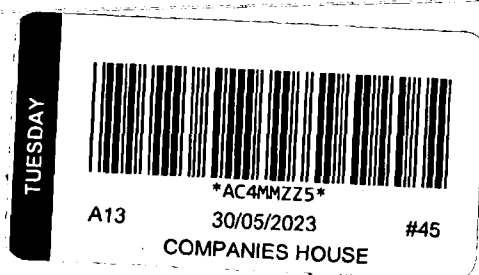


REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 04370289

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**Report of the Trustees and
Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31st August 2022
for
THE VINE TRUST WALSALL AND SUBSIDIARIES**



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THE VINE TRUST WALSALL AND SUBSIDIARIES (REGISTERED NUMBER 04370289)

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THE VINE TRUST WALSALL AND SUBSIDIARIES (REGISTERED NUMBER 4370289)

**Charity Reference and Administrative Details
Year ended 31st August 2022**

Incorporation 8th February 2002

Charity registration number 1093838

Company registration number 04370289

Directors M.A. Harland
P.B.J. Powell
J.P. Sargent
D. Lomax
L.A. Johnson
J.A. Blackwood-Reid

Chief executive officer & Company secretary K.R. Davis

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Trustees' Annual Report
Year ended 31st August 2022

The Trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

Trustees of the charity

The directors of the charitable company are its trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end were as follows:

M.A. Harland
P.B.J. Powell
J.P. Sargent
D. Lomax
L.A. Johnson
J.A. Blackwood-Reid
J.R. Tipper (Resigned 18 December 2022)

CEO & Company Secretary

K.R. Davis

Objectives and activities

Vine Trust Group Vision

'Our work with young people will be a catalyst for Christ centred community transformation'

Vine Trust Group Mission

'Preparing young people for life and godliness'

Objectives

'To advance the Christian religion among women and young people of either sex'

'To advance their education'

'To relieve their poverty'

'To provide facilities for recreational and other leisure time occupation for the said persons irrespective of ethnic origin, gender or religious belief, in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving their conditions of life'

Operations

1. Empowerment – The aim is that our work with young people can be a catalyst for community transformation.

2. Education - To promote a learning culture via the development of a wider range of learning opportunities and training programmes, which will equip young people with confidence, aspirations, skills and the qualifications required to reach their goals and sustain employment.

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3. Engagement – To engage all young people in positive activities which will enable them to participate and be respected as responsible citizens in the community offering them access to specialist information, advice and guidance.

4. Employment – To work with partners to provide programmes which will prepare and support young people for the world of work.

5. Enterprise – To model sustainability by growing market share, and developing new services and products, to increase the Trust's economic value and impact within the community.

For such other charitable purposes according to the laws of England and Wales in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the directors in their absolute discretion may from time to time decide.

History

The Vine Trust Walsall was conceived in 1989 as a direct result of the farsighted vision of local churches. Their conception was based around their concern that the system had failed to deal adequately for an increasing number of the youth of Walsall, who were seen as a burden to society in general. They purchased the derelict Vine Inn, to be a positive base for young people. The 'Vine Trust' was born. The Christian ethos is the foundation of the Vine Trust and is the motivation in providing young people with the necessary education, training and practical skills leading to permanent employment and fulfilling lives.

Public benefit statement

The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when examining their aims, objectives and future plans of the organisation.

Principle 1.a. What are the benefits?

The identifiable benefit or benefits are recognised from the quantifiable improvements we have made in the situations and opportunities for young people classed as hard to engage, and the challenging of negative attitudes in the communities in which they live.

Principle 1.b. The Benefits as related to our aims

Outcomes

- Young people can be a catalyst for community transformation
- Young people can reach their full academic and vocational potential
- Every young person can be employed without impediment
- Every young person in our sphere of influence will be able to make informed decisions for work, training lifestyle and faith

Principle 1.c. Ensuring our work delivers our aims

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year. In this year, we continue to embed the group's 5-year plan. The plan focusses on key areas of work and the benefits to the young people we have set out to help. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and activities and planning our future activities, and are satisfied our activities pose no detriment or harm (Principle 1c)

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Principle 2. Who used and benefitted from our services

Benefit to the public.

Through its strategic oversight, the Vine Trust has worked to ensure these young people access education, support, counselling, positive activities and work skills programmes, with the aim to get them back into mainstream education, at schools or colleges or into further training and work.

