



**DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT  
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# **ANNUAL REPORT 2024 -2025**



**Provider of Domestic Abuse Support Services across North  
Wales**

## Message from the Chair of Trustees

2024/25 has been a significant year for DASU North Wales, with us winning and renewing several regional contracts to deliver our services across all 6 counties in North Wales. We continue to receive the highest level of referrals in our history and go from strength to strength.

During 2024-2025 we received 6,543 referrals into our services. 181 families were accepted into our refuges. However, we were unable to accept a further 322 families into refuge, as we did not have capacity. This continues to demonstrate the size of the problem, and the need for more refuges and services for victims fleeing Domestic Abuse. We had the highest level of male clients enter the service this year, supporting 105 men and boys.

More men with children wanted refuge space, and we identified a need for refuge space which a disabled man with children could access. To that end we applied for capital funding to purchase a fully disabled friendly bungalow in Denbighshire which will be our first dedicated disabled unit for men and their children. In addition, with further capital funding we purchased a wide range of target hardening equipment such as CCTV, cameras, locks and alarms to keep clients safe and enabling them and their children to stay in their own homes.

Our two short stay refuge spaces, purchased with capital funding last year have been used consistently and have provided quality refuge spaces for 2 survivors and up to 6 children at one time for up to 72 hrs, when a long-term space is not immediately available. One of these spaces is suitable for a disabled client and for those clients' bringing children, pets and dependants with them to safety.

We achieved the Welsh Women's Aid National Quality Service Standards, this accreditation gives DASU IAQF status. The IAQF Welsh Government framework enables DASU to continue to receive Welsh Government funding and be recognised as a provider of quality information and advice in Wales. We are now working towards our RESPECT accreditation, a recognised award to demonstrate our commitment to delivering a safe and effective service to male survivors of Domestic Abuse. Once we have achieved this we will be the only service in the region to hold Safe live, WWA NQSS and RESPECT, demonstrating our professionalism and commitment to being the best service for all victims of Domestic Abuse.

Achieving these accreditations provides our funders, and more importantly our clients with the reassurance that we offer high quality, well managed services, that are delivered by well trained staff.

Children and Young People can be victims of Domestic Abuse in their own right. To recognise this, we have continued to grow and develop our dedicated CYP team. During the year we received 369 referrals for CYP, aged 3 years plus, and supported 355 families via our Family Court Pathfinder project.

During the year the tender for the continued delivery of the Pathfinder project was released by the MOJ, and we were delighted to be awarded the contract to deliver the project across all 6 counties in North Wales. This new contract means that the service will be delivered consistently and to the highest possible standard, with DASU's model being recognised as a model of best practise in the UK.

In addition to the Pathfinder tender a further 2 tenders were released for the regional IDVA service and the Denbighshire Domestic Abuse support provision. I am delighted to report that DASU won both of these tenders, enabling us to extend our IDVA provision into Gwynedd and Ynys Mon and continue to deliver our services across Denbighshire.

**DASU would like to acknowledge and thank all our commissioners and funders. Without your support the life changing services we offer would simply not be available, together we really can make a difference.**

**Finally, on behalf of myself and the board I would like to acknowledge and thank all our staff and volunteers for their hard work and dedication. Each year we report the increase in numbers of survivors accessing our services, and alongside the domestic abuse they report they also present with many complex needs. Our staff and volunteers have become experts in identifying ways of supporting the most vulnerable in society, using their skills and experience our staff and volunteers break down barriers, develop trust and provide life changing and lifesaving support.**

**Diolch/Thank you!**



# Financials 2024-2025

**Thank you to all our funders and people who have donated, or fundraised for DASU during 2024 -2025!**

## **Funders included:**

- **Conwy County Borough Council**
- **Denbighshire County Council**
- **Flintshire County Council**
- **Wrexham County Borough Council**
- **Community Fund**
- **Gwynt y Mor**
- **Nationwide**
- **The Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner – North Wales**
- **Children In Need**
- **Moondance Foundation**
- **Garfield Western**
- **DVSC**
- **Freemasons**
- **NatWest Circle Fund**
- **Welsh Government**
- **Moj**
- **Welsh Womens Aid**



# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes						
<b>Income from:</b>							
Donations and legacies	3	17,734	-	17,734	23,644	-	23,644
Charitable activities	4	893,530	3,464,681	4,358,211	782,834	3,476,258	4,259,092
Other trading activities	5	12,910	-	12,910	7,354	70	7,424
Investments	6	5,462	-	5,462	12,635	-	12,635
<b>Total income</b>		<b>929,636</b>	<b>3,464,681</b>	<b>4,394,317</b>	<b>826,467</b>	<b>3,476,328</b>	<b>4,302,795</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Charitable activities	7	867,942	3,381,738	4,249,680	637,479	3,301,457	3,938,936
<b>Net incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>61,694</b>	<b>82,943</b>	<b>144,637</b>	<b>188,988</b>	<b>174,871</b>	<b>363,859</b>
Gross transfers between funds		(19,835)	19,835	-	(228,628)	228,628	-
<b>Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>41,859</b>	<b>102,778</b>	<b>144,637</b>	<b>(39,640)</b>	<b>403,499</b>	<b>363,859</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		829,200	1,046,524	1,875,724	868,840	643,025	1,511,865
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2025</b>		<b>871,059</b>	<b>1,149,302</b>	<b>2,020,361</b>	<b>829,200</b>	<b>1,046,524</b>	<b>1,875,724</b>

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.

