partnerships with statutory and voluntary agencies, and the representation of the voluntary sector at a strategic level formed an important part of DDCVS's work. During the year, DDCVS was engaged in many partnership groups including the following:

- Derbyshire Dales 'Place' group
- Dales Health and Wellbeing Partnership
- Dales Local Integration Group
- Derbyshire Community Foundation grants panels
- Third Sector Support for Derbyshire (3D)
- Peak District Partnership
- Both Health and Social Care Forums in Derbyshire
- Financial Inclusion sub-group.

Plans for the future

In the coming year, we will focus on the following priorities.

- Continue to deliver high quality information, advice, training and support to local voluntary and not-for-profit organisations.
- Continue to deliver the Estate Regeneration project of Hurst Farm.
- Further develop our Social Prescribing service.
- Deliver the Community Voice Project.
- Implement a Befriending Strategy for the Dales.
- Administer the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund, the Public Health Locality Fund, Social Connectedness Fund and the Growing Golden Opportunities Fund.
- Restart our members' focus group.
- Develop a Volunteering Strategy for the Dales with our colleagues at Connex.

Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

Company law requires the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Board of Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Company will continue on that basis.

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The Board of Trustees is responsible for maintaining 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 and any subsequent revisions of that act. The Board of Trustees is 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.

Members of the Board of Trustees, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out at the start of this report.

Accountants

Derby Community Accountancy Service were again appointed as DDCVS's auditors during the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on **25th August 2022** and signed on its behalf by:

Martin Townsend

Martin Townsend
Chair of Derbyshire Dales CVS

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 11 to 23.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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25th July 2022

Mark Newey ACMA
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021 £
Income from:					
Donations	3	3,299	-	3,299	-
Charitable activities	4	55,910	446,175	502,085	416,949
Investment income	5	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		59,209	446,175	505,384	416,949
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		43,467	367,759	411,226	365,530
Total expenditure	6	43,467	367,759	411,226	365,530
Net income (expenditure)		15,742	78,416	94,158	51,419
Transfer between funds		1,652	(1,652)	-	-
Net movement in funds		17,394	76,764	94,158	51,419
Unrealised gain/(loss) on investments		1,126	-	1,126	10,933
Fund balances at 1 Apr 2021		182,239	111,806	294,045	231,693
Fund balances at 31 March 2022		200,759	188,570	389,329	294,045

The company had no new or discontinued activities during the year.

The notes on pages 13 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets			
UK Investments	10	87,572	86,446
Current assets			
Debtors	11	18,037	6,168
Cash at bank and in hand		289,012	202,431
		<u>307,049</u>	<u>208,599</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(5,292)	(1,000)
Net current assets		<u>301,757</u>	<u>207,599</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>389,329</u>	<u>294,045</u>
Net assets		<u>389,329</u>	<u>294,045</u>
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted	13	188,570	111,806
Unrestricted – general reserves	13	200,759	182,239
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>389,329</u>	<u>294,045</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2022 the company 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 accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

These financial statements were approved by the directors and authorised for issue on **25th August 2022** and are signed on their behalf by:

Martin Townsend

Martin Townsend
Director

Company Registration Number: 04428280

The notes on pages 13 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Company information

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service is a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital. The company's registered office is at the Agricultural Business Centre, Agricultural Way, Bakewell, DE45 1AH. At the end of the year there were 6 Trustees, each of whom, under the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, had undertaken to contribute the sum not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up of the company.

1.1 Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2016. The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in Sterling which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared on historical cost convention apart from fixed asset investments which are carried at market value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Gifts in kind have been included at market value of gifts received and in assets acquired. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

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1.5 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources. Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in the support of the charitable activities.

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discounts offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the company's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimated and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

3. Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations and fundraising	3,299	-	3,299	-
	<u>3,299</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,299</u>	<u>-</u>

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4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021
	£	£	£	£
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	38,803	38,803	38,100
DDDC-Comm Dev Manager HF	-	49,971	49,971	61,000
DCC- Public Health (Small Grants)	-	10,618	10,618	9,000
DCC-Public Health (S/Connectedness)	-	21,714	21,714	-
DCC-Public Health (Community Voice)	-	22,916	22,916	25,000
DCC- Volunteering	-	-	-	4,500
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Soc Prescribing)	-	81,506	81,506	77,073
Steps Together				
Derby & Derbyshire CCG	-	45,775	45,775	45,080
Digital Connections	-	-	-	10,000
Foundation Derbyshire	-	11,650	11,650	11,872
Localities & Places	-	33,465	33,465	38,714
Localities & Places-Steps Together(DDCVS)	-	3,549	3,549	7,026
Localities & Places -Social Prescribing Engagement (DDCVS)	-	350	350	5,000
DCC		15,378	15,378	15,378
DCC- Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing)		-	-	2,250
Police & Crime Commissioners- Vulnerable	-	5,980	5,980	6,395
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Small Grants)	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
DCC Public Health- Emotional well Being YP	-	95,000	95,000	-
Living Well(Small Grants)	-	8,000	8,000	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	87
DDDC	31,161	-	31,161	31,161
Project & Service Delivery	18,947	-	18,947	22,240
Administrative Services	224	-	224	229
Reprographic Services	958	-	958	784
Equipment & Room Hire	4,620	-	4,620	4,560
	<u>55,910</u>	<u>446,175</u>	<u>502,085</u>	<u>416,949</u>

