

Registered Charity Number: 1098090

Multiple Sclerosis Peoples Help

Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year Ended 30 September 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

Registered Charity Number

1098090

Principle Address

13 St Mary's Street
Thornbury
Bristol
BS35 2AB

Trustees

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows:

Mr S McCarthy
Mr R Wall
Mrs C Wall
Mrs A Payne
Mrs K Martin

Independent Examiner

Charlotte Halsall FFA
25 Badminton Road
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report and unaudited financial statements for the charity year ended 30 September 2023.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The primary objectives of the charity are to provide support either financially or practically to Multiple Sclerosis (MS) sufferers who are elderly, disabled or infirm.

The main activities of the charity are to support this group of people by raising funds in the charity shop and the provision of practical assistance.

The Trustees can confirm that they have due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

This year was a great year for the charity because of the continued enthusiasm and dedication of our volunteers who work in the shop or as part of our DIY/Gardening teams. This work includes sales, customer service, maintaining a tidy and welcoming shop, gardening, general repairs, decorating and many other DIY jobs that people can no longer do themselves because they have disabilities caused by MS.

Requests for DIY support from MS sufferers are welcomed and thanks to the dedication of the DIY/Gardening teams it is not long before we are able to help. The Trustees wish to thank Pam Skelding who took on a few gardens during the year in support of Pauline and Arthur Hudson. We also provide funding for professionals such as Electricians and Plumbers if needed.

We continue to receive a large quantity of clothing, bric-a-brac and electrical donations including jewellery, pictures and toys, disability aids, wheelchairs, mobility scooters and portable electrical items which are all checked for serviceability and PAT tested before sale in the shop. The shop also receives funds for all non-recyclable clothes, which are collected regularly, and selected items which have been sent for auction while other unwanted items are disposed for free.

The shop has the capacity to store a significant quantity of donations in the room upstairs ready for sale throughout the year. The Trustees wish to thank Sue and the volunteers for their hard work in assisting the filtering and preparation of the many items for sale. PAT testing has been kept busy due to the increased number of portable appliances being donated. The Trustees send their best wishes to Les Strong, one of the two PAT Testers, for a speedy recovery following a recent fall on his way home.

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The shop was updated with more energy efficient lighting during the year.

Roger and Chris continue to use Roger's vehicle to collect larger donations that people give to the MSPH charity and for taking selected items to auction. This service is greatly appreciated by both the customers and Trustees.

The annual Fun Day was postponed until 2024 to better celebrate 20 years of MSPH fund raising next summer with the local shops and community.

We have had an excellent year thanks to all the volunteers hard work - customer feedback is very complimentary. This is mainly due to the warm and welcoming atmosphere in the shop and wide range of items available. Subsequently, more and more customers are returning on a regular basis. We therefore intend to keep the shop running for the foreseeable future.

The Trustees wish to pass on their thanks to all the volunteers for doing such an amazing job in maintaining the MSPH charity across all aspects of work; shop, DIY, Gardening, and especially when interfacing with those in need of help. We could not do it without you. The post-Christmas meal was held in recognition of the volunteers' hard work – this was well supported.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity continues to be in a strong financial position at the year end with £168,472 in the trust's bank account.

The charity's principal source of funds this year were the sales from the charity shop located at 13 St Mary Street, Thornbury.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Trustee meetings are held on a 4 monthly basis as practical.

Recruitment and appointment of new Trustees

The Trustees are identified through advertising and by word of mouth and are appointed for their expertise.

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Risk management

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

Portable Appliance Testers are fully certified.

CHARITY TRUSTEES

Mr R Wall – Treasurer

Mrs C Wall – Trustee

Mr S McCarthy – Trustee

Mrs K Martin – Trustee

Mrs A Payne - Trustee

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

.....
Roger Wall

Mr R Wall

Treasurer

.....
C Wall

Mrs C Wall

Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above-named charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30 September 2023.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND THE EXAMINER

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act")

I report in respect of the examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charities Commissioners. An independent 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act: or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records:
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
ON THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

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.



