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South West Lancashire Independent Community Advice Network
Report Of The Trustees And Unaudited Financial Statements For The Year Ended 31 December 2023



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Report and accounts
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**South West Lancashire Independent Community Advice Network
Company Information**

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South West Lancashire Independent Community Advice Network

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Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of accounting and reporting for charities : Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland (FRS102 effective 1 January 2019).

History, Objectives and Activities of The Trust

The principle activity of the charity in the year under review was that of providing advice and assistance on employment law, health, safety and welfare rights as well as IT facilities and training.

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Achievements and Performance

To say the last few years have been challenging would be an understatement.

Our aim to provide quality independent advice has been both hindered and helped by covid, lockdowns, voluntary and charity closures and more recently the cost of living crisis. Each one brought its own unique challenges to the citizens of West Lancashire. Each time we found new ways of working new ways of supporting those people who were at the receiving end of everything we were facing.

Being successful in securing continuation funding means we are able to continue the great work we started four years ago. Giving hope and support to the poorest in our community ensures that there is a pathway out of poverty and a way of being released from the poverty trap. Each of the last four years SWLICAN has worked hard with our clients and partners to make sure as many people as possible get access to quality advice and support. This year saw us further develop our outreach in the northern parishes a very large rural area that relatively, has all the issues somewhere like Skelmersdale does but has no access to the type of support we offer.

To improve our monitoring and evaluation we purchased Advice UK's Advice Pro6, this gives us the ability to record even more information about clients, their issues, remedies and outcomes etc. For the first time we are now able to get up to date data on their age, gender, address, post code, ward as well as a host of other data that we can use to improve our services and help inform our partners on a range of subjects. We will also be able to provide clear and concise information to potential funders about our work, delivery and outcomes. Also, Advice Pro lets us keep a connection with the client too, we can follow up on PIP, DLA, AA and many other decisions we apply for on their behalf, giving us exact information on any financial support they receive.

We started 2024 the same way we ended 2023 very, very, busy, working hard to meet the many challenges we continue to face as being the main welfare rights provider in West Lancashire. This has seen us reacting positively to feedback by service users and referral partners to develop outreach provision across the Borough. To this end we now have outreach in Ormskirk, Burscough and Tarleton and it will be our aim, funding pending, to open one in Parbold.

Some of these are in what most local people would call the more 'affluent' areas of the Borough. The impact of the cost of living crisis has genuinely impacted people greatly and everyone is looking at as many ways as they can to improve their financial wellbeing, and this is happening across all age groups. This has been evidenced on a number of occasions over the year for example we helped a pensioner couple achieve pension credit and then carers allowance for the husband who had numerous health issues. It then seems that they shared their good news with neighbours and we had 5 clients from the same supported living scheme. Though not all were as successful as the first couple.

Achievements and Performance

In March we were able to secure some funding from the council to give out discretionary payments to our clients and to those referred by one of our partners. This has proved to be a really useful tool for the advisers as they are able to make on the spot decisions about who would benefit from some extra, non-repayable funding, this can be used for energy bills, food, clothing etc. We had run a similar scheme coming out of Lockdown on behalf of DEFRA so advisers were really pleased we were able to get extra funding for our own scheme.

This 'cash first' approach has been further developed by the Trussel Trust who have ran a small project in Leeds where people are offered an amount of cash as an alternative to getting food parcels and it appears to have been quite successful. The Trussel Trust made a call for further evidence from other organisations that were using a similar or same approach. In mid-2023 Jan, our project developer undertook a research project into our clients who had received cash funding and the impact it had on them and their lives. Following on from this, we will be meeting up with the Trussel Trust North West manager in 2024 to feed into a wider study to be delivered to a Parliamentary Committee to consider.

Halfway through the year client numbers were constant without any sign of it easing. We spoke to local councillors about the client numbers making them aware that the local CAB hadn't opened its normal hours since lockdown choosing to direct people online for help. This means we are the only face to face provider in West Lancashire. Unfortunately, the council, like so many organisations, have no way of supporting us. We did manage to secure a local councillor as well as an Ormskirk councillor on to our management board at the start of the year and their support has been really good and has given staff a bit of a lift too.

Referrals from NHS based clinics has significantly increased, mental health referrals in particular have always come from the main hospitals. Now, we are also receiving more from the West Lanc's long covid clinic, with many having to leave their jobs all together or give up being self-employed. This has caused many of these clients to have multiple issues, such as anxiety and stress of leaving their work, financial and personal worries. Supporting these clients offers challenges to the client and the adviser and having an inhouse registered debt adviser means clients aren't running around looking for different agencies; we provide almost everything they'll need to get them through these difficult and challenging times.