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## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	12		1,231,939		1,122,404
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	13	76,360		330,765	
Cash at bank and in hand		832,453		950,982	
		<u>908,813</u>		<u>1,281,747</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(120,391)		(528,427)	
Net current assets			<u>788,422</u>		<u>753,320</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u><u>2,020,361</u></u>		<u><u>1,875,724</u></u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	15	1,149,302		1,046,524	
Unrestricted funds		871,059		829,200	
		<u>2,020,361</u>		<u>1,875,724</u>	

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.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.



# Structure, Governance & Management

## Governing Document

*The charity is governed by a Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association and constitutes a Company Limited by Guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.*

## Board of Trustees

*The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.*

*The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 2015).*

## Objectives and Aims

*The Domestic Abuse Safety Unit (DASU) provides professional coordinated interventions to people experiencing domestic abuse across Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Wrexham, Gwynedd & Ynys Mon to maximise their safety, and the safety of their / families.*

*The charity supports anyone who has been subjected to mental, physical or sexual abuse by their partners or persons with whom they have had a relationship. The aim is to assist them in making the transition to a safe and secure life.*

*Our services and support are therefore delivered in a way that specifically meet the needs of the client and acknowledges individuals experiencing multiple inequalities.*

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



## Significant Activities

DASU provides a range of support services including; IDVA's, Counselling, Specialist CYP services, advocacy, information, group-work, training, refuge accommodation when necessary, and liaising with other agencies including social services, police, education, health and substance misuse services on behalf of clients.

Maintaining the safety and well-being of service users is achieved by risk assessment, safety planning and working with others to achieve positive outcomes. DASU participates in the monthly Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC), which is a key mechanism for multi-agency collaboration.

DASU helps survivors of domestic abuse in a wide variety of tangible ways such as helping clients to claim welfare benefits, accessing legal representation and attending court, safety planning, risk assessment and assisting clients to secure accommodation in private or social housing. Many of our clients have children, and we can assist them by finding places in playgroups, schools and colleges for the children when entering refuge with their parent, or when re-settling in permanent housing. This is an important element of the overall service provision, as is registration with GPs and dentists and accessing other health services, so basic needs and continued health and well-being is promoted. In addition, we recognise that Children and young people can be victims in their own right, as such we have a dedicated CYP team who work with children both in the community and refuge.

In addition to this wide-ranging practical support, DASU works with survivors to increase their confidence, self-esteem and the strength to emerge from social exclusion and stigmatisation and enable them to take control of their lives. This takes the form of individual counselling, group work and training, and has led to a number of clients finding the confidence to take up paid and volunteer work or return to education.

## Raising Awareness

An important area of work is awareness-raising within the community and related agencies. This includes workshop sessions in schools and colleges, talks to women's and church groups, training for midwives and health visitors, police and professionals and in attending various multi-agency regional and national partnership meetings to ensure Domestic Abuse remains a priority on everyone's agenda.

During the year we conducted numerous stakeholder surveys and identified the need to secure more disabled friendly refuge accommodation, to that end we bid for and were successful in obtaining Capital funding to open out first fully disabled friendly refuge for male clients with children in the Denbighshire area. In the coming year we will continue to listen to survivors to ensure the services we deliver are accessible, relevant and sustainable.

## AT A GLANCE

**DASU RECEIVES A REFERRAL EVERY 12  
MINUTES**

**138 PEOPLE RECEIVED  
COUNSELLING**

**DASU RECEIVED 6,543  
REFERRALS IN 2024-25**

**DASU SUPPORTED  
4,876 ADULTS IN  
OUR  
COMMUNITIES**

**DASU SUPPORTED 291 CHILDREN  
AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

# CLIENT FEEDBACK

## REFUGE SERVICES

"I'll never be able to thank you all enough, I'm so lucky to of been able to use this lifeline and finally get back onto my feet, something I wasn't sure I was ever going to be able to do. I'll always remember our time spent at the refuge and not even because it was one of the most difficult times of my life but as a ti I have walked in, and it already feels like a home. It is so homey."

"I am able to go out, I'm happy and I want to come back to refuge.

