AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

England & Wales · Charity number 1102412

Details

Other names	AMBER VALLEY CVS
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	04763194
Registered	2004-03-01
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: 3.1 TO PROMOTE ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DISTRICT OF AMBER VALLEY AND ITS NEIGHBOURHOOD (HEREIN AFTER CALLED "THE AREA OF BENEFIT") AND IN PARTICULAR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, THE PROTECTION OF HEALTH AND THE RELIEF OF POVERTY, DISTRESS AND SICKNESS.3.2 TO PROMOTE AND ORGANIZE CO-OPERATION IN THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE ABOVE PURPOSES AND TO THAT END TO BRING TOGETHER IN COUNCIL, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS AND STATUTORY AUTHORITIES WITHIN THE AREA OF BENEFIT

Activities: we provide support to local organisations in areas of governance, fundraising, access to training,promoting & marketing volunteering as well as promoting the value of the voluntary and commnuity sector in Amber Valley to statutory partners thorugh regular strategic meetings with them. We provide direct support to communities and individuals in need in Amber Valley & Erewash

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** AMBER VALLEY, DERBYSHIRE
- Derbyshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£1,227,761	£1,318,906	£476,270	91
2024-03-31	£1,232,318	£1,235,442	£572,648	86
2023-03-31	£939,040	£954,424	£560,323	82
2022-03-31	£910,206	£896,106	£585,137	76
2021-03-31	£909,346	£794,289	£564,137	70

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Adrian Carl Reynolds		2024-11-13
Jeanette Morris		2022-11-23
Keith Venables		2023-11-01
Siobhan Fennell		2023-05-31
Steven Lockwood		2021-09-29

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Accounts

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AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	S Freeborn S Lockwood J Morris S Fennell K Venables A Reynolds	 (Appointed 23 November 2024)
Secretary	L E Allison	
Charity number	1102412	
Company number	04763194	
Registered office	33 Market Place Ripley Derbyshire DE5 3HA	
Auditor	Azets Westpoint Lynch Wood Peterborough Cambridgeshire PE2 6FZ	
Bankers	Yorkshire Bank PLC 30 Oxford Street Ripley Derbyshire DE5 4AJ Cooperative Bank Business Direct PO Box 250 Skelmersdale WN8 6NY Nationwide Building Society Kings Park Road Moulton Park Northampton NN3 6NW Derbyshire Community Bank 68 Cornmarket Derby DE1 2DG	

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AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

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

Principal activities

The company is a Registered Charity offering support to voluntary organisations and communities in Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts.

The objects of the charity are to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the Local Government District of Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts (hereinafter called 'the area of benefit'). This is in accordance with the objects contained in the constitution, the charity's governing document. There have been no changes in the policies of the charity which are:

- To promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the same and to that end bring together in council representatives of the voluntary organisations and statutory authorities within the area of benefit.
- To establish, support, undertake or execute any charitable trusts or association formed for the objects.
- To encourage, promote and organise direct services appropriate to the needs of individuals.
- We may work outside our area of benefit providing it is not to the detriment of, and whenever possible working in partnership with, other organisations.

Public Benefit

Amber Valley CVS is open to enquiries from members of the public who wish to volunteer their time to others in the community. We promote and encourage volunteering and broker arrangements between local voluntary sector groups and individuals. This activity raises community spirit and cohesion.

We provide training activity to volunteers and voluntary sector groups, raising their skills and aspirations as a result.

Our organisation offers direct support to families and older people in Amber Valley and Erewash, tackling issues such as debt, social isolation and access to services. This benefits the public and our communities by increasing their self sufficiency.

We are the local support for voluntary sector organisations and our leadership to them in respect of governance, finance, human resource and health & safety issues ensure that the voluntary sector in Amber Valley has good governance arrangements and groups develop to their full potential.

In determining the activities of the charity, the trustees have taken into account guidance issued by Charity Commission on public benefit.

Volunteers

The organisation encourages and supports volunteers within the organisation in administration roles, as part of the Befriending project and as Trustees. We also actively promote volunteering to businesses, statutory partners and the general public using window displays, web site, social media, local press & radio and work in schools. We work in partnership with health, sport, children's, disability organisations to extend and improve the volunteering experience for any age or ability.

Achievements and performance

Staff and Trustees have maintained progress on strategic improvement headlines despite the uncertainties we have faced from external contract changes and re organisation of partner structures. We have focussing particularly on ideas for sustainable funding as an alternative to grants.

Internal records of our performance against outcomes for the organisation and the sector show we have maintained a more general work plan as a CVS and Volunteer Centre as well as adding value to our communities and the sector. The projects we have undertaken have extended the reach and support we offer for increasing physical activity including to those with mobility and health issues and digital support from social prescribers.

In providing support to develop and sustain local groups this year we have:

- Maintained a database of 440 active groups and presented information in real time for the public and professionals to connect on google maps with over 26,000 views views alongside website, e bulletins and newsletters communications;
- We have concentrated on improving social media posts to show the range of CVS activity and also created podcasts to promote the work of CVS and other volunteering organisations.
- Maintained contact or visited with 322 local groups, with 8 new groups formed. We have reviewed the situation of free membership in recognition of rising costs of communications with groups.
- We have increased member groups to 206 and have good data from use of Community Directory Derbyshire;
- Had contact with and given direct advice and support to 178 groups, more than double the previous year , including supporting 20 with an extensive development plan and a further 12 with applications to UKSPF.
- We have increased live volunteering opportunities on Volife to 128 with 46 new or refreshed opportunities;
- Our extensive knowledge of local activity and services has seen signposting of over 200 people by social prescribers and a further 200 by administration team.
- DBS checks have decreased to 293 however this is from 54 groups supported across Derbyshire;
- Managed the grant giving process for Public Health with £150,000 awarded to local groups and a further £30,000 through UKSPF funds;
- Maintained a presence on local and county wide forums and other partnerships with attendance at events and networks ranging from 46 - 100;
- We have had an increasing response to forums we facilitate such as front line meeting, Museum & Heritage forum, Living Well collaboration. In contributing to Wellbeing and Digi drop in events social prescribers and other staff have directly supported more people in our community.
- We have assessed 50 new befriending clients and matched 21 of those with a volunteer visitor as well as maintaining support to 120 ongoing clients and a cohort of 66 volunteers. Whilst input to hospital discharge has ended, 462 GP patients were supported by the social prescribing team members with others gaining skills to use NHS App;
- Continued to seek increased physical activity support with Active Partners and GoGa including a piece of work to gain insight of what those who are inactive due to health conditions would need. This led to the set up of new AV Ambles sessions and increased volunteer Walk Leaders trained.

We have engaged businesses this year in our approach for volunteers and also for fundraising.

Help at Home continued to support over 500 older people this year, ensuring they remained safe and well at home. Staffing levels for the service have been a challenge however we have been able to keep the service sustainable.

We are enhancing the health, well being and safe guarding in our communities by delivering a range of support through Help at Home, Befriending volunteers, Get Out Get Active and Social Prescribing Link Workers.

Staff involvement as volunteers to local organisations continues with Read Easy, Belper Contact Centre, befriending and sports clubs. We remain a "Safe Space" for vulnerable people to use.

We have continued to work in partnership with local organisations and statutory partners to contribute to Amber Valley Partnership, Place Alliance and Active Amber Valley. We have contributed to the development of a VCSE Alliance , to influence health planning. With DIAA colleagues we contribute to County Place board, Safer Derbyshire Board and Serious Violence. We continue to encourage the VCSE Leadership and Mental Health Living Well programmes.

We take the concerns and offers of support of the voluntary sector to local and county strategic meetings including with Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire ICB and Public Health Locality team to increase the sector profile.

Financial review

Detailed financial information is shown from page 7. The charity reports a decicit for the year of £96,378 (2024 - surplus of £12,325).

Reserves Policy and Going Concern

At 31 March 2025 the charity had total reserves of £476,270 (2024 - £572,648). Of these reserves £185,004 (2024 - £274,786) was held in restricted funds, with the balance remaining of £291,266 (2024 - £297,862) being held in unrestricted funds.

The charity has designated some of its unrestricted funds for particular purposes. At 31 March 2025 the designated funds of the charity are :

Training Fund	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000
Building Fund	30,000
Help At Home Fund	55,000
	£130,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

Unrestricted general reserves (excluding tangible fixed assets of £6,348 (2024 - £4,609)), freely available for use by the charity amount to £154,918 (2024 - £118,253).

The Trustees' policy is to hold unrestricted free reserves equivalent to 4-8 months directorate expenditure, which is currently running at the rate of £150,000 per annum. At the year end free reserves amounted to £154,918 (2024 - £118,253) which is considered prudent as there are indications that grant funding will decrease in 2025/26.

In addition to directorate expenditure, unrestricted funds are designated to ensure resources are available for expenditure which would relate to changes to Help at Home, either for closure or continuation in another charitable format.

Principal funding sources

Our principal funding sources remain Derbyshire Joined Up Care and Derbyshire County Council along with earned income from activity as a counter signatory for DBS and customer charges to Help at Home clients.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee are responsible for setting the investment policy of the charity.

Risk Management

The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces each financial year when preparing and updating the strategic plan. The charity has developed systems to monitor and control financial and other risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the charity in the future. Information about risk and the actions to mitigate them are discussed at board meetings.

Plans for future periods

We have a renewed strategy with headlines of " Strong Foundations, Funding the Future ,Dreaming Big". We will implement this over the next three years to ensure support for groups is strengthened, our base is fit for purpose and we adapt to changes in the internal and external environment.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 13 May 2003 and registered as a charity on 1 April 2004. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association and its constitution which was adopted on 13 July 1994 when the charity was operating as an unincorporated entity. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

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:

S Freeborn	
A Carroll	(Resigned 13 November 2024)
S Lockwood	
J Morris	
S Fennell	
H Parry-Payne	(Resigned 28 May 2025)
K Venables	
A Reynolds	(Appointed 23 November 2024)

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are actively recruited through the year and have a formal application process which identifies the skills and knowledge they offer for this role.

Organisational structure

The business of the charity is managed through board meetings consisting of a maximum of no more than twenty members and a minimum of not less than six members.

Members of the Board as listed on page 1 are appointed at the Annual General Meeting and serve for one year, but may offer themselves for reappointment if they so wish.

The Committee is responsible for the strategic direction of the Charity and therefore responsibility for the day to day running of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive, who in turn delegates a share of that responsibility to other members of the senior management team.

Induction and training of trustees

Each trustee receives an induction pack which includes information about the organisations aims, plans, financial situation and governance arrangements. Trustees have direct access to the Chief Executive for further information exchange and support in their role. Development of the Boards understanding of the organisation is led by the Chief Executive using regular meeting dates to identify and progress this, involving other staff members as appropriate.

Pay policy for key management personnel

In considering the rate of pay for key management personnel the board take into account national pay rates identified by NAVCA, comparator pay rates within Derbyshire and the previous years rate of inflation. These are set against any changes (rise or fall) in external funding received by the organisation.

Links with other organisations

The charity has strong relationships with local authorities, in particular Derbyshire County Council, Joined Up Derbyshire / Integrated Care Board, Amber Valley Place Alliance and other Councils for Voluntary Service.

Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Azets be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

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

S. Lockwood.

S Lockwood

Trustee

Date: 26/09/2025

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; 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.

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Other matters

The financial statements of Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service for the year ended 31 March 2023 are unaudited.

Use of our report

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



Mr Mark Jackson FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Azets

10.10.2025

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

Westpoint
Lynch Wood
Peterborough
Cambridgeshire
United Kingdom
PE2 6FZ

Azets is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	5,595	-	5,595	3,123	-	3,123
Charitable activities	4	613,706	576,811	1,190,517	553,326	656,580	1,209,906
Other trading activities	5	30,956	-	30,956	17,912	-	17,912
Investments	6	693	-	693	1,377	-	1,377
Total income		650,950	576,811	1,227,761	575,738	656,580	1,232,318
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	652,313	666,593	1,318,906	592,798	642,644	1,235,442
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	(5,233)	-	(5,233)	15,449	-	15,449
Net movement in funds		(6,596)	(89,782)	(96,378)	(1,611)	13,936	12,325
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		297,862	274,786	572,648	299,473	260,850	560,323
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		291,266	185,004	476,270	297,862	274,786	572,648

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	13		17,342		19,150
Investments	14		210,236		215,469
			227,578		234,619
Current assets					
Debtors	15	76,621		64,762	
Cash at bank and in hand		224,420		390,782	
		301,041		455,544	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(52,349)		(117,515)	
Net current assets			248,692		338,029
Total assets less current liabilities			476,270		572,648
Income funds					
Restricted funds	17		185,004		274,786
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	18	130,000		175,000	
General unrestricted funds		161,266		122,862	
			291,266		297,862
			476,270		572,648

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, although an audit has been carried out under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

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 under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, 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 25/09/2025

S. Lockwood

S Lockwood
Trustee

Company registration number 04763194

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	22		(161,628)		59,489
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(5,427)		(535)	
Investment income received		693		1,377	
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities			(4,734)		842
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents			(166,362)		60,331
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			390,782		330,451
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			224,420		390,782

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service is a private company limited by guarantee not having share capital. In the event of a winding up of the company every member agrees to contribute such amount as may be required (not exceeding £1) to the Charity's assets if it should be wound up while he or she is a member or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member, for payment of the Charity's debts and liabilities. It is registered in England and Wales. The registered office is 33 Market Place, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 3HA.