We have developed a really good relationship with Age UK both locally and in the Leyland and South Preston areas. Their referrals are typically patients being sent home from hospital who may have been in weeks or even months as in-patients, and on return to their homes, their health has taken a turn for the worse and they may need attendance allowance, carers allowance or other support. We will do a home visit in special circumstances, a service that is only provided by SWLICAN and has proved invaluable to the seriously ill, elderly and the housebound. We will do all we can to meet the needs of clients. This work can be stressful for everyone involved so we also make sure all staff and volunteers get access to free personal (anonymous) support from a local mental health support group.

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Achievements and Performance

Internally this year we have faced many challenges also, with staff, volunteers and committee members dealing with the loss of life partners or close relatives or them being very poorly etc; but like a good family we all pull together to ensure friends are supported and the best service continues.

During the second half of the year work continued at the same pace and debt client numbers were also increasing. We felt this was a good time to look at rolling out our 'Money go Round' managing personal finances on a budget courses as well as the 'Know Your Rights' an overview of all the types of benefits available and guidance about filling out a benefit application form. These courses have proven to be very successful with excellent feedback by the pupils. The local Council Financial Inclusion Lead also attended the Money go Round training and was impressed with the knowledge of our adviser.

Working from the Ecumenical Centre has seen us forge links with all the main organisations in the building and between us people can usually get all the support they need in one place. By working together we have all enhanced the services we provide, something that is being acknowledged by the Borough Council and the NHS. At SWLICAN we have benefitted from the close work with the local church groups who collectively help support the Centre so much so we are regularly mentioned in prayers across Skelmersdale which was nice to hear.

Below you will see feedback and the odd case study which can probably do better justice to how we work and the impact we have.

Know Your Rights - Spring 2023 - Lottery funded from underspend

"I will definitely recommend the course, quite complex rules were made very accessible and the telephone numbers were helpful, so people know where to go to speak to someone, particularly when people may not go online!

"It was good" "I am more informed"

Know Your Rights and Money Management – Autumn 2023

Altogether over 60 people attended the courses on Zoom and in person, and became more informed on welfare rights, and able to manage their finances better for themselves and their families

"Very informal, everyone participates. I've gained lots of new information"

"Good mix of examples of people's circumstances with accessing the benefits system"

"The amount of knowledge of Lynne is superb"

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MONEY-GO-ROUND

Join our FREE Short Course

Would you like to get financially fitter?

- Are you facing challenges or struggling with the increasing cost of living?
- Maybe you are paying too much for your Water Rates?
- Can you get a cheaper deal for your Utilities?
- Do you want to learn how to take control of your debts or even have them written off!

Attend all 4 sessions and receive a FREE £30 gift voucher

Tuesdays: 12.30pm to 3.00pm
at The Ecumenical Centre, Skelmersdale, WN8 6LU

10th October 2023 - Introduction to Household Management

17th October 2023 - Setting a Budget

24th October 2023 - Utilities – How to make savings

31st October 2023 - Financial Security and Recap – Where to go for Advice



"The sessions were very clear, the vocal presentation well supported by the PowerPoint, questions answered clearly, presenter had excellent knowledge of the subject"

FREE courses for West Lancashire Residents

To find out more or to register:

Tel: 01695726269 or E-mail: admin@swlican.org

Or go to <https://swlican.org/courses.php>

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Join our FREE Short Course in Welfare Rights

Ideal for Individuals claiming benefits for themselves or for others who need an understanding of benefits.

Attend all 4 sessions and receive a FREE £30 gift voucher

Mondays: 10.00am - 12.30pm
at The Ecumenical Centre, Skelmersdale, WN8 6LU

9th October 2023 - An overview of Benefits

16th October 2023 - Benefits for those with health issues

23rd October 2023 - Benefits for older persons

30th October 2023 - Recap: How we can help others, including volunteering



"The sessions were very clear, the vocal presentation well supported by the PowerPoint, questions answered clearly, presenter had excellent knowledge of the subject"

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Achievements and Performance

Other projects support because we have Lottery funding -

Over 1000 people and their families have been assisted by having outreach services that have been made possible by Lottery funding

Outreach - Tarleton



"Ian has been a great help to me he helped me get my benefits. Without his help I would not have been able to get this, I would not have known where to start. Without this additional money from my benefits and Ian's support I would not be able to live with the price of food and electricity these days, I am very grateful for his help" - JF