STRATEGIC REPORT

During 2021/22 The Vine Trust has sought to respond to the needs of young people, by 'preparing them for life and godliness'. From initiatives to **Education**, (through its Mercian multi academy Trust) and to a range of social **Enterprises** (coffee shops, events, workspace letting) and employer awareness initiatives, to transform **Employment** for Young People (through our Ladder Initiatives). The Group have sought to **Empower** its communities to make it suitable for young people, through the themes of **Live, Work, Play, Learn**, and **Worship**.

Achievements and performance

Employment

The Ladder Apprenticeship Foundation a subsidiary of the Vine Trust Walsall, part of the Vine Trust Group, which we also trade as, challenges social mobility through education and work.

Building on the success of the regional campaigns (London, Black Country, Birmingham, Staffordshire, Shropshire) and through the support of our delivery partners, media partner, and patrons, the Ladder Apprenticeship Foundation is our social mobility initiative, championing locally, the creation of apprenticeships and vocational learning through regional newspaper campaigns and events. The Foundation is rooted in its aim to develop models of activity, which support its strategy to "Engage, Educate & Employ" young people across the UK.

Following the pandemic lockdowns, with some of our delivery partner's activity on hold, we were pleased to continue our West Midland's campaigns, in Greater Birmingham, Black Country, and Shropshire, with a Coventry and Warwickshire campaign launched in October 2021.

Our delivery Partners manage our approved clearing houses in each campaign area. In Coventry & Warwickshire, it is Coventry and Chamber Training, in the Black Country and Greater Birmingham it is Performance Through People, and in Shropshire & Telford it is SBC Training.

The Mercian Trust oversee and run the Ladder Alternative Provision School, and its newly constructed building in the St Matthews Quarter of Walsall.

Following the suspension of all physical events with the pandemic, we had held our flagship Birmingham apprenticeship award virtually, with over 20,000 views. In 2021 however, we were, with Reach our media partner, able to hold the awards again at Edgbaston Stadium, celebrating with 300 guests, the best of apprenticeships in Greater Birmingham and Solihull. We were, amongst others, grateful for the recorded messages of support from West Midlands Mayor Andy Street, and our Ladder Patron the Rt Hon Robert Halfon MP.

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We are happy to announce that our other media partner, Midlands News Association, will be working with us to bring an Apprenticeship Awards to the Black Country in November 2022.

Enterprise

Vine Workspaces – 33 Lower Hall Lane

The Trust's Lower Hall Lane site has an extended facility to the original Vine building, which has provided, in keeping with the charity's objects, lettable spaces to Walsall Studio School, and we are pleased to continue to house further tenants in Walsall Money Advice, the Message Trust, and Walsall Community Church. The Trust restaurant space continues to be leased by The Table CiC, to run a coffee shop, with a commitment, to still be a meeting place for the community, and train young people.

Education

Mercian Trust

The Vine Trust Walsall is a Member of the Mercian Trust, a 'co-owner' alongside the Queen Mary's Foundation, sending 2 members out of the 5 member seats. This membership features in future accounts of the Vine Trust Walsall.

Responsibility for day-to-day leadership and management of the Trust is delegated to the CEO, senior leaders in the Central Team and the headteachers of each of the Trust's schools.

Strategic investments made from the Trust's reserves and from the DFE's Trust Capacity Fund (TCaF) have facilitated an increased capacity and capability of the Trust to enable successful schools. This includes a school improvement team of subject lead professionals led by a Director of School improvement and a group of clinical professionals and therapists in our welfare and wellbeing multidisciplinary team led by a Director of Social Mobility.

During the year the MAT Executive Team including head teachers held meetings each half term to discuss all aspects of the Trust's work, develop strategy and refine proposals to the board of Trustees. Where a course of action requires significant expenditure (capital projects, staffing, etc.) or more detailed scrutiny of educational impact, they refer decisions through the appropriate committee.

The Vine Trust, and the Foundation, jointly approve the accounts, the make-up of the board of Directors / Trustees, and meet regularly with their approved chair, and the CEO who is the Accounting Officer.

The balance sheet investment represents the charity's interest in The Mercian Trust a Multi Academy Trust (MAT), with effectively two voting member seats, and The Queen Mary's Foundation with effectively three voting member seats. From the 'significant Influence' that its two seats (one corporate membership and one individual appointee) gives, the interest in The Mercian Trust stated at 40% of its total restricted funds, according to its Audited Accounts.

The investment is restricted as representing government funding solely for the purpose of educating students in the Mercian Trust Schools.

