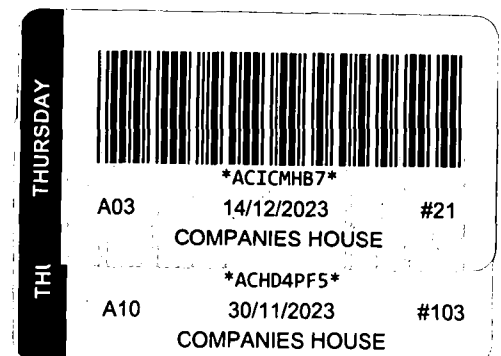


Merseyside Domestic Violence Service Ltd
Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st
March 2023

Company Number: 04911086
Charity Number: 1107466



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Report and accounts
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Trustees' Report

The trustees are pleased to present their annual report for the year ended 31st March 2023

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006, Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice (Sorp 2015) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1st January 2015).

MDVS is the leading Respect Accredited Service in Merseyside established since 2003 and serving the most vulnerable families in North and South Liverpool for the past 20 years.

Our vision is to work collaboratively to end domestic abuse, change attitudes and improve policy and practice around domestic abuse.

Our mission is to tackle domestic abuse through education and by supporting those affected to improve their lives.

Our registered objectives are:

"To promote and protect the physical and mental health of women, girls and young children who have been affected in some way by the issues of domestic abuse by the provision of a non-judgemental advice and support service (a) the provision of an integrated support service and specialist prevention programme for those who have committed or are at risk of committing domestic abuse (b) to advance the education of the public in the matters relating to domestic abuse, in particular in to the causes, remedies and prevention of domestic abuse".

Our funders, partner agencies and supporters local and national play a critical role in enabling the work of our charity to continue and our work is forever in demand especially in the current climate with the cost-of-living crisis and the ever-challenging homelessness situation affecting many families and individuals in our city.

Collectively we have forged new partnerships, reached, and supported hundreds of the most vulnerable high-risk families and individuals and continue toward breaking the cycle of domestic violence.

Our groundbreaking work with children and young people is in high demand and MDVS delivery of unique programmes and services are expanding.

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Our knowledge and collaboration are shared and respected by many professionals and partners local and national and we continue to lead through innovation.

Funding news

- **Latest news from The Big Lottery:** "We're happy to tell you that we are going to fund your RC Northwest Region application for National Lottery Funding. We want to give IFSS (Integrated Family Support Service) £347,089 over 3 years". (The Big Lottery) Our new IFSS will be rolled out across our city and will make a difference to so many more lives.
- During the financial year 22/23, we received a grant of £29,340 from Liverpool City Council to launch our STAR (Strengths-based Therapeutic Advocacy Recovery) project. A pioneering initiative designed to address the pressing needs of providing comprehensive support for victims/survivors of domestic abuse.
- MDVS was funded by MPAC (Merseyside Play Action Council) and Liverpool City Council to deliver HAF (Holiday Activity and Food) programmes throughout the latest financial years to engage children and young people in fun, positive and developmental activities. We supported over 600 children and young from local and surrounding communities with most from BAME (Black Asian and Minority Ethnic) low-income families together with signposting, practical and holistic support for families in need. And to ensure children and young people were served with hot and nutritious food and healthy snacks during school breaks. The projects were successfully delivered by volunteers.
- Home Office via the Merseyside Police and Crime Commissioner Year Ending March 31st, 2023. MDVS received a grant of £217,333 from the Home Office, dispensed through the Merseyside Police and Crime Commissioner. These funds were used to deliver MDVS's initiatives, particularly in addressing identified service gaps in Liverpool. One of the paramount initiatives includes the delivery of our transformative 26-week behaviour change program - Males Actively Seeking Change (MASC) - specifically tailored for non-convicted male perpetrators. Rooted in our collaboration with the esteemed Domestic Violence Intervention Project (DVIP), this programme synergistically merges therapeutic interventions with strategies to confront pressing issues such as substance misuse, unemployment, and mental health. Integral to this programme is the inclusion of a Therapeutic Risk Reduction Case Worker and MASC Mindfulness programme. The overall aim of MASC is to safeguard women, children and young people.