"I would like to thank Ian for helping me fill the form in for attendance allowance and then help me for pension credit he was such a big help to my family and I and my claims was successful thank you so much." Anne Dickinson

Outreach Ormskirk



Achievements and Performance

"Ian has been a huge help to me supporting me with help for my husband who has dementia Ian helped us both of us get attendance allowance, and additional support with respite care and other services for my husband. Without his support I would have been lost - AG"

Debt Advice

Services provided:

Debt matters range from multiple debts and potential insolvency, rent arrears, utilities, like water, gas and electricity arrears dealt with using trust funds.

Advice support and information with regards budgeting, and best practise in dealing with debts that are historical.

Unpaid parking fines

Making online applications for help towards those in significant hardship (trusts/grants).

Preventing increasing arrears with rent by applying for Discretionary Housing Payments, in addition to advice on Repossession of mortgage properties.

Advice on fuel banks/food banks and accessing West Lancashire Borough Council funding for help towards cost of living.

Disputing debts that are statute barred (older than 6 years)

Providing advice on benefits to increase income (to prevent hardship- and often before making any payment plans/budgets)

Writing or phoning creditors to ask for breathing space/holding actions.

Setting up affordable payment plans or writing off debts if due to mental ill health/capacity issues.

Preventing Bailiff actions with Council Tax/Utility companies trying to disconnect or unpaid fines.

Talking to concerned clients to relieve their worries and provide some practical resolutions to their money worries.

Providing personal money management skills, i.e., living on a low income and managing a budget

Achievements and Performance



**New Debt Advice Service
Now Available**

Are you struggling to make
ends meet?
Debts building up?
Being Chased by creditors?
WE CAN OFFER YOU A HELPING HAND.
We provide **FREE and CONFIDENTIAL
Debt Advice**
Covering all areas of money management including:
budgeting, banking and claiming benefits.
We can offer assistance to anyone with debt and
money problems.
We are available and ready to help you.

To make an appointment with an adviser or to find out
how we can help contact us on:
01695 726269
E-mail admin@swlican.org
or visit our website www.swlican.org

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FCA Financial Conduct Authority

Grant Funding from WLBC

"Instant stress relief. Peace of mind knowing I was back up to date"

"At the time I was awaiting a Universal Credit claim so the grant gave me some breathing space"

"I was able to eat and look for work"

"Peace of mind that I could recover in warmth"

"Helped alleviate stress in a time of need"

"Helped a lot just when we needed it. Had little money left"

SWLICAN Cash First Research Report 2023 - made possible as we had clients attending due to the presence at the Ecumenical Centre that the Lottery provided - available on request

Achievements and Performance

Client called in for money advice due to experiencing exceptional financial hardship and homelessness.

She has recently secured a tenancy after 15 months of being homeless (her marriage broke down and she was forced out of the marital home, unable to go back to collect any belongings). She had been living a very unsettled way of life and both her and a 19-year-old granddaughter sleeping for a few nights a week in with her daughter's home then staying with other members of her family.

We checked her benefits, client received State Retirement Pension so we assisted client to claim housing and council tax rebates. She was very upset at her situation and with her marriage breaking down. She had no savings and was struggling to budget on her small pension. She was more upset as she had no income to purchase any furniture.

She asked for advice on how she can budget on one income we then completed an income and expenditure and a benefit check. It transpired that client may be eligible to claim Attendance Allowance as she suffers with physical disabilities. Client had support from the welfare team for this matter.

We helped her to apply for help through the 'rainy day fund' and she was delighted to report she was given 2 beds (her granddaughter lives with her) bedding, an electric cooker, fridge, washing machine, settee and 2 chairs, a table and chair set, pot/pans crockery and carpets.

We then assisted her with a 'West Lancashire Household Support Fund' to help pay towards her essential bills and additional costs of moving into her new home. As SWLICAN administer a fund (DEFRA) we were able to help her with a financial payment of £200 towards the costs of having an electric cooker fitted.

Client can now manage better financially for the foreseeable future. She was awarded Attendance Allowance (an extra £92.40 per week) for 3 years. She was provided with a decorating grant via West Lancashire Council (we signposted her to the service) and her family were helping her decorate her home

She was very grateful for the help she received from SWLICAN. We were able to help her set a budget. Provided advice that helped to increase her income. And offered assistance to apply for the grants that helped her to furnish her home. She said she felt so much more relieved, the stress she was under had been eased. And she could now plan for the future!!