The Trust approved the merger of the Q3 Multi Academy trust (MAT), and its 3 Secondary schools, Q3 Great Barr, Q3 Tipton,, and Q3 Langley into the Mercian Trust, making for a larger MAT of 9 schools, and nearly 10,000 students, and 900 staff.

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Walsall Studio School and The Ladder Alternative Provision School

As the founder of the Ladder school, and Walsall Studio School, (now operating as Studio School and Sixth) the Vine Trust nominates and approves the appointments of the Local Governing Body, and Head Teachers. The Ladder Alternative Provision School, envisioned by CEO Kevin Davis, is named after the Trust's Ladder initiative, and we welcomed the completion of the St Matthews' Education Quarter, with the build for the Ladder school, and a long awaited extension for Walsall Studio School, named after Vine CEO, and Mercian Chair- Kevin Davis.

Engagement

The Trust has continued to work with partners to promote the economic inclusion and social mobility agenda in the St Matthew's Quarter, and the wider Black Country. To this end, CEO Kevin Davis serves on the Walsall Town's Board, steering the regeneration and recovery of the Town, which also includes the St Matthews Quarter, where the schools, and the Vine, Lower Hall Lane building are located. The CEO's non-exec role with the Black Country Local Enterprise Partnership, has seen the Trust's 'Economy of Together' strategy integrated into the LEP.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be where possible be approximately 3 months of the expenditure. The Trustees have decided that the proceeds of sale of the Goldmine Centre, would be used to underpin this policy.

The purpose of the reserve is:

- To keep sufficient in general reserves to cover approximately 13 weeks expenditure.
- To capitalise on opportunities and future needs.
- To meet substantial redundancy costs in the event of the winding up of the Charity.
- Support with Cashflow challenges.

The reserves where possible are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. The present level of reserves available to the charity falls significantly short of this target level. Although the strategy is to continue to build reserves through planned operating surpluses, the Trustees understand it unlikely that the target range can be reached for at least three years, hence the proceeds from the Goldmine sale to the Mercian Trust backers in government will sure support the aim. In the short term the Trustees has also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

The reserves policy is to be reviewed annually at the Annual General Meeting prior to the publication of the annual report.

Plans for future periods

The creation of both the Mercian Trust, and The Ladder Apprenticeship Foundation, and the challenges of Covid, has enabled the Vine to become a more strategic organisation. With the LEP's dissolving in 2023, the Trust, will seek greater dissemination of the Economy of Together with wider partners, to create, post pandemic:

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- an equal and equitable Black Country
- a better educated Black Country
- a more enterprising Black Country, with greater social responsibility
- and a healthier Black Country that is environmentally friendly

It will continue to oversee the Mercian Trust, and the Ladder apprenticeship Foundation.

Structure, governance and management

Vine Trust Walsall is the 'parent' or controlling member of a group of charitable companies trading overall as the Vine Trust Group. The Group board of Trustee Directors consists of directors of the subsidiary boards as well as independent Vine Trust Walsall members. Members are responsible individually and collectively for overseeing the conduct and affairs of the charity, and for supervising Group management, to whom the Board had delegated certain authority for the day-to-day conduct of the charity.

They are also responsible for:

- Strategic Planning Process
- Operating Planning
- Monitoring Senior Management
- Monitoring the Effectiveness of the Board and its Committees
- Setting and Monitoring the Effectiveness of Corporate Policies
- Managing Risk
- The Integrity of Corporate Internal Control and Management
- Overseeing Information Systems
- Overseeing Communications Policy

Partner Board

Mercian Trust – Two Vine Trust directors of the board are part of the Members board.

Chief Executive Officer

The office of the Group Chief Executive (CEO) is the senior officer of the Group Trust and has delegated powers from the board of Trustee Directors, to manage the strategic and operation.

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 1985. It operates as an innovative faith inspired Charitable company, working to support and elevate the lives of 'hard to reach' young people (13-25 year olds).

Trustees Responsibilities

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

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

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- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102).
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

On an annual basis the trustees actively review risk in terms of the following areas:

- governance and management, operational, finance, environmental and external risk, and legal regulation compliance

This information is then used to develop a risk management strategy for the organisation, including the identification of existing controls in operation and any new controls the trustees consider necessary.

The current risk management strategy forms part of a planning process, against which the trustees review progress formally every six months within the context of a four-year strategic business plan.

The trustees are satisfied that adequate systems and procedures are in operation to mitigate against the major risks faced by the charity should any of these risks materialise.

In approving the Trustees' Annual Report, we also approve the Strategic Report included therein, in our capacity as company directors.