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The alarming rise in Child and Adolescent to Parent Violence and Abuse (CAPVA) in Merseyside necessitated MDVS adoption of the RESPECT Young People's Programme (RYPP)

Aimed at children and young people between 8 and 18 who exhibit violent or abusive tendencies towards their parent/carer, RYPP amalgamates a myriad of theoretical frameworks to deliver robust interventions. Our qualified team ensures the programme is interwoven with child protection standards, working in tandem with local grass roots services.

22/23 MDVS was awarded a grant of £41,000 commissioned to deliver the "Make a Change (MAC)" framework developed by Respect UK in conjunction with Women's Aid Federation England, this initiative is grounded in a strong evidence-based methodology. The principal objective is to prioritise and amplify the safety and well-being of survivors-both adults and children.

"Grow West Derby" project is an allotment community initiative supported by MDVS to serve communities in Liverpool to grow organic food and learn new skills etc. MDVS managed the budget of £5,000 for this community project.

Awards For All provided £4,975 to complete the development of our Lift the Lid container project bringing into use a disused container and turning it into a coffee pod to raise awareness of domestic abuse and involve the local community; the project is near completion and plans to launch it are underway.

MASC (Males Actively Seeking Change)

"Our aim is to disrupt the abusive behaviour of the perpetrator at the earliest opportunity thus providing safe space for women and children".

Women's Safety Service

"Our mission to break the cycle of domestic abuse continues".

IFSS (Integrated Family Support Service)

" Keeping families together safely".

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Management Board:

Ayla Nasuh - Operations Manager

Rebecca Long - Senior Admin/Project Officer

We also extend our sincere gratitude to our board of trustees for their support and commitment to the cause who oversee the effective running of our charity, its financial controls, policies and procedures.

Board of Trustees in no particular order:

CEO - Jacqui Nasuh

Jo-Ann Lomax Trustee

Julie Jones Trustee

Dr Simon Kan Trustee

Temmi Adabeyo Trustee

Joe Blott Trustee

Jill Woodcock Trustee/Treasurer

Dr Rachel Kan Trustee

Maureen Holebrook Trustee

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Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

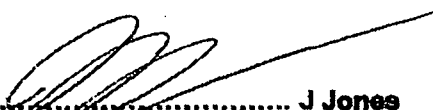
Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the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

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

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

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006, Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice (Sorp 2015) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1st January 2015).

By the Order of the board,


..... J Jones

Director
54 James Street
Liverpool
L1 0AB

Date: 8th September 2023

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Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of Merseyside Domestic Violence Service Ltd
I report on the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2023 which
are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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Gary Wood, FCCA
Business Accounting Services
Chartered Certified Accountants
111 Mount Pleasant
Liverpool
L3 5TF

8th September 2023

Merseyside Domestic Violence Service Ltd
Profit and Loss Account
for the year ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Turnover	915,100	541,501
Cost of sales	(175,174)	-
Gross profit	739,926	541,501
Administrative expenses	(553,264)	(509,540)
Operating profit	186,662	31,961
Profit before taxation	186,662	31,961
Tax on profit	-	-
Profit for the financial year	186,662	31,961

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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	Total 2022
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	2,488	-	2,488	23,610
Charitable Activities	7,512	905,102	912,614	517,890
Total Income	10,000	905,102	915,102	541,500
Charitable Activities		728,438	728,438	509,541
	-	728,438	728,438	509,541
Net income/(expenditure)	10,000	176,664	186,664	31,959
Total funds brought forward	36,789	50,847	87,616	55,667
Total funds carried forward	46,789	227,511	274,280	87,616

All the above amounts relate to continuing activities of the charitable company.

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Registered number: 04911086

Balance Sheet For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	5	188	248
Current assets			
Debtors	6	624	624
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>279,074</u>	<u>82,186</u>
		279,698	82,810
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(5,608)	(5,442)
Net current assets		<u>274,090</u>	<u>87,368</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>274,278</u>	<u>87,616</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted funds		46,769	38,769
Restricted funds		<u>227,511</u>	<u>50,847</u>
		<u>274,280</u>	<u>87,616</u>

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.


