

HOME-START LAMBETH

England & Wales · Charity number 1112014

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [05363089](#)

Registered 2005-11-10

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 3.1.1 TO SAFEGUARD, PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE GOOD HEALTH, BOTH MENTAL AND PHYSICAL OF CHILDREN AND PARENTS OF CHILDREN; 3.1.2 TO PREVENT CRUELTY TO OR MALTREATMENT OF CHILDREN; 3.1.3 TO RELIEVE SICKNESS, POVERTY AND NEED AMONGST CHILDREN AND PARENTS OF CHILDREN; 3.1.4 TO PROMOTE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN BETTER STANDARDS OF CHILD CARE WITHIN THE AREA OF LAMBETH AND ITS ENVIRONS.

Activities: Home-Start Lambeth offers free support, friendship and practical help to families with at least one child under the age of five. Families are visited regularly in their own homes by trained volunteers who have had experience of parenting and know how difficult it can sometimes be. Since Covid there has been no face to face support for families. Rather volunteer support has moved to phone or video

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LAMBETH AND ITS ENVIRONS
- Lambeth

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£223,925	£230,698	-	-
2024-03-31	£240,624	£239,263	-	-
2023-03-31	£195,790	£207,614	-	-
2022-03-31	£160,844	£205,170	-	-
2021-03-31	£220,276	£212,208	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Emma Godfrey		2026-01-26
Elaine Parsons		2022-03-01
JANET PEEK		2022-03-01
Jeannie Pitt		2022-03-01
Lucy Thorpe		2024-05-07
Megan Davenport		2025-01-20
Tireni Ladega		2024-12-02

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Accounts

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Registered Company number	05363089 (England and Wales)
Registered Charity number	1112014
Registered office	Unit 2 Holles House Overton Road London SW9 7AP
Trustees	J Peek - Chair E Parsons J Pitt A Wood L Thorpe (appointed May 2024) T Ladega (appointed Dec 2024) M Davenport (appointed Jan 2025)
Independent Examiner	Accountability Europe Limited Omnibus Workspace 39-41 North Road London N7 9DP
Bankers	Unity Trust Bank PO Box 7193 Planetary Road Willenhall WV1 9DG

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2025 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purpose of the charity, as set out in its governing documents are:

- To safeguard, protect and preserve the good health, both mental and physical of children and parents of children
- To prevent cruelty to or maltreatment of children
- To relieve sickness, poverty and need amongst children and parents of children
- To promote the education of the public in better standards of childcare within the area of Lambeth and its environs

Home-Start Lambeth's core service is matching local volunteers with local families with children under the age of 5 years living in the London Borough of Lambeth. We set goals with these families and our volunteers work with families to help them to achieve these goals. This model of empowerment and friendship is a lifeline to families experiencing considerable challenges. We continue to be impressed by the strength and resilience of our families and their determination to provide their children with the best possible start in life.

Home-Start Lambeth works in partnership with referrers to identify families in need of support and put in place appropriate support. This includes Social Workers, Health Visitors, Children Centres and other Health Professionals. We also have many self-referrals, as families recognise themselves that they need extra help. We work with families with universal and targeted needs, preventing children from needing specialist help. Our weekly consistent home-based support helps families to recognise their own strengths and develop their own approaches.

The specific objectives of Home-Start Lambeth are to increase the confidence and independence of the family by:

- Offering support, friendship and practical assistance
- Visiting families in their own homes, making our service more accessible and fostering a trusting relationship that supports long term, positive changes in family life
- Reassuring parents that difficulties in bringing up children are not unusual and encouraging them to enjoy family life
- Developing a relationship with the family in which time can be shared and understanding developed; the approach is flexible to take into account families' own individual needs
- Encouraging parents' strengths and wellbeing for the ultimate benefit of their children
- Encouraging families to widen their network of relationships and to use effectively the support services within the community, when they are ready
- Supporting families who have experienced domestic abuse through direct support and through the Freedom Programme.

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Achievements

We supported 166 families with 301 children this year across all services.

Core service

45 families (61 parents/carers & 87 children) were supported through our home visiting service. The consistent weekly support of our volunteers strengthened the wellbeing and community connections of families. This boosted resilience helped parents and carers to better meet the needs of their young children during their critical early years.

We asked families whether our support made a difference:

- 100% felt less isolated after support
- 100% improvement in parental wellbeing
- 100% improved in getting support from other services and organisations
- 100% improved in coping with extra work caused by multiple birth/children under 5
- 86% improved in managing day to day things like shopping, cooking, laundry and managing money
- 83% improved in coping with child's physical health
- 67% improved in coping with their children's mental health

Groups

31 families with 49 children attended Little Legends toddler group. Families reported:

100% of parents strongly agreed or agreed with the following statements:

- My children look forward to Little Legends
- Little Legends aids my child(ren)'s development (Confidence, socialising, learning colours etc.)
- My child(ren) and I formed new relationships and felt less isolated at Little Legends today

Freedom programme

Our Freedom programme for domestic abuse survivors helps attendees to understand their experiences and gives information on healthy relationships to help them to recognise positive relationship dynamics in the future. 47 DA survivors attended the Freedom programme this year. Their families included 58 children. Attendees reported:

- 90% agreed with the statement "Compared to before I attended the Freedom Programme, I have a better understanding of healthy and unhealthy relationships"
- 88% of Freedom attendees said that after the programme they feel less isolated
- 68% of Freedom attendees demonstrated increased self-esteem, as measured by the Rosenberg self-esteem score

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Rose vouchers

Through the Rose Vouchers for Early Years scheme, we work with low income families to support parents in giving their children the healthiest possible start in life. In 2024/25, families spent £7,525 in vouchers, directly supporting local access to healthy food. A total of 43 families collected vouchers at least once, benefiting 107 eligible children.

How our activities deliver public benefit

We refer to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

Home-Start Lambeth provides a range of benefits to the public as we aim to increase the confidence, wellbeing and independence of families through the provision of friendship, help and support. Our service is open to any member of the public with children under the age of five who needs to use the service because they are experiencing difficulties in their family life, subject only to our capacity. We then provide a range of support to these families, including parenting support, help with accessing services and improved health and well-being.

FUTURE PLANS

For now our future plans are to focus on the sustainability of our organisation. The families we support have particularly acute needs and these needs will only be compounded by the cost-of-living crisis and reduced service provisions across both the statutory and voluntary sector. We will monitor this carefully and ensure that we remain agile in the face of these challenges.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Results for the year are given in the Statement of Financial Activities. The assets and liabilities are given in the Balance Sheet. The financial statements should be read in conjunction with the related notes.

Total income for the year decreased by £15,629 for the year compared to financial year end (FYE) 2024. However, the amount raised through individual and corporate support was £22,089 an increase of 337% from the previous year's total of £6,548. This reflects the increased efforts on diversifying funding sources through FYE25 raising total funding to £223,925.

Total expenditure for FYE25 was £230,698, the entirety of which related to charitable activities.

As a result, there was an overall deficit of £6,773. (FYE24 surplus of £1,361).

Funds carried forward totalled £19,844.

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Principal funding sources

The trustees continue to pursue a strategy of seeking funding from diverse sources which has in the main been successful. During this year Home-Start Lambeth has received funding from a variety of sources including local and national trusts and foundations. A breakdown of these sources of funding is shown in note 2 to the financial statements. We are incredibly grateful to Lambeth Council, City Bridge, National Lottery Community Fund and Garfield Weston, amongst others, for their generous on-going support, and very much look forward to working with them again through FYE26 and beyond.

We continue to focus attention on securing on-going funding to ensure that we can provide high quality training to our volunteers and exceptional service delivery to the families in our community in need of our support. Further funding and replacement funding (as grants draw to a close) is required in order for us to fully achieve both our near- and medium-term business plan goals and continue to secure our long-term future. With this at the forefront of our minds we continue to seek to identify and apply for new sources of funding to cover both our project delivery and core costs whilst also maintaining a close control of our expenditure.

While funding remains an on-going consideration, the trustees believe that diversification of funding sources, particularly multi-year grants, on-going corporate support and working with individuals, will be the best way to create stability for the charity. We are pleased with our successes this year and efforts are underway to continue developing these funding sources.

Investment policy and objectives

The trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in a reserve account and will seek to achieve as high a rate of return on deposit as possible. At the year-end total investment income was £49 (FYE24 £49).

Reserves policy

The Management Committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organization. The trustees aim to work to a minimum 12-month budget and to maintain reserves of at least 3 months of annual expenditure. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Management Committee are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. Although the strategy is to build reserves through planned operating surpluses, the Management Committee has also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

Going concern

Note 1 in the notes to the financial statements explains that the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on it being able to secure new sources of income. For the financial year ended 31 March 2025, the charity has sufficient unrestricted reserves and has diversified its funding sufficiently to be able to continue in the same capacity.

As per the Income and Expenditure Account, reserves have fallen below the "3 months annual expenditure" stated in the Reserves Policy. A key strategic goal and management focus is replenishing our reserves such that they meet three months' running costs in the near term.

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Due consideration is given to the scope for the curtailment of activities, and thus expenditure, should the need arise, though this is not the current assumption or expectation of the trustees.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 14 February 2005 and registered as a charity on 10 November 2005. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are also known as members of the Management Committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association one-third of the members of the Management Committee must stand for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting.

Organisational structure

A board of Directors, collectively the Board of Trustees, administer and govern the organisation. The Board of Trustees as a board bring multiple skills in order to manage the business of the company and come from a range of professional disciplines such as health, business management, education, marketing, public sector and private sector management, accounting and fundraising.

The Board of Trustees meets 8 times a year and co-opts 'skilled individuals' to support the organisation when and as required to deal with issues when they arise. The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and the Company Secretary is responsible for making the appropriate returns to Companies House, Charity Commission and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs. New members undergo an induction with Home-Start, the national organisation and the regional consultant.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring that good practice is maintained in terms of health & safety, safeguarding the welfare of children, confidentiality, data security and equal opportunities amongst other things.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for:

- providing monitoring reports to each of the funders
- attending review meetings with senior members of staff
- maintaining appropriate insurance for staff and premises based on advice from Home-Start UK

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Governance

Home-Start Lambeth principles are based on the Standards and Methods of practice of the Home-Start national organisation:

- To have an effective management committee who is responsible for employing/supporting the staff and to be committed to good employment practice, funding, insurance, premises and to ensure that the scheme works collaboratively with other voluntary and statutory organisations within the borough
- The range of referrals and self-referrals are not limited except where the resources are not available to meet the number or complexities of cases
- All volunteers are carefully selected and attend an initial course of preparation. On-going training and support must be provided to meet their needs, which develop over the course of their work with Home-Start Lambeth
- All members of the management committee, staff and volunteers must be aware of and work within all policies such as equal opportunities, confidentiality, child protection, health & safety and risk assessments
- Home-Start Lambeth must retain close links with Home-Start, the national organisation to obtain training, information and guidance.

Trustee changes

During the year we welcomed Lucy Thorpe (appointed May 2024) Tireni Ladega (appointed Dec 2024) and Megan Davenport (appointed Jan 2025) as new trustees. We look forward to working with them to grow our charity and ensure ongoing support to families across Lambeth.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees (who are also directors of charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the 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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice).
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The trustees confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

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

Approved by order of the board of trustees on **15th December 2025** and signed on its behalf by:

Jeannie Pitt – Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
HOME-START LAMBETH
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Home-Start Lambeth for the year ended 31 March 2025.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

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



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Date: 15th December 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(incorporating an income and expenditure account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		Unrestricted	Restricted	2025 Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024 Total
	Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:							
Donations and grants	2	50,693	173,183	223,876	26,548	212,957	239,505
Charitable activities	3	-	-	-	1,070	-	1,070
Investments	4	49	-	49	49	-	49
Total income		50,742	173,183	223,925	27,667	212,957	240,624
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities		58,915	171,783	230,698	26,306	212,957	239,263
Total expenditure	5	58,915	171,783	230,698	26,306	212,957	239,263
Net income/ (expenditure) for the year	6	(8,173)	1,400	(6,773)	1,361	-	1,361
Reconciliation of funds:	13						
Total funds brought forward		26,617	-	26,617	25,256	-	25,256
Total funds carried forward		18,444	1,400	19,844	26,617	-	26,617

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9	915	-	915	2,929
Current assets					
Debtors	10	5,723	-	5,723	3,292
Cash at bank and in hand		15,712	49,970	65,682	83,769
		21,435	49,970	71,405	87,061
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(3,906)	(48,570)	(52,476)	(63,373)
Net current assets		17,529	1,400	18,929	23,688
Total net assets	12	18,444	1,400	19,844	26,617
Charity funds	13				
Restricted funds		-	1,400	1,400	-
Unrestricted funds		18,444	-	18,444	26,617
Total charity funds		18,444	1,400	19,844	26,617

For the year ended 31 March 2025 the charitable company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on **15th December 2025** and were signed on its behalf by:

Jeannie Pitt - Trustee

Company Registered No. 05363089

The attached notes form part of the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Statutory information

Home-Start Lambeth is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office address is Unit 2 Holles House, Overton Road, London SW9 7AP.