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5. Investment income

	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2022 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021 £
Bank interest receivable (unrestricted)	-	-

6. Analysis of expenditure (unrestricted and restricted)

	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2022 £	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2021 £
Employment costs	234,131	211,538
Staff Travel	1,372	618
Telecommunications/IT	13,980	11,817
Events/Meetings	461	800
Project Grants	129,855	114,343
Community Involvement	-	-
Professional fees	1,894	1,609
Publications and subscriptions	1,588	1,242
Staff training & development	1,034	695
Staff Recruitment	2,652	-
Supplies and services	24,259	17,781
Miscellaneous	-	5,087
	411,226	365,530

Expenditure on charitable activities was £411,226 (2021: £365,530) of which £367,759 was restricted (2021: £316,460).

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7. Net (expenditure)/income

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Independent Examiner's Fees	<u>1,050</u>	<u>1,050</u>

8. Directors and key management personnel

During the year trustees did not receive remuneration.

The key management personnel of the charity consist of the trustees and the Chief Executive Officer.

9. Employees

The average monthly number of persons employed during the year was

	Year to 31 Mar 2022	Year to 31 Mar 2021
	No	No
Charitable activities	7	5
	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>

Employment costs

	Year to 31 Mar 2022	Year to 31 Mar 2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	194,601	173,072
Social security costs	12,334	11,185
Pension costs	27,196	27,281
	<u>234,131</u>	<u>211,538</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 per annum.

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10. Fixed Asset Investments

	2022 £	2021 £
UK Quoted Investments		
Market Value at start of year	86,446	75,513
Acquisitions at Cost	-	-
Disposals at opening book value	-	-
Net unrealised investment loss/gains	1,126	10,933
	<u>87,572</u>	<u>86,446</u>
Market Value at end of year	<u>87,572</u>	<u>86,446</u>
Historical Cost at end of year	<u>52,145</u>	<u>52,145</u>
The investment portfolio consists of the following UK investment:		
Towry Managed Investment Fund	<u>87,572</u>	<u>86,446</u>

11. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	18,037	102
Accrued Income	-	6,066
	<u>18,037</u>	<u>6,168</u>

12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Grants in Advance	-	-
Accruals	5,292	1,000
	<u>5,292</u>	<u>1,000</u>

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13. Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2021 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Unrealised (Loss)/Gain £	Transfers	At 31Mar 2022 £
Unrestricted- General Reserves	182,239	59,209	(43,467)	1,126	1,652	200,759
Total unrestricted funds	182,239	59,209	(43,467)	1,126	1,652	200,759
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	38,803	(38,803)	-	-	-
DDDC- Comm Dev Manager HF	20,000	49,971	(69,971)	-	-	-
DCC Public Health (Small Grants)	1,499	10,618	(12,117)	-	-	-
DCC- Public Health (Social Connectedness)	-	21,714	-	-	-	21,714
DCC- Public Health (Community Voice)	20,800	22,916	(26,529)	-	-	17,187
DCC- Volunteering	1,897	-	(245)	-	(1,652)	-
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Social Prescribing)	-	81,506	(81,506)	-	-	-
Derby & Derbyshire CCG	-	45,775	(45,775)	-	-	-
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Small Grants)	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-	-
Digital Connections	6,165	-	(1,563)	-	-	4,602
Foundation Derbyshire	-	11,650	(11,650)	-	-	-
Localities & Places	34,714	33,465	(45,701)	-	-	22,478
Localities & Places-Social Prescribing Engagement (DDCVS)	5,000	350	(1,090)	-	-	4,260
Localities& Places- Steps Together (DDCVS)	7,026	3,549	(6,137)	-	-	4,438
DCC	-	15,378	(15,378)	-	-	-
DCC Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing)	6,756	-	(3,814)	-	-	2,942
Police & Crime Commissioners	-	5,980	(5,980)	-	-	-
Peak Partners	7,949	-	-	-	-	7,949
DCC Public Health- Emotional WellbeingYP	-	95,000	-	-	-	95,000
Living Well (Small Grants)	-	8,000	-	-	-	8,000
Total restricted funds	111,806	446,175	(367,759)	-	(1,652)	188,570
Total funds	294,045	505,384	(411,226)	1,126	-	389,329

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DDDC-Better Derbyshire Dales Fund- a pot of funding to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisations that are working within the Derbyshire Dales, administered on behalf of Derbyshire Dales District Council.

DDDC – Community Development Manager Hurst Farm, funding to work strategically with the community and partner organisations to meet the needs of the community of Hurst Farm and develop and deliver the Estate Regeneration Plan.