1.1 Accounting convention

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 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.

Board members recognise and understand the particular challenges and greater financial risks for the year ahead.

1.3 Charitable funds

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

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors 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.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.

1.4 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Investment income is included on an accruals basis.
- Incoming resources from Help at Home are accounted for when earned.
- Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

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.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

- Costs of operating Help at Home comprises those costs incurred in delivering the Help at Home service.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the independent examination fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis to reflect the use of the resource. All costs have been allocated directly relating to a particular activity.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets 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 bases:

Leasehold improvements	4% straight line and 33% straight line
Office equipment	33% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	33% straight line
IT equipment	33% straight line

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.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

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

1.8 Impairment of fixed 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 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

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.

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.11 Employee benefits

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

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

1.12 Retirement benefits

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations and gifts	5,595	3,123

4 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total
	2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Help at Home	-	561,625	561,625	-	502,022	502,022
Directorate (DCC)	15,378	-	15,378	15,378	-	15,378
NHS/ICB - Core	56,614	-	56,614	54,647	-	54,647
Southern Derbyshire CVS - Post Hospital Support	-	-	-	19,640	-	19,640
DCC - Infrastructure Support	38,975	-	38,975	38,975	-	38,975
DCC - Befriending Service	10,074	-	10,074	9,724	-	9,724
GP Link Worker	148,359	-	148,359	135,643	-	135,643
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways	15,000	-	15,000	35,247	-	35,247
Social Connectedness	25,000	-	25,000	37,500	-	37,500
VCSE Leadership Funding	70,000	-	70,000	30,000	-	30,000
NAVCA	-	-	-	5,000	-	5,000
Get Out Get Active	28,000	-	28,000	32,500	-	32,500
Sundry income	10,960	-	10,960	3,426	-	3,426
Age UK Older person	7,180	-	7,180	-	-	-
Deby Community Foundation funding	6,000	-	6,000	-	-	-
Amber Valley walk engagement	3,500	-	3,500	-	-	-
Public Health Locality Funding	89,685	-	89,685	194,371	-	194,371
UKSPF Voluntary Fund	37,500	-	37,500	12,500	-	12,500
Emotional Health and Wellbeing	50,000	-	50,000	50,000	-	50,000
Community Champions	16,667	-	16,667	33,333	-	33,333
	628,892	561,625	996,665	707,884	502,022	1,209,906
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	52,081	561,625	613,706	51,304	502,022	553,326
Restricted funds	576,811	-	576,811	656,580	-	656,580
	628,892	561,625	1,190,517	707,884	502,022	1,209,906

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Membership, training and services	30,956	17,912

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Interest receivable	693	1,377

7 **Charitable activities**

	Volunteering, Training & Development 2025	Help at Home 2025	Total 2025	Volunteering, Training & Development 2024	Help at Home 2024	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	352,141	530,028	882,169	378,214	469,944	848,158
Depreciation and impairment	7,234	-	7,234	5,817	-	5,817
Staff travel	4,435	14,344	18,779	5,422	15,411	20,833
Volunteer travel and expenses	1,798	-	1,798	2,542	-	2,542
Grants paid	243,507	-	243,507	195,648	-	195,648
Event costs	44,088	-	44,088	53,223	-	53,223
Premises costs	41,842	-	41,842	29,181	-	29,181
Equipment	-	1,894	1,894	-	2,813	2,813
Insurance	6,439	-	6,439	5,810	-	5,810
Administration costs	24,419	7,876	32,295	26,867	5,064	31,931
IT costs	7,684	-	7,684	7,922	-	7,922
Sundry costs	6,026	6,503	12,529	7,285	6,723	14,008
Compliance costs	5,997	304	6,301	4,796	760	5,556
	745,610	560,949	1,306,559	722,727	500,715	1,223,442
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	12,347	-	12,347	12,000	-	12,000
	757,957	560,949	1,318,906	734,727	500,715	1,235,442
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	91,364	560,949	652,313	92,083	500,715	592,798
Restricted funds	666,593	-	666,593	642,644	-	642,644
	757,957	560,949	1,318,906	734,727	500,715	1,235,442

8 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2025	Support costs	Governance costs	2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	-	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Audit fees	-	7,560	7,560	-	7,200	7,200
Accountancy	-	1,787	1,787	-	1,800	1,800
	-	12,347	12,347	-	12,000	12,000
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	-	12,347	12,347	-	12,000	12,000

9 Trustees

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

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Volunteering, training and development	17	15
Help at Home	74	71
Total	91	86

Employment costs	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	819,228	787,295
Social security costs	33,935	34,385
Other pension costs	32,006	29,478
	885,169	851,158

The total pay and benefits received by key management personnel in the year was £51,473 (2023: £48,632).

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

11 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Revaluation of investments	(5,233)	15,449

12 Taxation

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

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements	Office equipment	Fixtures and fittings	IT equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 April 2024	97,317	15,962	8,932	30,344	152,555
Additions	-	-	-	5,427	5,427
Disposals	-	(15,962)	-	(12,299)	(28,261)
At 31 March 2025	97,317	-	8,932	23,472	129,721
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 April 2024	80,971	15,962	8,932	27,541	133,406
Depreciation charged in the year	3,548	-	-	3,686	7,234
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(15,962)	-	(12,299)	(28,261)
At 31 March 2025	84,519	-	8,932	18,928	112,379
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2025	12,798	-	-	4,544	17,342
At 31 March 2024	16,347	-	-	2,803	19,150

14 Fixed asset investments

	Balanced Fund £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2024	215,469
Valuation changes	(5,233)
At 31 March 2025	210,236
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2025	210,236
At 31 March 2024	215,469

15 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	67,760	55,465
Prepayments and accrued income	8,861	9,297
	76,621	64,762

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other taxation and social security	8,089	8,693
Trade creditors	3,288	5,992
Other creditors	118	117
Accruals and deferred income	40,854	102,713
	52,349	117,515

17 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
EMDA - Property Improvements	18,026	-	(3,485)	14,541	-	(3,548)	10,993
Home From Hospital	37,524	19,640	(47,185)	9,979	-	(9,979)	-
Postcode Local Funding	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-	-	-
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways / Small Grant	13,836	35,247	(34,208)	14,875	15,000	(27,820)	2,055
NHS/ICB - Core	-	54,647	(54,647)	-	56,614	(56,614)	-
DCC - Infrastructure	-	38,975	(38,975)	-	38,975	(38,975)	-
DCC - Befriending	-	9,724	(9,724)	-	10,074	(10,074)	-
GP Link Worker	-	135,643	(135,643)	-	148,359	(148,359)	-
Social Connectedness	57,636	37,500	(46,348)	48,788	25,000	(37,319)	36,469
Social Prescribing Directory	3,400	-	-	3,400	-	(3,400)	-
VCSE Leadership Funding	49,832	30,000	(50,333)	29,499	70,000	(58,021)	41,478
VCSE Strategic Mental Health	57,913	-	(57,913)	-	-	-	-
NAVCA	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-	-	-
PH Containing Funding	15,000	-	(400)	14,600	-	(14,600)	-
Acute Discharge Support	6,683	-	(636)	6,047	-	(6,047)	-
Emotional Health and Wellbeing	-	50,000	(50,000)	-	50,000	(50,000)	-
Community Champions	-	33,333	(12,130)	21,203	16,667	(10,265)	27,605
PH Locality Fund	-	194,371	(95,017)	99,354	89,685	(132,699)	56,340
UKSPF Voluntary Fund	-	12,500	-	12,500	37,500	(50,000)	-
Other restricted funds	-	-	-	-	18,937	(8,873)	10,064
	260,850	656,580	(642,644)	274,786	576,811	(666,593)	185,004

17 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

NHS Derby & Derbyshire ICB Core; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, promotion and brokerage of volunteering and provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Southern Derbyshire CVS Post Hospital Support; respond to requests for volunteer support to individuals discharged from hospital for a time limited period. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Befriending; respond to requests for volunteer support to reduce isolation and loneliness of older, isolated people in Amber Valley. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Infrastructure; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Postcode Lottery; costs of pathway access to Charles Hill Playing Fields and community development activity in Loscoe related to increasing use of playing fields.

Public Health funds including Locality , Emotional health & Wellbeing, Social Connect and small grants – manage the grant giving process for improving well being to local organisations.

GP Link Worker; social prescribing activity for the ARCH PCN, encouraging the use of community and voluntary services as a preventative step in recovery from illness.

Social Connectedness; leading a steering group, developing an action plan to decrease social isolation and identify gaps and projects to fund to increase connectedness.

Social Prescribing Directory; to prepare information about community resources for use of PCN staff members.

VCSE Leadership Funding; to develop the capacity of the voluntary sector to engage and influence Joined Up Care Derbyshire planning systems and develop a VCSE Alliance. Includes sums for projects on Workforce Development and Population health Management.

NAVCA; participation in an emergency planning partnership, cost of living grant award.

UK Social Prosperity Fund – support and grant giving to groups.

18 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2023	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2024	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Training Fund	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000	-	40,000	-	40,000
Building Fund	75,000	-	75,000	(45,000)	30,000
Help at Home Fund	55,000	-	55,000	-	55,000
	175,000	-	175,000	(45,000)	130,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Total 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2025 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	6,348	10,994	17,342	4,609	14,541	19,150
Investments	210,236	-	210,236	215,469	-	215,469
Current assets/(liabilities)	74,682	174,010	248,692	77,784	260,245	338,029
	291,266	185,004	476,270	297,862	274,786	572,648

20 Operating lease commitments

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	17,450	17,450
Between two and five years	40,743	58,193
	58,193	75,643

21 Related party transactions

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

22 Cash generated from operations	2025	2024
	£	£
(Deficit)/surpus for the year	(96,378)	12,325
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(693)	(1,377)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	5,233	(15,449)
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	7,234	5,817
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(11,858)	35,679
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(65,166)	22,494
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	(161,628)	59,489

23 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	S Freeborn	
	A Carroll	
	S Lockwood	
	J Morris	
	S Fennell	(Appointed 31 May 2023)
	H Parry-Payne	(Appointed 1 November 2023)
	K Venables	(Appointed 1 November 2023)
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Charity number	1102412	
Company number	04763194	
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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

Principal activities

The company is a Registered Charity offering support to voluntary organisations and communities in Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts.

The objects of the charity are to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the Local Government District of Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts (hereinafter called 'the area of benefit'). This is in accordance with the objects contained in the constitution, the charity's governing document. There have been no changes in the policies of the charity which are:

- To promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the same and to that end bring together in council representatives of the voluntary organisations and statutory authorities within the area of benefit.
- To establish, support, undertake or execute any charitable trusts or association formed for the objects.
- To encourage, promote and organise direct services appropriate to the needs of individuals.
- We may work outside our area of benefit providing it is not to the detriment of, and whenever possible working in partnership with, other organisations.

Public Benefit

Amber Valley CVS is open to enquiries from members of the public who wish to volunteer their time to others in the community. We promote and encourage volunteering and broker arrangements between local voluntary sector groups and individuals. This activity raises community spirit and cohesion.

We provide training activity to volunteers and voluntary sector groups, raising their skills and aspirations as a result.

Our organisation offers direct support to families and older people in Amber Valley and Erewash, tackling issues such as debt, social isolation and access to services. This benefits the public and our communities by increasing their self sufficiency.

We are the local support for voluntary sector organisations and our leadership to them in respect of governance, finance, human resource and health & safety issues ensure that the voluntary sector in Amber Valley has good governance arrangements and groups develop to their full potential.

Volunteers

The organisation encourages and supports volunteers within the organisation in administration roles, as part of the Befriending project and as Trustees. We also actively promote volunteering to businesses, statutory partners and the general public using window displays, web site, social media, local press & radio and work in schools. We work in partnership with health, sport, children's, disability organisations to extend and improve the volunteering experience for any age or ability.

Achievements and performance

Staff and Trustees worked to review our strategic headlines. This has led to several new work streams for us to deliver. Internal records of our performance against outcomes for the organisation and the sector show we have maintained a more general work plan as well as adding value to our communities and the sector.