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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), 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.

Public benefit entity

The charitable company meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Going concerns

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from grants and donations are recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Bank interest on funds is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixtures and fittings	25% on cost
Computer equipment	33% on cost

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1 Accounting policies - continued

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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2 Donations and grants

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Donations	22,089	-	22,089	6,548
Grants:				
Lambeth Family Hubs	-	51,016	51,016	-
City Bridge Foundation	-	47,882	47,882	42,664
National Lottery Community Fund	-	25,819	25,819	65,601
Garfield Weston	20,000	-	20,000	20,000
Children In Need	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
Lambeth Wellbeing Fund	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
Southern Gas Network Via HSUK	8,604	-	8,604	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	7,800	7,800	31,050
Leap Co-create (National Children's Bureau)	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
The Peter Stebbings Memorial Trust	-	5,000	5,000	4,995
The Kelly Family Charitable Trust	-	3,333	3,333	-
Walcot Foundation	-	2,500	2,500	-
Lloyds Banking Foundation	-	2,100	2,100	10,200
The Three Oaks Trust	-	2,083	2,083	-
Hymans Robertson	-	650	650	650
Mayor's VAWG Fund	-	-	-	26,373
Pears Foundation Via HSUK	-	-	-	6,424
Total donations and grants	50,693	173,183	223,876	239,505

3 Charitable Activities

Home Start UK	-	-	-	1,070
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,070</u>

4 Investment income

Deposit account interest	49	-	49	49
	<u>49</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>49</u>

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5 Analysis of expenditure (current year)

	Costs of raising funds £	Charitable activities £	Support costs £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Staff cost	-	109,660	72,078	181,738	195,564
Direct cost	-	1,995	-	1,995	7,085
Other staff cost	-	-	3,902	3,902	5,009
Office cost	-	-	3,142	3,142	4,277
IT Cost	-	-	3,060	3,060	-
Premises cost	-	-	16,005	16,005	15,210
Subscriptions	-	-	7,853	7,853	4,307
Legal & professional fees	-	-	10,271	10,271	5,585
Independent examination fees	-	-	720	720	720
Depreciation	-	-	2,012	2,012	1,506
	-	111,655	119,043	230,698	239,263
Support costs allocation	-	119,043	(119,043)	-	-
Total Expenditure 2025	-	230,698	-	230,698	239,263

Of the total expenditure, £58,915 was unrestricted (2024: £26,306) and £171,783 was restricted (2024: £212,957).

Analysis of expenditure (prior year)

	Costs of raising funds £	Charitable activities £	Support costs £	2024 Total £
Staff cost	-	113,460	82,104	195,564
Direct cost	-	7,085	-	7,085
Other staff cost	-	-	5,009	5,009
Office cost	-	-	4,277	4,277
Premises cost	-	-	15,210	15,210
Subscriptions	-	-	4,307	4,307
Legal & professional fees	-	-	5,585	5,585
Independent examination fees	-	-	720	720
Depreciation	-	-	1,506	1,506
	-	120,545	118,718	239,263
Support costs allocation	-	118,718	(118,718)	-
Total Expenditure 2024	-	239,263	-	239,263

6 Net income/ (expenditure) for the year

	2025 £	2024 £
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation - owned assets	2,012	1,506
Independent examination fee (excl VAT)	600	600

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7 Analysis of staff costs, trustees remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management personnel

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	167,936	178,084
Social security costs	9,861	12,374
Other pension costs	3,941	5,106
	<u>181,738</u>	<u>195,564</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The total costs of key management personnel (including employer NIC and pension) were £52,756 (2024: £54,773).

The average monthly number of employees (head count) during the year:

	2025	2024
Charitable activities	6	6
Governance	1	1
	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>

Trustees remuneration and expenses

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 (2024: £nil).

No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity (2024: £nil).

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 (2024: £nil).

8 Related party

There are no related party transactions to disclose for the year (2024: none).

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures & Fitting £	Computer Equipment £	Totals £
Cost			
At the start and at the end of the year	<u>8,979</u>	<u>9,431</u>	<u>18,410</u>
Depreciation			
At the start of the year	8,979	6,504	15,483
Charge for the year	-	2,012	2,012
At the end of the year	<u>8,979</u>	<u>8,516</u>	<u>17,495</u>
Net book value			
At the end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>915</u>	<u>915</u>
At the start of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>2,927</u>	<u>2,927</u>

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10 Debtors	2025	2024
	£	£
Other debtors	2,139	2,139
Prepayments and accrued income	3,585	1,153
	<u>5,723</u>	<u>3,292</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2025	2024
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	486	5,061
Accruals	3,420	2,520
Deferred income	48,570	55,792
	<u>52,476</u>	<u>63,373</u>

Deferred income:

Deferred income comprises of grants received in advance.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Balance at the beginning of the year	55,792	54,609
Amount released to income in the year	(55,792)	(54,609)
Amount deferred in the year	48,570	55,792
	<u>48,570</u>	<u>55,792</u>

12 Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	General unrestricted	Restricted	Total funds
	2025	2025	2025
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	915	-	915
Net current assets	17,529	1,400	18,929
Net assets at the end of the year	<u>18,444</u>	<u>1,400</u>	<u>19,844</u>

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	General unrestricted	Restricted	Total funds
	2024	2024	2024
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	2,929	-	2,929
Net current assets	23,688	-	23,688
Net assets at the end of the year	<u>26,617</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,617</u>

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13 Movement in funds - current year

	At the start of the year £	Income £	Expenditure £	At the end of the year £
Restricted funds				
Lambeth Family Hubs	-	51,016	(51,016)	-
City Bridge Foundation	-	47,882	(47,882)	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	25,819	(25,819)	-
Children In Need	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Lambeth Wellbeing Fund	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	7,800	(7,800)	-
Leap Co-create (National Children's Bureau)	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
The Peter Stebbings Memorial Trust	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
The Kelly Family Charitable Trust	-	3,333	(3,333)	-
Walcot Foundation	-	2,500	(2,500)	-
Lloyds Banking Foundation	-	2,100	(700)	1,400
The Three Oaks Trust	-	2,083	(2,083)	-
Hymans Robertson	-	650	(650)	-
Total Restricted Funds	-	173,183	(171,783)	1,400
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	26,617	50,742	(58,915)	18,444
Total Funds	26,617	223,925	(230,698)	19,844

Movement in funds - prior year

	At the start of the year £	Income £	Expenditure £	At the end of the year £
Restricted funds				
National Lottery Community Fund	-	65,601	(65,601)	-
City Bridge Foundation	-	42,664	(42,664)	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	31,050	(31,050)	-
Mayor's VAWG Fund	-	26,373	(26,373)	-
Lloyds Banking Foundation	-	10,200	(10,200)	-
Children In Need	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Lambeth Wellbeing Fund	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Pears Foundation Via HSUK	-	6,424	(6,424)	-
Leap Co-create (National Children's Bureau)	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
Beacon Lodge Trust	-	4,995	(4,995)	-
Hymans Robertson	-	650	(650)	-
Total Restricted Funds	-	212,957	(212,957)	-
Unrestricted Funds				
General	25,256	27,667	(26,306)	26,617
Total funds	25,256	240,624	(239,263)	26,617

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England & Wales - Charity number 1112014

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1112014

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05363089 (England and Wales)

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Registered Company number	05363089 (England and Wales)
Registered Charity number	1112014
Registered office	Unit 2 Holles House Overton Road London SW9 7AP
Trustees	J Peek - Chair A Slorance - Treasurer A L Alexander A Lawal E Parsons J Pitt M Leonard A Wood (appointed October 2023)
Independent Examiner	Accountability Europe Limited Omnibus Workspace 39-41 North Road London N7 9DP
Bankers	Unity Trust Bank PO Box 7193 Planetary Road Willenhall WV1 9DG

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purpose of the charity, as set out in its governing documents are:

- To safeguard, protect and preserve the good health, both mental and physical of children and parents of children
- To prevent cruelty to or maltreatment of children
- To relieve sickness, poverty and need amongst children and parents of children
- To promote the education of the public in better standards of childcare within the area of Lambeth and its environs

Home-Start Lambeth's core service is matching local volunteers with local families with children under the age of 5 years living in the London Borough of Lambeth. We set goals with these families and our volunteers work with families to help them to achieve these goals. This model of empowerment and friendship is a lifeline to families experiencing considerable challenges. We continue to be impressed by the strength and resilience of our families and their determination to provide their children with the best possible start in life.

Home-Start Lambeth works in partnership with referrers to identify families in need of support and put in place appropriate support. This includes Social Workers, Health Visitors, Children Centres and other Health Professionals. We also have many self-referrals, as families recognise themselves that they need extra help. We work with families with universal and targeted needs, preventing children from needing specialist help. Our weekly consistent home-based support helps families to recognise their own strengths and develop their own approaches.

The specific objectives of Home-Start Lambeth are to increase the confidence and independence of the family by:

- Offering support, friendship and practical assistance
- Visiting families in their own homes, making our service more accessible and fostering a trusting relationship that supports long term, positive changes in family life
- Reassuring parents that difficulties in bringing up children are not unusual and encouraging them to enjoy family life
- Developing a relationship with the family in which time can be shared and understanding developed; the approach is flexible to take into account families' own individual needs
- Encouraging parents' strengths and wellbeing for the ultimate benefit of their children
- Encouraging families to widen their network of relationships and to use effectively the support services within the community, when they are ready
- Supporting families who have experienced domestic abuse through direct support and through the Freedom Programme.

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Achievements

Below outlines some of the notable events and impacts we have achieved to year-end Mar-24:

Core service

This year we supported 45 families (220 parents/carers & 385 children) through our home visiting service. Our consistent weekly support improved the mental wellbeing and emotional resilience of families, so they were better able to meet the needs of their young children during their critical early years.

We asked families whether our support made a difference:

- 71% said they had improved in how they were coping with being a parent
- 83% improved in coping with their children's mental health
- 70% improved in managing children's behaviour
- 67% reported increased involvement in their children's development and learning

Groups

56 families with 85 children attended our groups over the past year: Little Munchkins for babies and Little Legends for toddlers. Families reported:

- 86% of adults say they have made friends at group
- 81% of all attendees agree with the statement "Little Legends has increased my child's social network"

Freedom programme

Our Freedom programme for domestic abuse survivors helps attendees to understand their experiences and gives information on healthy relationships to help them to recognise positive relationship dynamics in the future. 59 DA survivors attended the Freedom programme this year. Their families included 65 children. Attendees reported:

- 100% agreed with the statement "Compared to before I attended the Freedom Programme I have a better understanding of healthy and unhealthy relationships"
- 86% of Freedom attendees said that after the programme they feel less isolated

How our activities deliver public benefit

We refer to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

Home-Start Lambeth provides a range of benefits to the public as we aim to increase the confidence, wellbeing and independence of families through the provision of friendship, help and support. Our service is open to any member of the public with children under the age of five who needs to use the service because they are experiencing difficulties in their family life, subject only to our capacity. We then provide a range of support to these families, including parenting support, help with accessing services and improved health and well-being.

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FUTURE PLANS

For now our future plans are to focus on the sustainability of our organisation and the wellbeing of our staff and volunteer team. We are nothing without our people: they are our greatest asset. The families we support have particularly acute needs and these needs will only be compounded by the cost-of-living crisis and reduced service provisions across both the statutory and voluntary sector. We will monitor this carefully and ensure that we remain agile in the face of these challenges.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Total income for the year improved by £44,834 for the year compared to financial year end (FYE) 2023, which reflects the increased efforts on funding sources through FYE24 raising total funding to £240,624.

Total expenditure for the FYE24 was £239,263, the entirety of which related to charitable activities.

This factor has meant that there was an overall surplus of £1,361. (FYE23 deficit of £11,824).

The total funds carried forward was £26,617.

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Principal funding sources

The Trustees continue to pursue a policy of seeking funding from diverse sources which has in the main been successful. During this year Home-Start Lambeth has received funding from a variety of sources including local and national trusts and foundations. A breakdown of these sources of funding is shown in note 2 to the financial statements. We are incredibly grateful to National Lottery, City Bridge, Henry Smith Charity, Mayor's VAWG (Violence against Women and Girls) Fund and Garfield Weston, amongst others, for their generous on-going support, and very much look forward to working with them again through FYE25 and beyond.