I love it here. I am so happy to be here." me full of support, Love and amazing life-long friendships"

## CHILDRENS AND YOUNG PEOPLE SERVICES

### Feedback from a CYP

"The sessions have helped me so much; I don't want them to end"

### Feedback from a Parent

"I wish I had contacted you sooner, thanks for all the support, I don't know where I would be if I hadn't had you"

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

'Thank u, u really have helped me more than u realize, just knowing someone cares an understands I could never thank u enough for u checking in, even when missed the call, knowing someone that gets it is at the end of the phone makes it so much easier x'

"My gratitude is enormous. I'm learning to be me and live again. I feel recognised and understood and know that I'm supporting my daughter in the right way whilst protecting myself and saying what I need"

## **IDVA SERVICES**

**'I am unbelievably happy, \*\*\*\*\* you have been my pillar of strength throughout all of this and couldn't have done it without you xx'**

**"My IDVA has been fantastic with me, always there when I'm struggling or when I felt I wanted to drop charges when things got too much for me. She always checked in with me and kept me up to date with things and spoke to probation and police for me. Could never have gone to court without her. I'm glad I stuck with it. I'm now back at work and hope I can move on with my life. Thanks for everything "**

## **COUNSELLING SERVICES**

**'I have a better understanding of the trauma impact and how to manage that I am sleeping better and am able to manage any panic using breathing and distraction techniques.'**

**'I was feeling low and anxious when I started sessions - now I feel confident and worthy and much more positive for the future for me and my son.'**

**'It was a safe space to discuss life events and have an outlet to be emotional without bias or criticism that I do not have in everyday life.'**

**'Grateful for the service - couldn't have got through without it.'**

**'Counselling helped change my mindset – I am more mindful and self aware – I feel happy for the first time in a long time.'**

Charity registration number 1111610

Company registration number 05430841 (England and Wales)

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**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Ms N J Jones Ms D Roberts Ms K Browning Ms S A Henderson Dr Michael Morton Ms Andrea Senior
<b>Secretary</b>	Mr N Patel
<b>Charity number</b>	1111610
<b>Company number</b>	05430841
<b>Registered office</b>	Wrenmore House 104 Chester Road East Shotton Deeside Flintshire United Kingdom CH5 1QD
<b>Auditor</b>	Salisburys Accountants Irish Square St Asaph Denbighshire United Kingdom LL17 0RN

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# **DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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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 [governing document], 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 aims**

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We are committed to delivering a gender specific service as domestic abuse, violence and sexual violence affects men, women, children and non-binary individuals. However, we acknowledge that evidence indicates that women and girls are disproportionately impacted by violence, and this is a violation of human rights and a cause and consequence of gender inequality. This means that when these forms of violence are experienced by women and girls, this operates a means of social control and maintains an unequal power relation, linking to systematic discrimination, reinforcing women's subordinate status.

Our services and support are therefore delivered in a way that specifically meets the needs of the client and acknowledges individuals experiencing multiple inequalities.

#### **Public Benefit**

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake, and all our services are designed with and for our clients.

#### **Significant activities**

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# **DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)**

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### **Raising awareness**

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### **Funding streams**

DASU continued to be financially supported by many organisations both for existing and new contracts/awards, including:

- Conwy County Borough Council
- Denbighshire County Council
- Flintshire County Council
- Wrexham County Borough Council
- Community Fund
- Gwynt y Mor
- Nationwide
- The Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner – North Wales
- Children In Need
- Moondance Foundation
- Garfield Western
- DVSC
- Freemasons
- NatWest Circle Fund
- Welsh Government
- MoJ
- Welsh Womens Aid

### **Donations**

During 2024-2025 a staggering amount of £17,734 was raised through donations from both continued dedicated supporters and new donors. Monies were raised through an independent charity shop in Holywell and an independent charity shop in Ffynnongroew, individual people and organisations and general donations. The Trustees would like to register their sincere thanks to all who have donated in such a difficult year. The funds will go towards making a difference to the lives of domestic abuse survivors.

### **Achievements and performance**

2024-2025 has proved to be another successful year for the charity, both in the income achieved through grants and donations, which in turn enabled lifesaving support to survivors in the communities we serve. DASU has continued to provide support to survivors of domestic abuse by providing refuge provision and community support services. DASU supports all survivors of domestic abuse, including all genders and children. DASU links in with partner agencies and statutory services to ensure all support and safety needs are met.

During the last 12 months DASU were fortunate in securing capital funding, enabling the purchase of larger offices in Rhyl, as our previous offices were too small. The new offices provide increased support rooms, furnished to enable trauma informed support to both individuals, families and group programs can be facilitated.

During 2024-2025, DASU received a total of 6,494 referrals for support.

Two of DASU's main contracts were retendered during 2024-25, DASU were successful in re-gaining the contracts, providing security for these services for another contract term.

### **Financial review**

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

In order to be able to operate, DASU must be able to front fund staffing as grants are paid quarterly in arrears. To be able to facilitate this, DASU must hold reserves of minimum of £745k.

