

Charity registration number 1101140 (England and Wales)

Company registration number 04716514

EAST SUSSEX HEARING
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	D Bone G Morris Dr J Martyr S Thursfield A Carter Dr K Norwood Mr P Murden	(Appointed 28 March 2025)
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Charity number	1101140	
Company number	04716514	
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements 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

The Charity's main objectives remain unchanged and that is to improve the quality of life for people with hearing loss and anyone with a dual sensory loss (deafblind) and to reduce loneliness and isolation within the community. We provide a range of support services for clients including: information & advice, equipment demonstrations and installations, lipreading and sign language classes, communication training, peer support groups, hearing health checks including initial hearing screening, and microsuction ear wax removal. In addition to the above-mentioned services, we also provide Deaf Awareness Training to family, friends, carers, health worker and businesses to enable them to communicate more effectively with someone who has a hearing loss.

Public benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

Some of our key services include:

Information and Advice – From our Centre in Eastbourne and throughout the county via our volunteer-led outreach service and Hearing Hopper outreach vehicle.

Hard of Hearing Groups – Support groups in Eastbourne, Lewes, Uckfield, St Leonards-on-Sea and Hastings.

Deafblind Groups – Support group in Eastbourne.

Sign Language Classes – Our Eastbourne Centre (4), other (3).

Lipreading Classes – Eastbourne and Seaford.

Hearing Health Checks and Initial Hearing Screening – From our Centre in Eastbourne and throughout the county via our Hearing Hopper outreach vehicle and community-based pop-up-sessions. Ear wax removal is available from our Centre in Eastbourne or at home.

Equipment Installation and Repair – We Install and maintain hearing assistive equipment on behalf of East Sussex County Council's Sensory Impairment Team (SIRT).

Hearing Assistive Equipment Demonstrations – From our Centre in Eastbourne and throughout the county via our Hearing Hopper outreach vehicle.

Volunteering – A range of voluntary opportunities are available in our Centre in Eastbourne and throughout the county.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The future

Our key goals for the next 12 months or so are:

- To generate increased funding to enable us to continue to run our existing services.
- To expand the reach of our 'Hearing Hopper' outreach vehicle to enable us to reach even more rural and isolated communities.
- Continue to run and expand our hearing health checks and initial hearing screening service.
- To develop further our Deaf Awareness Training services with a focus on supporting businesses and organisations to become more hearing-loss friendly and inclusive.

We are a small charity with a loyal and dedicated team of staff and volunteers and we pride ourselves on the level of service that we provide. However, we can only continue to provide this much needed service to the local hard of hearing community with the kind, generous support of funders; moving us closer to achieving our goal of an inclusive society where hard of hearing people can feel part of their local community and enjoy an independent life.

Financial review

There was a surplus for the year on general funds of £24,404 after transferring £88,815 from the designated property fund and after covering any deficits arising on restricted funds (2024: deficit of £52,298).

The charity seek to maintain at least 3 months operating expenditure as reserves calculated to be between £60,000 and £70,000. General fund carried forward are £41,800 (2024: £17,396) and the trustees are looking to raise income levels through grant making trusts and a variety of fundraising initiatives.

The Charity still holds £229,420 on designated unrestricted fund for property matters which can be utilised for General fund matters.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 10 December 2003.

The Charity changed its name to East Sussex Hearing on 5th June 2020.

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:

D Bone

G Morris

Dr J Martyr

S Thursfield

A Carter

Mr E Rayner

(Resigned 1 May 2024)

Dr K Norwood

Mr P Murden

(Appointed 28 March 2025)

All of the Trustees are eligible for re-election and will be proposed for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting.

New Trustees are appointed by majority vote of members in general meeting

Following the retirement of Mr D Rowan the Charity is managed on a day to day basis by Mr M Dimmock and Mrs G Chetcuti as joint chief executives together with support staff. Trustees meet regularly to oversee the work of the charity.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025***

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



D Bone
Chairman

14 November 2025

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees, who are also the directors of East Sussex Hearing 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.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF EAST SUSSEX HEARING

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of East Sussex Hearing (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.

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 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. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, the independent examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ACCA, 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 Companies Act 2006.
- 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 Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements 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.