We continue to focus attention on securing on-going funding to ensure that we can provide high quality training to our volunteers and exceptional service delivery to the families in our community in need of our support. Further funding and replacement funding (as grants draw to a close) is required in order for us to fully achieve both our near- and medium-term business plan goals and continue to secure our long-term future. With this at the forefront of our minds we continue to seek to identify and apply for new sources of funding to cover both our project delivery and core costs whilst also maintaining a close control of our expenditure.

While funding remains an on-going consideration, the Trustees believe that diversification of funding sources, particularly multi-year grants, on-going corporate support and working with individuals, will be the best way to create stability for the charity. Efforts are underway to continue developing these funding sources.

Investment policy and objectives

The Trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in a reserve account and will seek to achieve as high a rate of return on deposit as possible. At the year-end total investment income was £49 (FYE23 £83)

Reserves policy

The Management Committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organization. The Trustees aim to work to a minimum 12-month budget and to maintain reserves of at least 3 months of annual expenditure. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Management Committee are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. Although the strategy is to build reserves through planned operating surpluses, the Management Committee has also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

Going concern

Note 1 in the notes to the financial statements explains that the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on it being able to secure new sources of income. For the financial year ended 31 March 2024, the charity has sufficient unrestricted reserves and has diversified its funding sufficiently to be able to continue in the same capacity.

As per the Income and Expenditure Account, reserves have fallen below the "3 months annual expenditure" stated in the Reserves Policy. A key management focus will be replenishing our reserves such that they meet three months' running costs in the near term.

Due consideration is given to the scope for the curtailment of activities, and thus expenditure, should the need arise, though this is not the current assumption or expectation of the Trustees.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 14 February 2005 and registered as a charity on 10 November 2005. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are also known as members of the Management Committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association one-third of the members of the Management Committee must stand for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting.

Organisational structure

A board of Directors, collectively the Board of Trustees, administer and govern the organisation. The Board of Trustees as a board bring multiple skills in order to manage the business of the company and come from a range of professional disciplines such as health, business management, education, marketing, public sector and private sector management, accounting and fundraising.

The Board of Trustees meets 8 times a year and co-opts 'skilled individuals' to support the organisation when and as required to deal with issues when they arise. The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and the Company Secretary is responsible for making the appropriate returns to Companies House, Charity Commission and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs. New members undergo an induction with Home-Start, the national organisation and the regional consultant.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring that good practice is maintained in terms of health & safety, safeguarding the welfare of children, confidentiality, data security and equal opportunities amongst other things.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for:

- providing monitoring reports to each of the funders
- attending review meetings with senior members of staff
- maintaining appropriate insurance for staff and premises based on advice from Home-Start UK

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Governance

Home-Start Lambeth principles are based on the Standards and Methods of practice of the Home-Start national organisation:

- To have an effective management committee who is responsible for employing/supporting the staff and to be committed to good employment practice, funding, insurance, premises and to ensure that the scheme works collaboratively with other voluntary and statutory organisations within the borough
- The range of referrals and self-referrals are not limited except where the resources are not available to meet the number or complexities of cases
- All volunteers are carefully selected and attend an initial course of preparation. On-going training and support must be provided to meet their needs, which develop over the course of their work with Home-Start Lambeth
- All members of the management committee, staff and volunteers must be aware of and work within all policies such as equal opportunities, confidentiality, child protection, health & safety and risk assessments
- Home-Start Lambeth must retain close links with Home-Start, the national organisation to obtain training, information and guidance.

Trustee changes

During the year we welcomed Abigail Wood (Oct 23) as a new trustee. We look forward to working with her to grow our charity and ensure ongoing support to families across Lambeth.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees (who are also directors of charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the 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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice).
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for

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safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The trustees confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

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

Approved by order of the board of trustees on **4 September 2024** and signed on its behalf by:



Andrew Slorance – Trustee/ Treasurer

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Home-Start Lambeth for the year ended 31 March 2024.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

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



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Date: 24 September 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(incorporating an income and expenditure account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £
Income from:							
Donations and grants	2	26,548	212,957	239,505	54,911	134,796	189,707
Charitable activities	3	1,070	-	1,070	-	6,000	6,000
Investments	4	49	-	49	83	-	83
Total income		27,667	212,957	240,624	54,994	140,796	195,790
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds		-	-	-	5,000	-	5,000
Charitable activities		26,306	212,957	239,263	50,714	151,900	202,614
Total expenditure	5	26,306	212,957	239,263	55,714	151,900	207,614
Net income/ (expenditure) for the	6	1,361	-	1,361	(720)	(11,104)	(11,824)
Reconciliation of funds: 12							
Total funds brought forward		25,256	-	25,256	25,976	11,104	37,080
Total funds carried forward		26,617	-	26,617	25,256	-	25,256

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	9	2,929	-	2,929	1,601
Current assets:					
Debtors	10	3,292	-	3,292	14,914
Cash at bank and in hand		27,977	55,792	83,769	72,409
		31,269	55,792	87,061	87,323
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(7,581)	(55,792)	(63,373)	(63,668)
Net current assets		23,688	-	23,688	23,655
Total net assets		26,617	-	26,617	25,256
The funds of the charity:	12				
Restricted funds		-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds		26,617	-	26,617	25,256
Total charity funds		26,617	-	26,617	25,256


For the year ended 31 March 2024 the charitable company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on **4 September 2024** and were signed on its behalf by:



Andrew Slorance
Trustee/ Treasurer

Company Registered No. 05363089

The attached notes form part of the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting policies

Statutory information

Home-Start Lambeth is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office address is Unit 2 Holles House, Overton Road, London SW9 7AP.

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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), 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.

Public benefit entity

The charitable company meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Going concerns

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from grants and donations are recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Bank interest on funds is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixtures and fittings	25% on cost
Computer equipment	33% on cost

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1 Accounting policies - continued

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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2 Donations and grants

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Donations	6,548	-	6,548	4,784
Grants:				
Children In Need	-	10,000	10,000	10,500
Henry Smith Charity	-	31,050	31,050	30,450
London Community Foundation	-	10,000	10,000	2,500
Walcot Foundation	-	-	-	21,680
City Bridge Foundation	-	42,664	42,664	-
Mayor's VAWG Fund	-	26,373	26,373	-
Garfield Weston	20,000	-	20,000	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	65,601	65,601	50,000
Hymans Robertson	-	650	650	1,200
Impact on Urban Health	-	-	-	50,127
B&Q Foundation	-	-	-	2,633
Beacon Lodge Trust	-	4,995	4,995	-
Lloyds Banking Foundation	-	10,200	10,200	-
Leap Co-create (National Children's Bureau)	-	5,000	5,000	-
National Lottery Awards For All	-	-	-	9,166
Pears Foundation Via HSUK	-	6,424	6,424	6,667
Total donations and grants	26,548	212,957	239,505	189,707

3 Charitable Activities

Home Start UK	1,070	-	1,070	6,000
	1,070	-	1,070	6,000

4 Investment income

Deposit account interest	49	-	49	83
	49	-	49	83

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5 Analysis of expenditure

	Costs of raising funds £	Charitable activities £	Support costs £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Staff costs	-	113,460	82,104	195,564	158,624
Direct costs	-	7,085	-	7,085	8,680
Other staff costs	-	-	5,009	5,009	4,885
Office costs	-	-	4,277	4,277	12,546
Premises costs	-	-	15,210	15,210	6,589
Subscriptions	-	-	4,307	4,307	4,429
Legal & professional fees	-	-	5,585	5,585	10,708
Independent examination fee	-	-	720	720	720
Depreciation	-	-	1,506	1,506	433
	-	120,545	118,718	239,263	207,614
Support costs allocation	-	118,718	(118,718)	-	-
Total Expenditure	-	239,263	-	239,263	207,614

Of the total expenditure, £26,306 was unrestricted (2023: £55,714) and £212,957 was restricted (2023: £151,900).

6 Net income/ (expenditure) for the year

	2024 £	2023 £
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation - owned assets	1,506	433
Independent examination fee (excl VAT)	600	600

7 Analysis of staff costs, trustee remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management personnel

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	178,084	145,510
Social security costs	12,374	8,954
Other pension costs	5,106	3,746
	195,564	158,210

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The total costs of key management personnel (including employer NIC and pension) were £54,773 (2023: £45,462).

The average monthly number of employees (head count) during the year:

	2024	2023
Charitable activities	6	5
Governance	1	1
	7	6

Trustees remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 (2023: £nil).

During the year a total of £nil (2023: £185) was paid to the Trustees' in respect of professional services provided by them in respect of Board secretary.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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8 Related party disclosure

There are no related party transactions to disclose for the year (2023: none).

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures & Fitting £	Computer Equipment £	Totals £
Cost			
At the start of the year	8,979	6,599	15,578
Additions in year	-	2,832	2,832
At the end of the year	<u>8,979</u>	<u>9,431</u>	18,410
Depreciation			
At the start of the year	8,979	4,998	13,977
Charge for the year	-	1,506	1,506
At the end of the year	<u>8,979</u>	<u>6,504</u>	15,483
Net book value			
At the end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>2,927</u>	2,927
At the start of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>1,601</u>	1,601

10 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Other debtors	2,139	2,139
Prepayments and accrued income	1,153	12,775
	<u>3,292</u>	<u>14,914</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Social security and other taxes	5,061	839
Accruals	2,520	8,220
Deferred income	55,792	54,609
	<u>63,373</u>	<u>63,668</u>

Deferred income:

Deferred income comprises of grants received in advance.

	2024 £	2023 £
Balance at the beginning of the year	54,609	47,132
Amount released to income in the year	(54,609)	(47,132)
Amount deferred in the year	55,792	54,609
Balance at the end of the year	<u>55,792</u>	<u>54,609</u>

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12 Movement in funds - Current Year

	At the start of the year £	Income £	Expenditure £	At the end of the year £
Restricted funds				
Children In Need	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	31,050	(31,050)	-
London Community Foundation	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	65,601	(65,601)	-
Hymans Robertson	-	650	(650)	-
City Bridge Foundation	-	42,664	(42,664)	-
Mayor's VAWG Fund	-	26,373	(26,373)	-
Beacon Lodge Trust	-	4,995	(4,995)	-
Lloyds Banking Foundation	-	10,200	(10,200)	-
Leap Co-create (National Children's Bureau)	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
Pears Foundation Via HSUK	-	6,424	(6,424)	-
Total Restricted Funds	-	212,957	(212,957)	-
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	25,256	27,667	(26,306)	26,617
Total Funds	25,256	240,624	(239,263)	26,617

Movement in funds - Prior Year

	At the start of the year £	Income £	Expenditure £	At the end of the year £
Restricted funds				
Children In Need	-	10,500	(10,500)	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	30,450	(30,450)	-
London Community Foundation	-	2,500	(2,500)	-
Walcot Foundation	3,736	21,680	(25,416)	-
National Lottery Community Fund	-	50,000	(50,000)	-
Hymans Robertson	-	1,200	(1,200)	-
B&Q Foundation	-	2,633	(2,633)	-
National Lottery Awards For All	-	9,166	(9,166)	-
Pears Foundation Via HSUK	2,052	6,667	(8,719)	-
Home Start UK	5,316	6,000	(11,316)	-
Total Restricted Funds	11,104	140,796	(151,900)	-
Unrestricted Funds				
General	25,976	54,994	(55,714)	25,256
Total funds	37,080	195,790	(207,614)	25,256

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England & Wales - Charity number 1112014

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1112014

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05363089 (England and Wales)

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Registered Company number	05363089 (England and Wales)
Registered Charity number	1112014
Registered office	Unit 2 Holles House Overton Road London SW9 7AP
Trustees	S Hrabar-Owens - Chair A L Alexander E Parsons J Peek J Pitt A Slorance – Treasurer (appointed October 2022) A Lawal (appointed November 2022) M Leonard (appointed January 2023) M Bannister – Treasurer (resigned January 2023)
Independent Examiner	Accountability Europe Limited Omnibus Workspace 39-41 North Road London N7 9DP
Bankers	Unity Trust Bank PO Box 7193 Planetary Road Willenhall WV1 9DG

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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2023 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purpose of the charity, as set out in its governing documents are:

- To safeguard, protect and preserve the good health, both mental and physical of children and parents of children
- To prevent cruelty to or maltreatment of children
- To relieve sickness, poverty and need amongst children and parents of children
- To promote the education of the public in better standards of childcare within the area of Lambeth and its environs

Home-Start Lambeth's core service is matching local volunteers with local families with children under the age of 5 years living in the London Borough of Lambeth. We set goals with these families and our volunteers work with families to help them to achieve these goals. This model of empowerment and friendship is a lifeline to families experiencing considerable challenges. We continue to be impressed by the strength and resilience of our families and their determination to provide their children with the best possible start in life.