The Trustees have examined the charity's requirements for the reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. The reserves as at 31st March 2025 were £871,059 – unrestricted (3.2 months running costs). Any grants that were received for 2025-2026 have been deducted from the income shown for 2024-2025 as these funds will be shown in the year that they relate to (as per the grant terms and conditions). Unrestricted reserves would be shown if grants were not spent in the timeframe stipulated in grant terms and conditions, DASU did not have any unspent grants as at 31/03/2025.

DASU has no material committed expenditure from reserves from 2025/26 onwards.

A pending disposal of DASU's previous Rhyl offices, with an estimated increase in reserves of £95k in 2025/26.

The Trustees are happy with the levels of reserves held by the charity as these are essential for DASU to be able to operate under the sector norm of grants payable 3 months in arrears.

#### Grants

The charity received the following restricted grants during the financial year:

	£
Conwy Borough County Council	313,708
Denbighshire County Council	465,045
Wrexham County Borough Council	190,673
Flintshire County Council	415,004
Children In Need	33,363
Community Fund	136,072
Denbighshire County Council	34,413
Conwy County Borough Council	78,745
NatWest Funding Circle	2,000
Gwynt Y Mor	17,261
Garfield Western	15,000
The Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner	1,144,087
MoJ	142,229
Moondance	78,736
Nationwide	66,234
DVSC	49,620
Freemasons	28,500
Welsh Women's Aid	74,228
Welsh Government	179,763
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,464,681</b>

# **DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD**

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### **Looking Forward**

In order to maintain and introduce new services, DASU is continually re-evaluating services, applying for new funding, re-tendering for services, forming new partnerships, etc.

DASU North Wales has clear objectives, these are :

To offer a range of support and services which reduce poverty, improve mental and/or physical distress among

- (i) persons who have been subjected to mental, physical, or sexual abuse, by their partners, ex-partners or persons with whom they have had a relationship and who are in need and
- (ii) the children of those persons, by the provision of / referral to refuge accommodation and by such other means as shall further the said objects.

To that end, moving forward DASU will work with survivors of Domestic abuse and sexual violence to identify their needs and the needs of their children. We will raise funds to continue to offer support and secure refuge accommodation and grow these services to meet survivor's needs.

In the coming year we will aim to open additional refuge spaces, and secure funding to purchase specialist equipment to offer safe, appropriate spaces within refuges for disabled or low mobility survivors. We will secure more funding for target hardening items, such as CCTV, Ring doorbells, Locks and alarms so that survivors can remain safe in their own homes. Reducing the risk of homelessness and minimising disruption to the survivor and their children. We will provide more awareness raising training to professionals and the public, ensuring that individuals can identify and respond appropriately to those living with Domestic Abuse.

To ensure that all survivors get the very best support, we will continue to invest in our staff. Ensuring that they receive appropriate training and clinical support to ensure they have the tools and resilience to do their job.

As DASU's Trustees we are committed to the above strategy and working models, and will work with the committed staff of DASU to carry on providing the crucial services, continuing to build resilient, fit for purpose and adequately funding services not only to domestic abuse survivors, but preventative services reducing abuse in the future.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and constitutes a company limited by guarantee, as defined by the companies Act 2006.

#### **Trustees**

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Ms N J Jones  
Ms D Roberts  
Ms K Browning  
Ms S A Henderson  
Dr Michael Morton  
Ms Andrea Senior

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

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#### **Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

The directors of the company are also trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the company's Articles. There are five trustees, who meet at minimum of six times each year as the Management Committee. All members are invited to nominate trustees prior to the AGM. DASU is also registered with Flintshire Local Voluntary Council, Volunteer Bureau, where potential trustees and volunteers may be identified and referred to us. We continue to encourage involvement from clients when they no longer receive a service from DASU.

Trustees are recruited for their particular skills and their interest in combating domestic abuse. Most trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the charity. Additionally new trustees receive induction training and additional relevant training throughout the year.

The trustees on the management committee have a broad mix of skills. They include a County Councillor and representatives from the fields of education, local government, finance and Higher Education. However, we believe it would further enhance the Committee to recruit trustees with experience in Equality and Diversity, HR, Commissioning and tendering and the third sector.

Our organisation is led by women to support women and as such the majority of our board are and will continue to be women, this includes the role of Chair of the Trustees and CEO, both of which are restricted to women only candidates. However we will continue to recruit more men to the board in the future where appropriate, as we recognise that men can also be victims of Domestic Abuse and as such deserve equal access to support, and an opportunity to live free from fear.

#### **Trade creditors policy**

The company's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to follow the CBI's Prompt Payers Code (copies are available from the CBI, Centre Point, 103 New Oxford Street, London WC1A 1DU).

The company's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to:

- settle the terms of payment with suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction;
- ensure that suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts; and
- pay in accordance with the company's contractual and other legal obligations.

Trade creditors of the company at the year-end were equivalent to 40 days' purchases, based on the average daily amount invoiced by suppliers during the year.