In providing support to develop and sustain local groups this year we have:

- Maintained a databases of 460 active groups and presented information in real time for the public and professionals to connect on google maps with over 18,000 views alongside website, e bulletins and newsletters communications;
- Maintained contact or visited with 332 local groups, with 6 new groups formed. We still offered free membership to all groups as part of our direct support for sustainability;
- We have 196 member groups, having cleansed our database on Community Directory Derbyshire;
- Had contact with and given direct advice and support to 86 groups, including supporting 38 with an extensive development plan. We have over 100 live volunteering opportunities on Volife;
- DBS checks increased from 470 to 487 for 90 groups across Derbyshire;
- Managed the grant giving process for Public Health with and supported Glebe with successful £233K bid to National Lottery;
- Maintained a presence on local and county wide resilience forums and other partnerships with attendance at events and networks ranging from 46 - 220;
- We have provided direct support to 99 befriending referrals, 126 residents discharged from hospital , 529 patients by social prescribing team members and over 500 elderly residents with Help at Home;
- Continued to seek increased physical activity support with Active Partners and GoGa.

Volife has been successfully implemented with an increase on opportunities on the platform. We have encouraged an increase and diversity in volunteering opportunities by engaging with local job centres and DWP job fayres.

Help at Home continued to support older people this year, ensuring they remained safe and well at home. Staffing levels have been for the service have been a challenge however we have been able to keep the service sustainable.

We are enhancing the health, well being and safe guarding in our communities by delivering a range of support through Home from Hospital, Befriending volunteers, Get Out Get Active and Social Prescribing Link Workers.

Support to Charles Hill CIO has changed with the opening of a new community centre finally being achieved. Staff involvement as volunteers to local organisation continues with Read Easy , Belper Contact Centre.

We have continued to work in partnership with local organisations and statutory partners to contribute to Amber Valley Partnership, Place Alliance and Active Amber Valley. We have contributed to the development of a VCSE Alliance , to influence health planning. With DIAA colleagues we contribute to County Place board, Safer Derbyshire Board and continue to encourage the VCSE Leadership and Mental Health programmes.

We take the concerns and offers of support of the voluntary sector to local and county strategic meetings including with Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire ICB and Public Health Locality team to increase the sector profile.

Financial review

Detailed financial information is shown from page 7. The charity reports a surplus for the year of £12,325 (2023: deficit of £24,814).

Reserves Policy and Going Concern

At 31 March 2024 the charity had total reserves of £572,648. Of these reserves £274,786 was held in restricted funds, with the balance remaining of £297,862 being held in unrestricted funds.

The charity has designated some of its unrestricted funds for particular purposes. At 31 March 2024 the designated funds of the charity remained as :

Training Fund	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000
Building Fund	75,000
Help At Home Fund	55,000
	£175,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

Unrestricted general reserves (excluding tangible fixed assets of £4,609), freely available for use by the charity amount to £118,253.

The Trustees' policy is to build unrestricted free reserves equivalent to 4-8 months directorate expenditure, which is currently running at the rate of £150,000 per annum. At the year end free reserves amounted to £118,253 which is considered prudent as there are indications that grant funding will decrease in 2024/25.

In addition to directorate expenditure, unrestricted funds are designated to ensure resources are available for expenditure which would relate to changes to Help at Home, either for closure or continuation in another charitable format.

Principal funding sources

Our principal funding sources remain Derbyshire Joined Up Care and Derbyshire County Council along with earned income from activity as a counter signatory for DBS and customer charges to Help at Home clients.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee are responsible for setting the investment policy of the charity.

Risk Management

The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces each financial year when preparing and updating the strategic plan. The charity has developed systems to monitor and control financial and other risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the charity in the future. Information about risk and the actions to mitigate them are discussed at board meetings.

Plans for future periods

We have a renewed strategy with headlines of " Strong Foundations, Funding the Future ,Dreaming Big". We will implement this over the next three years to ensure support for groups is strengthened, our base is fit for purpose and we adapt to changes in the internal and external environment.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 13 May 2003 and registered as a charity on 1 April 2004. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association and its constitution which was adopted on 13 July 1994 when the charity was operating as an unincorporated entity. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

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:

M Neal	(Resigned 26 July 2023)
S Freeborn	
P Hallam	(Resigned 27 September 2023)
A Carroll	
S Lockwood	
J Morris	
S Fennell	(Appointed 31 May 2023)
H Parry-Payne	(Appointed 1 November 2023)
K Venables	(Appointed 1 November 2023)

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are actively recruited through the year and have a formal application process which identifies the skills and knowledge they offer for this role.

Organisational structure

The business of the charity is managed through board meetings consisting of a maximum of no more than twenty members and a minimum of not less than six members.

Members of the Board as listed on page 1 are appointed at the Annual General Meeting and serve for one year, but may offer themselves for reappointment if they so wish.

The Committee is responsible for the strategic direction of the Charity and therefore responsibility for the day to day running of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive, who in turn delegates a share of that responsibility to other members of the senior management team.

Induction and training of trustees

Each trustee receives an induction pack which includes information about the organisations aims, plans, financial situation and governance arrangements. Trustees have direct access to the Chief Executive for further information exchange and support in their role. Development of the Boards understanding of the organisation is led by the Chief Executive using regular meeting dates to identify and progress this, involving other staff members as appropriate.

Pay policy for key management personnel

In considering the rate of pay for key management personnel the board take into account national pay rates identified by NAVCA, comparator pay rates within Derbyshire and the previous years rate of inflation. These are set against any changes (rise or fall) in external funding received by the organisation.

Links with other organisations

The charity has strong relationships with local authorities, in particular Derbyshire County Council, Joined Up Derbyshire / Integrated Care Board, Amber Valley Place Alliance and other Councils for Voluntary Service.

Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Azets be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

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

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A Carroll

Trustee

Date: 25.9.24

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;

- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; 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.

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Other matters
The financial statements of Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service for the year ended 31 March 2023 are unaudited.

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



Mr Mark Jackson FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Azets

15.10.2024

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

Westpoint
Lynch Wood
Peterborough
Cambridgeshire
United Kingdom
PE2 6FZ

Azets is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	3,123	-	3,123	5,668	-	5,668
Charitable activities	4	553,326	656,580	1,209,906	532,405	385,117	917,522
Other trading activities	5	17,912	-	17,912	15,433	-	15,433
Investments	6	1,377	-	1,377	417	-	417
Total income		575,738	656,580	1,232,318	553,923	385,117	939,040
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	592,798	642,644	1,235,442	626,160	328,264	954,424
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	15,449	-	15,449	(9,430)	-	(9,430)
Net movement in funds		(1,611)	13,936	12,325	(81,667)	56,853	(24,814)
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		299,473	260,850	560,323	381,140	203,997	585,137
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		297,862	274,786	572,648	299,473	260,850	560,323

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	**13**		19,150		24,432
Investments	**14**		215,469		200,019
			234,619		224,451
Current assets					
Debtors	**15**	64,762		100,442	
Cash at bank and in hand		390,782		330,451	
		455,544		430,893	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**16**	(117,515)		(95,021)	
Net current assets			338,029		335,872
Total assets less current liabilities			572,648		560,323
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**17**		274,786		260,850
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**18**	175,000		175,000	
General unrestricted funds		122,862		124,473	
			297,862		299,473
			572,648		560,323

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 2024, although an audit has been carried out under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

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 under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, 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 25.9.24

A Carroll
Trustee

Company registration number 04763194

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	**22**		59,489		(24,900)
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(535)		(2,590)	
Investment income received		1,377		417	
Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities			842		(2,173)
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			60,331		(27,073)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			330,451		357,524
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			390,782		330,451

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service is a private company limited by guarantee not having share capital. In the event of a winding up of the company every member agrees to contribute such amount as may be required (not exceeding £1) to the Charity's assets if it should be wound up while he or she is a member or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member, for payment of the Charity's debts and liabilities. It is registered in England and Wales. The registered office is 33 Market Place, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 3HA.

1.1 Accounting convention

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 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.

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.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.

1.4 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Investment income is included on an accruals basis.
- Incoming resources from Help at Home are accounted for when earned.
- Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

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.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

- Costs of operating Help at Home comprises those costs incurred in delivering the Help at Home service.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the independent examination fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis to reflect the use of the resource. All costs have been allocated directly relating to a particular activity.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets 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 bases:

Leasehold improvements	4% straight line and 33% straight line
Office equipment	33% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	33% straight line
IT equipment	33% straight line

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.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

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

1.8 Impairment of fixed 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 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

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.

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.11 Employee benefits

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

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

1.12 Retirement benefits

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations and gifts	3,123	5,668

4 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total
	2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Help at Home	-	502,022	502,022	-	493,230	493,230
Directorate (DCC)	15,378	-	15,378	15,378	-	15,378
NHS/ICB - Core	54,647	-	54,647	54,647	-	54,647
Southern Derbyshire CVS - Post Hospital Support	19,640	-	19,640	19,160	-	19,160
DCC - Infrastructure Support	38,975	-	38,975	38,975	-	38,975
DCC - Befriending Service	9,724	-	9,724	9,724	-	9,724
GP Link Worker	135,643	-	135,643	86,757	-	86,757
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways	35,247	-	35,247	10,000	-	10,000
Social Connectedness	37,500	-	37,500	-	-	-
VCSE Leadership Funding	30,000	-	30,000	100,000	-	100,000
NAVCA	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-	5,000
Get Out Get Active	32,500	-	32,500	21,550	-	21,550
Sundry income	3,426	-	3,426	2,247	-	2,247
NHS CCG - Acute Discharge Support	-	-	-	21,354	-	21,354
DCC - HAF Funding	-	-	-	5,000	-	5,000
Public Health Contain Funding	-	-	-	34,500	-	34,500
Public Health Locality Funding	194,371	-	194,371	-	-	-
UKSPF Voluntary Fund	12,500	-	12,500	-	-	-
Emotional Health and Wellbeing	50,000	-	50,000	-	-	-
Community Champions	33,333	-	33,333	-	-	-
	707,884	502,022	919,702	424,292	493,230	917,522
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	51,304	502,022	553,326	39,175	493,230	532,405
Restricted funds	656,580	-	656,580	385,117	-	385,117
	707,884	502,022	1,209,906	424,292	493,230	917,522

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Membership, training and services	17,912	15,433

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	1,377	417

7 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development 2024	Help at Home 2024	Total 2024	Volunteering, Training & Development 2023	Help at Home 2023	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	378,214	469,944	848,158	290,670	449,123	739,793
Depreciation and impairment	5,817	-	5,817	8,704	-	8,704
Staff travel	5,422	15,411	20,833	4,805	17,790	22,595
Volunteer travel and expenses	2,542	-	2,542	3,496	-	3,496
Grants paid	195,648	-	195,648	26,252	-	26,252
Event costs	53,223	-	53,223	51,271	33	51,304
Premises costs	29,181	-	29,181	34,713	-	34,713
Equipment	-	2,813	2,813	-	663	663
Insurance	5,810	-	5,810	4,857	-	4,857
Administration costs	26,867	5,064	31,931	25,769	4,155	29,924
IT costs	7,922	-	7,922	7,492	41	7,533
Sundry costs	7,285	6,723	14,008	6,818	5,574	12,392
Compliance costs	4,796	760	5,556	4,822	536	5,358
	722,727	500,715	1,223,442	469,669	477,915	947,584
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	12,000	-	12,000	6,840	-	6,840
	734,727	500,715	1,235,442	476,509	477,915	954,424
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	92,083	500,715	592,798	148,245	477,915	626,160
Restricted funds	642,644	-	642,644	328,264	-	328,264
	734,727	500,715	1,235,442	476,509	477,915	954,424

8 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2024	Support costs	Governance costs	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	-	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Independent examination	-	-	-	-	3,840	3,840
Audit fees	-	7,200	7,200	-	-	-
Accountancy	-	1,800	1,800	-	-	-
	-	12,000	12,000	-	6,840	6,840
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	-	12,000	12,000	-	6,840	6,840

9 Trustees

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

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Volunteering, training and development	15	17
Help at Home	71	65
Total	86	82

Employment costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	787,295	691,905
Social security costs	34,385	26,107
Other pension costs	29,478	24,781
	851,158	742,793

The total pay and benefits received by key management personnel in the year was £48,632 (2023: £46,316).