J Caladine FCCA CTA FCIE

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Dated: 14 November 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Current financial year

		Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes					
<u>Income from:</u>						
Voluntary Income	3	38,080	-	-	38,080	12,170
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	336,420	-	1,290	337,710	315,380
Other income	5	3,524	-	-	3,524	9,667
Investments	6	4,313	-	-	4,313	7,662
Total income		382,337	-	1,290	383,627	344,879
<u>Expenditure on:</u>						
Raising funds	7	-	-	-	-	1,125
Charitable Activities	8	433,394	-	16,547	449,941	379,103
Total resources expended		433,394	-	16,547	449,941	380,228
Net gains/(losses) on investments	13	(7,326)	-	-	(7,326)	13,051
Net outgoing resources before transfers		(58,383)	-	(15,257)	(73,640)	(22,298)
Gross transfers between funds	21-23	82,787	(88,815)	6,028	-	-
Net movement in funds		24,404	(88,815)	(9,229)	(73,640)	(22,298)
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		17,396	318,235	31,842	367,473	389,771
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		41,800	229,420	22,613	293,833	367,473

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Prior financial year

		Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes				
<u>Income from:</u>					
Voluntary Income	3	12,170	-	-	12,170
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	276,787	-	38,593	315,380
Other income	5	9,667	-	-	9,667
Investments	6	7,662	-	-	7,662
Total income		306,286	-	38,593	344,879
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds	7	1,125	-	-	1,125
Charitable Activities	8	361,851	-	17,252	379,103
Total resources expended		362,976	-	17,252	380,228
Net gains/(losses) on investments	13	13,051	-	-	13,051
Net outgoing resources before transfers		(43,639)	-	21,341	(22,298)
Gross transfers between funds	21	(8,659)	-	8,659	-
Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds		(52,298)	-	30,000	(22,298)
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		69,694	318,235	1,842	389,771
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		17,396	318,235	31,842	367,473

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Property, plant and equipment	15		28,804		42,793
Current assets					
Inventories	16	16,216		22,000	
Trade and other receivables	17	19,827		16,235	
Investments	18	149,902		157,229	
Cash at bank and in hand		92,390		137,769	
		<u>278,335</u>		<u>333,233</u>	
Current liabilities	19	<u>(13,306)</u>		<u>(8,553)</u>	
Net current assets			265,029		324,680
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>293,833</u>		<u>367,473</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	21		22,613		31,842
Unrestricted funds - designated	23		229,420		318,235
Unrestricted funds - general			41,800		17,396
			<u>293,833</u>		<u>367,473</u>

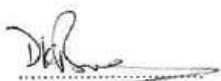
The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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 14 November 2025



D Bone
Chairman

Company Registration No. 04716514

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

1 Accounting policies

Company information

East Sussex Hearing is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Chantry House, 22 Upperton Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 1BF.

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance 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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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. 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. The core activities of the charity East Sussex Hearing are overseen by the general fund which also incorporates the Hearing Resource Centre and Induction Loop Installation work. The general fund provides support funding for the various other activities of the Trust to include sign writing, lip reading, outreach and prescription work all considered core activities of the Trust.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors 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. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with the appropriate management and support costs.

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.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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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.

Charitable activities expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following basis:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	25% on a reducing balance basis
Motor vehicles	20%-25% on a straight line basis

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

Fixed assets costing below £2,000 are not capitalised.

1.7 Impairment of non-current assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Items held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured the lower of replacement cost and cost.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price less all estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in marketing, selling and distribution.

1.9 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.

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

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.10 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 trade and other receivables 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.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables 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 payables 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 payables 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.

1.11 Employee benefits

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

1.12 Retirement benefits

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

1.13 Allocation and apportionment of costs

Salaries are apportioned between the charitable activities based upon time allocated to each project.

Direct costs of fundraising are allocated accordingly to the project that incurred the expense.

1.14 Current asset investments

Current 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.

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

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.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Donations and gifts	14,452	12,170
Legacies	23,628	-
	<u>38,080</u>	<u>12,170</u>

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Fees receivable	131,827	1,290	133,117	84,259	2,229	86,488
Grants receivable	204,593	-	204,593	192,528	36,364	228,892
	<u>336,420</u>	<u>1,290</u>	<u>337,710</u>	<u>276,787</u>	<u>38,593</u>	<u>315,380</u>

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Fundraising events	<u>3,524</u>	<u>9,667</u>

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

6 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Income from unlisted investments	4,276	4,192
Interest receivable	37	3,470
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	4,313	7,662
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7 Raising funds