DCC- Public Health, a pot of funding for grants to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

DCC- Public Health (Social Connectedness), funding from Derbyshire Dales Health & Wellbeing Partnership to develop a district wide Action Group, develop an action plan to raise the profile of social connectedness and fund projects which improve social connectedness for people who are lonely or isolated, or at risk of being lonely or isolated and monitor the progress.

DCC- Public Health (Community Voice), funding to support Derbyshire in the fight against COVID-19.

DCC – Volunteering, fund to reimburse volunteer expenses during COVID-19

Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Social Prescribing), funding to develop and deliver a Social Prescribing service in the Derbyshire Dales that will link patients referred from GP surgeries in the Derbyshire Dales Primary Care Network with appropriate services and support from the voluntary, community and non-profit sector and inform and support the development of new and additional services that would be beneficial to patients in the Derbyshire Dales.

Derby & Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group (D& D CCG) provide funding for the core activities of the CVS, developing and providing information to local voluntary and community groups and providing small grants to community groups in the Derbyshire Dales for health and well-being activities.

Digital Connections, project to support community and voluntary groups to connect digitally with people in the local area.

Foundation Derbyshire, funding to support community development work as part of the agreed COVID-19 After Shock delivery plan.

Localities & Place, Police & Crime Commissioners Vulnerability, fund to provide support for families and communities to address vulnerability.

Social Prescribing Engagement Fund, provide individual funding payments to participants of Social Prescribing

Steps Together, project linking people with a volunteer for a local walk.

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Derbyshire County Council (DCC) – supplies funding to deliver core activities of the CVS – supporting local and voluntary community groups and engaging in strategic work with statutory and voluntary sector partners.

DCC- Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing), the 5 Ways to Wellbeing (namely Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give) provided small grants to organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

Peak Partners, DDCVS administers a small grant to develop and explore ways in which local organisations could work together more effectively to tackle local issues.

DCC Public Health Emotional Wellbeing YP- The Growing Golden Opportunities project is to promote an asset-based community approach to positively impact upon the emotional wellbeing of children and young people in the Derbyshire Dales.

Living Well (Small Grants)-funding to focus on adult mental health in the Derbyshire Dales.

14. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Tangible fixed assets £	Other net assets £	Total £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted Reserves	87,572	113,187	200,759
Restricted funds			
DCC Public Health (Social Connectedness)	-	21,714	21,714
DCC Public Health (Community Voice)	-	17,187	17,187
Digital Connections	-	4,602	4,602
Localities & Places	-	22,478	22,478
Localities & Places- Social Prescribing Engagement (DDCVS)	-	4,260	4,260
Localities & Places- Steps Together (DDCVS)	-	4,438	4,438
DCC Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing)	-	2,942	2,942
Peak Partners	-	7,949	7,949
DCC Public Health-Emotional Wellbeing YP	-	95,000	95,000
Living Well (Small Grants)	-	8,000	8,000
Total funds	87,572	301,757	389,329

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15. Related party transactions

The charity had no related party transactions that required disclosure.

16. Leasehold Commitment

The Company entered into a 12 year lease on 1st April 2008 for the rental of the business premises. The term of the lease is at an annual rental of £10,790 plus VAT and thereafter reviewed every three years at market value.

Accounts

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The Board of Trustees

Martin Townsend	Chair
Gill Geddes	
Beverley Shephard	Treasurer
Georgia Litherland	(Resigned October 2020)
Phil Stanyer	
Cllr Tony Morley	
Janet Walker	
Helen Bovey	(Appointed 30 th April 2020)
Sheila Winlow	(Appointed 1 st February 2021)

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The trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Structure, Governance and Management of DDCVS

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service (hereinafter referred to as DDCVS), as a Company Limited by Guarantee and Registered Charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association adopted on 30th April 2002 and amended by special resolution dated 29th September 2005.

DDCVS has a Board of Trustees / Directors that is responsible for the governance of DDCVS. Trustees must seek re-election at every AGM. The Trustees may appoint additional members to the Board of Trustees to fill vacancies or to bring additional skills and experience to the governance of the organisation. Trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees must seek re-election at the next AGM.

The Trustees must hold a Board meeting at least twice a year. The Board currently meets five times a year.

DDCVS has Full members and Associate members. Full members have the right to vote at AGMs and EGMs, and can nominate people for election to the Board of Trustees. Documents are circulated prior to every AGM informing the membership of the procedures for electing new members to the Board of Trustees and inviting nominations.

New trustees are appointed on the basis that they have appropriate skills and knowledge commensurate with the governance of a Charitable Company, and have knowledge and experience relating to the voluntary and community sector, the area of benefit or communities of interest, or have other specific areas of knowledge or experience that have been identified by the Trustees as valuable to the governance and development of DDCVS.

Trustees are inducted into the organisation by having an initial meeting with the Chair of the Trustees; attending a Board meeting as an observer; being provided with relevant information from DDCVS, The Charity Commission and Companies House about the roles and responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Company Directors; information relating directly to DDCVS (e.g. copies of recent annual reports); and information from the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA) relating to the role of Councils for Voluntary Service in a national context. Trustees are encouraged to attend training courses and conferences that will support their role as a Trustee. The Board of Trustees is periodically subject to a skills audit exercise to identify training needs, and gaps on the Board that can be filled through recruitment.