The member has not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

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

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with with FRS 102 SORP.

J Jones
Director

Approved by the board on 8th September 2023



Merseyside Domestic Violence Service Ltd
Statement of Changes in Equity
for the year ended 31 March 2023

	Profit and loss account £	Total £
At 1 April 2021	55,655	55,655
Profit for the financial year	31,961	31,961
At 31 March 2022	<u>87,616</u>	<u>87,616</u>
At 1 April 2022	87,616	87,616
Profit for the financial year	186,662	186,662
At 31 March 2023	<u>274,278</u>	<u>274,278</u>

Merseyside Domestic Violence Service Ltd
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2023

1 Limited Liability

The charity is a company limited by guarantee. Each member's liability is limited to £5.

2 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)(SORP 2015) (effective 1st January 2015), Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

Going concern

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

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are the charity's free reserves available for the trustees to apply in accordance with the charitable company's charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by the donor. All restricted funds are accounted for as restricted income and expenditure for the purpose is charged to that fund.

Income recognition

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, there is sufficient certainty of receipt and so it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies comprise of donations and general grants which are recognised in the accounts when received, with the exception of known legacies which are accounted for when their receipt is certain.

Income from charitable activities is recognised on an accruals basis except for grants receivable, which are recognised on the date on which their unconditional payment is confirmed by the donor.

Income from investment relates to bank interest received and is recognised when the amount is certain.

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Expenditure recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charitable company to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses, including support costs and governance costs, are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings in the Statement of Financial Activities. Support and governance costs are applied to the unrestricted funds unless specifically included in the restrictions, as specified by the donor.

Expenditure on charitable activities relate to the operation of the charity comprising of direct charitable expenditure to meet the objectives of the charitable company. Support and governance costs relate to the management and operation of the organisation and also compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements in producing the annual report. These are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities when payment has been approved by the charitable company.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery	25% p.a. on a reducing balance basis
Fidures, fittings, tools and equipment	fully depreciated
Computers	fully depreciated

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.

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 amount 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 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 financial transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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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 at the present value of the future receipts 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 costs, using the effective rate of interest rate method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

Taxation

Income and gains are exempt from taxation as they are received and applied for charitable purposes only. The charitable company benefits from various exemptions from taxation afforded by tax legislation and is not liable to Corporation Tax on income or gains falling within those exemptions.

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 estimates.

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

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3 Income

	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
a. Donations and legacies:				
Donations	2,488	-	2,488	23,610
	<u>2,488</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,488</u>	<u>23,610</u>
	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
b. Charitable activities				
Allotment			-	2,500
Big Hel Haven Project			-	-
Awards 4 All			-	4,975
Big Lottery -				
Reaching Communities		131,885	131,885	72,795
Whole Family Response			-	64,175
Lottery Covid 19 Emergency			-	18,000
Lottery Grow West Derby		5,000	5,000	-
Cash For Kids - Bauer Music			-	3,635
CAF Covid Emergency			-	9,993
Community Foundation			-	1,500
Children in Need		500	500	35,508
General Fund - Donation	6,392		6,392	1,442
HAF			-	16,035
HAF Easter		4,061	4,061	-
HAF Half Term		3,000	3,000	-
HAF Summer		11,920	11,920	-
Kickstart DWP		11,432	11,432	9,027
LCC Mayoral Inclusive Growth			-	6,074
LCVS		446	446	2,989
LCVS - Half Term		2,953	2,953	-
Liverpool City Council			-	350
Liverpool City Council - STAR		29,340	29,340	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation		32,250	32,250	-
Lloyds Enable			-	30,000
Lloyds Emergency Fund			-	8,943
Morgan Foundation		13,114	13,114	-
Morgan Charity Growth			-	13,133
Morgan Senior Admin			-	20,000
Morgan Emergency Food			-	5,810
MPAC			-	2,000
Neighbourly Foundation			-	5,000
Safe Lives		352	352	-
OPAL			-	2,755
University of Chester	1,120	1,120	2,240	-
PCC St Helens		146,342	146,342	-
PCC Liverpool		158,828	158,828	-
PCC Previous Year Money Owed		142,036	142,036	-
PCC Previous Year Money Owed		183,015	183,015	-
PCC Ho Funding			-	208,091
PCC Covid Recovery			-	8,342
PH Hole Emergency Covid 19			-	-
Respect		27,428	27,428	19,000
	<u>7,512</u>	<u>808,102</u>	<u>812,614</u>	<u>645,375</u>