	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds general 2024 £
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Contract services (Fundraisers)	-	1,125
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	-	1,125
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8 Charitable Expenditure by Activity	Hearing Resource Centre 2025 £	Outreach Worker 2025 £	Sign Language Classes 2025 £	Lip Reading Classes 2025 £	Prescrip- tions 2025 £	Deaf/Blind Persons 2025 £	Deaf Job Club 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Staff costs	121,782	12,722	24,504	4,623	75,284	5,682	797	245,394	230,295
Training	238	-	-	-	-	-	-	238	557
Venue hire	1,226	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,226	1,822
Travel and volunteer expenses	1,186	-	6	-	3	-	-	1,195	1,601
Fees	-	-	215	1,638	-	-	-	1,853	-
Van repairs and maintenance costs	16,592	-	-	-	5,615	-	-	22,207	6,484
Products and consumables	7,572	-	227	-	80,286	-	-	88,085	62,905
	148,596	12,722	24,952	6,261	161,188	5,682	797	360,198	303,664
Share of support costs (see note 9)	59,261	-	26	260	19,860	-	-	79,407	67,465
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	10,336	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,336	7,974
	218,193	12,722	24,978	6,521	181,048	5,682	797	449,941	379,103
Analysis by fund									
Unrestricted funds - general	216,851	12,222	24,978	-	173,661	5,682	-	433,394	361,851
Restricted funds	1,342	500	-	6,521	7,387	-	797	16,547	17,252
	218,193	12,722	24,978	6,521	181,048	5,682	797	449,941	379,103

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

8 Charitable Expenditure by Activity

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Hearing Resource Centre	Outreach Worker	Sign Language Classes	Lip Reading Classes	Prescrip- tions	Deaf/Blind Persons	Deaf Job Club	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	94,769	12,664	27,525	7,104	78,445	8,229	1,559	230,295
Training	557	-	-	-	-	-	-	557
Venue hire	1,722	-	100	-	-	-	-	1,822
Travel and volunteer expenses	1,465	-	59	-	77	-	-	1,601
Van repairs and maintenance costs	2,577	-	-	-	3,907	-	-	6,484
Products and consumables	7,452	-	-	-	55,453	-	-	62,905
	108,542	12,664	27,684	7,104	137,882	8,229	1,559	303,664
Share of support costs (see note 9)	54,400	1,515	-	5	10,030	1,515	-	67,465
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	5,754	-	-	2,220	-	-	-	7,974
	168,696	14,179	27,684	9,329	147,912	9,744	1,559	379,103
Analysis by fund								
Unrestricted funds - general	162,332	14,179	27,684	-	147,912	9,744	-	361,851
Restricted funds	6,364	-	-	9,329	-	-	1,559	17,252
	168,696	14,179	27,684	9,329	147,912	9,744	1,559	379,103

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

9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2025	Support costs	Governance costs	2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Depreciation	16,079	-	16,079	8,733	-	8,733
Rent and service charges	33,576	-	33,576	30,493	-	30,493
Insurance	2,304	-	2,304	1,781	-	1,781
Computer and internet	4,864	-	4,864	3,816	-	3,816
Office expenses	19,173	-	19,173	20,170	-	20,170
Subscriptions	216	-	216	216	-	216
Telephone	3,195	-	3,195	2,256	-	2,256
Independent Examination	-	1,080	1,080	-	1,020	1,020
Professional fees	-	5,550	5,550	-	3,909	3,909
Accountancy	-	2,616	2,616	-	1,976	1,976
Payroll services	-	1,056	1,056	-	1,056	1,056
Annual return fee	-	34	34	-	13	13
	<u>79,407</u>	<u>10,336</u>	<u>89,743</u>	<u>67,465</u>	<u>7,974</u>	<u>75,439</u>
<u>Analysed between</u>						
Charitable activities	<u>79,407</u>	<u>10,336</u>	<u>89,743</u>	<u>67,465</u>	<u>7,974</u>	<u>75,439</u>

10 Net movement in funds

	2025	2024
	£	£
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	1,080	1,020
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	<u>16,079</u>	<u>8,733</u>

11 Trustees

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

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12 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Manager	1	1
Administration	1	1
Charitable activities	8	8
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Total	10	10
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Employment costs	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	225,252	211,203
Social security costs	13,835	12,638
Other pension costs	6,307	6,454
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	245,394	230,295
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There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

Remuneration of key management personnel

No employees are considered to be key management as recognised by the charity SORP.