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The Trustees delegate a large amount of the day-to-day decisions involved in the running of DDCVS to the paid staff, and in particular to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO reports directly to the Board meetings. However, some decisions are made at Board level, having taken appropriate advice both from the CEO and other relevant individuals and organisations. Decisions that require Board level agreement might be those that will have a significant financial or operational impact, or that will make significant changes to the way DDCVS is governed and administered.

Risk Management

Major risks to which DDCVS might be exposed have been identified by the Board based on information provided by the CEO and Finance and Facilities Manager. A financial risk monitor document is presented to each Board meeting, and a risk register is held and maintained by DDCVS. Where significant risks are identified, a strategy for mitigating those risks will be developed by senior staff and presented to the Board of Trustees for approval. The main areas of risk identified by DDCVS, and measures taken to mitigate those risks are as follows.

Funding coming to an end:

Much of the funding received by DDCVS is time-limited and restricted, and a high proportion of the funding comes via local authorities and clinical commissioning groups. The Board is kept apprised of the current situation regarding funding through the reports received from the Finance and Facilities Manager, including the provision of cash-flow forecasts to identify potential funding gaps. Where a particular funding stream is known to be coming to an end, or considered to be at risk, a full assessment of the impact of the withdrawal of that funding will be made, and plans put in place to identify and bring in new funding, if this is considered necessary and appropriate.

Major increases in running costs:

By careful budgeting, based on extrapolations from actual expenditure in previous periods and assessment of likely changes to the operating environment of DDCVS, it is expected that DDCVS is unlikely to find itself placed in difficulty by significant unpredicted expenditure. The development of a healthy unrestricted reserve, in line with DDCVS's reserves policy, provides a buffer against unpredictable expenditure. The application of the principles of 'Full Cost Recovery' when making funding applications also helps to ensure that DDCVS does not find itself short of basic running costs.

Financial loss due to fraud or human error:

DDCVS has systems and financial procedures in place that minimize the risk of fraud or human error. These systems are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure that they are still fit for purpose. Any errors in financial reporting and recording are investigated and actions taken to ensure that they are not repeated.

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Costs related to employment:

Direct employment costs are carefully budgeted. Indirect costs that might arise from employment (e.g. redundancy payments) are covered by having a level of unrestricted reserves that would enable the organisation to meet its statutory obligations to staff, and by having appropriate insurances in place to cover costs incurred as a result of legal action, employment tribunals etc.

Breach of contract:

DDCVS holds a number of contracts (or similar agreements) with funding bodies and other agencies. DDCVS aims to ensure that the terms of these contracts are adhered to through the effective management and administration of those contracts. DDCVS also has insurances in place to cover the costs incurred as a result of any legal action. DDCVS risk assesses new contracts to ensure that it is not committing itself to a contract that could be damaging to the organisation.

Leasing of property:

DDCVS currently leases office space. DDCVS mitigates risks relating to this by ensuring that the terms of the lease are appropriate to the needs of DDCVS; that a contingency is in place in the Annual Budget to cover the costs of moving premises; and that insurances are in place to ensure the continuation of business in the event of a move.

Failure of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) systems:

Like many organisations, a significant amount of DDCVS's business is conducted through electronic communication. A long-term failure of these systems would have a serious impact on DDCVS's ability to conduct its day-to-day work. An IT strategy is in place to ensure that data is stored and backed-up securely; that hardware and software are maintained to a fit-for-purpose standard with Windows 10 recently being installed along with a new server; and that technical support is in place to enable problems to be fixed with the minimum of down time. DDCVS has recently carried out a review of its cyber security and put new measures in place to protect its data.

Objectives and Activities of DDCVS and Public Benefit

The Objects of DDCVS, as stated in its governing document, are as follows.

3.1: To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the community primarily, but not exclusively, in the local government district of Derbyshire Dales (hereinafter called the area of benefit) and, in particular the advancement of education, the protection of health and the relief of poverty, distress and sickness.'

3.2: To promote and organize co-operation and partnerships in the achievement of the above purposes and to that end, to bring together in council, representatives of the voluntary and other organisations and statutory authorities in the area of benefit.

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In accordance with these objects, DDCVS has the following aims:

- Work with local voluntary organisations, statutory agencies and communities to identify need and facilitate improved service provision to meet those needs.
- Work with local voluntary and community organisations to enable them to function effectively and deliver quality services.
- Facilitate effective communication and collaboration amongst local voluntary and community groups.
- Represent the views of the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS), and wider communities at a strategic level, ensuring their views are taken into account by policy makers.
- Facilitate effective communication between the voluntary and statutory sectors and wider communities.