L Dempsey – SWLICAN

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Achievements and Performance

SWLICAN

Year 1 Outcomes

Advice filling in PIP,DLA	600
	160
Carers allowance and Attendance allowance advice	
	70
Help with pensions and pension credit application	
Support receiving UC or ESA	50
Help with appeals and mandatory reconsiderations	52
Tax advice	40
Offenders to be re-housed, re-join society, find a new job	12
Mental health problems will relieve support	40
Referral to food or clothes bank	500
Homeless or need housing support advice	120
Debt advice	70
Veterans or ex-forces civilians will receive a range of support	29
Employment law support	18
Support into employment	10
Digital services support	15
<i>Volunteers recruited and trained in advice or admin</i>	2
Welfare rights and money management skills	20

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Achievements and Performance

Unique beneficiaries be better able to manage financially	18%
Better financial position and their health and well-being improved	16%
Be less suicidal due to money or benefit issues	4%
Be able to heat their homes and have direct food to eat	8%
Feel more pension secure and be able to heat and eat	3%
Support the infirm they care for	6%
Be more mobile across the borough	4%
Feeling more secure having eased their housing issues	2%
Helped into employment ,participate in increasing virtual society	1%
Will not feel abandoned by armed forces	1.40%

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Report of the trustees for the year ended 31 December 2023

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

Charity law requires the board to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year. It must also document whether operations are at a surplus or deficit for the year. In preparing the accounts the board is required to:

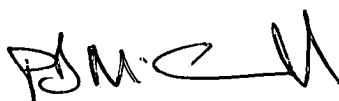
- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonably prudent
- prepare the accounts on an ongoing concern basis unless it becomes inappropriate to assume the charity will continue to operate
- state whether applicable accounting standards and best practice have been followed

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy performance and the current financial position at any given time. The trustees also are responsible for ensuring that the accounts comply with current charities legislation, regulations and the trust of deed.

The trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the board on:
on behalf of the trustees.

Name:



Position:

Chair

23 AUGUST 2024

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of South West Lancashire Independent Community Advice Network

I report on the accounts of South West Lancashire Independent Community Advice Network for the year ending 31 December 2023, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Name: Helen J Guest ACMA, CGMA
Address: 482 Liverpool Road, Ainsdale, Southport, PR8 3BB

Date: August 23rd 2024

South West Lancashire Independent Community Advice Network
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ending 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	2023 Total Funds	2022 Total Funds
Income and Endowments From					
Donations and Legacies		-	-	-	300
Charitable Activities					
Advice	2	11,744	157,571	169,315	116,773
		<u>11,744</u>	<u>157,571</u>	<u>169,315</u>	<u>117,073</u>
Expenditure On					
Charitable Activities	3	9,215	123,642	132,857	111,591
Advice					
Net Income/(Expenditure)		<u>2,529</u>	<u>33,929</u>	<u>36,458</u>	<u>5,482</u>
Transfers Between Funds		21,119	(21,119)	-	-
Net Movement In Funds		<u>23,648</u>	<u>12,810</u>	<u>36,458</u>	<u>5,482</u>
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total Funds Brought Forward				52,303	46,821
Total Funds Carried Forward		<u>23,648</u>	<u>12,810</u>	<u>88,761</u>	<u>52,303</u>

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Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	2023 Total Fund	2022 Total Fund
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets		1,334		1,334	2,400
Current Assets					
Debtors					0
Cash at The Bank and In hand		89,717		89,717	53,754
		<u>89,717</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>89,717</u>	<u>53,754</u>
Creditors					
Amounts Falling Due Within One Year		(2,290)		(2,290)	(3,851)
		<u>(2,290)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,290)</u>	<u>(3,851)</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>87,427</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>87,427</u>	<u>49,903</u>
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities					
		<u>88,761</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>88,761</u>	<u>52,303</u>
Funds					
Unrestricted Funds				88,761	52,303
Restricted Funds					
Total Funds				<u>88,761</u>	<u>52,303</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31st December 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022 in accordance with S476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

a) Ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

b) Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus and deficit for each financial year in accordance with requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

Mr Paul McConnell
Director
August 23rd 2024



South West Lancashire Independent Community Advice Network
Notes to the Accounts

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102. They have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) "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 (FRS102) effective 1 January 2019 and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under historical cost convention.