Home-Start Lambeth works in partnership with referrers to identify families in need of support and put in place appropriate support. This includes Social Workers, Health Visitors, Children Centres and other Health Professionals. We also have many self-referrals, as families recognise themselves that they need extra help. We work with families with universal and targeted needs, preventing children from needing specialist help. Our weekly consistent home-based support helps families to recognise their own strengths and develop their own approaches.

The specific objectives of Home-Start Lambeth are to increase the confidence and independence of the family by:

- Offering support, friendship and practical assistance
- Visiting families in their own homes, where the dignity and identity of each adult and child can be protected and respected
- Reassuring parents that difficulties in bringing up children is not unusual and encouraging them to enjoy family life
- Developing a relationship with the family in which time can be shared and understanding developed; the approach is flexible to take into account families own individual needs
- Encouraging parents' strengths and wellbeing for the ultimate benefit of the children
- Encouraging families to widen their network of relationships and to use effectively the support services within the community, when they are ready
- Supporting families who have experienced domestic abuse through direct support and through the Freedom Programme.

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Achievements

Below outlines some of the notable events and impacts we have achieved to year-end Mar-23:

Core service

This year we supported 164 individuals across 53 families through our core family befriending volunteer service. This has been a lifeline for isolated families with pre-school children through a particularly challenging period. Our consistent weekly support improved the mental wellbeing and emotional resilience of struggling parents, so they were better able to meet the needs of their young children during their critical early years. This early intervention helped to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on the health, wellbeing and development of children.

We asked families whether our support made a difference against four indicators:

1. Decreased loneliness = 100% (82% yes; 18% somewhat)
2. Increased use of services = 83% (76% yes; 7% somewhat)
3. Increased involvement in child's development/learning = 100% (73% yes; 27% somewhat)
4. Increased confidence in parenting skills = 100% (75% yes; 25% somewhat)

Groups

Our 2 groups for families, Little Munchkins for babies and Little Legends for toddlers, provide significant benefits in enabling families to forge new supportive peer relationships and share strategies for overcoming shared challenges. In this year 41 families with 68 children attended our groups.

Families at our feedback lunch told us:

- The group has supported families to feel less isolated. 100% of attendees of our feedback lunch stated that either of them, their children or both had made friends at the group, 14% parents, 14% their children and 72% both parents and children.
- That the group had given them new ideas to support exploring numbers and letters in their everyday activities:
 - "Every morning we count the stairs while walking down!"
 - "We use counting when we are out on walks and count how many birds, cars, vans etc we see."
 - "I have done learning the colour red by children colouring two apples, then counting them. Questioning "How many?", counting songs and identifying the letter A. A is for Apple."
- A significant stress that families told us about is money. They tell us we help with that by providing them with activity packs, we have a new fruit to try each week and we provide Alexandra Rose vouchers to ensure that families can access the fruits they have tried at group at home. We also refer to other organisations to help with finances, including food banks and the Healthy Living Platform. Families have told us that the fruit offer has significantly helped them to enrich their children's diet and by providing low cost activities as well as providing the resources themselves, they are able to spend less on activities for their children. They also said that it is easy to recreate our activities and sensory packs as we try to ensure everything is bought with the cost of living in mind, our resources are sourced from local markets and Poundland.
- The group has supported the development of children's pro-social skills. Positive improvements have been tracked across sharing, Helping, Greeting Others, asking for help as well as giving and receiving hugs. For all we have seen a positive improvement in the majority of children.

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Freedom programme

Our Freedom programme for domestic abuse survivors helps attendees to understand their experiences and gives information on healthy relationships to help them to recognise positive relationship dynamics in the future. In this year we supported 32 survivors through 4 runs of the programme.

We use the Rosenberg self-esteem scale to gauge the effectiveness of our *Freedom* programme as one of the longer term impacts of domestic abuse is reduced self-esteem for survivors. The scale ranges from 0-30. Scores of between 15-20 are considered within the normal range. A Rosenberg score of below 15 indicates problematic low self-esteem.

- The programme was successful in boosting attendee self-esteem. The average self-esteem score for survivors when starting the programme was 16. The average score post-programme was 22.
- Before starting the programme, 11 survivors had problematic scores of below 15.
- After the programme 91% of these survivors no longer had problematically low levels of self-esteem.
- The highest variation in scores was 15. A survivor started with a score of problematic score of 12 and ended at 27.

How our activities deliver public benefit

We refer to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

Home-Start Lambeth provides a range of benefits to the public as we aim to increase the confidence, wellbeing and independence of families through the provision of friendship, help and support. Our service is open to any member of the public with children under the age of five who needs to use the service because they are experiencing difficulties in their family life, subject only to our capacity. We then provide a range of support to these families, including parenting support, help with accessing services and improved health and well-being.

FUTURE PLANS

For now our future plans are to focus on the sustainability of our organisation and the wellbeing of our staff and volunteer team. We are nothing without our people: they are our greatest asset. The families we support have particularly acute needs and these needs will only be compounded by the cost of living crisis and reduced service provisions across both the statutory and voluntary sector. We will monitor this carefully and ensure that we remain agile in the face of these challenges.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Total income for the year improved by £34,946 for the year compared to 2021/22, which reflects the increased efforts on funding sources through 2022/23 raising total funding to £195,790.

Total expenditure for the year 2022/23 was £207,614, of which £202,614 related to charitable activities with the remainder relating to fund raising activities.

This factor has meant that there was an overall deficit of £11,824. (2021/22 deficit of £44,326).

The total funds carried forward was £25,256.

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Principal funding sources

The Trustees continue to pursue a policy of seeking funding from diverse sources which has in the main been successful. During this year Home-Start Lambeth has received funding from a variety of sources including local and national trusts and foundations. A breakdown of these sources of funding is shown in note 2 to the financial statements. We are incredibly grateful to Urban Health, National Lottery, Henry Smith Charity, the Walcot Foundation and London Community Fund, among others, for their generous on-going support and very much look forward to working with them again through 2023-2024 and beyond.

We continue to focus attention on securing on-going funding to ensure that we can provide high quality training to our volunteers and exceptional service delivery to the families in our community in need of our support. Further funding and replacement funding (as grants draw to a close) is required in order for us to fully achieve both our near- and medium-term business plan goals and continue to secure our long-term future. With this at the forefront of our minds we continue to seek to identify and apply for new sources of funding to cover both our project delivery and core costs whilst also maintaining a close control on our expenditure.

While funding remains an on-going consideration, the Trustees believe that through diversification of funding sources, particularly multi-year grants, on-going corporate support and working with individuals, will be the best way to create stability. Efforts are underway to continue developing these funding sources.

Investment policy and objectives

The Trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in a reserve account and will seek to achieve as high a rate of return on deposit as possible. At the year-end total investment income was £83 (2021/22: £258)

Reserves policy

The Management Committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organization. The Trustees aim to work to a minimum 12-month budget and to maintain reserves of at least 3 months of annual expenditure. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Management Committee are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. Although the strategy is to build reserves through planned operating surpluses, the Management Committee has also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

Going concern

Note 1 in the notes to the financial statements explains that the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on it being able to secure new sources of income. For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the charity has sufficient unrestricted reserves and has diversified its funding sufficiently to be able to continue in the same capacity.

As per the Income and Expenditure Account has resulted in reserves falling below the "3 months annual expenditure" stated in the Reserves Policy, though our funded position for the 2023/24 financial year is very healthy with a key management focus on replenishing our reserves such that they meet three months running costs in the near term. Due consideration is given to the scope for the curtailment activities and thus expenditure should the need arise, though this is not the current assumption or expectation of the Trustees.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 14 February 2005 and registered as a charity on 10 November 2005. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are also known as members of the Management Committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association one-third of the members of the Management Committee must stand for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting.

Organisational structure

A board of Directors, collectively the Board of Trustees administer and govern the organisation. The Board of Trustees as a board bring multiple skills in order to manage the business of the company and come from a range of professional disciplines such as health, business management, education, marketing, public sector and private sector management, accounting and fundraising.

The Board of Trustees meets every 4-6 weeks and co-opts 'skilled individuals' to support the organisation when and as required to deal with issues when they arise. The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and the Company Secretary is responsible for making the appropriate returns to Companies House, Charity Commission and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs. New members undergo an induction with Home-Start, the national organisation and the regional consultant.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring that good practice is maintained in terms of health & safety, safeguarding the welfare of children, confidentiality, data security and equal opportunities amongst other things.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for:

- providing monitoring reports to each of the funders
- attending review meetings with senior members of staff
- maintaining appropriate insurance for staff and premises based on advice from Home-Start UK

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Governance

Home-Start Lambeth principles are based on the Standards and Methods of practice of the Home-Start national organisation:

- To have an effective management committee who is responsible for employing/supporting the staff and to be committed to good employment practice, funding, insurance, premises and to ensure that the scheme works collaboratively with other voluntary and statutory organisations within the borough
- The range of referrals and self-referrals are not limited except where the resources are not available to meet the number of complexities of all the cases
- All volunteers are carefully selected and attend an initial course of preparation. On-going training and support must be provided to meet their needs, which develop over the course of their work with Home-Start Lambeth
- All members of the management committee, staff and volunteers must be aware of and work within all policies such as equal opportunities, confidentiality, child protection, health & safety and the risk assessment
- Home-Start Lambeth must retain close links with Home-Start, the national organisation to obtain training, information and guidance.

Trustee changes

During the year Mark Bannister resigned as trustee/ treasurer. Mark has been a long standing trustee and treasurer. All at Home-Start Lambeth are incredibly grateful to the enormous contribution over the years. He will remain a friend to the charity.

In the reporting period we welcomed Andrew Slorance (Oct-22), Ade Lawal (Nov-22) and Margaret Leonard (Jan-23) as new trustees. We look forward to working with them to grow our charity and ensure ongoing support to families across Lambeth. Andrew Slorance has assumed Mark Bannisters responsibilities as trustee treasurer.

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees (who are also directors of charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the 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 these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The trustees confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

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

Approved by order of the board of trustees on **4th December 2023** and signed on its behalf by:



Andrew Slorance – Trustee/ Treasurer

HOME-START LAMBETH

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Home-Start Lambeth for the year ended 31 March 2023.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

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



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Date: 8 December 2023

HOME-START LAMBETH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

(incorporating an income and expenditure account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £
Income from:	Note						
Donations and grants	2	54,911	134,796	189,707	33,527	120,392	153,919
Charitable activities	3	-	6,000	6,000	-	6,667	6,667
Investments	4	83	-	83	258	-	258
Total income		54,994	140,796	195,790	33,785	127,059	160,844
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds		5,000	-	5,000	3,700	-	3,700
Charitable activities		50,714	151,900	202,614	85,515	115,955	201,470
Total expenditure	5	55,714	151,900	207,614	89,215	115,955	205,170
Net income/ (expenditure) for the year	6	(720)	(11,104)	(11,824)	(55,430)	11,104	(44,326)
Reconciliation of funds:	12						
Total funds brought forward		25,976	11,104	37,080	81,406	-	81,406
Total funds carried forward		25,256	-	25,256	25,976	11,104	37,080

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	9	1,601	-	1,601	360
Current assets:					
Debtors	10	14,914	-	14,914	4,838
Cash at bank and in hand		17,800	54,609	72,409	91,358
		<u>32,714</u>	<u>54,609</u>	<u>87,323</u>	<u>96,196</u>
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(9,059)	(54,609)	(63,668)	(59,476)
		<u>23,655</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,655</u>	<u>36,720</u>
Net current assets		<u>23,655</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,655</u>	<u>36,720</u>
Total net assets		<u>25,256</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,256</u>	<u>37,080</u>
The funds of the charity:	12				
Restricted funds				-	25,976
Unrestricted funds				<u>25,256</u>	<u>11,104</u>
Total charity funds				<u>25,256</u>	<u>37,080</u>

For the year ended 31 March 2023 the charitable company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on **4th December 2023** and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Andrew Slorance
Trustee/ Treasurer

Company Registered No. 05363089

The attached notes form part of the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

Statutory information

Home-Start Lambeth is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office address is Unit 2 Holles House, Overton Road, London SW9 7AP.

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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), 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.

Public benefit entity

The charitable company meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Going concerns

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The trustees consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will not have a significant impact on the charity's core funding. Income from trading activities is expected to reduce due to the lockdown conditions and steps are being taken to make cost savings. The trustees regard any impact to be short term rather than affecting the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from grants and donations are recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Bank interest on funds is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank.