DDCVS engages in the following activities to meet these aims:

- Information to the VCS through our website, social media and e-mail bulletins.
- Training opportunities for the voluntary sector on a diverse range of topics all related to improving the effectiveness, sustainability and quality of their organisations.
- Extensive support to VCS organisations that need advice, help and support in the running of their organisations. This can range from a one off piece of advice about a particular concern, through to hundreds of hours of support in major organisational development projects.
- Advice and support in identifying funding sources and making funding applications, and in income diversification / social enterprise.
- The promotion and administration of a small grants programme to benefit local voluntary organisations.
- Running projects with a focus on supporting people in need, and a community development programme.
- Providing a base for other voluntary organisations.
- Providing practical services such as photocopying, equipment loans and providing meeting space. These services are used by a wide range of organisations large and small.
- Developing joint projects with other organisations in both the voluntary and statutory sector.

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- Developing collaborative working between voluntary sector organisations in the area.
- Representing the VCS at strategic level by attending Derbyshire Dales Place Alliance, and the Health and Wellbeing Partnership; by acting as a Board Member of the Local Strategic Partnership; by serving on the sub-committees of the LSP; and by being involved in various forums relating to themes such as youth, older people, health and the environment.

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

Achievements and performance

During the year, DDCVS has made achievements in the following areas of work.

Practical Support

DDCVS continues to support the local voluntary sector by providing low-cost practical services such as financial work, photocopying, loan of equipment and the provision of meeting space. However, demand for, and income from some of these services was reduced significantly during the year due to Covid-19.

Information, advice, training and development support

In spite of the impact of the Pandemic on the local voluntary sector, development support to new and existing voluntary and community groups played a major part of the work of DDCVS, and staff members engaged in this work were again kept extremely busy during the year. Much of this work was delivered on-line due to the Pandemic. We delivered around two hundred and thirty-seven sessions to local organisations during the year. A wide variety of support was offered to clients ranging from simple one-off pieces of advice about constitutional issues or funding applications, through to the development of major projects and full organisational reviews. The provision of advice about sources of funding and making effective funding applications continues to be a very busy area of work, as does the governance of charities, charitable companies and community interest companies. The Pandemic has presented challenges for organisations regarding governance – holding virtual Board meetings for example - and we have given a lot of support with this.

DDCVS ran a number of on-line networking events, members' events and funding events for local groups and other agencies and these were well attended. DDCVS became a conduit for information relating to the response to Covid-19, and we began putting out a weekly newsletter to reflect this, and once the initial emergency period was over, we continued with a fortnightly newsletter. We also continued our on-line 'coffee mornings' for members, which proved very popular; worked to support emerging mutual aid groups; and provided a lot of support to our existing members to cope with adapting to different ways of working necessitated by the Pandemic. One focus in the later part of the year was in helping groups to restart their services safely, once the worst of the Pandemic had passed.

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Projects and other notable pieces of work

Estate Regeneration Project – Hurst Farm Estate.

The Regeneration Project on Hurst Farm in Matlock has again been a considerable piece of work for DDCVS during the year, and considerable progress has been made by working closely in partnership with Derbyshire Dales District Council, Platform Housing, Friends of Hurst Farm, Hurst Farm Social Club, and many others. In spite of the impact of the Pandemic, which has undoubtedly slowed progress on some of the projects, Community management of parks and green space; redevelopment of the Social Club building; improvements to non-traditional housing; and the development of Forest School provision on the Estate have all continued. Our Community Development Manager, based on the Estate, found herself at the forefront of the response to the Pandemic, and organised extensive food deliveries to vulnerable people on the Estate, and well as continuing to run a number of on-line activities for residents.

Social Prescribing

Our social prescribing team did have something of a baptism of fire because they had been in post only a few weeks when the Covid-19 crisis broke, and they were required to deal with a large number of referrals from the County Council's Community Response Unit. They dealt with this difficult situation extremely well. Once the initial emergency was over, they were able to get back on track with providing a normal social prescribing service, and by the end of the year, three hundred clients had been helped. They also developed a digital project to help people who were digitally excluded access services and support.

Social Connectedness

Like other infrastructure organisations in Derbyshire, DDCVS was awarded c£53,000 to promote Social Connectedness in the Dales. A Local Action Group was formed, and it was agreed to launch a grants programme based on expressions of interest submitted by local organisations, resulting in five grants of up to £15,000 made to local organisations. Some of these projects were delayed by the Pandemic, but all should be up and running in 2021.

Small grants

DDCVS has continued to manage Derbyshire Dales District Council's small grants programme very successfully. This, combined with additional funding from Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Derbyshire County Council Public Health, is administered as the Better Derbyshire Dales Fund, and has given grants to many local voluntary and community organisations.

Community Voice

At the end of the year, we received funding to create a new post. The Community Voice project aims to provide reliable information about Covid to the community, and to gather views from the community about the Pandemic that can be fed back to Public Health and other statutory bodies. The project involves recruiting a number of community champions, and holding regular forums.

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Staff and Trustee Development

Staff training and development is an important part of the ethos of DDCVS. Again staff members have engaged in a wide range of training and learning opportunities that will support their work for DDCVS and their own personal development.

Governance, Management and Administration

Once again, DDCVS worked hard to make best use of its resources. DDCVS maintains a healthy level of free reserves relative to its turnover, and we will be making efforts in the coming year to maintain or grow this. Core income remained at a similar level to the previous year, and additional project funding was gained.