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4 Expenditure on Charitable Activities

	Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support and Governance Costs	Total 2023	Total 2022
To promote and protect the physical and mental health of women, girls and young children who have been affected in some way by the issues of domestic violence by the provision of a non-judgemental advice and support service	678,278	50,160	728,438	509,541

a. Analysed as follows:

	2023	2022
<i>Direct charitable expenditure</i>		
Staff salary costs	374,816	321,393
Staff overheads - Covid 19	-	-
CGL	175,174	-
Recruitment	36,531	7,808
Staff training and welfare	4,700	8,977
Activities and events	13,644	44,333
Service user support	22,881	3,815
Pension	11,604	9,233
Building running costs	24,134	25,373
Travel costs	3,885	-
Consultancy/Management fees	-	10,500
Solicitors fees	-	-
DBS and HR costs	10,809	5,378
	<u>678,278</u>	<u>436,910</u>

Support & Governance Costs

Office costs/equipment	27,988	18,401
Insurance	3,910	3,593
Marketing and publicity	3,960	5,760
Subscriptions and memberships	11,620	7,053
Bookkeeping and payroll fees	820	1,034
Accountancy	1,890	1,728
Depreciation	62	62
	<u>50,160</u>	<u>37,631</u>

Total expenditure on charitable activities	728,438	474,541
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£728,435 (2022:£509,541) of the above expenditure related to restricted funding.

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b. Staff costs	2023	2022
Gross wages and salaries	347,658	299,535
Social security costs	27,168	21,858
	<u>374,816</u>	<u>321,393</u>

- c. Particulars of employees**
The average number of employees during the year, calculated on the basis of full-time equivalents, was as follows:

	2023	2022
Charitable activities	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments of more than £50,000 during the year (2022 : none)
The trustees are not remunerated for their services and are not included in the above number of employees.

No out of pocket expenses were reimbursed to trustees in the year (2022 : £nil).

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery £	Furniture, Fittings & Equipment £	Computers £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2022	10,734	1,890	2,598	15,220
At 31 March 2023	<u>10,734</u>	<u>1,890</u>	<u>2,598</u>	<u>15,220</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2022	10,486	1,890	2,598	14,972
Charge for the year	62	-	-	62
At 31 March 2023	<u>10,548</u>	<u>1,890</u>	<u>2,598</u>	<u>15,034</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2023	<u>186</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>186</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>248</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>248</u>

6 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>624</u>	<u>624</u>

7 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	<u>6,606</u>	<u>6,442</u>

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Description of Funds

These are monies given to the Charitable company to be spent at the discretion of the Board of Trustees for specific charitable purposes as follows:

Big Lottery Grant Fund - Reaching Communities - Contributions towards "Males Actively Seeking Change" project

Lloyds Bank Foundation - Contribution towards core costs and professional consultancy service

Morgan Foundation - Contribution towards core cost to run St James Health & Community Centre

Liverpool City Council - Contribution from the Safe Partnership fund

John Moores Foundation - Contribution towards core costs

8 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions as at year ended 31st March 2023 (2022 : none)

9 Contingent liabilities

The charitable company did not have any contingent liabilities at 31st March 2023 or 31st March 2022.

10 Guarantees

As at 31st March 2023, five members had given a guarantee of £5 each in the event of the company being wound up. Total £25 (2022: 5 members £25)

Merseyside Domestic Violence Service Ltd
Detailed profit and loss account
for the year ended 31 March 2023
This schedule does not form part of the statutory accounts

	2023	2022
	£	£
Sales	915,100	541,501
Cost of sales	(175,174)	-
Gross profit	739,926	541,501
Administrative expenses	(553,264)	(509,540)
Operating profit	186,662	31,961
Profit before tax	186,662	31,961