#### **Organisational structure**

The CEO has overall responsibility for operational matters, this is a delegated authority from the board of Trustees. The CEO attends provider forums across North Wales, Strategic partnership group meetings and bi-monthly board meetings where all decisions are recorded and communicated. The organisation has operated in Deeside for over 30 years and has now gained contracts across many counties in North Wales, including Wrexham, Conwy and Denbighshire.

#### **Related parties**

DASU has strong links with Flintshire County Council, particularly the Social Services and Housing Departments, Wrexham County Borough Council, Denbighshire County Council, Conwy County Borough Council, the Domestic Abuse Co-ordinator and Flintshire Neighbourhood Wardens, Clwyd Alyn Housing Association Women's Aid, North Wales Police, and in particular the Domestic Violence Officer, are important partners. DASU is a member of Flintshire Local Voluntary Council, Welsh Women's Aid, Cymorth Cymru, Respect and Child Poverty Action Group.

#### **Auditor**

The auditors, Salisburys Accountants, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.



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

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



Ms D Roberts

Trustee

Dated: 25/11/25

# **DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD**

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025***

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The trustees (who are also the directors of Domestic Abuse Safety Unit North Wales Ltd across Flintshire and Denbighshire for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees 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 charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity 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 charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping 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.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

# **DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD**

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

### **TO THE TRUSTEES OF DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD**

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#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Domestic Abuse Safety Unit North Wales Ltd (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (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, including its income and expenditure, 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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company 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 charitable company'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 trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 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.

#### **Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees of the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

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#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; 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 charitable company for the purposes 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 charitable company'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.

#### **Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

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 a Report of the Independent Auditors 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatement in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned in accordance with ISA (UK).

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the charity and the industry in which it operates through our general commercial and sector experience and discussions with management. We determined that the following laws and regulations were most significant: The Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 the 'Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and relevant UK tax legislation. In addition, we concluded that there are certain laws and regulations that may have an effect on the determination of the amounts and disclosures within the financial statements such as Health and Safety laws and regulations.

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

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We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or fraud;
- Obtain an understanding of the internal controls that management have in place to prevent and detect fraud;
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates;
- Reviewing the financial statement disclosures and assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies used;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular manual or unusual entries;
- Obtaining third party confirmations of all the charity's banking arrangements;
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting.

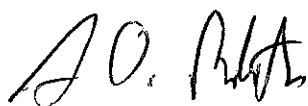
The assessment of the appropriateness of the collective competence and capabilities of the engagement team included consideration of the engagement team's knowledge of the industry in which the client operates in and understanding of, and practical experience with, audit engagements of a similar nature and complexity through appropriate training and participation.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment.

Our audit procedures are designed to detect material misstatement. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**Aled Roberts BA (Hons) FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Salisbury & Company Business Solutions Limited

**Statutory Auditor**  
**Chartered Accountants**  
Irish Square  
Upper Denbigh Road  
St Asaph

Date: ..... 25-11-25 .....

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## 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 £
<b>Income from:</b>							
Donations and legacies	3	17,734	-	17,734	23,644	-	23,644
Charitable activities	4	893,530	3,464,681	4,358,211	782,834	3,476,258	4,259,092
Other trading activities	5	12,910	-	12,910	7,354	70	7,424
Investments	6	5,462	-	5,462	12,635	-	12,635
<b>Total income</b>		<b>929,636</b>	<b>3,464,681</b>	<b>4,394,317</b>	<b>826,467</b>	<b>3,476,328</b>	<b>4,302,795</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Charitable activities	7	867,942	3,381,738	4,249,680	637,479	3,301,457	3,938,936
<b>Net incoming resources before transfers</b>		<b>61,694</b>	<b>82,943</b>	<b>144,637</b>	<b>188,988</b>	<b>174,871</b>	<b>363,859</b>
Gross transfers between funds		(19,835)	19,835	-	(228,628)	228,628	-
<b>Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<b>41,859</b>	<b>102,778</b>	<b>144,637</b>	<b>(39,640)</b>	<b>403,499</b>	<b>363,859</b>
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		829,200	1,046,524	1,875,724	868,840	643,025	1,511,865
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2025</b>		<b>871,059</b>	<b>1,149,302</b>	<b>2,020,361</b>	<b>829,200</b>	<b>1,046,524</b>	<b>1,875,724</b>

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.



# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	12		1,231,939		1,122,404
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	13	76,360		330,765	
Cash at bank and in hand		832,453		950,982	
		908,813		1,281,747	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	(120,391)		(528,427)	
Net current assets			788,422		753,320
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			2,020,361		1,875,724
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	15	1,149,302		1,046,524	
Unrestricted funds		871,059		829,200	
		2,020,361		1,875,724	

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.