As usual, we also carried out a yearly review of policies, and this did not result in any significant changes to any of our policies. Regular legal updates are provided to the trustees so that trustees are fully aware of any significant new legislation that might affect DDCVS.

Tilney again managed our investments during the year. A review of the investments was undertaken and the return on them continued to be satisfactory. The return on cash deposits during the year was again relatively low, and the amount of money kept on deposit was consequently kept to a minimum.

There was one additional staff post created at the end of the year: a Public Health funded, Community Voice role. Otherwise staffing remained unchanged.

Once again, a significant number of new members were recruited during the year, and this reflected our increased emphasis on ensuring we have a good level of membership within the organisation, which is a key element of our Forward Plan.

Partnerships

The development of effective partnerships with statutory and voluntary agencies, and the representation of the voluntary sector at a strategic level formed an important part of DDCVS's work. During the year, DDCVS was engaged in many partnership groups including the following:

- Derbyshire Dales 'Place' group
- Dales Health and Wellbeing Partnership
- Dales Local Integration Group
- Derbyshire Community Foundation grants panels
- Third Sector Support for Derbyshire (3D)
- Peak District Partnership
- Leader Local Action Group
- Both Heath and Social Care Forums in Derbyshire
- Financial Inclusion sub-group.

We were actively engaged with the Dales Community Resilience Group which was set up rapidly in response to the Covid-19 crisis. This group changed into the Dales Local Integration Group once the initial emergency had passed.

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Plans for the future and external factors affecting DDCVS

At the time of writing, the overriding external factor affecting the Charity and its members is the Covid-19 crisis and its aftermath. 'Lockdown' restrictions are beginning to ease, and the return of some face-to-face meetings and services are beginning; however the crisis is still a long way from being over, and some degree of home working and virtual meetings and events seems likely to continue for the foreseeable future. The long-term effect on the economy could also have profound implications for our communities and our member organisations. However, DDCVS has shown itself to be a flexible and effective organisation during the crisis, and we are looking to the future with some confidence. To date, the impact on our finances has been largely positive, with additional funding being made available to cope with the legacy of C-19. That being said, the funding from Derbyshire County Council and Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group to support our core services remains uncertain.

We will continue to be heavily involved in the Estate Regeneration Project on Hurst Farm in Matlock. The Project is beginning to gather momentum, and the creation of a new Business Development Manager post, hosted by DDCVS, will see further development of social enterprises on the Estate, and the creation of an overarching management organisation for the various projects and enterprises which form part of the wider vision.

Social Prescribing is likely to be a major part of our work in the coming year, and we hope to be able to gain additional resources for another post. A number of side projects have been developed to benefit social prescribing clients, including a walking-befriending project, and an enablement fund.

The Social Connectedness project will continue. The Local Action group continues to meet, and we will continue to monitor the projects that were funded last year. Additional funding may be available during this year.

The Community Voice Project is currently funded until December 2021. We don't know whether there is likely to be additional funding beyond this.

Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

Company law requires the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Board of Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Company will continue on that basis.

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The Board of Trustees is responsible for maintaining 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 1985 and any subsequent revisions of that act. The Board of Trustees is 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.

Members of the Board of Trustees, who are directors for the purpose of company law and trustees for the purpose of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out at the start of this report.

Accountants

Derby Community Accountancy Service were again appointed as DDCVS's auditors during the year.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005) and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 31/8/2021..... and signed on its behalf by:



Martin Townsend
Chair of Derbyshire Dales CVS

**DERBYSHIRE DALES COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 12 to 24.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

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

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

M. Newey

31/8/2021

Mark Newey ACMA
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2020 £
Income from:					
Donations	3	-	-	-	103
Charitable activities	4	58,974	357,975	416,949	296,281
Investment income	5	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		58,974	357,975	416,949	296,384
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		49,070	316,460	365,530	255,084
Total expenditure	6	49,070	316,460	365,530	255,084
Net income (expenditure)		9,904	41,515	51,419	41,300
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		9,904	41,515	51,419	41,300
Unrealised gain/(loss) on investments		10,933	-	10,933	(4,972)
Fund balances at 1 Apr 2020		161,402	70,291	231,693	195,365
Fund balances at 31 March 2021		182,239	111,806	294,045	231,693

The company had no new or discontinued activities during the year.

The notes on pages 14 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
UK Investments	10	86,446	75,513
Current assets			
Debtors	11	6,168	5,841
Cash at bank and in hand		202,431	151,339
		<u>208,599</u>	<u>157,180</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>
Net current assets		<u>207,599</u>	<u>156,180</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>294,045</u>	<u>231,693</u>
Net assets		<u>294,045</u>	<u>231,693</u>
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted	13	111,806	70,291
Unrestricted – general reserves	13	182,239	161,402
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		<u>294,045</u>	<u>231,693</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2021 the company 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 accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

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

These financial statements were approved by the directors and authorised for issue on _____ and are signed on their behalf by:



Martin Townsend
Director

31/8/2021

Company Registration Number: 04428280

The notes on pages 14 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Company information

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service is a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital. The company's registered office is at the Agricultural Business Centre, Agricultural Way, Bakewell, DE45 1AH. At the end of the year there were 8 Trustees, each of whom, under the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, had undertaken to contribute the sum not exceeding £1 in the event of a winding up of the company.