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

11 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023
	£	£
Revaluation of investments	15,449	(9,430)

12 Taxation

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

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements	Office equipment	Fixtures and fittings	IT equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 April 2023	97,317	15,962	8,932	29,809	152,020
Additions	-	-	-	535	535
At 31 March 2024	97,317	15,962	8,932	30,344	152,555
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 April 2023	77,422	15,962	8,932	25,272	127,588
Depreciation charged in the year	3,548	-	-	2,269	5,817
At 31 March 2024	80,970	15,962	8,932	27,541	133,405
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2024	16,347	-	-	2,803	19,150
At 31 March 2023	19,895	-	-	4,537	24,432

14 Fixed asset investments

	Balanced Fund £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2023	200,019
Valuation changes	15,450
At 31 March 2024	215,469
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2024	215,469
At 31 March 2023	200,019

15 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	55,465	91,838
Prepayments and accrued income	9,297	8,604
	64,762	100,442

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Other taxation and social security	8,693	7,593
Trade creditors	5,992	7,858
Other creditors	117	117
Accruals and deferred income	102,713	79,453
	117,515	95,021

17 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
EMDA - Property Improvements	21,511	-	(3,485)	18,026	-	(3,485)	14,541
Home From Hospital	24,800	19,160	(6,436)	37,524	19,640	(47,185)	9,979
Postcode Local Funding	1,000	-	-	1,000	-	(1,000)	-
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways / Small Grant	29,393	10,000	(25,557)	13,836	35,247	(34,208)	14,875
NHS/ICB - Core	-	54,647	(54,647)	-	54,647	(54,647)	-
DCC - Infrastructure	-	38,975	(38,975)	-	38,975	(38,975)	-
DCC - Befriending	-	9,724	(9,724)	-	9,724	(9,724)	-
GP Link Worker	-	86,757	(86,757)	-	135,643	(135,643)	-
Social Connectedness	33,517	27,750	(3,631)	57,636	37,500	(46,348)	48,788
Social Prescribing Directory	3,400	-	-	3,400	-	-	3,400
VCSE Leadership Funding	89,922	-	(40,090)	49,832	30,000	(50,333)	29,499
Police and Crime Commissioner	454	-	(454)	-	-	-	-
NAVCA	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
VCSE Strategic Mental Health	-	100,000	(42,087)	57,913	-	(57,913)	-
DCC - HAF Funding	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-	-	-
Acute Discharge Support	-	21,354	(6,354)	15,000	-	(400)	14,600
PH Contain Funding	-	6,750	(67)	6,683	-	(636)	6,047
Emotional Health and Wellbeing	-	-	-	-	50,000	(50,000)	-
Community Champions	-	-	-	-	33,333	(12,130)	21,203
PH Locality Fund	-	-	-	-	194,371	(95,017)	99,354
UKSPF Voluntary Fund	-	-	-	-	12,500	-	12,500
	203,997	385,117	(328,264)	(260,850)	656,580	(642,644)	274,786

17 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

NHS Derby & Derbyshire ICB Core; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, promotion and brokerage of volunteering and provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Southern Derbyshire CVS Post Hospital Support; respond to requests for volunteer support to individuals discharged from hospital for a time limited period. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Befriending; respond to requests for volunteer support to reduce isolation and loneliness of older, isolated people in Amber Valley. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Infrastructure; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Postcode Lottery; costs of pathway access to Charles Hill Playing Fields and community development activity in Loscoe related to increasing use of playing fields.

Public Health 5 Ways / Small Grant; manages grants to benefit local organisations to improve wellbeing.

GP Link Worker; social prescribing activity for the ARCH PCN, encouraging the use of community and voluntary services as a preventative step in recovery from illness.

Social Connectedness; leading a steering group, developing an action plan to decrease social isolation and identify gaps and projects to fund to increase connectedness.

Social Prescribing Directory; to prepare information about community resources for use of PCN staff members.

VCSE Leadership Funding; to develop the capacity of the voluntary sector to engage and influence Joined Up Care Derbyshire planning systems and develop a VCSE Alliance. Includes sums for projects on Workforce Development and Population health Management.

Police and Crime Commissioner; grants to community groups and development worker activity for writing applications.

NAVCA; participation in an emergency planning partnership, cost of living grant award.

18 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2022	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2023	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Training Fund	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000	-	40,000	-	40,000
Building Fund	75,000	-	75,000	-	75,000
Help at Home Fund	55,000	-	55,000	-	55,000
	175,000	-	175,000	-	175,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2024 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	4,609	14,541	19,150	6,405	18,027	24,432
Investments	215,469	-	215,469	200,019	-	200,019
Current assets/(liabilities)	77,784	260,245	338,029	93,049	242,823	335,872
	297,862	274,786	572,648	299,473	260,850	560,323

20 Operating lease commitments

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:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Within one year	17,450	17,450
Between two and five years	58,193	67,757
In over five years	-	7,850
	75,643	93,057

21 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

22 Cash generated from operations

	2024	2023
	£	£
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	12,325	(24,814)
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(1,377)	(417)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	(15,449)	9,430
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	5,817	8,704
Movements in working capital:		
Decrease in debtors	35,679	60,184
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	22,494	(77,987)
Cash generated from/(absorbed by) operations	59,489	(24,900)

23 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

England & Wales - Charity number 1102412

Accounts

Charity registration number 1102412

Company registration number 04763194 (England and Wales)

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	S Freeborn	
	P Hallam	
	A Carroll	
	S Lockwood	
	J Morris	(Appointed 27 February 2023)
	S Fennell	(Appointed 31 May 2023)
Secretary	L Allison	
Charity number	1102412	
Company number	04763194	
Registered office	33 Market Place Ripley Derbyshire DE5 3HA	
Independent examiner	Azets Ruthlyn House 90 Lincoln Road Peterborough Cambridgeshire PE1 2SP	
Bankers	Yorkshire Bank PLC 30 Oxford Street Ripley Derbyshire DE5 4AJ	
	Cooperative Bank Business Direct PO Box 250 Skelmersdale WN8 6NY	
	Nationwide Building Society Kings Park Road Moulton Park Northampton NN3 6NW	
	Derbyshire Community Bank 68 Cornmarket Derby DE1 2DG	

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

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AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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

Principal activities

The company is a Registered Charity offering support to voluntary organisations and communities in Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts.

The objects of the charity are to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the Local Government District of Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts (hereinafter called 'the area of benefit'). This is in accordance with the objects contained in the constitution, the charity's governing document. There have been no changes in the policies of the charity which are:

- To promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the same and to that end bring together in council representatives of the voluntary organisations and statutory authorities within the area of benefit.
- To establish, support, undertake or execute any charitable trusts or association formed for the objects.
- To encourage, promote and organise direct services appropriate to the needs of individuals.
- We may work outside our area of benefit providing it is not to the detriment of, and whenever possible working in partnership with, other organisations.

Public Benefit

Amber Valley CVS is open to enquiries from members of the public who wish to volunteer their time to others in the community. We promote and encourage volunteering and broker arrangements between local voluntary sector groups and individuals. This activity raises community spirit and cohesion.

We provide training activity to volunteers and voluntary sector groups, raising their skills and aspirations as a result.

Our organisation offers direct support to families and older people in Amber Valley and Erewash, tackling issues such as debt, social isolation and access to services. This benefits the public and our communities by increasing their self sufficiency.

We are the local support for voluntary sector organisations and our leadership to them in respect of governance, finance, human resource and health & safety issues ensure that the voluntary sector in Amber Valley has good governance arrangements and groups develop to their full potential.

Volunteers

The organisation encourages and supports volunteers within the organisation in administration roles, as part of the Befriending project and as Trustees. We also actively promote volunteering to businesses, statutory partners and the general public using window displays, web site, social media, local press & radio and work in schools. We work in partnership with health, sport, children's, disability organisations to extend and improve the volunteering experience for any age or ability.

Achievements and performance

Internal records of our performance against outcomes for the organisation and the sector show we have worked towards our strategic headlines and also add value to our communities and the sector.

In providing support to develop and sustain local groups this year we have:

- Maintained a databases of 532 active groups and presented information in real time for the public and professionals to connect on google maps;
- Maintained contact with 373 local groups, with 7 new groups formed;
- Offered free membership to all groups as part of our direct support of sustainability;
- Increased by 41, to 256 groups as member organisations;
- Had contact with and given direct advice and support to 86 groups, including supporting 38 with an extensive development plan;
- DBS checks increased from 382 to 470, showing the recovery of sector activity;
- Managed the grant giving process for Public Health and 5 Ways to Wellbeing grants with a great response from groups this year although only £14,000 disseminated as grants;
- Maintained a presence on local and county wide resilience forums and other partnerships;
- Responded to 115 befriending referrals and trained 32 new volunteers as well as providing Home from Hospital support with 11 volunteers to 82 referrals;
- Added physical activity support through Couch to 5x.

In encouraging an increase and diversity in volunteering opportunities, volunteers and voluntary action, we have explored the use of new volunteering platforms and implemented Volife Amber Valley. Currently there are 119 live online opportunities, increased with 47 new opportunities.

Help at Home continued to support older people this year, ensuring they remained safe and well at home. Staffing levels have been for the service have been a challenge however we have been able to keep the service sustainable.

We are enhancing the health, well being and safe guarding in our communities by delivering a range of support through Home from Hospital, Befriending volunteers, Get Out Get Active and Social Prescribing Link Workers.

We continue to support Charles Hill CIO, Derbyshire Community Bank, Read Easy and other voluntary organisations through staff involvement as volunteers, trustees and secretariat.

We have continued to work in partnership with local organisations and statutory partners to contribute to Amber Valley Partnership, Place Alliance and Active Amber Valley. We have contributed to the development of a VCSE Alliance , to influence health planning. With DIAA colleagues we contribute to County Place board, Safer Derbyshire Board and continue to encourage the VCSE Leadership and Mental Health programmes.

We take the concerns and offers of support of the voluntary sector to local and county strategic meetings including with Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group to increase the sector profile.

Financial review

Detailed financial information is shown from page 7. The charity reports a deficit for the year of £24,814 (2022: surplus of £21,000).

Reserves Policy and Going Concern

At 31 March 2023 the charity had total reserves of £560,323. Of these reserves £253,307 was held in restricted funds, with the balance remaining of £307,016 being held in unrestricted funds.

The charity has designated some of its unrestricted funds for particular purposes. At 31 March 2023 the designated funds of the charity comprised:

Training Fund	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000
Building Fund	75,000
Help At Home Fund	55,000
	£175,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

Unrestricted general reserves (excluding tangible fixed assets of £6,405), freely available for use by the charity amount to £118,068.

The Trustees' policy is to build unrestricted free reserves equivalent to 4-8 months directorate expenditure, which is currently running at the rate of £150,000 per annum. At the year end free reserves amounted to £118,068 which is considered prudent as there are indications that grant funding will decrease in 2023/24.

In addition to directorate expenditure, unrestricted funds are designated to ensure resources are available for expenditure which would relate to changes to Help at Home, either for closure or continuation in another charitable format.

Principal funding sources

Our principal funding sources remain Southern Derbyshire CCG and Derbyshire County Council along with earned income from activity as a counter signatory for DBS and customer charges to Help at Home clients.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee are responsible for setting the investment policy of the charity.

Risk Management

The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces each financial year when preparing and updating the strategic plan. The charity has developed systems to monitor and control financial and other risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the charity in the future. Information about risk and the actions to mitigate them are discussed at board meetings.

Plans for future periods

We have a renewed strategy with headlines of " Strong Foundations, Funding the Future ,Dreaming Big". We will implement this over the next three years to ensure support for groups is strengthened, our base is fit for purpose and we adapt to changes in the internal and external environment.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 13 May 2003 and registered as a charity on 1 April 2004. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association and its constitution which was adopted on 13 July 1994 when the charity was operating as an unincorporated entity. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

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:

M Gee	(Deceased 25 May 2022)
P Dawson	(Resigned 27 February 2023)
M Neal	(Resigned 26 July 2023)
S Freeborn	
P Hallam	
A Carroll	
S Lockwood	
J Morris	(Appointed 27 February 2023)
S Fennell	(Appointed 31 May 2023)

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are actively recruited through the year and have a formal application process which identifies the skills and knowledge they offer for this role.

Organisational structure

The business of the charity is managed through board meetings consisting of a maximum of no more than twenty members and a minimum of not less than six members.

Members of the Board as listed on page 1 are appointed at the Annual General Meeting and serve for one year, but may offer themselves for reappointment if they so wish.

The Committee is responsible for the strategic direction of the Charity and therefore responsibility for the day to day running of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive, who in turn delegates a share of that responsibility to other members of the senior management team.

Induction and training of trustees

Each trustee receives an induction pack which includes information about the organisations aims, plans, financial situation and governance arrangements. Trustees have direct access to the Chief Executive for further information exchange and support in their role. Development of the Boards understanding of the organisation is led by the Chief Executive using regular meeting dates to identify and progress this, involving other staff members as appropriate.

Pay policy for key management personnel

In considering the rate of pay for key management personnel the board take into account national pay rates identified by NAVCA, comparator pay rates within Derbyshire and the previous years rate of inflation. These are set against any changes (rise or fall) in external funding received by the organisation.

Links with other organisations

The charity has strong relationships with local authorities, in particular Derbyshire County Council, Joined Up Derbyshire / Integrated Care Board, Amber Valley Place Alliance and other Councils for Voluntary Service.