13 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investments	(7,326)	13,051
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14 Taxation

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

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15 Property, plant and equipment

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	32,292	61,930	94,222
Additions	2,090	-	2,090
	<u>34,382</u>	<u>61,930</u>	<u>96,312</u>
At 31 March 2025			
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 April 2024	25,524	25,905	51,429
Depreciation charged in the year	2,215	13,864	16,079
	<u>27,739</u>	<u>39,769</u>	<u>67,508</u>
At 31 March 2025			
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2025	<u>6,643</u>	<u>22,161</u>	<u>28,804</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>6,768</u>	<u>36,025</u>	<u>42,793</u>

16 Inventories

	2025 £	2024 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	<u>16,216</u>	<u>22,000</u>

17 Trade and other receivables

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade receivables	4,746	1,135
Other receivables	7,250	7,250
Prepayments and accrued income	7,831	7,850
	<u>19,827</u>	<u>16,235</u>

18 Current asset investments

	2025 £	2024 £
At 1 April 2024	157,229	144,175
Unrealised loss in year	(7,327)	13,054
	<u>149,902</u>	<u>157,229</u>
At 31 March 2025		

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19 Current liabilities

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	13,306	8,553

20 Retirement benefit schemes

	2025 £	2024 £
Defined contribution schemes		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	6,307	6,454

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

21 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 £
Be Smart IT workshops	1,342	-	(1,342)	-	-
Outreach work	500	-	(500)	-	-
Deaf Job Club Fund	-	-	(797)	797	-
Lipreading Fund	-	1,290	(6,521)	5,231	-
Hearing Hopper Fund	30,000	-	(7,387)	-	22,613
	31,842	1,290	(16,547)	6,028	22,613

Previous year:

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
Be Smart IT workshops	1,342	-	-	-	1,342
Outreach work	500	-	-	-	500
Deaf Job Club Fund	-	-	(1,559)	1,559	-
Lipreading Fund	-	2,229	(9,329)	7,100	-
Hearing Hopper Fund	-	30,000	-	-	30,000
Sundry Restricted Funds	-	6,364	(6,364)	-	-
	1,842	38,593	(17,252)	8,659	31,842

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21 Restricted funds (Continued)

Be Smart - IT workshops - this fund is used to run free workshops on using IT equipment such as laptops, tablets and smartphones.

Outreach work - grants received to run outreach events in Eastbourne.

Deaf Job Club Fund - this fund is for a return to work job club. The deficit on this fund was covered by a transfer from the General fund.

Lipreading Fund - this fund is for lipreading classes. The deficit on this fund was covered by a transfer from the General fund.

Sussex Community Fund - this grant is for running training, workshops, support classes and hearing aid maintenance.

Hearing Hopper Fund - A grant from Sussex Masonic Society for the purchase of a vehicle. The depreciation of the vehicle to be charged against the fund from 1st April 2024 over 4 years.

Sundry Restricted Funds - incorporates small restricted grants for a portable audiometer, hearing aids and micro-suction work. These funds were expended in the year.

22 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 £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	17,396	382,337	(433,394)	82,787	(7,326)	41,800
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	69,694	306,286	(362,976)	(8,659)	13,051	17,396

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23 Unrestricted funds - designated

These are unrestricted funds which are material to the charity's activities.

	Balance at 1 April 2023	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2024	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Capital fund (designated)	318,235	-	318,235	(88,815)	229,420

Notes

The capital fund represents gifts and funds set aside for future refurbishment of existing buildings or purchase or lease of a new building.

During the year 2024/25 the sum of £88,815 was transferred back to the General Fund to replenish reserves.

24 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds general 2025 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
At 31 March 2025:				
Property, plant and equipment	6,643	-	22,161	28,804
Current assets/(liabilities)	35,157	229,420	452	265,029
	<u>41,800</u>	<u>229,420</u>	<u>22,613</u>	<u>293,833</u>

	Unrestricted funds general 2024 £	Unrestricted funds designated 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
At 31 March 2024:				
Property, plant and equipment	12,793	-	30,000	42,793
Current assets/(liabilities)	4,603	318,235	1,842	324,680
	<u>17,396</u>	<u>318,235</u>	<u>31,842</u>	<u>367,473</u>

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25 Operating lease commitments

Lessee

The company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases for rent and services.

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Within one year	33,000	31,900
Between two and five years	24,750	55,825
	<u>57,750</u>	<u>87,725</u>

26 Related party transactions

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