On behalf of the board



.....
P B Powell
Chairman

Date..... 25. May 2023

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Members and Trustees
Year ended 31st August 2022**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31st August 2022 which are set out on pages 10 to 23.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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


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

Independent examiner's statement

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 company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 accounts 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 accounts to be reached.



John Davis FCA (Independent Examiner)

For and on behalf of

DJH Mitten Clarke Walsall Ltd

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18 May

2023

THE VINE TRUST WALSALL AND SUBSIDIARIES (REGISTERED NUMBER 04370289)

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account)
Year ended 31st August 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	2022 Restricted Funds	Total Funds	2021 Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:					
Government grants: JRS Scheme		2,471	-	2,471	35,376
WMBC Covid support		-	-	-	37,100
Donations and legacies	2	8,176	-	8,176	18,770
Charitable activities	3	5,915	-	5,915	3,000
Other trading activities	4	50,242	-	50,242	54,459
Other	5	-	-	-	917
Total income and endowments		66,804	-	66,804	149,622
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	7	118,898	-	118,898	103,953
Total expenditure		118,898	-	118,898	103,953
Net gains on investments	16	-	25,704,917	25,704,917	(2,398,000)
Net income / (expenditure)		(52,094)	25,704,917	25,652,823	(2,352,331)
Other recognised gains/(losses):					
Losses on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(52,094)	25,704,917	25,652,823	(2,352,331)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		374,454	20,916,000	21,290,454	23,642,785
Total funds carried forward		322,360	46,620,917	46,943,277	21,290,454

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.
The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

THE VINE TRUST WALSALL AND SUBSIDIARIES (REGISTERED NUMBER 04370289)

Consolidated Balance Sheet
Year ended 31st August 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	13	386,736	381,918
Investments	15	46,620,917	20,916,000
		<u>47,007,653</u>	<u>21,297,918</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	16	26,078	34,299
Cash at bank and in hand		3,190	23,304
		<u>29,268</u>	<u>57,603</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	17	(35,644)	(6,067)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		<u>(6,376)</u>	<u>51,536</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>47,001,277</u>	<u>21,349,454</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	18	(59,000)	(59,000)
		<u>46,942,277</u>	<u>21,290,454</u>
Charity Funds			
Unrestricted funds	19	322,360	374,454
Restricted capital funds	19	46,620,917	20,916,000
		<u>46,943,277</u>	<u>21,290,454</u>

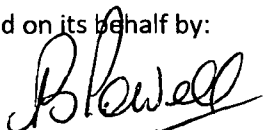
For the financial year in question, the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 18 May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



P B J Powell Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE VINE TRUST WALSALL AND SUBSIDIARIES (REGISTERED NUMBER 04370289)

Charity Balance Sheet
Year ended 31st August 2022

	Note	2022	2021
		£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	14	386,736	381,918
Current Assets			
Debtors	16	88,242	75,453
Cash at bank and in hand		1,101	23,293
		<u>89,343</u>	<u>98,746</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	17	(35,644)	(6,067)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		<u>53,699</u>	<u>92,679</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>440,435</u>	<u>474,597</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	18	(59,000)	(59,000)
		<u>381,435</u>	<u>415,597</u>
Charity Funds			
Unrestricted funds		381,435	415,597
Restricted funds		-	-
		<u>381,435</u>	<u>415,597</u>

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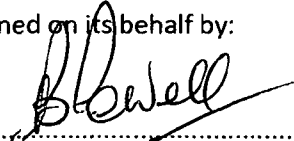
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THE VINE TRUST WALSALL AND SUBSIDIARIES (REGISTERED NUMBER 04370289)**Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**
Year ended 31st August 2022

	Note	2022	2021
		£	£
Net cash flows from operating activities	22	(25,738,869)	2,419,845
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	14	(5,905)	-
Change in tangible fixed asset investments	14	25,704,917	(2,397,083)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Interest paid	13	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash			
Equivalents in the year		(39,857)	22,762
Cash and cash equivalent at 1 September 2021		23,304	542
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 August 2022		(16,553)	23,304

Notes to the Financial Statements
Year ended 31st August 2022

1. Accounting Policies

General information and basis of preparation

Vine Trust Walsall is a charitable company incorporated in England. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities are to empower, educate, engage, and employ young people.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £1.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Basis of consolidation

The group financial statements consolidate the accounts of the Company and its subsidiary undertakings. Intra-group transactions and profits are eliminated on consolidation.

Funds

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

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Income

All incoming resources are included in the SoFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102).