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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixtures and fittings	25% on cost
Computer equipment	33% on cost

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1 Accounting policies - continued

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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2 Donations and grants

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
	£	£	Total	Total
			£	£
Donations	4,784	-	4,784	2,497
Grants:				
Children In Need	-	10,500	10,500	-
Help For Children	-	-	-	8,530
Henry Smith Charity	-	30,450	30,450	22,500
London Community	-	2,500	2,500	42,629
Walcot Foundation	-	21,680	21,680	19,388
Lambeth NHS	-	-	-	6,707
National Lottery	-	50,000	50,000	29,167
P Minet Trust	-	-	-	3,334
Hyman Roberts	-	1,200	1,200	-
Urban Health	50,127	-	50,127	-
B&Q Foundation	-	2,633	2,633	-
Garfield Weston	-	-	-	15,000
Awards For All	-	9,166	9,166	834
Pears	-	6,667	6,667	3,333
Total donations and grants	54,911	134,796	189,707	153,919

3 Charitable Activities

Home Start UK	-	6,000	6,000	6,667
	-	6,000	6,000	6,667

4 Investment income

Deposit account interest	83	-	83	258
	83	-	83	258

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5 Analysis of expenditure

	Costs of raising funds £	Charitable activities £	Support costs £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Staff costs	-	45,323	113,301	158,624	158,729
Direct costs	5,000	3,680	-	8,680	9,837
Other staff costs	-	-	4,885	4,885	3,640
Office costs	-	-	12,546	12,546	16,010
Premises costs	-	-	6,589	6,589	8,515
Subscriptions	-	-	4,429	4,429	-
Legal & professional fees	-	-	10,708	10,708	5,139
Independent examination fees	-	-	720	720	3,120
Depreciation	-	-	433	433	180
	<u>5,000</u>	<u>49,003</u>	<u>153,611</u>	<u>207,614</u>	<u>205,170</u>
Support costs allocation	-	153,611	(153,611)	-	-
Total Expenditure	<u>5,000</u>	<u>202,614</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>207,614</u>	<u>205,170</u>

Of the total expenditure, £55,714 was unrestricted (2022: £89,215) and £151,900 was restricted (2022: £115,955).

6 Net income/ (expenditure) for the year

	2023 £	2022 £
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation - owned assets	433	180
Independent examination fee (excl VAT)	600	2,550
	<u>600</u>	<u>2,550</u>

7 Analysis of staff costs, trustee remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management personnel

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	145,510	146,254
Social security costs	8,954	8,624
Other pension costs	3,746	3,860
	<u>158,210</u>	<u>158,738</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The total costs of key management personnel (including employer NIC and pension) were £45,462 (2022: £38,445).

The average monthly number of employees (head count) during the year:

	2023	2022
Charitable activities	5	5
Governance	1	1
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

Trustees remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 (2022: £nil).

During the year a total of £185 (2022: £1,240) was paid to the Trustees' in respect of professional services provided by them in respect of Board secretary.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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8 Related party disclosure

There are no related party transactions to disclose for the year (2022: none).

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures & Fitting	Computer Equipment	Totals
Cost	£	£	£
At the start of the year	8,979	4,925	13,904
Additions in year	-	1,674	1,674
At the end of the year	<u>8,979</u>	<u>6,599</u>	<u>15,578</u>
Depreciation			
At the start of the year	8,979	4,565	13,544
Charge for the year	-	433	433
At the end of the year	<u>8,979</u>	<u>4,998</u>	<u>13,977</u>
Net book value			
At the end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>1,601</u>	<u>1,601</u>
At the start of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>360</u>

10 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	63
Other debtors	2,139	1,039
Prepayments and accrued income	12,775	3,736
	<u>14,914</u>	<u>4,838</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	19
Social security and other taxes	839	6,171
Other creditors	-	454
Accruals	8,220	5,700
Deferred income	54,609	47,132
	<u>63,668</u>	<u>59,476</u>

Deferred income:

Deferred income comprises of grants received in advance.

	2023	2022
	£	£
Balance at the beginning of the year	47,132	75,854
Amount released to income in the year	(47,132)	(75,854)
Amount deferred in the year	54,609	47,132
Balance at the end of the year	<u>54,609</u>	<u>47,132</u>

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12 Movement in funds - Current Year

	At the start of the year £	Income £	Expenditure £	At the end of the year £
Restricted funds				
Children In Need	-	10,500	(10,500)	-
Henry Smith Charity	-	30,450	(30,450)	-
London Community	-	2,500	(2,500)	-
Walcot Foundation	3,736	21,680	(25,416)	-
National Lottery	-	50,000	(50,000)	-
Hyman Roberts	-	1,200	(1,200)	-
B&Q Foundation	-	2,633	(2,633)	-
Awards For All	-	9,166	(9,166)	-
Pears	2,052	6,667	(8,719)	-
Home Start UK	5,316	6,000	(11,316)	-
Total Restricted Funds	11,104	140,796	(151,900)	-
Unrestricted funds				
General funds	25,976	54,994	(55,714)	25,256
Total funds	37,080	195,790	(207,614)	25,256

Movement in funds - Prior Year

	At the start of the year £	Income £	Expenditure £	At the end of the year £
Restricted funds				
London Community	-	42,629	(42,629)	-
National Lottery	-	29,167	(29,167)	-
Walcot Foundation	-	19,388	(15,652)	3,736
Lambeth NHS	-	6,707	(6,707)	-
P Minet Trust	-	3,334	(3,334)	-
Home-Start UK	-	6,667	(1,351)	5,316
Garfield Weston	-	15,000	(15,000)	-
Awards For All	-	834	(834)	-
Pears	-	3,333	(1,281)	2,052
Total Restricted Funds	-	127,059	(115,955)	11,104
Unrestricted funds				
General	81,406	33,785	(89,215)	25,976
Total funds	81,406	160,844	(205,170)	37,080

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England & Wales - Charity number 1112014

Accounts

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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022
FOR
HOME-START LAMBETH

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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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 2022. 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 2019).

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2022 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

Reference and administrative information set out on page 3 forms part of this report.

The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The purposes of the charity, as set out in its governing documents are:-

- To safeguard, protect and preserve the good health, both mental and physical of children and parents of children
- To prevent cruelty to or maltreatment of children
- To relieve sickness, poverty and need amongst children and parents of children
- To promote the education of the public in better standards of childcare within the area of Lambeth and its environs

Home-Start Lambeth's core service is matching local volunteers with local families with children under the age of 5 years living in the London Borough of Lambeth. We set goals with these families and our volunteers work with families to help them to achieve these goals. This model of empowerment and friendship is a lifeline to families experiencing considerable challenges. We continue to be impressed by the strength and resilience of our families and their determination to provide their children with the best possible start in life.

Home-Start Lambeth works in partnership with referrers to identify families in need of support and put in place appropriate support. This includes Social Workers, Health Visitors, Children Centre's and other Health Professionals. We also have many self-referrals, as families recognise themselves that they need extra help. We work with families with universal and targeted needs, preventing children from needing specialist help. Our weekly consistent home-based support helps families to recognise their own strengths and develop their own approaches.

The specific objectives of Home-Start Lambeth are to increase the confidence and independence of the family by:-

- Offering support, friendship and practical assistance
- Visiting families in their own homes, where the dignity and identity of each adult and child can be protected and respected
- Reassuring parents that difficulties in bringing up children is not unusual and encouraging them to enjoy family life
- Developing a relationship with the family in which time can be shared and understanding developed; the approach is flexible to take into account families own individual needs
- Encouraging parents' strengths and wellbeing for the ultimate benefit of the children
- Encouraging families to widen their network of relationships and to use effectively the support services within the community, when they are ready
- Supporting families who have experienced domestic abuse through direct support and through the Freedom Programme.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

Our volunteers continue to inspire us with their enthusiasm and dedication to supporting local families.

We ran our first face to face volunteer training during this period. It was fantastic to be back in the same room together. Volunteers commented that the domestic abuse, mental health and safeguarding elements of the training were particularly useful. One attendee commented:

"Very thorough course that really makes sure that people who are volunteering have a good idea of what might be expected of them and the whole range of types of situations they could conceivably encounter."

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

This year Home-Start Lambeth has provided 121 volunteer support and group support for families in need with young children. We also delivered the Freedom Programme for women who have experienced domestic abuse.

Data for the period 1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022 show the following:

- 93 families were supported
- 15 volunteers were trained
- We received 146 freedom referrals of which 55 women attended
- We delivered 4 runs of the Freedom programme

How our activities deliver public benefit

We refer to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

Home-Start Lambeth provides a range of benefits to the public as we aim to increase the confidence, wellbeing and independence of families through the provision of friendship, help and support. Our service is open to any member of the public with children under the age of five who needs to use the service because they are experiencing difficulties in their family life, subject only to our capacity. We then provide a range of support to these families, including parenting support, help with accessing services and improved health and well-being.

Key areas of our support this year included:

- direct practical support with critical, urgent issues: such as help securing safe and appropriate housing, accessing refuge accommodation, accessing appropriate benefits, accessing foodbanks, and engaging with specialist agencies such as the Gaia Centre
- practical support with day-to-day issues such as getting out and about with the children, getting to health appointments and managing a tight household budget
- emotional support for parents and their young children
- parenting support including help with establishing routines, modelling positive parenting, supporting their children's early development through play, and building support networks
- regular WhatsApp broadcasts with parenting tips including suggestions for activities to do with the children and signposting to available services in the local area.

Core service

Our core family befriending volunteer service has been a lifeline for isolated families with pre-school children through a particularly challenging period. Our consistent weekly support improved the mental wellbeing and emotional resilience of struggling parents, so they were better able to meet the needs of their young children during their critical early years. This early intervention helped to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on the health, wellbeing and development of children.

Core service case study

We monitor changes in the lives of the families we support. Below is an example of the outcomes we achieved for families this year (names have been changed to provide anonymity):

When we first made contact with Josie, she had spent the night before at A&E having self-presented as suicidal. We talked about her 2 boys, one of whom is on the autism spectrum and was displaying behavioural problems, the other has a range of physical disabilities, which were affecting his ability to eat. Josie had to feed him every 2 hours, including through the night. As a result Josie had very little sleep, she was highly stressed and struggling to cope.

At the time, we were in lockdown, so after matching Josie with a volunteer they met up regularly in the park. Josie described these meetings as "lifesaving" as she was able to get out of the house and be supported with her 2 children. The volunteer found different approaches for managing her older son's behaviours linked to his autism. She shared these with Josie and together they were able to produce plans enabling Josie to respond differently and more effectively to her son's behaviours.

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We boosted Josie's confidence and supported her to contact agencies including therapeutic support for herself as well as finding an appropriate school to accommodate her eldest son's autism. Josie was in an abusive relationship, and with our support she felt safe to leave her husband and ask him to move out of the home. As lockdown eased, her youngest son was able to have an operation to help with his feeding which meant that Josie was able to sleep as she didn't need to feed him every 2 hours. She was also able to get more support from her own family which enabled her to go back to work as a nurse. This has boosted her confidence and self-esteem even further. Throughout these significant life events, her volunteer and Home-Start staff provided emotional support - reassuring her that she was strong enough and capable enough to make these decisions for her and her family.

Towards the end of our support, our volunteer supported Rochelle to attend groups delivered by Whippersnappers, enabling her to make friends with other parents, including other parents of autistic children. She is learning to drive, is going for a promotion at work and is also planning a 2 week safari holiday just for her and her mum. Management of her son's behaviours alongside her confidence means that she now feels safe to leave her children in the care of her family so that she can enjoy a much needed break. Comments from Mum included: "I really couldn't have made it without Rochelle always cheering me on and telling me that I CAN do it... Rochelle always just listened and when she had a suggestion it be so helpful... I have never felt so confident in my entire life!"

Groups support

Our groups have a strong track record of supporting families and meeting their needs.

- Attendees gave the group an average of 4.6 stars out of 5.
- All respondents to our feedback form agreed that Home-Start Lambeth groups had given them new ideas of activities to do with their children.
 - o 88% agreed they had more ideas of how to support their child's learning (e.g. learning numbers and letters) and that they were more confident about the educational benefits of activities they do with their children
 - o 88% of parents also reported they were more confident introducing new foods to their children
 - o 100% of parents reported that attending groups had been helpful for their own wellbeing
 - o 85% of parents said it had helped them to feel less isolated

Attendees at our groups said:

"My daughter presents autistic and is a fussy eater. Though she refused the snacks she was able to participate in activities and where she didn't want to Abi prepared alternatives which constantly kept her engaged. My daughter bonded very well with the staff always met Abi with big hugs, which is very amazing for a child who's very particular with her interactions. She was free and able to express herself safely and I was given the opportunity to relax and enjoy the activities which were much needed and very therapeutic."