1.1 Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102, "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2016. The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in Sterling which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared on historical cost convention apart from fixed asset investments which are carried at market value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Gifts in kind have been included at market value of gifts received and in assets acquired. No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

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1.5 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources. Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in the support of the charitable activities.

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discounts offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the company's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimated and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

3. Donations

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2020 £
Donations and fundraising	-	-	-	103
	-	-	-	103

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4. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2020
	£	£	£	£
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	38,100	38,100	38,100
DDDC-Comm Dev Manager HF	-	61,000	61,000	41,000
DCC- Public Health (Small Grants)	-	9,000	9,000	9,000
DCC-Public Health (S/Connectedness)	-	-	-	48,375
DCC-Public Health (Community Voice)	-	25,000	25,000	-
DCC- Volunteering	-	4,500	4,500	-
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Soc Prescribing)	-	77,073	77,073	11,601
Derby & Derbyshire CCG	-	45,080	45,080	45,080
Digital Connections	-	10,000	10,000	-
Foundation Derbyshire	-	11,872	11,872	-
Localities & Places	-	50,740	50,740	-
DCC		15,378	15,378	15,378
DCC- Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing)		2,250	2,250	9,935
Police & Crime Commissioners	-	6,395	6,395	-
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Small Grants)	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
Miscellaneous	-	87	87	6,250
DDDC	31,161	-	31,161	31,161
Project & Service Delivery	22,240	-	22,240	19,420
Consultancy & Training	-	-	-	4,775
Administrative Services	229	-	229	647
Reprographic Services	784	-	784	2,349
Equipment & Room Hire	4,560	-	4,560	11,710
	<u>58,974</u>	<u>357,975</u>	<u>416,949</u>	<u>296, 281</u>

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Project delivery income is made up of :

	Year to 31 Mar 2021 £
NAVCA	3,000
Level	640
Derbyshire Police Authority	7,000
Derbyshire Dales District Council	4,000
DCC Public Health	6,850
Amber Valley CVS	250
DCC	500
TOTAL	<u>22,240</u>

5. Investment income

	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2021 £	Total Funds Year to 31 Mar 2020 £
Bank interest receivable (unrestricted)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

6. Analysis of expenditure (unrestricted)

	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2021 £	Total Funds Year to 31 March 2020 £
Employment costs	212,156	155,997
Telecommunications/IT	11,817	12,688
Events/Meetings	800	3,373
Project Grants	114,343	57,488
Community Involvement	-	148
Professional fees	1,609	2,437
Publications and subscriptions	1,242	839
Staff training & development	695	155
Staff Recruitment	-	502
Supplies and services	17,781	20,207
Miscellaneous	5,087	1,250
	<u>365,530</u>	<u>255,084</u>

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Expenditure on charitable activities was £365,530 (2020: £255,084) of which £316,460 was restricted (2020: £179,598).

7. Net (expenditure)/income

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

	2021	2020
	£	£
Independent Examiner's Fees	<u>1,050</u>	<u>1,050</u>

8. Directors and key management personnel

During the year trustees did not receive remuneration.

The key management personnel of the charity consist of the trustees.

9. Employees

The average monthly number of persons employed during the year was

	Year to 31 Mar 2021	Year to 31 Mar 2020
	No	No
Charitable activities	5	5
	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

Employment costs

	Year to 31 Mar 2021	Year to 31 Mar 2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	173,072	122,810
Social security costs	11,185	10,352
Pension costs	27,281	21,607
Staff Travel	618	1,228
	<u>212,156</u>	<u>155,997</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 per annum.

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10. Fixed Asset Investments

	2021 £	2020 £
UK Quoted Investments		
Market Value at start of year	75,513	80,485
Acquisitions at Cost	-	-
Disposals at opening book value	-	-
Net unrealised investment loss/gains	10,933	(4,972)
	<u>86,446</u>	<u>75,513</u>
Market Value at end of year	<u>86,446</u>	<u>75,513</u>
Historical Cost at end of year	<u>52,145</u>	<u>52,145</u>
The investment portfolio consists of the following UK investment:		
Towry Managed Investment Fund	<u>86,446</u>	<u>75,513</u>

11. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	102	155
Accrued Income	6,066	5,686
	<u>6,168</u>	<u>5,841</u>

12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Grants in Advance	-	-
Accruals	1,000	1,000
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