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Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Costs of raising funds
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes provision of personal coaching services; and
- Other expenditure represents those items not falling into the categories above

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

Support costs allocation

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management carried out at Headquarters. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

The analysis of these costs is included in note 7.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its useful economic life.

Land and buildings	- not depreciated
Motor vehicles, fixtures etc	- 20% to 25% on cost

Freehold land and buildings are stated at valuation in 2019 carried out by Cosnett Price Chartered Surveyors. The Trustees have reviewed the carrying value for impairment.

Investments

Investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SoFA if their fair value can be measured reliably.

Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

Loans and borrowings

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at the transaction price including transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less impairment. If an arrangement constitutes a finance transaction it is measured at present value.

Impairment

Assets not measured at fair value are reviewed for any indication that the asset may be impaired at each balance sheet date. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, or the asset's cash generating unit, is estimated and compared to the carrying amount. Where the carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss unless the asset is

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carried at a revalued amount where the impairment loss is a revaluation decrease.

Leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the statement of financial activity on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Employee benefits

Where employees have rendered service to the charity, short term benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

Pension benefits

The charity contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme for certain members of staff. Contributions are expensed as they become payable.

Taxation

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

Going concern

As shown in the financial statements the Group had net loss on unrestricted funds of £52,094 for the year and at 31 August 2022 had unrestricted funds of £322,360. The Group have prepared income and cash flow projections for a period of 12 months. On this basis and on indications from supporters that they will continue to provide additional financial resources as required, the Trustees consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

2. Income from donations and legacies

	2022 £	2021 £
Donations		
Unrestricted - General	8,176	18,770

All of the above income was attributable to unrestricted funds.

3. Income from charitable activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Restaurant	-	-
Ladder School	5,915	3,000
Total	5,915	3,000

All of the above income was attributable to unrestricted funds.

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4. Income from trading activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Property cost recharges	18,222	24,265
Support cost recharges	30,583	26,602
Other	1,437	3,592
Total	50,242	54,459

All of the above income was attributable to unrestricted funds.

5. Other income

	2022	2021
	£	£
Profit on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	917

£Nil (2021: £Nil) of the above income was attributable to restricted funds.

6. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Direct Costs	Support Costs	Total
	£	£	£
Property	45,831	47,454	93,285
Support	20,822	1,545	22,367
Ladder	3,150	96	3,246
Total	69,803	49,094	118,898

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	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages & salaries	53,456	52,394
Training	1,375	-
Rent, rates & water	4,707	4,865
Insurance	5,129	5,153
Heat & light	13,808	6,334
Repairs & maintenance	11,303	7,298
Advertising & marketing	3,150	2,378
Post, print & stationery	8,100	7,850
Telephone	6,562	6,055
Travel, subs & entertaining	28	8
General expenses	108	594
Legal & professional fees	1,200	5,672
Cleaning	4,700	-
Depreciation	1,086	639
Governance	4,186	4,713
Total	118,898	103,953

8. Governance costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Professional fees	-	228
Independent Examination Fees	3,400	2,500
Miscellaneous	786	1,985
Total	4,186	4,713

9. Net income for year

Net income is stated after charging:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible assets	1,086	639
Change in fair value movement of investments	(25,704,917)	2,398,000
Profit on sale of tangible assets	-	917

10. Independent Examiners remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to a fee of £3,400 (2021: £2,500) and for accounts and others services £Nil (2021: £Nil).

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11. Trustees' and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

The trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2021: £Nil).

The trustees did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year (2021: £Nil).

The total employee benefits (including employer pension contributions) received by key management personnel is £36,604 (2021: £31,072). The Trust considers its key management personnel to be the Chief Executive Officer.

12. Staff costs and employee benefits

The average number of employees and full time equivalent (FTE) during the year was as follows:

	2022	2022	2021	2021
	Number	FTE	Number	FTE
Charitable activities	4	3	4	3

The total staff costs and employee benefits were as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	50,715	50,800
Social security costs	1,276	171
Pension costs	1,465	1,423
Total	53,456	52,394

No employees received total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) of more than £60,000.