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

A Carroll
Trustee

Date: 27/9/23

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Mark Jackson FCA DChA
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United Kingdom

Dated: 11·10·2023

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	5,668	-	5,668	1,228	-	1,228
Charitable activities	4	532,405	385,117	917,522	540,216	355,674	895,890
Other trading activities	5	15,433	-	15,433	13,056	-	13,056
Investments	6	417	-	417	33	-	33
Total income		553,923	385,117	939,040	554,533	355,674	910,207
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	626,160	328,264	954,424	539,260	356,846	896,106
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	(9,430)	-	(9,430)	6,900	-	6,900
Net movement in funds		(81,667)	56,853	(24,814)	22,173	(1,172)	21,001
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		381,140	203,997	585,137	358,967	205,170	564,137
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		299,473	260,850	560,323	381,140	203,998	585,138

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	**13**		24,432		30,546
Investments	**14**		200,019		209,449
			224,451		239,995
Current assets					
Debtors	**15**	100,442		160,627	
Cash at bank and in hand		330,451		357,524	
		430,893		518,151	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**16**	(95,021)		(173,008)	
Net current assets			335,872		345,143
Total assets less current liabilities			560,323		585,138
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**17**		260,850		203,998
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**18**	175,000		175,000	
General unrestricted funds		124,473		206,140	
			299,473		381,140
			560,323		585,138

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 2023.

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 27/9/23.

A Carroll
Trustee

Company registration number 04763194

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	**22**		(24,900)		51,943
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(2,590)		(3,878)	
Investment income received		417		33	
Net cash used in investing activities			(2,173)		(3,845)
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents			(27,073)		48,098
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			357,524		309,426
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			330,451		357,524

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service is a private company limited by guarantee not having share capital. In the event of a winding up of the company every member agrees to contribute such amount as may be required (not exceeding £1) to the Charity's assets if it should be wound up while he or she is a member or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member, for payment of the Charity's debts and liabilities. It is registered in England and Wales. The registered office is 33 Market Place, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 3HA.

1.1 Accounting convention

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 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.

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.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.

1.4 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Investment income is included on an accruals basis.
- Incoming resources from Help at Home are accounted for when earned.
- Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

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.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

- Costs of operating Help at Home comprises those costs incurred in delivering the Help at Home service.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the independent examination fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis to reflect the use of the resource. All costs have been allocated directly relating to a particular activity.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets 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 bases:

Leasehold improvements	4% straight line and 33% straight line
Office equipment	33% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	33% straight line
IT equipment	33% straight line

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.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

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

1.8 Impairment of fixed 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 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

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.

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.11 Employee benefits

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

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

1.12 Retirement benefits

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations and gifts	5,668	1,228

4 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development 2023	Help at Home 2023	Total 2023	Volunteering, Training & Development 2022	Help at Home 2022	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Help at Home	-	493,230	493,230	-	481,079	481,079
Directorate (DCC)	15,378	-	15,378	15,378	-	15,378
NHS/ICB - Core	54,647	-	54,647	53,734	-	53,734
Southern Derbyshire CVS - Post Hospital Support	19,160	-	19,160	25,420	-	25,420
DCC - Volunteer Training	-	-	-	2,643	-	2,643
DCC - Infrastructure Support	38,975	-	38,975	34,725	-	34,725
DCC - Befriending Service	9,724	-	9,724	11,176	-	11,176
GP Link Worker	86,757	-	86,757	81,681	-	81,681
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways	10,000	-	10,000	20,000	-	20,000
Police Crime and Commissioner	-	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
Derby Community Foundation	-	-	-	7,855	-	7,855
Social Connectedness	-	-	-	8,750	-	8,750
VCSE Leadership Funding	100,000	-	100,000	65,000	-	65,000
NAVCA	5,000	-	5,000	1,500	-	1,500
Get Out Get Active	21,550	-	21,550	13,250	-	13,250
Sundry income	2,247	-	2,247	23,699	-	23,699
NHS CCG - Acute Discharge Support	21,354	-	21,354	-	-	-
DCC - HAF Funding	5,000	-	5,000	-	-	-
Public Health Contain Funding	34,500	-	34,500	-	-	-
	363,438	493,230	856,668	414,811	481,079	895,890
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	39,175	493,230	532,405	59,137	481,079	540,216
Restricted funds	324,263	-	385,117	355,674	-	355,674
	363,438	493,230	917,522	414,811	481,079	895,890

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Membership, training and services	15,433	13,056

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Interest receivable	417	33

7 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	290,670	449,123	739,793	219,353	438,568	657,921
Depreciation and impairment	8,704	-	8,704	7,820	-	7,820
Staff travel	4,805	17,790	22,595	6,434	20,629	27,063
Volunteer travel and expenses	3,496	-	3,496	1,775	-	1,775
Grants paid	26,252	-	26,252	63,771	-	63,771
Event costs	51,271	33	51,304	43,878	-	43,878
Premises costs	34,713	-	34,713	34,150	-	34,150
Equipment	-	663	663	38	553	591
Insurance	4,857	-	4,857	4,169	-	4,169
Administration costs	25,769	4,155	29,924	21,482	3,537	25,019
IT costs	7,492	41	7,533	7,108	-	7,108
Sundry costs	6,818	5,574	12,392	7,741	482	8,223
Compliance costs	4,822	536	5,358	8,578	840	9,418
	469,669	477,915	947,584	426,297	464,609	890,906
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	6,840	-	6,840	5,200	-	5,200
	476,509	477,915	954,424	431,497	464,609	896,106
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	148,245	477,915	626,160	74,651	464,609	539,260
Restricted funds	328,264	-	328,264	356,846	-	356,846
	476,509	477,915	954,424	431,497	464,609	896,106

8 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2023	Support costs	Governance costs	2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	-	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Independent examination	-	3,840	3,840	-	2,200	2,200
	-	6,840	6,840	-	5,200	5,200
Analysed between Charitable activities	-	6,840	6,840	-	5,200	5,200

9 Trustees

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

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Volunteering, training and development	17	9
Help at Home	65	67
Total	82	76

Employment costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	691,905	626,032
Social security costs	26,107	13,498
Other pension costs	24,781	21,391
	742,793	660,921

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

11 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Revaluation of investments	(9,430)	6,900

12 Taxation

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

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements	Office equipment	Fixtures and fittings	IT equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 April 2022	97,317	15,962	8,932	27,219	149,430
Additions	-	-	-	2,590	2,590
At 31 March 2023	97,317	15,962	8,932	29,809	152,020
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 April 2022	73,874	15,962	8,932	20,116	118,884
Depreciation charged in the year	3,548	-	-	5,156	8,704
At 31 March 2023	77,422	15,962	8,932	25,272	127,588
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2023	19,895	-	-	4,537	24,432
At 31 March 2022	23,443	-	-	7,103	30,546

14 Fixed asset investments

	Balanced Fund
	£
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2022	209,449
Valuation changes	(9,430)
At 31 March 2023	200,019
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2023	200,019
At 31 March 2022	209,449

15 Debtors

	2023	2022
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Trade debtors	91,838	152,881
Prepayments and accrued income	8,604	7,746
	100,442	160,627

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	7,593	2,758
Trade creditors	7,858	8,593
Other creditors	117	91
Accruals and deferred income	79,453	161,566
	95,021	173,008

17 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 April 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
EMDA - Property Improvements	24,996	-	(3,485)	21,511	-	(3,485)	18,026
Home From Hospital	14,432	25,420	(15,052)	24,800	19,160	(6,436)	37,524
AVBC - Memory Lane	2,548	-	(2,548)	-	-	-	-
Postcode Local Funding	1,000	-	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways / Small Grant	15,293	20,000	(5,900)	29,393	10,000	(25,557)	13,836
Public Health - Eats and Treats	1,902	-	(1,902)	-	-	-	-
NHS/ICB - Core	-	53,734	(53,734)	-	54,647	(54,647)	-
DCC - Volunteer Training	778	2,643	(3,421)	-	-	-	-
DCC - Infrastructure	-	34,725	(34,725)	-	38,975	(38,975)	-
DCC - Befriending	14,618	11,175	(25,793)	-	9,724	(9,724)	-
GP Link Worker	-	81,681	(81,681)	-	86,757	(86,757)	-
Social Connectedness	24,767	8,750	-	33,517	27,750	(3,631)	57,636
Social Prescribing Directory	6,802	-	(3,402)	3,400	-	-	3,400
VCSE Leadership Funding	61,750	65,000	(36,828)	89,922	-	(40,090)	49,832
Police and Crime Commissioner	20,534	50,000	(70,080)	454	-	(454)	-
NAVCA	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
Space to Connect	1,000	1,045	(2,045)	-	-	-	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	14,750	-	(14,750)	-	-	-	-
VCSE Strategic Mental Health	-	-	-	-	100,000	(42,087)	57,913
DCC - HAF Funding	-	-	-	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
Acute Discharge Support	-	-	-	-	21,354	(6,354)	15,000
PH Contain Funding	-	-	-	-	6,750	(67)	6,683
	205,170	355,673	(356,846)	203,997	385,117	(328,264)	260,850

17 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

NHS Derby & Derbyshire ICB Core; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, promotion and brokerage of volunteering and provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Southern Derbyshire CVS Post Hospital Support; respond to requests for volunteer support to individuals discharged from hospital for a time limited period. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Befriending; respond to requests for volunteer support to reduce isolation and loneliness of older, isolated people in Amber Valley. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Infrastructure; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Postcode Lottery; costs of pathway access to Charles Hill Playing Fields and community development activity in Loscoe related to increasing use of playing fields.

Public Health 5 Ways / Small Grant; manages grants to benefit local organisations to improve wellbeing.

GP Link Worker; social prescribing activity for the ARCH PCN, encouraging the use of community and voluntary services as a preventative step in recovery from illness.

Social Connectedness; leading a steering group, developing an action plan to decrease social isolation and identify gaps and projects to fund to increase connectedness.

Social Prescribing Directory; to prepare information about community resources for use of PCN staff members.

VCSE Leadership Funding; to develop the capacity of the voluntary sector to engage and influence Joined Up Care Derbyshire planning systems and develop a VCSE Alliance.

Police and Crime Commissioner; grants to community groups and development worker activity for writing applications.

NAVCA; participation in an emergency planning partnership, cost of living grant award.

Space to Connect; developing community action in Loscoe.

The National Lottery Community Fund; supporting infrastructure activity and developments in reducing isolation including digital connection.

18 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2021	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2022	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Training Fund	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000	-	40,000	-	40,000
Building Fund	75,000	-	75,000	-	75,000
Help at Home Fund	55,000	-	55,000	-	55,000
	175,000	-	175,000	-	175,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Restricted funds 2023	Total 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	6,405	18,027	24,432	9,034	21,512	30,546
Investments	200,019	-	200,019	209,449	-	209,449
Current assets/(liabilities)	93,049	242,823	335,872	162,658	182,485	345,143
	299,473	260,850	560,323	381,141	203,997	585,138

20 Operating lease commitments

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:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Within one year	17,450	17,450
Between two and five years	67,757	69,507
In over five years	7,850	23,550
	93,057	110,507

21 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

22 Cash generated from operations

	2023	2022
	£	£
(Deficit)/surpus for the year	(24,814)	21,001
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(417)	(33)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	9,430	(6,900)
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	8,704	7,820
Movements in working capital:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	60,184	(117,022)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(77,987)	147,077
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	(24,900)	51,943

23 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.

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Accounts

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ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	P Dawson	
	M Neal	
	S Freeborn	(Appointed 27 July 2021)
	P Hallam	(Appointed 29 July 2021)
	A Carroll	(Appointed 29 July 2021)
	S Lockwood	(Appointed 29 September 2021)
Secretary	L Allison	
Charity number	1102412	
Company number	04763194	
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AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTOR'S REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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

Principal activities

The company is a Registered Charity offering support to voluntary organisations and communities in Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts.

The objects of the charity are to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the Local Government District of Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts (hereinafter called 'the area of benefit'). This is in accordance with the objects contained in the constitution, the charity's governing document. There have been no changes in the policies of the charity which are:

- To promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the same and to that end bring together in council representatives of the voluntary organisations and statutory authorities within the area of benefit.
- To establish, support, undertake or execute any charitable trusts or association formed for the objects.
- To encourage, promote and organise direct services appropriate to the needs of individuals.
- We may work outside our area of benefit providing it is not to the detriment of, and whenever possible working in partnership with, other organisations.

Public Benefit

Amber Valley CVS is open to enquiries from members of the public who wish to volunteer their time to others in the community. We promote and encourage volunteering and broker arrangements between local voluntary sector groups and individuals. This activity raises community spirit and cohesion.

We provide training activity to volunteers and voluntary sector groups, raising their skills and aspirations as a result.

Our organisation offers direct support to families and older people in Amber Valley and Erewash, tackling issues such as debt, social isolation and access to services. This benefits the public and our communities by increasing their self sufficiency.

We are the local support for voluntary sector organisations and our leadership to them in respect of governance, finance, human resource and health & safety issues ensure that the voluntary sector in Amber Valley has good governance arrangements and groups develop to their full potential.

Volunteers

The organisation encourages and supports volunteers within the organisation in administration roles, as part of the Befriending project and as Trustees. We also actively promote volunteering to businesses, statutory partners and the general public using window displays, web site, social media, local press & radio and work in schools. We work in partnership with health, sport, children's, disability organisations to extend and improve the volunteering experience for any age or ability.

Achievements and performance

Internal records of our performance against outcomes for the organisation and the sector show we have worked towards our strategic headlines and also add value to our communities and the sector.