Turnover

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the funds. It is probable that it will be received and measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure and accounted for by the accruals basis.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met as at the year end are noted as a commitment and not accrued.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment

Fixtures & Fittings	20% reducing balance
Equipment	33% straight line

Taxation

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

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Support Costs

Since all of the activities/costs relate to the charities single charitable activity heading, all support costs have been allocated here and as such a separate analysis/description or allocation basis is not required.

2 Income From Charitable Activities		2023	2022
	Activity	£	£
Grants	Advice	169,315	116,773
Grants received include			
Big Lottery		77,681	83,583
Garfield Weston		10,000	10,000
Northern Trains		-	5,890
Peter Latham Charity		-	1,000
NHS Lancashire		4,494	-
Eleanor Rathbone		3,000	-
Community Foundation		3,000	-
CVS - Debt Manager Funding		1,000	3,300
John Moores Funding Debt Advisor		9,890	9,600
Lancs CC		250	400
West Lancs Council		60,000	3,000
		<u>169,315</u>	<u>116,773</u>

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3 Charitable Activities Costs

	£ Direct Costs	£ Support Costs	£ Total
Advice	0	-	6,045

4 Support Costs

	Governance Costs
Advice	£399

5 Net Income/(Expenditure)

	2023 £	2022 £
Net income/expenditure is stated after charging:		
Depreciation - owned assets	1,066	1,066

6 Trustees Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st December 2023 or for the year ended 31 December 2022.

7 Comparatives For The Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total £
Income and Endowments From			
Donations and Legacies	300	-	300
Charitable Activities			
Advice	19,890	96,883	116,773
	20,190	96,883	117,073
 Expenditure on Charitable Activities			
Advice	29,927	81,664	111,591
 Net Income/(Expenditure)	-9,737	15,219	5,482
 Total Funds Brought Forward	48,955	-2,135	46,820
 Total Funds Carried Forward	39,218	13,084	52,302

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2023	16,306	12,430	28,736
Additions	-	-	-
Surplus on revaluation	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 December 2023	16,306	12,430	28,736
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2023	15,828	10,508	26,336
Charge For The Period	118	948	1,066
Surplus on revaluation	-	-	-
On disposals	-	-	-
At 31 December 2023	15,946	11,456	27,402
Net book value			
At 31 December 2023	360	974	1,334
At 31 December 2022	478	1,922	2,400

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9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Taxation and social security costs	1,968	1,996
Other creditors	322	1,855
	<u>2,290</u>	<u>3,851</u>

10 Movement In Funds	01.01.23	Net Movement	Transfers	At 31.12.23
Unrestricted Funds				
General Fund	52,303	2,529	21,119	75,951
Restricted Funds				
Restricted	-	33,929	(21,119)	12,810
	<u>52,303</u>	<u>36,458</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,761</u>

Net movement in funds is as follows:

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Movement In Funds
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	11,744	9,215	2,529
Restricted Funds			
Restricted	157,571	123,642	33,929
	<u>169,315</u>	<u>132,857</u>	<u>36,458</u>

Comparatives For Movement In Funds

	01.01.22	Net Movement	Transfers	At 31.12.22
Unrestricted Funds				
General Fund	46,821	(9,737)	(13,059)	24,025
Restricted Funds				
Restricted	15,219	13,059	28,278	
	<u>46,821</u>	<u>5,482</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,303</u>

Net movement in funds is as follows:

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Movement In Funds £
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	20,190	(29,927)	(9,737)
Restricted Funds			
Restricted	96,883	(81,664)	15,219
	<u>117,073</u>	<u>(111,591)</u>	<u>5,482</u>

11 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	0	300
Charitable Activities		
Grants	169,315	116,773
Total Incoming Activities	169,315	117,073
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable Activities		
Wages	79,123	76,347
Rent	7,014	10,960
Insurance	907	1,397
Telephone	1,829	1,911
Sundries	1,333	872
Volunteer Expenses	2,492	2,970
Office Expenses	5,819	1,736
Repairs and Renewals	2,628	-
Recruitment		948
Training	1,225	1,053
Subscriptions	6,045	2,136
Travel Costs	1,085	1,493
Consultancy and Advice	4,863	1,486
Fixtures & Fittings	-	-
Computer Equipment	-	-
Grants to Individuals	-	100
Cost of Living Grants	15,625	4,705
Advertising & Marketing	1,470	2,277
Donation	1,000	-
	132,458	110,391
 Support Costs		
Governance Costs		
Accountancy Fees	399	1,200
 Total Resources Expended	132,857	111,591
 Net Income	36,458	5,482