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13. Tangible Fixed Assets – Group

	Land & Buildings £	Plant & Machinery £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 st September 2021	593,477	174,732	768,209
Additions	-	5,904	5,904
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 st August 2022	593,477	180,636	774,113
Depreciation			
At 1 st September 2021	213,477	172,814	386,291
Charge for year	-	1,086	1,086
Depreciation on disposal	-	-	-
At 31 st August 2022	213,477	173,900	387,377
Net Book Values			
At 31 st August 2022	380,000	6,736	386,736
At 31 st August 2021	380,000	1,918	381,918

14. Tangible Fixed Assets – Charity

	Land & Buildings £	Plant & Machinery £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 st September 2021	593,477	174,732	768,209
Additions	-	5,904	5,904
At 31 st August 2022	593,477	180,636	774,113
Depreciation			
At 1 st September 2021	213,477	172,814	386,291
Charge for year	-	1,086	1,086
Depreciation on disposal	-	-	-
At 31 st August 2022	213,477	173,900	387,377
Net Book Values			
At 31 st August 2022	380,000	6,736	386,736
At 31 st August 2021	380,000	1,918	381,918

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15. Fixed Assets Investments

	Other Investments £
Valuation	
At 1 st September 2021	23,919,000
At 31 st August 2022	23,919,000
Impairment	
At 1 st September 2021	3,003,000
Gain in year	(25,704,917)
At 31 st August 2022	(22,701,917)
Carrying amount	
At 31 st August 2022	46,620,917
At 31 st August 2021	20,916,000

The investment represents the charity's interest in The Mercian Trust a Multi Academy Trust (MAT) formed by a group of Government funded schools working together under a common banner and an overarching structure of governance. It has, as its members, The Vine Trust Walsall, with effectively two voting member seats, and The Queen Mary's Foundation, with effectively three voting member seats.

From the 'significant Influence' that its two seats (one corporate membership and one individual appointee) gives, the interest in The Mercian Trust is stated at 40% of its total restricted Funds at 31st August 2022 according to the Audited Accounts. Its registered office address is Mercian House, Sutton Road, Walsall, WS1 2PG. At the year end, the aggregate reserves of The Mercian Trust amounted to £119,486,895 (2021: £54,672,782) of which £116,552,293 (2021: £52,289,931) were restricted, following an increase in funds of £64,814,113 for the year (2021: decrease of £3,464,244).

The investment is restricted as representing government funding solely for the purpose of educating students in the Mercian Trust Schools.

16. Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Charity	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	11,313	4,452	11,313	4,452
Amounts owed by group companies	-	-	62,164	41,154
Prepayments and accrued income	2,884	3,627	2,884	3,627
Other debtors	11,881	26,220	11,881	26,220
Total	26,078	34,299	88,242	75,453

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17. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Charity	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	9,177	612	9,177	612
Taxation and social security	-	1,324	-	1,324
Accruals and deferred income	5,363	3,691	5,363	3,691
Other creditors	1,361	440	1,361	440
Total	15,901	6,067	15,901	6,067

18. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group		Charity	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Other creditors	59,000	59,000	59,000	59,000

19. Fund Reconciliation

	Balance at 1 st Sept 2021	Income	Expenditure	Gains / (Losses)	Balance at 31 st August 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General funds	374,454	66,804	(118,898)	-	322,360
	<u>374,453</u>	<u>66,804</u>	<u>(118,898)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>322,360</u>
Restricted Capital Funds					
Mercian Trust	20,916,000	-	-	25,704,917	46,620,917
	<u>20,916,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,704,917</u>	<u>46,620,917</u>
	<u>21,290,454</u>	<u>66,804</u>	<u>(118,898)</u>	<u>25,704,917</u>	<u>46,943,277</u>

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20. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	386,736	46,620,917	47,007,653
Current assets	9,525	-	9,525
Current liabilities	(15,901)	-	(15,901)
Creditors falling due after more than one year	(59,000)	-	(59,000)
Total	321,360	46,620,917	46,942,277

21. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	(52,094)	45,669
Interest payable	-	-
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	1,086	639
Gains on investments	(25,704,917)	2,398,000
Profit on sale of fixed assets	-	(917)
(Increase) decrease in debtors	8,221	28,266
Increase (decrease) in creditors	8,834	(51,812)
	(25,738,870)	2,419,845

22. Pensions and Similar Obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension plan for its employees. The amount recognised as an expense in the period was £1,465 (2021: £1,423).

23. Ultimate controlling party

During the year, the Charity was under the control of the Trustees.

2. Transactions with Trustees

At 31st August 2021 the charity owed £26,000 (2021: £26,000) to House on the Corner, and £33,000 (2021: £33,000) to Bentley Beginnings, charities in which P B Powell is a trustee.

The Company has taken advantage of the exemptions contained within Financial Reporting Standard No.8 not to disclose intra-group transactions on the basis that all subsidiaries are 100% owned and all transactions with other Group companies are eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.