In providing support to develop and sustain local groups this year we have:

- refreshed databases as groups re-emerged post covid and presented information in real time for the public and professionals to connect on google maps;
- maintained information on Community Directory Derbyshire of 448 local groups;
- offered free membership to all groups as part of our direct support of sustainability;
- increased by 76, to 279 groups as member organisations;
- had contact with and given direct advice and support to 111 groups, including supporting the formation of 3 new groups;
- DBS checks were tripled from last year's low of 130 to 382, showing the recovery of sector activity;
- managed the grant giving process for Public Health and 5 Ways to Wellbeing grants but groups have been slow to open and apply for small grants;
- maintained a presence on local and county wide resilience forums.

In encouraging an increase and diversity in volunteering opportunities, volunteers and voluntary action, we have explored the use of new volunteering platforms. Opportunities have been shown online as activity re emerged.

Help at Home continued to support older people this year, ensuring they remained safe and well at home despite continuing disruption from covid illness. Staff have shown great tenacity and resilience to keep the service sustainable.

We are enhancing the health, well being and safe guarding in our communities by delivering a range of support through Home from Hospital, Befriending volunteers, Get Out Get Active and Social Prescribing Link Workers.

We continue to support Charles Hill CIC, Derbyshire Community Bank and other voluntary organisations through staff involvement as volunteers, trustees and secretariat.

We have continued to work in partnership with local organisations and statutory partners to contribute to Amber Valley Partnership, at Place in Active Amber Valley, for Derbyshire Safer Communities Board. With 3D colleagues we contributed to Club Matters physical activity project and continue to encourage the VCSE Leadership programme which now has 40 active members.

We take the concerns and offers of support of the voluntary sector to local and county strategic meetings including with Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group to increase its profile.

Financial review

Detailed financial information is shown on page 7. The charity reports a surplus for the year of £21,000 (2021: £164,358).

Reserves Policy and Going Concern

At 31 March 2022 the charity had total reserves of £585,137. Of these reserves £203,997 was held in restricted funds, with the balance remaining of £381,140 being held in unrestricted funds.

The charity has designated some of its unrestricted funds for particular purposes. At 31 March 2022 the designated funds of the charity comprised:

Training Fund	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000
Building Fund	75,000
Help At Home Fund	55,000
	£175,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

Unrestricted general reserves (excluding tangible fixed assets of £9,034), freely available for use by the charity amount to £197,106.

The Trustees' policy is to build unrestricted free reserves equivalent to 4-8 months directorate expenditure, which is currently running at the rate of £150,000 per annum. At the year end free reserves amounted to £197,106 which is considered prudent as there are indications that grant funding will decrease in 2022/23.

In addition to directorate expenditure, unrestricted funds are designated to ensure resources are available for expenditure which would relate to changes to Help at Home, either for closure or continuation in another charitable format.

Principal funding sources

Our principal funding sources remain Southern Derbyshire CCG and Derbyshire County Council along with earned income from activity as a counter signatory for DBS and customer charges to Help at Home clients.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee are responsible for setting the investment policy of the charity.

Risk Management

The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces each financial year when preparing and updating the strategic plan. The charity has developed systems to monitor and control financial and other risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the charity in the future. Information about risk and the actions to mitigate them are discussed at board meetings.

Plans for future periods

We need to review our support to community groups to aid their recovery from the covid period and maintain a focus on diversifying our income base.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 13 May 2003 and registered as a charity on 1 April 2004. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association and its constitution which was adopted on 13 July 1994 when the charity was operating as an unincorporated entity. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

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:

M Gee	(Resigned 25 May 2022)
A Joynes	(Resigned 25 November 2021)
P Dawson	
M Neal	
S Freeborn	(Appointed 27 July 2021)
P Hallam	(Appointed 29 July 2021)
A Carroll	(Appointed 29 July 2021)
S Lockwood	(Appointed 29 September 2021)

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are actively recruited through the year and have a formal application process which identifies the skills and knowledge they offer for this role.

Organisational structure

The business of the charity is managed through board meetings consisting of a maximum of no more than twenty members and a minimum of not less than six members.

Members of the Board as listed on page 1 are appointed at the Annual General Meeting and serve for one year, but may offer themselves for reappointment if they so wish.

The Committee is responsible for the strategic direction of the Charity and therefore responsibility for the day to day running of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive, who in turn delegates a share of that responsibility to other members of the senior management team.

Induction and training of trustees

Each trustee receives an induction pack which includes information about the organisations aims, plans, financial situation and governance arrangements. Trustees have direct access to the Chief Executive for further information exchange and support in their role. Development of the Boards understanding of the organisation is led by the Chief Executive using regular meeting dates to identify and progress this, involving other staff members as appropriate.

Pay policy for key management personnel

In considering the rate of pay for key management personnel the board take into account national pay rates identified by NAVCA, comparator pay rates within Derbyshire and the previous years rate of inflation. These are set against any changes (rise or fall) in external funding received by the organisation.

Links with other organisations

The charity has strong relationships with local authorities, in particular Derbyshire County Council, Southern Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group, Place meetings and other Councils for Voluntary Service.

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

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P Dawson
Trustee

Date: 28/09/2022

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or

4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Mark Jackson FCA DChA
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Ruthlyn House
90 Lincoln Road
Peterborough
Cambridgeshire
PE1 2SP
United Kingdom

Dated: ...7.11.2022...

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	3	-	-	-	28,331	-	28,331
Charitable activities	4	504,312	279,378	783,690	407,681	313,807	721,488
Other trading activities	5	13,056	-	13,056	5,223	-	5,223
Investments	6	33	-	33	81	-	81
Other income	7	37,132	76,295	113,427	61,223	93,000	154,223
Total income		554,533	355,673	910,206	502,539	406,807	909,346
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	8	539,260	356,846	896,106	489,162	305,127	794,289
Net gains/(losses) on investments	12	6,900	-	6,900	49,301	-	49,301
Net movement in funds		22,173	(1,173)	21,000	62,678	101,680	164,358
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		358,967	205,170	564,137	296,289	103,490	399,779
Fund balances at 31 March 2022		381,140	203,997	585,137	358,967	205,170	564,137

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	13		30,546		34,488
Investments	14		209,449		202,549
			239,995		237,037
Current assets					
Debtors	15	160,626		43,605	
Cash at bank and in hand		357,524		309,426	
		518,150		353,031	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(173,008)		(25,931)	
Net current assets			345,142		327,100
Total assets less current liabilities			585,137		564,137
Income funds					
Restricted funds	17		203,997		205,170
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	18	175,000		175,000	
General unrestricted funds		206,140		183,967	
			381,140		358,967
			585,137		564,137

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

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 2022.

The director acknowledges her 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 28/09/2022

P Dawson
Trustee

Company registration number 04763194

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	**22**		51,943		135,321
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(3,878)		(11,042)	
Investment income received		33		81	
Net cash used in investing activities			(3,845)		(10,961)
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			48,098		124,360
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			309,426		185,066
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			357,524		309,426

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service is a private company limited by guarantee not having share capital. In the event of a winding up of the company every member agrees to contribute such amount as may be required (not exceeding £1) to the Charity's assets if it should be wound up while he or she is a member or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member, for payment of the Charity's debts and liabilities. It is registered in England and Wales. The registered office is 33 Market Place, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 3HA.

1.1 Accounting convention

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 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.

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.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.

1.4 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Investment income is included on an accruals basis.
- Incoming resources from Help at Home are accounted for when earned.
- Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

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.

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

- Costs of operating Help at Home comprises those costs incurred in delivering the Help at Home service.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the independent examination fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis to reflect the use of the resource. All costs have been allocated directly relating to a particular activity.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets 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 bases:

Leasehold improvements	4% straight line and 33% straight line
Office equipment	33% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	33% straight line
IT equipment	33% straight line

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.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

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

1.8 Impairment of fixed 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 **Accounting policies** **(Continued)**

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.

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.11 Employee benefits

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

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

1.12 Retirement benefits

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme income	-	28,331

4 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development 2022	Help at Home 2022	Total 2022	Volunteering, Training & Development 2021	Help at Home 2021	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Help at Home	-	481,079	481,079	-	380,476	380,476
Directorate (DCC)	15,378	-	15,378	15,378	-	15,378
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Core	53,734	-	53,734	52,270		152,270
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Befriending	9,561	-	9,561	9,301		21,128
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Post Hospital Support	25,420	-	25,420	24,670	-	24,670
DCC - Volunteer Training	2,643	-	2,643	10,571	-	10,571
DCC - Infrastructure Support	34,725	-	34,725	21,947	-	21,947
DCC - Befriending Service	1,614	-	1,614	6,457	-	6,457
GP Link Worker	81,681	-	81,681	66,591	-	66,591
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways	20,000	-	20,000	22,000	-	22,000
Police Crime and Commissioner	50,000	-	50,000	100,000	-	100,000
Derby Community Foundation	7,855	-	7,855	11,827	-	11,827
	302,611	481,079	783,690	341,012	380,476	721,488
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	23,233	481,079	504,312	27,205	380,476	407,681
Restricted funds	279,378	-	279,378	313,807	-	313,807
	302,611	481,079	783,690	341,012	380,476	721,488

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
Membership, training and services	13,056	5,223

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
Interest receivable	33	81

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Sundry income	35,904	76,295	112,199	60,987	93,000	153,987
Donations and legacies	1,228	-	1,228	236	-	236
	37,132	76,295	113,427	61,223	93,000	154,223

8 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total
	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	219,353	438,568	657,921	194,687	379,118	573,805
Depreciation and impairment	7,820	-	7,820	8,211	-	8,211
Staff travel	6,434	20,629	27,063	2,401	17,814	20,215
Volunteer travel and expenses	1,775	-	1,775	748	-	748
Grants paid	63,771	-	63,771	81,049	-	81,049
Event costs	43,878	-	43,878	36,042	-	36,042
Premises costs	34,150	-	34,150	26,653	126	26,779
Equipment	38	553	591	14	155	169
Insurance	4,169	-	4,169	4,068	-	4,068
Administration costs	21,482	3,537	25,019	16,024	3,206	19,230
IT costs	7,108	-	7,108	8,923	-	8,923
Sundry costs	7,741	482	8,223	5,630	31	5,661
Compliance costs	8,578	840	9,418	3,829	40	3,869
	426,297	464,609	890,906	388,279	400,490	788,769
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	5,200	-	5,200	5,520	-	5,520
	431,497	464,609	896,106	393,799	400,490	794,289
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	74,651	464,609	539,260	88,672	400,490	489,162
Restricted funds	356,846	-	356,846	305,127	-	305,127
	431,497	464,609	896,106	393,799	400,490	794,289

9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2022	Support costs	Governance costs	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	-	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Independent examination	-	2,200	2,200	-	2,520	2,520
	-	5,200	5,200	-	5,520	5,520
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	-	5,200	5,200	-	5,520	5,520

10 Trustees

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

During the year no trustees (2021: 1 trustee) were reimbursed for out of pocket expenses (2021: £69).

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
Volunteering, training and development	9	9
Help at Home	67	61
Total	76	70

Employment costs	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	626,032	542,192
Social security costs	13,498	18,127
Other pension costs	21,391	16,486
	660,921	576,805

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

12 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
Revaluation of investments	6,900	49,301

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements £	Office equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	IT equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 April 2021	97,317	15,962	8,932	88,160	210,371
Additions	-	-	-	3,878	3,878
Disposals	-	-	-	(64,819)	(64,819)
At 31 March 2022	97,317	15,962	8,932	27,219	149,430
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 April 2021	70,326	15,962	8,932	80,663	175,883
Depreciation charged in the year	3,548	-	-	4,272	7,820
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	-	-	(64,819)	(64,819)
At 31 March 2022	73,874	15,962	8,932	20,116	118,884
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2022	23,443	-	-	7,103	30,546
At 31 March 2021	26,991	-	-	7,497	34,488

14 Fixed asset investments

	Balanced Fund £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2021	202,549
Valuation changes	6,900
At 31 March 2022	209,449
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2022	209,449
At 31 March 2021	202,549

14 Fixed asset investments **(Continued)**

15 Debtors

	2022	2021
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Trade debtors	152,880	36,403
Prepayments and accrued income	7,746	7,202
	160,626	43,605

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	2,849	6,876
Trade creditors	8,593	2,166
Accruals and deferred income	161,566	16,889
	173,008	25,931

17 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 April 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
EMDA - Property Improvements	28,481	-	(3,485)	24,996	-	(3,485)	21,511
CCG - Post Hospital Support	934	24,670	(11,172)	14,432	25,420	(15,052)	24,800
AVBC - Memory Lane	2,683	-	(135)	2,548	-	(2,548)	-
Postcode Local Funding	1,000	-	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways / Small Grant	1,628	22,000	(8,335)	15,293	20,000	(5,900)	29,393
Public Health - Eats and Treats	2,182	-	(280)	1,902	-	(1,902)	-
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Core	-	52,270	(52,270)	-	53,734	(53,734)	-
DCC - Volunteer Training	-	10,571	(9,793)	778	2,643	(3,421)	-
DCC - Infrastructure	-	21,947	(21,947)	-	34,725	(34,725)	-
DCC - Befriending	-	6,457	(1,140)	5,317	1,614	(6,931)	-
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Befriending	-	9,301	-	9,301	9,561	(18,862)	-
GP Link Worker	-	66,591	(66,591)	-	81,681	(81,681)	-
Co-operative Foundation Fund	4,221	-	(4,221)	-	-	-	-
Social Connectedness	14,309	25,000	(14,542)	24,767	8,750	-	33,517
Future in Mind	1,250	-	(1,250)	-	-	-	-
Social Prescribing Directory	6,802	-	-	6,802	-	(3,402)	3,400
VCSE Leadership Funding	40,000	25,000	(3,250)	61,750	65,000	(36,828)	89,922
Police and Crime Commissioner	-	100,000	(79,466)	20,534	50,000	(70,080)	454
NAVCA	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	1,500	(1,500)	-
Space to Connect	-	10,000	(9,000)	1,000	1,045	(2,045)	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	30,000	(15,250)	14,750	-	(14,750)	-
	103,490	406,807	305,127	205,170	355,673	356,846	203,997

17 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Southern Derbyshire CCG Core; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, promotion and brokerage of volunteering and provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Southern Derbyshire CCG Befriending; respond to requests for volunteer support to reduce isolation and loneliness of older, isolated people in Amber Valley. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Southern Derbyshire CCG Post Hospital Support; respond to requests for volunteer support to individuals discharged from hospital for a time limited period. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Befriending; respond to requests for volunteer support to reduce isolation and loneliness of older, isolated people in Amber Valley. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Infrastructure; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

AVBC Memory Lane; manages a project to extend social activity of those with dementia.