Charlotte Halsall FFA
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Dated: 22 July 2024

**MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS PEOPLES HELP
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Incoming Resources from Generated Funds			
Activities Generating Funds:			
Shop Sales		129,510	121,153
Other Income			
Government grants		-	-
Total Incoming Resources		129,510	121,153
LESS: Cost of Generating Funds			
Fundraising Trading:			
Shop Sales		92,828	87,908
Total Costs of Generating Funds		92,828	87,908
Net Incoming Resources Available for Charitable Activities		36,682	33,245
Charitable Activities			
DIY and Gardening Help		4,496	4,645
Batteries for Wheel Chairs		11,072	1,862
Charitable Contributions		-	10,000
Total Charitable Activity Cost		15,568	16,507
Governance Costs	4	3,202	3,202
Total Resources Expended		18,770	19,709
Net Incoming Resources from Operations		17,912	13,536
Total funds brought forward		164,315	150,779
Total funds carried forward		182,227	164,315

The Charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

All movements are unrestricted funds.

The notes on pages 9 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	12,067	10,562
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	6,660	10,806
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>168,472</u>	<u>147,634</u>
		175,132	158,440
Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year:	9	4,778	4,687
Net current assets		<u>170,354</u>	<u>153,753</u>
Net Assets		<u>182,421</u>	<u>164,315</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted Funds:			
General Funds		182,421	164,315
Total Funds		<u>182,421</u>	<u>164,315</u>

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on 22nd July 2024
and are signed on their behalf by:


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C Wall, Trustee


.....
R Wall, Trustee

The notes on pages on 9 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

1 Accounting policies

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities, issued in October 2011.
- b) Income from donations is included in incoming resources when these are received into the bank account.
- c) Resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis and have been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category.
- d) Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds can only be used for a particular restricted purpose within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when fund are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Plant and machinery - 15% reducing balance

Fixtures and fittings - 15% reducing balance

Motor Vehicles - 15% reducing balance

Computer equipment - 33.33% straight line

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

2 Government Grants

	2023	2022
	£	£
Job Retention scheme income	-	-
Coronavirus Grant	-	-
	-	-

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

3 Fundraising Trading

	2022	2022
	£	£
Sale of Goods	129,510	121,153
Cost of Activities		
Shop activities	92,828	87,908
Net surplus/deficit	36,682	33,245

4 Governance Costs

The governance of the charity consisted of the following direct and indirect costs:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accountancy and Payroll	1,737	1,737
Independent Examiners Report	1,465	1,465
	3,202	3,202

5 Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There was no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 September 2023, nor for the year ended 30 September 2022.

The trustees were paid a mileage allowance of 45p per mile and a subsistence allowance of £7 per day for attending meetings and for duties directly related to their duties as a trustee.

6 Staff Numbers

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Activities		
Shop	1	1

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

7 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Plant & Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Motor Vehicles	Computer Equipment	Total
Cost:					
As at 1.10.2022	11,349	17,434	0	4,524	33,307
Additions			4,119		
Disposals					
As at 30.9.2023	<u>11,349</u>	<u>17,434</u>	<u>4,119</u>	<u>4,524</u>	<u>37,426</u>
Depreciation:					
As at 1.10.2022	9,374	8,847	-	4,524	22,745
Charge for the year	296	1,288	1,030		2,614
Disposals					
As at 30.9.2023	<u>9,670</u>	<u>10,135</u>	<u>1,030</u>	<u>4,524</u>	<u>25,359</u>
Net Book Value					
As at 30.9.2023	<u>1,679</u>	<u>7,299</u>	<u>3,089</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,067</u>
As at 1.10.2022	<u>1,975</u>	<u>8,587</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,562</u>

8 Debtors: amounts falling due within 1 year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments	6,150	6,750
VAT	-	552
Other Debtors	-	2,994
Loans	510	510
	<u>6,660</u>	<u>10,806</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	2,100	2,100
Trade Creditors	400	2,179
Wages	174	-
Other tax and Social Security	2,104	408
	<u>4,778</u>	<u>4,687</u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF SHOP FUNDRAISING TRADING

YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME		
Shop Sales	129,510	121,153
Cost of Sales		
Purchases	4,194	3,691
Gross Income	125,316	117,462
OVERHEADS		
Wages and Salaries	16,957	16,207
Pension Costs	377	290
Light, heat and water	3,859	4,626
Cleaning	334	228
Rent and Rates	35,843	32,112
Telephone and Internet	2,424	1,971
Computer Running Costs	1,157	805
Printing Postage and Stationery	360	263
Refreshments and Volunteer Staff Expenses	5,449	5,624
Repairs and renewals	1,979	1,123
Insurance	358	415
Travel Expenses	14,030	15,976
Credit Card Terminal and Processing Fees	1,662	1,578
Sundries	1,218	1,110
Subscriptions	13	25
Depreciation	2,614	1,864
Total Overheads	88,634	84,217
Surplus/Deficit	36,682	33,245