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 ...25.11.25



Ms D Roberts  
Trustee

Company registration number 05430841

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash generated from operations	21		29,714		254,939
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(153,705)		(416,986)	
Investment income received		5,462		12,635	
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>			(148,243)		(404,351)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>			(118,529)		(149,412)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			950,982		1,100,394
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			832,453		950,982

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

*FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025*

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### **Charity information**

Domestic Abuse Safety Unit North Wales Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Wrenmore House, 104 Chester Road East, Shotton, Deeside, Flintshire, CH5 1QD, United Kingdom.

#### **1.1 Accounting convention**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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.

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.2 Prior period error

The financial statements include adjustments relating to the prior year.

There were several grants identified that should have been recognised as restricted income instead of unrestricted.

Income from grants to purchase capital items had been deferred incorrectly.

Depreciation of freehold buildings had been recognised against unrestricted income while it should have been recognised against restricted income.

Prior year figures have been restated as follows

	Previously	Restated
Charitable activities – restricted income	£2,127,815	£3,476,258
Charitable activities – unrestricted income	£2,056,494	£782,834
Other trading activities – restricted income	£Nil	£70
Fund balances – restricted fund	£1,0008,403	£817,084
Fund balances – unrestricted funds	£792,538	£1,058,640
Creditors – Deferred Government grants	£74,783	£0

The overall impact of the above adjustments are:

SOFA - £74,783 additional surplus

Restricted reserves - £191,319 decrease in the reserves

Unrestricted reserves - £266,102 increase in reserves

#### 1.3 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.

#### 1.4 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.

#### 1.5 Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

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

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

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

#### 1.6 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

#### 1.7 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:

Freehold land and buildings	2% on cost from 2023 (historic no depreciation)
Fixtures and fittings	20% reducing balance
Office equipment	33% on cost
Motor vehicles	20% on cost

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.

DASU's fixed asset policy is to not capitalise individual purchases less than £200.00.

#### 1.8 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.

#### 1.9 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.

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

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

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **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.

#### **1.10 Taxation**

The charity is exempt from Corporation Tax on its charitable activities.

#### **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.

### 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.



# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations and gifts	17,734	23,644

### 4 Charitable activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants	3,584,729	3,500,658
Rental income	773,482	758,434
	<u>4,358,211</u>	<u>4,259,092</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	893,530	782,834
Restricted funds	3,464,681	3,476,258
	<u>4,358,211</u>	<u>4,259,092</u>

### 5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2025	2024	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£
Miscellaneous income	12,910	7,354	70	7,424

### 6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Bank interest received	5,462	12,635

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 7 Charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs	2,980,835	2,684,497
Depreciation and impairment	44,171	23,203
Rent and rates	310,703	284,906
Licences and insurance	16,230	17,390
Light and heat	148,540	140,345
Telephone	77,734	67,549
Postage and stationery	7,939	11,211
Advertising	184	8,267
Sundries	55,087	51,001
Training	50,788	31,690
Volunteers' expenses	2,078	3,848
Motor and travelling expenses	77,108	68,370
Supervision	32,566	27,036
Cleaning and waste disposal	46,054	35,659
Repairs and renewals	185,132	296,838
TV rental and licences	3,983	3,207
Other charitable expenditure	77,790	60,862
	<u>4,116,922</u>	<u>3,815,879</u>
Share of support costs (see note 8)	599	770
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	132,159	122,287
	<u>4,249,680</u>	<u>3,938,936</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	867,942	637,479
Restricted funds	3,381,738	3,301,457
	<u>4,249,680</u>	<u>3,938,936</u>

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 8 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2025	Support costs	Governance costs	2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bank charges	592	-	592	770	-	770
Other interest paid	7	-	7	-	-	-
Audit fees	-	12,540	12,540	-	1,200	1,200
Accountancy and legal fees	-	119,619	119,619	-	121,087	121,087
	<u>599</u>	<u>132,159</u>	<u>132,758</u>	<u>770</u>	<u>122,287</u>	<u>123,057</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>599</u>	<u>132,159</u>	<u>132,758</u>	<u>770</u>	<u>122,287</u>	<u>123,057</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £11,400 (2024: £3,600) for audit fees.

### 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
Full time	77	81
Part time	18	11
Total	<u>95</u>	<u>92</u>

### Employment costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	2,830,338	2,546,355
Other pension costs	150,497	138,142
	<u>2,980,835</u>	<u>2,684,497</u>

Employee remuneration is paid within industry standard levels.

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

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 11 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.

### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 April 2024	1,127,231	103,691	13,542	12,750	1,257,214
Additions	148,821	4,884	-	-	153,705
At 31 March 2025	1,276,052	108,575	13,542	12,750	1,410,919
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>					
At 1 April 2024	89,823	29,210	3,026	12,750	134,809
Depreciation charged in the year	24,529	15,128	4,514	-	44,171
At 31 March 2025	114,352	44,338	7,540	12,750	178,980
<b>Carrying amount</b>					
At 31 March 2025	1,161,700	64,237	6,002	-	1,231,939
At 31 March 2024	1,037,409	74,479	10,516	-	1,122,404

Included in the brought forward freehold land and property is £1,008,403 for four properties which the Welsh Government provided funds to purchase. There are Charges lodge with Companies House for each of these properties and if the buildings are sold the first £1,008,403.00 of the consideration is repayable to the Welsh Government on demand. The four properties covered by the charges have no maximum charge period stated by the documents from the Welsh Government.