"The support from Home start over the past year has been lifesaving. I have passed through many challenges, but most importantly I have learned new and effective ways of moving through touch [sic] times. My daughters development has improved greatly through the activities and I have been able to implement a lot of the advice and support from the staff in our daily life. "

Domestic abuse and the Freedom Programme

The delivery of the Freedom Programme continues to go from strength to strength and is now well recognised within the borough. Given the pandemic, we ran Freedom in the evenings via Zoom across this period. Attendees commented that it made it easier for those with caring responsibilities, disabilities and busy working lives to attend.

We use the Rosenberg self-esteem Scale to measure the impact of the Freedom Programme on beneficiaries. A Rosenberg score below 15 indicates problematic low self-esteem.

- the average self-esteem score for attendees increased by 5 points, from 14.5 out of 30 to 19.7.
- For those with problematic self-esteem scores (below 15), their average increase was 9.3 points, from 9.6 out of 30 to 18.9.
- 82% of women with problematic low self-esteem before starting the Freedom programme no longer scored below 15 after completing the programme.

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Financial position

Total income for the year has dropped by £59,432 compared to 2020/21, which reflects the reduction in funding sources during the year.

Grant income has reduced by £48,191 in the year. Additionally the charity has deferred income of £45,567 which will be reflected in the 2022/23 financial statements.

This factor has meant that there was an overall deficit of £44,326. (2020/21 gain of £8,068).

The total funds carried forward was £37,080 of which £25,976 was unrestricted and £11,104 was restricted.

Principal funding sources

The Trustees continue to pursue a policy of seeking funding from diverse sources which has in the main been successful. During this year Home-Start Lambeth has received funding from a variety of sources including local trusts, national trusts and trusts established by corporate sponsors. A breakdown of these sources of funding is shown in note 2 to the financial statements. We are incredibly grateful to London Community, National Lottery, Henry Smith Charity, Garfield Weston and the Walcot Foundation, among others, for their generous on-going support and very much look forward to working with them again through 2022-2023 and beyond.

We continue to focus attention on securing on-going funding to ensure that we can provide high quality training to our volunteers and exceptional service delivery to the families in our community in need of our support. Further funding and replacement funding (as grants draw to a close) is required in order for us to fully achieve both our near- and medium-term business plan goals and continue to secure our long-term future. With this at the forefront of our minds we continue to seek to identify and apply for new sources of funding to cover both our project delivery and core costs whilst also maintaining a close control on our expenditure.

While funding remains an on-going consideration, the Trustees believe that through diversification of funding sources, particularly multi-year grants, on-going corporate support and working with individuals, will be the best way to create stability. Efforts are underway to continue developing these funding sources.

Investment policy and objectives

The Trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in a reserve account and will seek to achieve as high a rate of return on deposit as possible.

At the year-end total investment income was £258 (2020/21: £93)

Reserves policy

The Management Committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. The Trustees aim to work to a minimum 12-month budget and to maintain reserves of at least 3 months of annual expenditure. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Management Committee are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. Although the strategy is to build reserves through planned operating surpluses, the Management Committee has also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

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Going concern

Note 1 in the notes to the financial statements explains that the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on it being able to secure new sources of income. For the financial year ended 31 March 2022, the charity has sufficient unrestricted reserves and has diversified its funding sufficiently to be able to continue in the same capacity. Several new funding bids continue to be pursued on an ongoing basis and expenditure is closely monitored to ensure that it remains closely aligned to income.

The disappointing year as per the Income and Expenditure Account has resulted in reserves falling below the "3 months annual expenditure" stated in the Reserves Policy. The goal very much is to address this and to build up the level of free reserves once again.

Whilst the Trustees acknowledge the inherent uncertainties that exist, they have nevertheless decided that it is appropriate to produce the financial statements on a going concern basis given the volume of new funding sources in the pipeline as well the on-going efforts to diversify funding and ensure the continuing delivery of Home-Start Lambeth to our community. Due consideration is given to the scope for the curtailment activities and thus expenditure should the need arise, though this is not the current assumption or expectation of the Trustees.

The main uncertainties currently are related to the cost of living crisis, not only controlling our own in house overheads, but also the extent to which the crisis will impact on potential funders. We are working to protect against these uncertainties and to build up free reserves by the following means.

- 1) minimising costs e.g. clerking costs have been eliminated
- 2) use of 2 consultants who are familiar with other Home Starts, one to assist with fundraising applications and one to advise on other matters.
- 3) the Home Start Lambeth web site has been considerably improved recently and we are confident this will assist with fundraising applications. Also social media connections have been and are being continually improved.
- 4) we have recruited/are recruiting additional volunteer trustees with specific skill sets eg human resources, legal, in order to better assist management.

At the time of writing, we are waiting to hear back regarding 4 separate applications worth a potential £67,742 over the next 3 years. Additionally, there are 2 applications worth £55,000 in progress.

The above resolutions give trustees and management confidence that Home Start Lambeth remains a going concern and will be able to trade through its current problems.

Covid-19

Covid had a significant impact on our staff, our volunteers and of course our families this year.

Our staff team faced exceptional challenges due to Covid 19 this year. Our Director Pareece, was particularly affected which impacted our abilities to fundraise for the year. This led to a restructure and redundancies which were very difficult for such a small team. By the end of the financial year the staff team reduced from 7 staff to just 3.

Our volunteers adapted well to providing remote support to families. They provided support over the phone & via Zoom. As restrictions changed, we reintroduced face to face support but kept this outdoors, in local parks and green spaces. This gave unexpected benefits, volunteers and families found this time spent outdoors particularly beneficial.

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For our families, Covid continued to pose challenges. The lack of opportunities to form social connections due to the pandemic meant that isolation was a particular challenge. Our groups support was particularly helpful here, as was the reassuring ongoing 121 support of our volunteers. The winter of 21/22 was particularly tough as COVID and the cost of living was biting. The team provided many families with support around finances, including referrals to other organisations to ensure they were receiving their full benefits entitlements through to help with budgeting, accessing food banks etc. One family came to us after her Universal Credit had been cut in the week before Christmas. This mum of 4 children had £20, of which she was putting £15 on her electricity meter and had nothing left. We matched her payment on her meter as well as providing her and her family with duvets, referral to a food bank, a supermarket voucher (with a recommendation to purchase hot water bottles) as well as Christmas presents (funded by Hymans Robertson a corporate sponsor of our Christmas activity).

FUTURE PLANS

For now our future plans are to focus on the sustainability of our organisation and the wellbeing of our staff and volunteer team. We are nothing without our people: they are our greatest asset. The families we support have particularly acute needs and these needs will only be compounded by the cost of living crisis and reduced service provisions across both the statutory and voluntary sector. We will monitor this carefully and ensure that we remain agile in the face of these challenges.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 14 February 2005 and registered as a charity on 10 November 2005. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are also known as members of the Management Committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association one-third of the members of the Management Committee must stand for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting.

Organisational structure

A board of Directors, collectively the Board of Trustees administer and govern the organisation. The Board of Trustees as a board bring multiple skills in order to manage the business of the company and come from a range of professional disciplines such as health, business management, education, marketing, public sector and private sector management, accounting and fundraising. The Board of Trustees meets every 4-6 weeks and co-opts 'skilled individuals' to support the organisation when and as required to deal with issues when they arise. The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and the Company Secretary is responsible for making the appropriate returns to Companies House, Charity Commission and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs. New members undergo an induction with Home-Start, the national organisation and the regional consultant.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring that good practice is maintained in terms of health & safety, safeguarding the welfare of children, confidentiality, data security and equal opportunities amongst other things.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for:

- providing monitoring reports to each of the funders:
- attending review meetings with senior members of staff
- maintaining appropriate insurance for staff and premises based on advice from Home-Start UK

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governance

Home-Start Lambeth principles are based on the Standards and Methods of practice of the Home-Start national organisation:

- To have an effective management committee who is responsible for employing/supporting the staff and to be committed to good employment practice, funding, insurance, premises and to ensure that the scheme works collaboratively with other voluntary and statutory organisations within the borough
- The range of referrals and self-referrals are not limited except where the resources are not available to meet the number of complexities of all the cases
- All volunteers are carefully selected and attend an initial course of preparation. On-going training and support must be provided to meet their needs, which develop over the course of their work with Home-Start Lambeth
- All members of the management committee, staff and volunteers must be aware of and work within all policies such as equal opportunities, confidentiality, child protection, health & safety and the risk assessment
- Home-Start Lambeth must retain close links with Home-Start, the national organisation to obtain training, information and guidance.

Trustees and staff

During the year Danielle Harris, Emma Hook, Esen Khan Eva Holden, Philippa Jackson and Sian Sinclair resigned as trustees. It is with a particularly heavy heart we say goodbye to our long standing trustee and vice chair Sian. Her enormous contribution to the Home Start Lambeth will never be forgotten. She will remain a friend to the charity and has been joining us in our social engagements.

We welcomed several new trustees to the board: Elaine Parsons, Jan Peek & Jeannie Parsons joined us in March 2022 and more recently Andrew Slorance in October 2022 and Margaret Leonard in January 2023. We look forward to working with them to grow our charity and ensure ongoing support to families across Lambeth.

We said goodbye to several staff in the year. Johanna Bernard left us in November 2021, Johnny Murwill in January 2022, Pareece Sandiford in February 2022 and Safia Mun in April 2022. We are immensely grateful to these staff for their dedicated work and support for our charity, at what was an extraordinary time for families in Lambeth.

Sophie Bannister was appointed in May 2022 as a volunteer and communication officer. In October 2022, Rebecca Rew was promoted to Administration & Systems Officer. Both have shown great initiatives and support to Susie, our Head of Service.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

05363089 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1112014

Registered office

Unit 2 Holles House
Overton Road
London
SW9 7AP

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Trustees

A L Alexander
M Bannister - Treasurer
D C Harris (resigned 15/6/2021)
E Holden (resigned 11/3/2022)
E Hook (resigned 18/10/2021)
P J Jackson (resigned 23/3/2022)
E Khan (resigned 7/7/2021)
S E Sinclair (resigned 1/3/2022)
S Hrabar-Owens - Chair (appointed 10/5/2021)
E Parsons (appointed 1/3/2022)
J Peek (appointed 1/3/2022)
J Pitt (appointed 1/3/2022)
A P Slorance (appointed 14/10/2022)
A A Lawal (appointed 7/11/2022)
M Leonard (appointed 9/1/2023)

Independent Examiner

Leanne Leverington ACA
Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
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Chartered Accountants
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Bankers

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 25 January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

S Hrabar-Owens - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
HOME-START LAMBETH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Home-Start Lambeth ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement - matters of concern identified

I have completed my examination.

Having completed my examination, I would bring to your attention the comments in the Trustee's report regarding the uncertainties inherent in the current and future financial situation. I do not disagree with the Trustees conclusions in respect of going concern, but there remains a material uncertainty in this regard.

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

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

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Leanne Leverington ACA
Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
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25 January 2023

HOME-START LAMBETH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	33,527	120,392	153,919	202,110
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activity		-	6,667	6,667	13,502
Investment income	3	258	-	258	960
Other income		-	-	-	3,704
Total		<u>33,785</u>	<u>127,059</u>	<u>160,844</u>	<u>220,276</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		3,700	-	3,700	1,650
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activity		<u>85,515</u>	<u>115,955</u>	<u>201,470</u>	<u>210,558</u>
Total		<u>89,215</u>	<u>115,955</u>	<u>205,170</u>	<u>212,208</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(55,430)	11,104	(44,326)	8,068
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		81,406	-	81,406	73,338
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>25,976</u></u>	<u><u>11,104</u></u>	<u><u>37,080</u></u>	<u><u>81,406</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

HOME-START LAMBETH (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05363089)**BALANCE SHEET**
31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	360	-	360	-
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	4,838	-	4,838	3,902
Cash at bank and in hand		80,254	11,104	91,358	160,087
		<u>85,092</u>	<u>11,104</u>	<u>96,196</u>	<u>163,989</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(59,476)	-	(59,476)	(82,583)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>25,616</u>	<u>11,104</u>	<u>36,720</u>	<u>81,406</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>25,976</u>	<u>11,104</u>	<u>37,080</u>	<u>81,406</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>25,976</u>	<u>11,104</u>	<u>37,080</u>	<u>81,406</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	11			25,976	81,406
Restricted funds				11,104	-
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>37,080</u>	<u>81,406</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with Section 476 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 or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the 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.