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13. Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	At 1 Apr 2020 £	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Unrealised (Loss)/Gain £	Transfers	At 31Mar 2021 £
Unrestricted- General Reserves	161,402	58,974	(49,070)	10,933	-	182,239
Total unrestricted funds	161,402	58,974	(49,070)	10,933	-	182,239
DDDC- Better Derbyshire Dales Fund	-	38,100	(38,100)	-	-	-
DDDC- Comm Dev Manager HF	-	61,000	(41,000)	-	-	20,000
DCC Public Health (Small Grants)	1,370	9,000	(8,871)	-	-	1,499
DCC- Public Health (Social Connectedness)	48,231	-	(48,231)	-	-	-
DCC- Public Health (Community Voice)	-	25,000	(4,200)	-	-	20,800
DCC- Volunteering	-	4,500	(2,603)	-	-	1,897
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Social Prescribing)	-	77,073	(77,073)	-	-	-
Derby & Derbyshire CCG	-	45,080	(45,080)	-	-	-
Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Small Grants)	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-	-
Digital Connections	-	10,000	(3,835)	-	-	6,165
Foundation Derbyshire	-	11,872	(11,872)	-	-	-
Localities & Places	-	50,740	(4,000)	-	(12,026)	34,714
Localities & Places-Social Prescribing Engagement (DDCVS)	-	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
Localities& Places- Steps Together (DDCVS)	-	-	-	-	7,026	7,026
DCC	-	15,378	(15,378)	-	-	-
DCC Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing)	7,741	2,250	(3,235)	-	-	6,756
Police & Crime Commissioners	-	6,395	(6,395)	-	-	-
Peak Partners	7,949	-	-	-	-	7,949
Misc Flow Through	5,000	87	(5,087)	-	-	-
Total restricted funds	70,291	357,975	(316,460)	-	-	111,806
Total funds	231,693	416,949	(365,530)	10,933	-	294,045

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DDDC-Better Derbyshire Dales Fund- a pot of funding to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisations that are working within the Derbyshire Dales, administered on behalf of Derbyshire Dales District Council.

DDDC – Community Development Manager Hurst Farm, funding to work strategically with the community and partner organisations to meet the needs of the community of Hurst Farm and develop and deliver the Estate Regeneration Plan.

DCC- Public Health, a pot of funding for grants to support the work of new or existing community/voluntary groups or organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

DCC- Public Health (Social Connectedness), funding from Derbyshire Dales Health & Wellbeing Partnership to develop a district wide Action Group, develop an action plan to raise the profile of social connectedness and fund projects which improve social connectedness for people who are lonely or isolated, or at risk of being lonely or isolated and monitor the progress.

DCC- Public Health (Community Voice), funding to support Derbyshire in the fight against coronavirus.

DCC – Volunteering, fund to reimburse volunteer expenses during COVID-19

Derby & Derbyshire CCG (Social Prescribing), funding to develop and deliver a Social Prescribing service in the Derbyshire Dales that will link patients referred from GP surgeries in the Derbyshire Dales Primary Care Network with appropriate services and support from the voluntary, community and non-profit sector and inform and support the development of new and additional services that would be beneficial to patients in the Derbyshire Dales.

Derby & Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group (D& D CCG) provide funding for the core activities of the CVS, developing and providing information to local voluntary and community groups and providing small grants to community groups in the Derbyshire Dales for health and well-being activities.

Digital Connections, project to support community and voluntary groups to connect digitally with people in the local area.

Foundation Derbyshire, funding to support community development work as part of the agreed Covid-19 After Shock delivery plan.

Localities & Place, Police & Crime Commissioners Vulnerability, fund to provide support for families and communities to address vulnerability.

Social Prescribing Engagement Fund, provide individual funding payments to participants of Social Prescribing

Steps Together, project linking people with a volunteer for a local walk.

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Derbyshire County Council (DCC) – supplies funding to deliver core activities of the CVS – supporting local and voluntary community groups and engaging in strategic work with statutory and voluntary sector partners.

DCC- Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing), the 5 Ways to Wellbeing (namely Connect, Be Active, Take Notice, Keep Learning and Give) provided small grants to organisation working within the Derbyshire Dales for health and wellbeing activities.

Peak Partners, DDCVS administers a small grant to develop and explore ways in which local organisations could work together more effectively to tackle local issues.

14. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Tangible fixed assets £	Other net assets £	Total £
Unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted Reserves	86,446	95,793	182,239
Restricted funds			
DDDC- Comm Dev Manager HF	-	20,000	20,000
DCC Public Health (Small Grants)	-	1,499	1,499
DCC Public Health (Community Voice)	-	20,800	20,800
DCC- Volunteering	-	1,897	1,897
Digital Connections	-	6,165	6,165
Localities & Places	-	34,714	34,714
Localities & Places- Social Prescribing Engagement (DDCVS)	-	5,000	5,000
Localities & Places- Steps Together (DDCVS)	-	7,026	7,026
DCC Public Health (5 Ways to Wellbeing)	-	6,756	6,756
Peak Partners	-	7,949	7,949
Total funds	86,446	207,599	294,045

15. Related party transactions

The charity had no related party transactions that required disclosure.

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16. Leasehold Commitment

The Company entered into a 12 year lease on 1st April 2008 for the rental of the business premises. The term of the lease is at an annual rental of £10,790 plus VAT and thereafter reviewed every three years at market value.