Postcode Lottery; costs of pathway access to Charles Hill Playing Fields and community development activity in Loscoe related to increasing use of playing fields.

Public Health Eats & Treats; community networking events.

Public Health 5 Ways / Small Grant; manages grants to benefit local organisations to improve wellbeing.

GP Link Worker; social prescribing activity for the ARCH PCN, encouraging the use of community and voluntary services as a preventative step in recovery from illness.

17 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Co-operative Foundation Fund; to support additional befriending for those identified as isolated due to coronavirus.

Social Connectedness; leading a steering group, developing an action plan to decrease social isolation and identify gaps and projects to fund to increase connectedness.

Future in Mind; to provide a network for those working with Children and Young People.

Social Prescribing Directory; to prepare information about community resources for use of PCN staff members.

VCSE Leadership Funding; to develop the capacity of the voluntary sector to engage and influence Joined Up Care Derbyshire planning systems and develop a VCSE Alliance.

Police and Crime Commissioner; grants to community groups and development worker activity for writing applications.

NAVCA; participation in an emergency planning partnership.

Space to Connect; developing community action in Loscoe.

The National Lottery Community Fund; supporting infrastructure activity and developments in reducing isolation including digital connection.

18 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2020	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2021	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Training Fund	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000	-	40,000	-	40,000
Building Fund	75,000	-	75,000	-	75,000
Help at Home Fund	55,000	-	55,000	-	55,000
	175,000	-	175,000	-	175,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Restricted funds 2022	Total 2022	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	9,034	21,512	30,546	9,721	24,767	34,488
Investments	209,449	-	209,449	202,549	-	202,549
Current assets/ (liabilities)	162,657	182,485	345,142	146,697	180,403	327,100
	381,140	203,997	585,137	358,967	205,170	564,137

20 Operating lease commitments

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:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	17,450	15,700
Between two and five years	69,507	62,800
In over five years	23,550	39,250
	110,507	117,750

21 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

22 Cash generated from operations	2022	2021
	£	£
Surplus for the year	21,000	164,358
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(33)	(81)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	(6,900)	(49,301)
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	7,820	8,212
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(117,021)	15,127
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	147,077	(2,994)
Cash generated from operations	51,943	135,321

23 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

England & Wales - Charity number 1102412

Accounts

Charity Registration No. 1102412

Company Registration No. 04763194 (England and Wales)

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	M Gee	
	A Joynes	
	P Dawson	
	M Neal	
	S Freeborn	(Appointed 27 July 2021)
	P Hallam	(Appointed 29 July 2021)
	A Carroll	(Appointed 29 July 2021)
Secretary	L Allison	
Charity number	1102412	
Company number	04763194	
Registered office	33 Market Place Ripley Derbyshire DE5 3HA	
Independent examiner	Azets Ruthlyn House 90 Lincoln Road Peterborough Cambridgeshire PE1 2SP	
Bankers	Yorkshire Bank PLC 30 Oxford Street Ripley Derbyshire DE5 4AJ	
	Cooperative Bank Business Direct PO Box 250 Skelmersdale WN8 6NY	
	Nationwide Building Society Kings Park Road Moulton Park Northampton NN3 6NW	
	Derbyshire Community Bank 68 Cornmarket Derby DE1 2DG	

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AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

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

Principal activities

The company is a Registered Charity offering support to voluntary organisations and communities in Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts.

The objects of the charity are to promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the community in the Local Government District of Amber Valley and its neighbouring districts (hereinafter called 'the area of benefit'). This is in accordance with the objects contained in the constitution, the charity's governing document. There have been no changes in the policies of the charity which are:

- To promote and organise co-operation in the achievement of the same and to that end bring together in council representatives of the voluntary organisations and statutory authorities within the area of benefit.
- To establish, support, undertake or execute any charitable trusts or association formed for the objects.
- To encourage, promote and organise direct services appropriate to the needs of individuals.
- We may work outside our area of benefit providing it is not to the detriment of, and whenever possible working in partnership with, other organisations.

Public Benefit

Amber Valley CVS is open to enquiries from members of the public who wish to volunteer their time to others in the community. We promote and encourage volunteering and broker arrangements between local voluntary sector groups and individuals. This activity raises community spirit and cohesion.

We provide training activity to volunteers and voluntary sector groups, raising their skills and aspirations as a result.

Our organisation offers direct support to families and older people in Amber Valley and Erewash, tackling issues such as debt, social isolation and access to services. This benefits the public and our communities by increasing their self sufficiency.

We are the local support for voluntary sector organisations and our leadership to them in respect of governance, finance, human resource and health & safety issues ensure that the voluntary sector in Amber Valley has good governance arrangements.

Volunteers

The organisation encourages and supports volunteers within the organisation in administration roles, as part of the Befriending project and as Trustees. We also actively promote volunteering to businesses, statutory partners and the general public using window displays, web site, social media, local press & radio and work in schools. We work in partnership with health, sport, children's, disability organisations to extend and improve the volunteering experience for any age or ability.

Achievements and performance

Internal records of our performance against outcomes for the organisation and the sector show we have worked towards our strategic headlines and also add value to our communities and the sector.

In providing support to develop and sustain local groups this year we have:

- maintained information on Community Directory Derbyshire of 535 local groups;
- retained 203 groups as member organisations;
- had contact with and given direct advice and support to 176 groups, including supporting the formation of 13 new groups and increasing email / e-bulletin contact with covid updates;
- DBS checks were reduced from 809 to 130 as a result of coronavirus lockdowns.
- we have helped gain £175,000 of funding for local groups.
- we have managed the grant giving process for Public Health and 5 Ways to Wellbeing grants; and
- we collated information about mutual aid activity and supported county referrals for food , prescriptions , covid support in all areas of Amber Valley.

In encouraging an increase and diversity in volunteering opportunities, volunteers and voluntary action, we increased volunteer opportunities to 190 from 152 voluntary organisations in Amber Valley and beyond.

Help at Home was a key service to older people this year, ensuring they remained safer at home through the pandemic despite needing to close and reduce service through lockdown periods. The team of CVS staff had increased contact with community members to ensure they had family support and that their well being was considered.

We are enhancing the health, well being and safe guarding in out communities by delivering Help at Home domestic and gardening services, signing posting individuals to trusted community and other services through interaction of Help at Home staff, Befriending volunteers and Social Prescribing Link Workers.

We continue to support Charles Hill CIC, Derbyshire Community Bank and DAS through staff involvement as trustees and secretariat.

We have continued to work in partnership with local organisations and statutory partners to contribute to Amber Valley Partnership, at Place, in Active Amber Valley. With 3D colleagues we encourage the VCSE Leadership programme and Club Matters physical activity project.

We take the concerns of the voluntary sector to local and county strategic meetings including the covid response and recovery meetings to increase its profile.

Financial review

Detailed financial information is shown on page 7. The charity reports a surplus for the year of £164,358 (2020: £9,313 deficit).

Reserves Policy and Going Concern

At 31 March 2021 the charity had total reserves of £564,137. Of these reserves £205,170 was held in restricted funds, with the balance remaining of £358,967 being held in unrestricted funds.

The charity has designated some of its unrestricted funds for particular purposes. At 31 March 2021 the designated funds of the charity comprised:

Training Fund	5,000
Contingency Fund	40,000
Building Fund	75,000
Help At Home Fund	55,000
	£175,000

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Unrestricted general reserves (excluding tangible fixed assets of £9,721), freely available for use by the charity amount to £183,967.

The Trustees' policy is to build unrestricted free reserves equivalent to 4-8 months directorate expenditure, which is currently running at the rate of £150,000 per annum. At the year end free reserves amounted to £183,967 which is considered prudent as there are indications that grant funding will decrease in 2021/22.

In addition to directorate expenditure, unrestricted funds are designated to ensure resources are available for expenditure which would relate to changes to Help at Home, either for closure or continuation in another charitable format.

Principal funding sources

Our principal funding sources remain Southern Derbyshire CCG and Derbyshire County Council along with earned income from activity as a counter signatory for DBS and customer charges to Help at Home clients.

Investment Policy

The Executive Committee are responsible for setting the investment policy of the charity.

Risk Management

The trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces each financial year when preparing and updating the strategic plan. The charity has developed systems to monitor and control financial and other risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the charity in the future. Information about risk and the actions to mitigate them are discussed at board meetings.

Plans for future periods

We need to review our support to community groups to aid their recovery from the covid period and maintain a focus on diversifying our income base.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 13 May 2003 and registered as a charity on 1 April 2004. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association and its constitution which was adopted on 13 July 1994 when the charity was operating as an unincorporated entity. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

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:

M Gee	
A King	(Resigned 9 December 2020)
B Whittaker	(Resigned 5 October 2020)
S Holliday	(Resigned 9 December 2020)
A Joynes	
P Dawson	
M Neal	
S Freeborn	(Appointed 27 July 2021)
P Hallam	(Appointed 29 July 2021)
A Carroll	(Appointed 29 July 2021)

Appointment of trustees

Trustees are actively recruited through the year and have a formal application process which identifies the skills and knowledge they offer for this role.

Organisational structure

The business of the charity is managed through board meetings consisting of a maximum of no more than twenty members and a minimum of not less than six members.

Members of the Board as listed on page 1 are appointed at the Annual General Meeting and serve for one year, but may offer themselves for reappointment if they so wish.

The Committee is responsible for the strategic direction of the Charity and therefore responsibility for the day to day running of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive, who in turn delegates a share of that responsibility to other members of the senior management team.

Induction and training of trustees

Each trustee receives an induction pack which includes information about the organisations aims, plans, financial situation and governance arrangements. Trustees have direct access to the Chief Executive for further information exchange and support in their role. Development of the Boards understanding of the organisation is led by the Chief Executive using regular meeting dates to identify and progress this, involving other staff members as appropriate.

Pay policy for key management personnel

In considering the rate of pay for key management personnel the board take into account national pay rates identified by NAVCA, comparator pay rates within Derbyshire and the previous years rate of inflation. These are set against any changes (rise or fall) in external funding received by the organisation.

Links with other organisations

The charity has strong relationships with local authorities, in particular Derbyshire County Council, Southern Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group, Place meetings and other Councils for Voluntary Service.

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

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P Dawson
Trustee
Dated: 29.9.2021

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or

4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Mark Jackson FCA DChA
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Ruthlyn House
90 Lincoln Road
Peterborough
Cambridgeshire
PE1 2SP
United Kingdom

Dated: 29.9.2021

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	3	28,331	-	28,331	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	407,681	313,807	721,488	493,031	152,185	645,216
Other trading activities	5	5,223	-	5,223	19,611	-	19,611
Investments	6	81	-	81	431	-	431
Other income	7	61,223	93,000	154,223	20,577	79,302	99,879
Total income		502,539	406,807	909,346	533,650	231,487	765,137
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	8	489,162	305,127	794,289	545,172	185,557	730,729
Net gains/(losses) on investments	12	49,301	-	49,301	(25,095)	-	(25,095)
Gross transfers between funds		-	-	-	(7,143)	7,143	-
Net movement in funds		62,678	101,680	164,358	(43,760)	53,073	9,313
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		296,289	103,490	399,779	340,049	50,417	390,466
Fund balances at 31 March 2021		358,967	205,170	564,137	296,289	103,490	399,779

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	**13**		34,488		31,657
Investments	**14**		202,549		153,249
			237,037		184,906
Current assets					
Debtors	**15**	43,605		58,732	
Cash at bank and in hand		309,426		185,066	
		353,031		243,798	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**16**	(25,931)		(28,925)	
Net current assets			327,100		214,873
Total assets less current liabilities			564,137		399,779
Income funds					
Restricted funds	**17**		205,170		103,490
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds	**18**	175,000		175,000	
General unrestricted funds		183,967		121,289	
			358,967		296,289
			564,137		399,779

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 2021.