The notes form part of these financial statements

HOME-START LAMBETH (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05363089)

BALANCE SHEET - continued

31 MARCH 2022

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 25 January 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

S Hrabar-Owens - Trustee

M Bannister - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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 trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The trustees consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will not have a significant impact on the charity's core funding. Income from trading activities is expected to reduce due to the lockdown conditions and steps are being taken to make cost savings. The trustees regard any impact to be short term rather than affecting the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable.

Revenue grants are credited to the statement of financial activities when received or receivable whichever is earlier.

Where unconditional entitlement to grants receivable is dependent upon fulfilment of conditions within the charity's control, the incoming resources are recognised when there is sufficient evidence that conditions will be met. Where there is uncertainty as to whether the charity can meet such conditions the incoming resource is deferred. Income generated from the supply of goods or services is included in the statement of financial activities in the period in which the supply is made.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of:

- the date on which the charity is aware that probate has been granted;
- the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made; or
- when a distribution is received from the estate

Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution.

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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK Corporation Tax purposes. Accordingly the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Donations	2,497	10,759
Grants	151,422	191,351
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	153,919	202,110
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES - continued

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Children In Need	-	26,047
Help For Children	8,530	23,463
Henry Smith Charity	22,500	22,500
London Community	42,629	7,975
Walcot Foundation	19,388	34,413
Lambeth NHS	6,707	10,370
National Lottery	29,167	49,553
P Minet Trust	3,334	6,666
Hyman Roberts	-	2,700
Sylvia Adams	-	3,000
Bulldog Trust	-	3,964
London South Bank University	-	700
Garfield Weston	15,000	-
Awards for All	834	-
Pears	3,333	-
	<u>151,422</u>	<u>191,351</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>258</u>	<u>960</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	180	1,389
Independent examination fee	<u>2,550</u>	<u>2,880</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

During the year a total of £1,240 (2021: £1,200) was paid to the Trustees' in respect of professional services provided by them in respect of board secretary.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

HOME-START LAMBETH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022****6. STAFF COSTS**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	146,245	136,422
Social security costs	8,624	8,519
Other pension costs	3,860	3,483
	<u>158,729</u>	<u>148,424</u>

Key Management Personnel remuneration amounted to £38,445.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
Charitable activities	5	5
Governance	1	1
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	43,625	158,485	202,110
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activity	2,797	10,705	13,502
Investment income	960	-	960
Other income	3,704	-	3,704
Total	<u>51,086</u>	<u>169,190</u>	<u>220,276</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	1,650	-	1,650
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activity	41,368	169,190	210,558
Total	<u>43,018</u>	<u>169,190</u>	<u>212,208</u>
NET INCOME	8,068	-	8,068
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	73,338	-	73,338

HOME-START LAMBETH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022****7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	81,406	-	81,406

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2021	8,979	4,385	13,364
Additions	-	540	540
At 31 March 2022	8,979	4,925	13,904
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2021	8,979	4,385	13,364
Charge for year	-	180	180
At 31 March 2022	8,979	4,565	13,544
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2022	-	360	360
At 31 March 2021	-	-	-

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	63	-
Other debtors	1,039	2,081
Prepayments and accrued income	3,736	-
Prepayments	-	1,821
	4,838	3,902

HOME-START LAMBETH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022****10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	19	271
Social security and other taxes	6,171	-
Other creditors	454	758
Accruals and deferred income	52,832	81,554
	<u>59,476</u>	<u>82,583</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/21	Net movement in funds	At 31/3/22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	81,406	(55,430)	25,976
Restricted funds			
Walcot	-	3,736	3,736
Home-Start UK	-	5,316	5,316
Pears	-	2,052	2,052
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,104</u>	<u>11,104</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>81,406</u>	<u>(44,326)</u>	<u>37,080</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	33,785	(89,215)	(55,430)
Restricted funds			
London Community	42,629	(42,629)	-
National Lottery	29,167	(29,167)	-
Walcot	19,388	(15,652)	3,736
Lambeth NHS	6,707	(6,707)	-
P Minet Trust	3,334	(3,334)	-
Home-Start UK	6,667	(1,351)	5,316
Garfield Weston	15,000	(15,000)	-
Awards for All	834	(834)	-
Pears	3,333	(1,281)	2,052
	<u>127,059</u>	<u>(115,955)</u>	<u>11,104</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>160,844</u>	<u>(205,170)</u>	<u>(44,326)</u>

HOME-START LAMBETH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022****11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued****Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1/4/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	73,338	8,068	81,406
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>73,338</u>	<u>8,068</u>	<u>81,406</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,086	(43,018)	8,068
Restricted funds			
Help For Children	23,463	(23,463)	-
London Community	7,975	(7,975)	-
National Lottery	49,553	(49,553)	-
Walcot	34,413	(34,413)	-
Lambeth NHS	10,370	(10,370)	-
BBC Children In Need	26,047	(26,047)	-
Hyman Roberts	2,700	(2,700)	-
Bulldog Trust	3,964	(3,964)	-
Home-Start UK	10,705	(10,705)	-
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	169,190	(169,190)	-
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>220,276</u>	<u>(212,208)</u>	<u>8,068</u>

The purpose of the restricted funds held by the charity are listed below:

Help For Children - providing the Domestic Violence project.
National Lottery - purpose of recruiting, training and supporting volunteers.
Walcot - providing the Resilient and Ready project.
Lambeth NHS - training on Domestic Violence and the Home-Start model.
University Of Greenwich - providing a placement for a social work student.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022.

HOME-START LAMBETH

England & Wales - Charity number 1112014

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05363089 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1112014

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
FOR
HOME-START LAMBETH

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HOME-START LAMBETH

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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 2021. 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 2019).

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2021 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

Reference and administrative information set out on page 3 forms part of this report.

The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The purposes of the charity, as set out in its governing documents are:-

- To safeguard, protect and preserve the good health, both mental and physical of children and parents of children
- To prevent cruelty to or maltreatment of children
- To relieve sickness, poverty and need amongst children and parents of children
- To promote the education of the public in better standards of child care within the area of Lambeth and its environs

Home-Start Lambeth recruits suitable volunteers to support families with children under the age of 5 years living in the London Borough of Lambeth. Volunteers visit families in their own homes on a regular basis to offer support, friendship and practical help so as to prevent crisis and breakdown.

Home-Start Lambeth works in partnership with referrers to identify families in need of support and put in place appropriate support. This includes Social Workers, Health Visitors, Children Centre's and other Health Professionals. Our relationship with referrers ensures we are practicing early intervention. We also have many self-referrals, as families recognise themselves that they need extra help. We work with families with universal and targeted needs, preventing children from needing specialist help. Our weekly consistent home-based support is an excellent preventative tool.

The specific objectives of Home-Start Lambeth are to increase the confidence and independence of the family by:-

- Offering support, friendship and practical assistance
- Visiting families in their own homes, where the dignity and identity of each adult and child can be protected and respected
- Reassuring parents that difficulties in bringing up children is not unusual and encouraging them to enjoy family life
- Developing a relationship with the family in which time can be shared and understanding developed; the approach is flexible to take into account families own individual needs
- Encouraging parents' strengths and wellbeing for the ultimate benefit of the children
- Encouraging families to widen their network of relationships and to use effectively the support services within the community, when they are ready
- Supporting families who have experienced domestic abuse through direct support and through the Freedom Programme.

Geographical situation

Home-Start Lambeth continues to be based in the Coldharbour Ward of Lambeth and is well situated on major public transport routes, so as to gain easy accessibility.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Volunteers

Our service would not be possible without the support and dedication of our volunteers. Each volunteer is carefully screened and is checked at an enhanced level by the Disclosure and Barring Service, and before they are matched to a family they receive 30 hours of training. Volunteers receive 'out of pocket expenses' for their travel and on average each volunteer offers the organisation 2-3 hours of their time per week.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Achievement and Performance

This year Home-Start Lambeth has provided volunteer support for families in need with young children and delivered the Freedom Programme for women who have experienced domestic abuse.

Statistics for the period 1 April 2020 - 31 March 2021 show the following:

69 families were supported by volunteers (61 in 2019/20)

6 volunteers were recruited and trained (17 in 2019/20)

4 Freedom programme courses delivered.(6 in 2019/20)

71 referrals received for the Freedom programme of which 56 women attended.

How our activities deliver public benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planning activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Home-Start Lambeth provides a range of benefits to the public as it aims to increase the confidence, wellbeing and independence of families through the provision of friendship, help and support. Our service is open to any member of the public with children under the age of five who needs to use the service because they are experiencing difficulties in their family life, subject only to our capacity. We then provide a large number of benefits to these families, including provisions of parenting support, help with accessing services and improved health and well-being.

Those using the service report that they are using more services and are feeling less isolated. A substantial proportion of those being supported, where children's behaviour was a concern, say that this has improved and they are now involved in the children's learning. 100% of service users report that their self-esteem has improved

We monitor changes in the lives of the families we support. Below is an example of the outcomes we achieved for families this year (names have been changed to provide anonymity):

Kadisha has two children an 11 year old (Sammi) and a now 2 year old (Aya) who was born prematurely. Kadisha experienced severe domestic abuse in a previous relationship and has some physical and mental health issues that mean she has sometimes struggled to care for her children.

Aya was born prematurely and has developmental delay and health issues as a result. The family have had to shield during this time to protect her health. All of their medical appointments were moved online and they followed very strict social distancing with no contact with friends and family.

At the start of lockdown, Kadisha didn't feel she would benefit from volunteer support as she had wanted to access practical support in the home. However, through regular keep in touch calls with our coordinator, Kadisha got emotional support and ideas to help her with her children and decided to access volunteer support. She now has weekly calls with a volunteer.

Support from her volunteer has helped her to structure her days at home, allowing her to pace herself and be able to stay present with the children. Her volunteer has supported her with ideas of how to engage the children and also how to access online groups and support.

"Speaking to [my volunteer] helps so much- just being able to talk to someone and hear a voice back. I didn't realise just how helpful the calls were until I noticed that every Monday I had a list of things saved up to tell her. It made me realise I'm actually dealing with a lot and that every time I speak to her I can offload and she gives me so many helpful suggestions. I can actually tell her my problems and she helps, I don't really talk about them with other people."

Domestic abuse and the Freedom Programme

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The delivery of the Freedom Programme continues to go from strength to strength and is now well recognised within the borough. We are receiving appropriate referrals, from a wide variety of professionals and services including from other London boroughs. The final programme of the financial year had to be suspended due to the Covid-19 lockdown but we have been able to move the course online.

Our volunteers

Our volunteers are a diverse group in every way, but they share a high level of commitment to and enthusiasm for supporting local families. This is our greatest asset.

This year, given the challenges of COVID 19, we moved our volunteer training online & trained them specifically in the skills required to deliver support over the phone and via Zoom. Evaluation of the training this year revealed that the majority of the volunteers emerged feeling prepared to become a Home-Start volunteer with a greatly enhanced knowledge of safeguarding and child protection, positive parenting strategies and local services available to families. Through the training volunteers report being able to set appropriate boundaries between themselves and families. Volunteers also report enhanced communication and listening skills.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Total income for the year has increased by £98,091 compared to 2019/20, which reflects the change in the mix of funding sources and more successful grant applications.

Grant income has increased by £74,068 in the year. Additionally the charity has deferred income of £73,745 which will be reflected in the 2021/22 financial statements.

This factor has meant that there was an overall gain of £8,068 (2019/20 deficit of £33,898).

The total funds carried forward was £81,406 all of which was unrestricted.

Principal funding sources

The Trustees continue to pursue a policy of seeking funding from diverse sources which has in the main been successful. During this year Home-Start Lambeth has received funding from a variety of sources including local trusts, national trusts and trusts established by corporate sponsors.

A breakdown of these sources of funding is shown in note 2 to the financial statements.

Funding remains a constant challenge but the Trustees believe that through diversification of funding sources is the best way to create stability.

Investment policy and objectives

The Trustees, having regard to the liquidity requirements of operating the charity, have kept available funds in a reserve account and will seek to achieve as high a rate of return on deposit as possible.

At the year-end total investment income was £93 (2019/20 £61)

Reserves policy

The Management Committee has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation. The Trustees aim to work to a minimum 12-month budget and to maintain reserves of at least 3 months of annual expenditure. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Management Committee are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding. Although the strategy is to build reserves through planned operating surpluses, the Management Committee has also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Going concern

Note 1 in the notes to the financial statements explains that the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern is dependent on it being able to secure new sources of income. For the financial year ended 31 March 2021, the charity has sufficient unrestricted reserves and has diversified its funding sufficiently to be able to continue in the same capacity. A number of new funding bids continue to be pursued on an ongoing basis and effort made to contain costs within the constraints of the income available.