The breakdown of the £1,008,403.00 charges are as follows:

£200,000.00 purchase 26 November 2009  
 £210,000.00 purchase 26 February 2020  
 £87,500.00 purchase 14 October 2021  
 £210,000.00 purchase 16 December 2021  
 £88,403.00 purchase 10 October 2023  
 £212,500.00 purchase 27 February 2024

The one new property purchased in the year totalling £131,496 is also covered by Charges lodged at Companies House. If the property is sold the first £131,496 of the consideration is repayable to the Welsh Government on demand. This property has a maximum charge period of 10 years from the date of the final payment of grant.

The breakdown of the £131,496 charges are as follows:

£131,496.00 purchase 24 July 2024

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 13 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	43,054	303,262
Other debtors	329	1,694
Prepayments and accrued income	32,977	25,809
	<u>76,360</u>	<u>330,765</u>

### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	1,475	49,507
Trade creditors	19,095	56,600
Other creditors	1,778	1,778
Accruals and deferred income	98,043	420,542
	<u>120,391</u>	<u>528,427</u>

## DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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#### 15 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	Transfers	Balance at 1 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Balance at 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Welsh Government - Charges	643,025	-	(15,388)	300,903	928,540	131,496	(21,921)	-	1,038,115
Local Council Funding	-	1,348,512	(1,459,968)	229,440	117,984	1,384,430	(1,408,317)	15,673	109,770
Children in Need	-	33,059	(34,533)	1,474	-	33,363	(33,566)	233	-
Community Fund - Outreach	-	177,429	(177,926)	497	-	116,073	(115,657)	1	417
Denbighshire CYP	-	34,268	(26,945)	(7,323)	-	34,413	(35,560)	1,147	-
Funding Circle Safelives	-	4,711	(4,711)	-	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Gwynt Y Mor	-	29,500	(29,500)	-	-	17,261	(17,330)	69	-
IRIS	-	51,000	(51,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moondance Foundation	-	58,483	(59,191)	708	-	78,736	(78,032)	1	705
Nationwide	-	48,458	(51,063)	2,605	-	66,234	(66,515)	281	-
Office of the Police Crime Commissioner	-	851,440	(857,739)	6,299	-	1,144,119	(1,143,824)	-	295
Steve Morgan Fund	-	30,310	(30,520)	210	-	-	210	(210)	-
Welsh Government	-	469,705	(164,797)	(304,908)	-	48,174	(48,174)	-	-
Other Grants	-	339,453	(338,176)	(1,277)	-	408,382	(411,022)	2,640	-
	<u>643,025</u>	<u>3,476,328</u>	<u>(3,301,457)</u>	<u>228,628</u>	<u>1,046,524</u>	<u>3,464,681</u>	<u>(3,381,738)</u>	<u>19,835</u>	<u>1,149,302</u>

# DOMESTIC ABUSE SAFETY UNIT NORTH WALES LTD

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### 16 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	193,824	1,038,115	1,231,939	193,864	928,540	1,122,404
Current assets/(liabilities)	677,235	111,187	788,422	635,336	117,984	753,320
	<u>871,059</u>	<u>1,149,302</u>	<u>2,020,361</u>	<u>829,200</u>	<u>1,046,524</u>	<u>1,875,724</u>

### 17 Capital commitments

At 31 March 2025 the charity had no capital commitments.

### 18 Events after the reporting date

At the reporting date a cash offer of £120,000 was accepted in relation to the sale of 10 Brighton Road.

### 19 Related party transactions

During the prior year, Domestic abuse safety Unit North Wales (DASU) purchased a property jointly with RASASC NW, funded by a Welsh Government Capital Grant. DASU and RASASC continue to operate from this property.

DASU owed £1,400 to RASASC as at 31 March 2025. (2024 nil)

Gaynor McKeown holds the role of Interim Chief Executive Officer for DASU and RASASC NW.

Rhian Lewis was Head of Operations/ Deputy CEO of DASU during the year and a Trustee of RASASC NW. She resigned as a Trustee of RASASC NW in January 2025.

### 20 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charity had no debt during the year.

### 21 Cash generated from operations

	2025 £	2024 £
Surplus for the year	144,637	363,859
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(5,462)	(12,635)
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	44,171	23,203
Movements in working capital:		
Decrease in debtors	254,405	52,003
(Decrease) in creditors	(408,037)	(171,491)
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>	<u>29,714</u>	<u>254,939</u>



The Trustees  
Domestic Abuse Safety Unit  
North Wales Ltd  
Wrenmore House  
104 Chester Road East  
Shotton  
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25<sup>th</sup> November 2025  
Salisbury & Company Business Solutions Lintied  
Irish Square  
St Asaph  
Denbighshire  
LL17 0RN

Dear Sirs

### **Letter of Representation – Domestic Abuse Safety Unit North Wales Ltd**

During the course of your audit of the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025, the following representations were made to you by management and trustees.