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 29.9.2021

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P Dawson
Trustee

Company Registration No. 04763194

AMBER VALLEY COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash generated from operations	22		135,321		8,531
Investing activities					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(11,042)		-	
Investment income received		81		431	
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities			(10,961)		431
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			124,360		8,962
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			185,066		176,104
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			309,426		185,066

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Amber Valley Council For Voluntary Service is a private company limited by guarantee not having share capital. In the event of a winding up of the company every member agrees to contribute such amount as may be required (not exceeding £1) to the Charity's assets if it should be wound up while he or she is a member or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member, for payment of the Charity's debts and liabilities. It is registered in England and Wales. The registered office is 33 Market Place, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 3HA.

1.1 Accounting convention

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 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, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

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

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors 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.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Management Committee for particular purposes.

1.4 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.
- Investment income is included on an accruals basis.
- Incoming resources from Help at Home are accounted for when earned.
- Incoming resources from grants, where related to performance and specific deliverables, are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

- Costs of operating Help at Home comprises those costs incurred in delivering the Help at Home service.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the independent examination fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis to reflect the use of the resource. All costs have been allocated directly relating to a particular activity.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets 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 bases:

Leasehold improvements	4% straight line and 33% straight line
Office equipment	33% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	33% straight line
IT equipment	33% straight line

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 net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

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

1.8 Impairment of fixed 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).

1.9 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.

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.11 Employee benefits

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

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

1.12 Retirement benefits

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

1.13 Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases, including any lease incentives received, are charged as an expense on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

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 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	2021	2020
	£	£
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme income	28,331	-

4 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total 2021	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total 2020
	2021	2021		2020	2020	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Help at Home	-	380,476	380,476	-	477,653	477,653
Directorate (DCC)	15,378	-	15,378	15,378	-	15,378
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Core	52,270	-	52,270	61,571	-	61,571
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Befriending	9,301	-	9,301	5,000	-	5,000
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Post Hospital Support	24,670	-	24,670	14,409	-	14,409
DCC - Volunteer Training	10,571	-	10,571	7,928	-	7,928
DCC - Infrastructure Support	21,947	-	21,947	16,460	-	16,460
DCC - Befriending Service	6,457	-	6,457	4,843	-	4,843
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways	22,000	-	22,000	20,000	-	20,000
GP Link Worker	66,591	-	66,591	11,974	-	11,974
Co-operative Foundation Fund	-	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
Police Crime and Commissioner	100,000	-	100,000	-	-	-
Derby Community Foundation	11,827	-	11,827	-	-	-
	341,012	380,476	721,488	167,563	477,653	645,216
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	27,205	380,476	407,681	15,378	477,653	493,031
Restricted funds	313,807	-	313,807	152,185	-	152,185
	341,012	380,476	721,488	167,563	477,653	645,216

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Membership, training and services	5,223	19,611

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Interest receivable	81	431

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2021	2021	2021	2020	2020	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sundry income	60,987	93,000	153,987	20,046	79,302	99,348
Donations and legacies	236	-	236	531	-	531
	61,223	93,000	154,223	20,577	79,302	99,879

8 Charitable activities

	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total	Volunteering, Training & Development	Help at Home	Total
	2021	2021	2021	2020	2020	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	194,687	379,118	573,805	147,186	422,364	569,550
Depreciation and impairment	8,211	-	8,211	5,635	-	5,635
Staff travel	2,401	17,814	20,215	1,339	21,179	22,518
Volunteer travel and expenses	748	-	748	3,583	12	3,595
Grants paid	81,049	-	81,049	27,616	-	27,616
Event costs	36,042	-	36,042	11,169	-	11,169
Premises costs	26,653	126	26,779	25,985	-	25,985
Equipment	14	155	169	-	402	402
Insurance	4,068	-	4,068	3,820	-	3,820
Administration costs	16,024	3,206	19,230	17,139	3,088	20,227
IT costs	8,923	-	8,923	10,480	-	10,480
Sundry costs	5,630	31	5,661	5,965	386	6,351
Compliance costs	3,829	40	3,869	13,681	964	14,645
Accountancy costs	-	-	-	649	-	649
Professional fees	-	-	-	87	-	87
	388,279	400,490	788,769	274,334	448,395	722,729
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	5,520	-	5,520	8,000	-	8,000
	393,799	400,490	794,289	282,334	448,395	730,729
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	88,672	400,490	489,162	96,777	448,395	545,172
Restricted funds	305,127	-	305,127	185,557	-	185,557
	393,799	400,490	794,289	282,334	448,395	730,729

9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2021	Support costs	Governance costs	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	-	3,000	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Independent examination	-	2,520	2,520	-	5,000	5,000
	-	5,520	5,520	-	8,000	8,000
Analysed between						
Charitable activities	-	5,520	5,520	-	8,000	8,000

10 Trustees

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

During the year 1 trustee (2020: 2 trustees) were reimbursed for out of pocket expenses totalling £69 (2020: £51).

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Volunteering, training and development	9	6
Help at Home	61	68
Total	70	74

Employment costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	542,192	542,574
Social security costs	18,127	13,341
Other pension costs	16,486	16,635
	576,805	572,550

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

12 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Revaluation of investments	49,301	(25,095)

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements	Office equipment	Fixtures and fittings	IT equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 April 2020	97,317	15,962	8,932	77,118	199,329
Additions	-	-	-	11,042	11,042
At 31 March 2021	97,317	15,962	8,932	88,160	210,371
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 April 2020	66,778	15,765	8,932	76,197	167,672
Depreciation charged in the year	3,548	197	-	4,466	8,211
At 31 March 2021	70,326	15,962	8,932	80,663	175,883
Carrying amount					
At 31 March 2021	26,991	-	-	7,497	34,488
At 31 March 2020	30,539	197	-	921	31,657

14 Fixed asset investments

	Balanced Fund
	£
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2020	153,249
Valuation changes	49,300
At 31 March 2021	202,549
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2021	202,549
At 31 March 2020	153,249

15 Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year:	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	36,403	51,004
Prepayments and accrued income	7,202	7,728
	43,605	58,732

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Other taxation and social security	6,876	5,954
Trade creditors	2,166	2,451
Other creditors	-	3,632
Accruals and deferred income	16,889	16,888
	25,931	28,925

17 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds				Movement in funds		
	Balance at 1 April 2019	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Revaluations, gains and losses	Balance at 1 April 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
EMDA - Property Improvements	31,966	-	(3,485)	-	28,481	-	(3,485)	24,996
CCG - Post Hospital Support	4,049	14,409	(17,524)	-	934	24,670	(11,172)	14,432
South Derbyshire CVS - Man Cave	1,177	-	(1,177)	-	-	-	-	-
AVBC - Memory Lane	3,760	-	(1,077)	-	2,683	-	(135)	2,548
Postcode Local Funding	4,577	-	(4,477)	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Public Health Grant - 5 Ways / Small Grant	744	30,000	(29,116)	-	1,628	22,000	(8,335)	15,293
Public Health - Eats and Treats	3,244	-	(1,062)	-	2,182	-	(280)	1,902
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Core	-	61,571	(61,571)	-	-	52,270	(52,270)	-
DCC - Volunteer Training	-	7,928	(7,928)	-	-	10,571	(9,793)	778
DCC - Infrastructure	-	16,460	(16,460)	-	-	21,947	(21,947)	-
DCC - Befriending	-	4,843	(4,843)	-	-	6,457	(1,140)	5,317
Southern Derbyshire CCG - Befriending	-	5,000	(12,143)	7,143	-	9,301	-	9,301
GP Link Worker	-	11,974	(11,974)	-	-	66,591	(66,591)	-
Co-operative Foundation Fund	-	10,000	(5,779)	-	4,221	-	(4,221)	-
Social Connectedness	-	20,000	(5,691)	-	14,309	25,000	(14,542)	24,767
Future in Mind	-	2,500	(1,250)	-	1,250	-	(1,250)	-
Social Prescribing Directory	-	6,802	-	-	6,802	-	-	6,802
VCSE Leadership Funding	-	40,000	-	-	40,000	25,000	(3,250)	61,750
Police and Crime Commissioner	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	(79,466)	20,534
NAVCA	-	-	-	-	-	3,000	(3,000)	-
Space to Connect	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	(9,000)	1,000
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	-	-	30,000	(15,250)	14,750
	50,417	231,487	185,557	7,143	103,490	406,807	305,127	205,170

17 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Southern Derbyshire CCG Core; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, promotion and brokerage of volunteering and provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

Southern Derbyshire CCG Befriending; respond to requests for volunteer support to reduce isolation and loneliness of older, isolated people in Amber Valley. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Southern Derbyshire CCG Post Hospital Support; respond to requests for volunteer support to individuals discharged from hospital for a time limited period. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Befriending; respond to requests for volunteer support to reduce isolation and loneliness of older, isolated people in Amber Valley. Manage the recruitment, supervision, training of volunteers.

Derbyshire County Council Adult Care Infrastructure; provision of infrastructure support to local voluntary and community organisations, provision of funding information, governance and networking for local groups.

South Derbyshire CVS - Man Cave; costs of premises and other support to develop a volunteer led mens social group to prevent suicide.

AVBC Memory Lane; manages a project to extend social activity of those with dementia.

Postcode Lottery; costs of pathway access to Charles Hill Playing Fields and community development activity in Loscoe related to increasing use of playing fields.

Public Health Eats & Treats; community networking events.

Public Health 5 Ways; manages grants to benefit local organisations to improve wellbeing.

Public Health small grants; manages small grants programme to benefit local groups.

GP Link Worker; social prescribing activity for the ARCH PCN, encouraging the use of community and voluntary services as a preventative step in recovery from illness.

17 Restricted funds **(Continued)**

Co-operative Foundation Fund; to support additional befriending for those identified as isolated due to coronavirus.

Social Connectedness; leading a steering group, developing an action plan to decrease social isolation and identify gaps and projects to fund to increase connectedness.

Future in Mind; to provide a network for those working with Children and Young People.

Social Prescribing Directory; to prepare information about community resources for use of PCN staff members.

VCSE Leadership Funding; to develop the capacity of the voluntary sector to engage and influence Joined Up Care Derbyshire planning systems and develop a VCSE Alliance.

Police and Crime Commissioner; grants to community groups and development worker activity for writing applications.

NAVCA; participation in an emergency planning partnership.

Space to Connect; developing community action in Loscoe.

The National Lottery Community Fund; supporting infrastructure activity and developments in reducing isolation including digital connection.

18 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 April 2019	Incoming resources	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2020	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Training Fund	5,000	175,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Contingency Fund	60,000	-	(20,000)	40,000	-	40,000
Building Fund	75,000	-	-	75,000	-	75,000
Help at Home Fund	110,000	-	(55,000)	55,000	-	55,000
	250,000	175,000	(75,000)	175,000	-	175,000

The Training Fund is to ensure the organisation has sufficient funds for staff development that would not be met by other project costs and to pump prime training initiatives that support development of the sector.

The Contingency Fund is set aside to cover any organisation costs or debts not covered by project costs. It is also in case of long term incapacity or absence of a senior manager that requires costs for interim support of another professional.

The Building Fund is in line with our aspiration to refurbish the 'Cottage'. We are designating funds which could then be used as match funding in any future bids and to maintain the fabric of the building in the meantime.

The Help at Home Fund is to ensure that in the event of any difficult circumstances or disaster we are able to continue Help at Home activity to our clients by replacing essential equipment, personnel and work space immediately or meeting other liabilities.

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2021	Restricted funds 2021	Total 2021	Unrestricted funds 2020	Restricted funds 2020	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2021 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	9,721	24,767	34,488	3,176	28,481	31,657
Investments	202,549	-	202,549	153,249	-	153,249
Current assets/ (liabilities)	146,697	180,403	327,100	139,864	75,009	214,873
	358,967	205,170	564,137	296,289	103,490	399,779

20 Operating lease commitments

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:

	2021 £	2020 £
Within one year	15,700	15,700
Between two and five years	62,800	62,800
In over five years	39,250	54,950
	117,750	133,450

21 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none).

22 Cash generated from operations

	2021 £	2020 £
Surplus for the year	164,358	9,313
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(81)	(431)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	(49,301)	25,095
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	8,212	5,635
Movements in working capital:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	15,127	(20,480)
(Decrease) in creditors	(2,994)	(10,601)
Cash generated from operations	135,321	8,531

23 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.