Whilst the Trustees acknowledge the inherent uncertainties that exist they have nevertheless decided that it is appropriate to produce the financial statements on a going concern basis given the volume of new funding sources in the pipeline.

Covid-19

Covid-19 radically changed how we deliver our services as we had to suspend all face-to-face support for families including home visiting and the Freedom Programme.

Since mid-March we have made many changes to ensure we can continue to deliver support, friendship and practical help to families in Lambeth. We have:

- Moved our volunteer support to phone or video calls.
- Moved our Freedom Programme for survivors of domestic abuse online. This is now delivered via email and a Zoom group. This has been really well received by the women and has had high attendance. Furthermore, attendees themselves have remarked that the online delivery has served to make the programme more accessible, for people with disabilities, people with caring commitments and people in full time work.
- Sent daily tips and ideas to families via WhatsApp with ideas for entertaining children in the home as well as links to activities and services available daily since March. These are sent to over 130 families including those referred by partner agencies. One mum told us "I was shielding from Covid for 12 weeks and had to keep my three young children completely inside during that time. The tips and activities really helped to keep the children occupied. It was a massive help."
- Fundraised to provide craft packs to over 260 families in Lambeth. 93% said the pack gave them more ideas of activities to do with their children. 83% of responders said the pack provided materials which enabled them to do craft activities they couldn't have done before. "It was a great opportunity for me and my 2 kids to spend quality time together. We had the chance to learn new activities that we never tried before and my older child defines herself as an artist now. It helped boosting her confidence as now she knows how to do things and shows her art work to family and friends. A great initiative. Thank you for letting us be part of it."
- Received emergency funding to distribute supermarket vouchers and phone credit to families who are struggling.
- Started a on online baby group "lockdown baby club" for parents and babies born during the pandemic who have missed out on activities and opportunities to socialise with their babies.

FUTURE PLANS

For now our future plans are to continue to organically grow Home-Start Lambeth and in particular to develop different ways of delivering our services to families. Covid-19 gave us enormous challenges, but also opportunities. For example, moving our Freedom Programme online has proven to be very successful and we plan to examine what we have learnt in the process of changing how we work in response to the emergency. Our WhatsApp group has been well received as has our lockdown baby group delivered via Zoom.

While we fully intend to continue our traditional model of supporting families through volunteer support we also want to provide a wider range of support to reflect the evolving way in which we live particularly around technology.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

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The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 14 February 2005 and registered as a charity on 10 November 2005. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also charity Trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are also known as members of the Management Committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association one-third of the members of the Management Committee must stand for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting.

Organisational structure

A board of Directors, collectively the Board of Trustees administer and govern the organisation. The Board of Trustees as a board bring multiple skills in order to manage the business of the company and come from a range of professional disciplines such as health, business management, education, marketing, public sector and private sector management, accounting and fundraising. The Board of Trustees meets every 4-6 weeks and co-opts 'skilled individuals' to support the organisation when and as required to deal with issues when they arise. The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and the Company Secretary is responsible for making the appropriate returns to Companies House, Charity Commission and Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs. New members undergo an induction with Home-Start, the national organisation and the regional consultant.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees is responsible for ensuring that good practice is maintained in terms of health & safety, safeguarding the welfare of children, confidentiality, data security and equal opportunities amongst other things.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for:

- providing monitoring reports to each of the funders:
- attending review meetings with senior members of staff
- maintaining appropriate insurance for staff and premises based on advice from Home-Start UK

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governance

Home-Start Lambeth principles are based on the Standards and Methods of practice of the Home-Start national organisation:

- To have an effective management committee who is responsible for employing/supporting the staff and to be committed to good employment practice, funding, insurance, premises and to ensure that the scheme works collaboratively with other voluntary and statutory organisations within the borough
- The range of referrals and self-referrals are not limited except where the resources are not available to meet the number of complexities of all the cases
- All volunteers are carefully selected and attend an initial course of preparation. On-going training and support must be provided to meet their needs, which develop over the course of their work with Home-Start Lambeth
- All members of the management committee, staff and volunteers must be aware of and work within all policies such as equal opportunities, confidentiality, child protection, health & safety and the risk assessment
- Home-Start Lambeth must retain close links with Home-Start, the national organisation to obtain training, information and guidance.

Trustees and staff

During the year John Waegner and Eva Wickham stepped down as trustees, both have made an enormous contribution to Home-Start Lambeth. It was great sadness that we learnt of Eva's death in March. We hope that it gives her family some comfort to know the great impact her contribution to Home-Start Lambeth had on the lives of vulnerable children.

We recruited Lizzie Poulton as scheme manager in November 2019 and are grateful for the leadership she has shown in extraordinarily difficult times. Melissa Nicholls one of our long standing family co-ordinators decided to pursue her interest in child psychotherapy. We thank Melissa for her many years of hard work and dedication to Home-Start Lambeth, We also said goodbye to Abe Sampson our administrative assistant and equally thank her for all her hard work over the years.

In March Abigaile Kanini was appointed as family co-ordinator filling the vacancy created by Melissa's departure.

In March 2021 Sophia Symons stepped down as Chair. We thank her for all her hard work in bringing the Charity to where it is today

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
05363089 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1112014

Registered office
Unit 2 Holles House
Overton Road
London
SW9 7AP

HOME-START LAMBETH (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05363089)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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Trustees

Ms A L Alexander
M Bannister Treasurer
Ms D C Harris (appointed 7/9/2020) (resigned 15/6/2021)
Ms E Holden
Ms E Hook (appointed 7/9/2020) (resigned 18/10/2021)
Ms P J Jackson (appointed 16/4/2020)
E Khan (appointed 7/9/2020) (resigned 7/7/2021)
Ms S Prentice (appointed 7/9/2020) (resigned 8/10/2020)
Ms S E Sinclair
Ms S M Symons (resigned 31/3/2021)
Mrs S Hrabar-Owens (appointed 10/5/2021)

Company Secretary

Ms P J Jackson


Independent Examiner

Chariot House Limited
Chartered Accountants
44 Grand Parade
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BN2 9QA

Bankers

Unity Trust Bank
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on *6/12/21* and signed on its behalf by:


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Mrs S Hrabar-Owens - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
HOME-START LAMBETH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Home-Start Lambeth ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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



John Thacker FCA DChA
Chariot House Limited
Chartered Accountants
44 Grand Parade
Brighton
East Sussex
BN2 9QA

Date: 21 December 2021

HOME-START LAMBETH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	43,625	158,485	202,110	118,203
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activity		2,797	10,705	13,502	3,889
Investment income	3	960	-	960	93
Other income		3,704	-	3,704	-
Total		<u>51,086</u>	<u>169,190</u>	<u>220,276</u>	<u>122,185</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		1,650	-	1,650	-
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activity		41,368	169,190	210,558	156,083
Total		<u>43,018</u>	<u>169,190</u>	<u>212,208</u>	<u>156,083</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>8,068</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,068</u>	<u>(33,898)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>73,338</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,338</u>	<u>107,236</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>81,406</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>81,406</u></u>	<u><u>73,338</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

HOME-START LAMBETH (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05363089)

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	-	-	-	1,389
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	3,902	-	3,902	914
Cash at bank and in hand		160,087	-	160,087	108,196
		<u>163,989</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>163,989</u>	<u>109,110</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(82,583)	-	(82,583)	(37,161)
		<u>81,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,406</u>	<u>71,949</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>81,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,406</u>	<u>71,949</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>81,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,406</u>	<u>73,338</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>81,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,406</u>	<u>73,338</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				81,406	73,338
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>81,406</u>	<u>73,338</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 in accordance with Section 476 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 or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the 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.

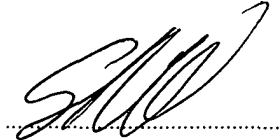
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HOME-START LAMBETH (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05363089)

BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 MARCH 2021

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 6/12/21 and were signed on its behalf by:


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S Hrabar-Owens - Trustee


.....
M Bannister - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

HOME-START LAMBETH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

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 trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The trustees consider that the Covid-19 pandemic will not have a significant impact on the charity's core funding. Income from trading activities is expected to reduce due to the lockdown conditions and steps are being taken to make cost savings. The trustees regard any impact to be short term rather than affecting the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and that the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable.

Revenue grants are credited to the statement of financial activities when received or receivable whichever is earlier.

Where unconditional entitlement to grants receivable is dependent upon fulfilment of conditions within the charity's control, the incoming resources are recognised when there is sufficient evidence that conditions will be met. Where there is uncertainty as to whether the charity can meet such conditions the incoming resource is deferred. Income generated from the supply of goods or services is included in the statement of financial activities in the period in which the supply is made.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of:

- the date on which the charity is aware that probate has been granted;
- the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the charity that a distribution will be made; or
- when a distribution is received from the estate

Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution.

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.

HOME-START LAMBETH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK Corporation Tax purposes. Accordingly the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

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.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations	10,759	920
Grants	191,351	117,283
	<u>202,110</u>	<u>118,203</u>

HOME-START LAMBETH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES - continued

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Children In Need	26,047	37,260
Help For Children	23,463	33,940
Henry Smith Charity	22,500	30,000
London Community	7,975	5,000
Walcot Foundation	34,413	4,166
Lambeth NHS	10,370	1,250
National Lottery	49,553	1,667
Greggs Foundation	-	2,000
University of Greenwich	-	2,000
P Minet Trust	6,666	-
Hyman Roberts	2,700	-
Sylvia Adams	3,000	-
Bulldog Trust	3,964	-
London South Bank University	700	-
	<u>191,351</u>	<u>117,283</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>960</u>	<u>93</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	1,389	1,315
Independent examination fee	<u>2,880</u>	<u>2,880</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

During the year a total of £1,200 (2020: £1,200) was paid to the Trustees' in respect of professional services provided by them in respect of board secretary.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

HOME-START LAMBETH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

6. STAFF COSTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	136,422	113,553
Social security costs	8,519	6,195
Other pension costs	3,483	2,194
	<u>148,424</u>	<u>121,942</u>

Key Management Personnel remuneration amounted to £28,202.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
Charitable activities	5	4
Governance	1	1
	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	75,180	43,023	118,203
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activity	3,889	-	3,889
Investment income	93	-	93
Total	<u>79,162</u>	<u>43,023</u>	<u>122,185</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activity	113,060	43,023	156,083
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>(33,898)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(33,898)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>107,236</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>107,236</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>73,338</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,338</u>

HOME-START LAMBETH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021****8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021	8,979	4,385	13,364
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2020	8,979	2,996	11,975
Charge for year	-	1,389	1,389
At 31 March 2021	8,979	4,385	13,364
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2021	-	-	-
At 31 March 2020	-	1,389	1,389

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Other debtors	2,081	700
Prepayments	1,821	214
	3,902	914

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	271	-
Other creditors	758	1,277
Accruals and deferred income	81,554	35,884
	82,583	37,161

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	73,338	8,068	81,406
TOTAL FUNDS	73,338	8,068	81,406

HOME-START LAMBETH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021****11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	51,086	(43,018)	8,068
Restricted funds			
Help For Children	23,463	(23,463)	-
London Community	7,975	(7,975)	-
National Lottery	49,553	(49,553)	-
Walcot	34,413	(34,413)	-
Lambeth NHS	10,370	(10,370)	-
BBC Children In Need	26,047	(26,047)	-
Hyman Roberts	2,700	(2,700)	-
Bulldog Trust	3,964	(3,964)	-
Home-Start UK	10,705	(10,705)	-
	<u>169,190</u>	<u>(169,190)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>220,276</u>	<u>(212,208)</u>	<u>8,068</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	107,236	(33,898)	73,338
	<u>107,236</u>	<u>(33,898)</u>	<u>73,338</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>107,236</u>	<u>(33,898)</u>	<u>73,338</u>

HOME-START LAMBETH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	79,162	(113,060)	(33,898)
Restricted funds			
Help For Children	33,940	(33,940)	-
National Lottery	1,667	(1,667)	-
Walcot	4,166	(4,166)	-
Lambeth NHS	1,250	(1,250)	-
University Of Greenwich	2,000	(2,000)	-
	<u>43,023</u>	<u>(43,023)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>122,185</u>	<u>(156,083)</u>	<u>(33,898)</u>

The purpose of the restricted funds held by the charity are listed below:

Help For Children - providing the Domestic Violence project.

National Lottery - purpose of recruiting, training and supporting volunteers.

Walcot - providing the Resilient and Ready project.

Lambeth NHS - training on Domestic Violence and the Home-Start model.

University Of Greenwich - providing a placement for a social work student.

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2021.