1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities as trustees under the Companies Act 2006 for preparing financial statements, in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework FRS 102 and the FRS 102 Charity SORP, that give a true and fair view and for making accurate representations to you as our auditors.
2. We confirm that all accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your audit, in accordance with your terms of engagement, and that

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all the transactions undertaken by the charity have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records. All other records and related information, including minutes of all management, trustees' and members' meetings, have been made available to you. We have given you unrestricted access to persons within the charity in order to obtain audit evidence and have provided any additional information that you have requested for the purposes of your audit.

3. We confirm that significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.
4. We confirm that all known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements have been disclosed to the auditor and accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.
5. We confirm that there had been no events since the balance sheet date which require disclosure or which would materially affect the amounts in the financial statements, other than those already disclosed or included in the financial statements.
6. We confirm that we are aware that a related party of the charity is a person or organisation which either directly or indirectly controls, has joint control of, or significantly influences the charity or vice versa and as a result will include trustees/directors, other key management, close family and other business interests of the previous. We confirm that the related party relationships and transactions set out below are a complete list of such relationships and transactions and that we are not aware of any further related parties or transactions.

<i>Party</i>	<i>Relationship</i>	<i>Nature of transaction</i>
Ms N Jones	Trustee	No transactions

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Ms D Roberts	Trustee	No transactions
Ms K Browning	Trustee	No transactions
Ms SA Henderson	Trustee	No transactions
Dr M Morton	Trustee	No transactions
Ms A Senior	Trustee	No transactions
RASASC	Jointly owned property	DASU owed £1,400 to RASASC
Contact Cars	Owned by father of Rachel Roberts (employee)	Taxi services.

7. We confirm that all related party relationships and transactions have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.
8. We confirm that the charity has had, at no time during the year, any arrangement, transaction or agreement to provide credit facilities (including advances and credits granted by the charity) for trustees, nor to provide guarantees of any kind on behalf of the trustees.
9. We confirm that the charity has not contracted for any capital expenditure other than as disclosed in the financial statements.
10. We confirm that we are not aware of any possible or actual instance of non-compliance with those laws and regulations which provide a legal framework within which the charity conducts its activities, and which are central to the charity's ability to conduct its activities.

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11. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud. We confirm that we have disclosed to you the results of our own risk assessment that the financial statements may be misstated as a result of fraud.
12. We confirm that there have been no actual or suspected instances of fraud involving trustees, management or employees who have a significant role in internal control or that could have a material effect on the financial statements. We also confirm that we are not aware of any allegations of fraud by former trustees, employees, regulators or others.
13. We confirm that, having considered our expectations and intentions for the next 12 months and the availability of unrestricted reserves, the charity is a going concern.
14. We confirm that in our opinion the effects of unadjusted misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in aggregate, to the financial statements as a whole. A list of the unadjusted misstatements is attached to this letter.
15. We confirm that all grants, donations and other income, including those subject to special terms or conditions or received for restricted purposes, have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions during the period regarding the application of such income. Details of Restricted grants and donations are attached.
16. We confirm that the below are all the properties held by the charity:
  - 104 Chester Road East, Shotton, CH5 1QD
  - 47-49 King Street Wrexham, LL11 1HR
  - 39 Severn Road, Colwyn Bay, LL29 8RD
  - 74 Conway Road, Colwyn Bay, LL29 7LD
  - 35 Alexandra Street, Shotton, CH5 1DL

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- 14-18 Edward Henry Street, Rhyl, LL18
  - 10 Brighton Road, Rhyl, LL18 3HB
  - 20 Marsh road, Rhyl , LL182DH
17. We confirm that we are not aware of any matters of material significance that should be reported to the Charity Commission.
  18. We confirm that, for the purposes of the audit, all communication is to be made through Dawn Stones on our behalf.
  19. We acknowledge our legal responsibilities regarding disclosure of information to you as auditors and confirm that:
    - so far as each trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which you as auditors are unaware; and
    - each trustee has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a trustee to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that you are aware of that information.
  20. We confirm that we hold relevant grant documentation that ensures that income can be deferred.
  21. We confirm that the net book value of the fixed asset is not materially misstated, and that no assets have been impaired during the year and are in good working order.

We confirm that the above representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience (and, where appropriate of supporting documentation) sufficient to satisfy us that we can properly make each of the above representations to you and that to the best of our knowledge and belief they accurately reflect the representations made to you by the trustees during the course of your audit.

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Yours faithfully,

Diane Roberts

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees

Trustee: 

Date: .....

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