

COMMUNITY FURNITURE STORE
(YORK) LTD

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees, who are also directors of the charitable company, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the 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).

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered company number	05748697 (England and Wales)
Registered charity number	1114605
Registered office	Unit 29, The Raylor Centre James Street York YO10 3DW
Trustees/directors	D Graham Mitchell (Chair) Rosalind M Batchelor (resigned 15 November 2022) Sally Dillon (Vice Chair) Matthew Farrelly Thomas C Jenkins Kelly Cunningham Kevin A Moss (appointed 10 May 2022; resigned 9 November 2022) Nicholas T Dennison David Mash Prakash Mistry (Treasurer from 10 May 2022)
Chief Officer	Rebecca Blues
Independent Examiner	Peter D Hughes, F.C.A. P D Hughes Consultancy Services Ltd 11 Sails Drive York YO10 3LR

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A. GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The Charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a Company limited by guarantee as defined by the Companies Act 2006. The Company has no share of capital. Under the memorandum and articles of association, members of the governing board are directors of the Company and trustees of the Charity.

B. APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES/DIRECTORS

Trustees are appointed to serve for three-year periods, one third retiring by rotation at each annual general meeting, but eligible for re-appointment. From 2019, trustee terms of office have been limited to a total of nine years to reflect Charity Commission good practice guidance.

During the reporting period the following changes occurred in the trustee board:

- David Graham Mitchell resigned as treasurer and acted as Chair during 2022/23 period.
- David Graham Mitchell remained on the board after 9 year limit, to provide stability and management support during a period of transition.
- Rosalind Batchelor retired as trustee/director after over 30 years of service to the three charities.
- Prakash Mistry was appointed treasurer in May 2022.
- Kevin Moss resigned due to a change in circumstances.

Subsequent to the reporting period:

- Kelly Cunningham resigned in May 2023 due to work pressures.
- Graham Mitchell retired as Chair in favour of David Nash in May 2023.
- Timothy Leonard joined the board in May 2023.

C. PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The company is a registered charity whose principal object is the relief of people in need through the provision of furniture and other household items. It does this by facilitating the donation of suitable items of furniture from members of the public and commercial enterprises, which are then made available for sale to people in need at a reasonable cost.

D. STRUCTURE & HISTORY

The charity is part of a group of three separate charities, all with the same objectives and purpose. The other charities are Community Furniture Store (Selby) Ltd and Community Furniture Store (Ryedale) Ltd and they operate in Selby and Scarborough districts. The organisation shares a central management and administration team with 25% of resource costs allocated to each of CFS Selby and CFS Ryedale and the remaining 50% to CFS York.

The existing structure of having three separate charities was reviewed at the Annual General Meeting held 15/11/2022 and it was agreed that work should commence to seek a merger of the three charities to achieve economies of scale and respond to changes in Local Government. This work is ongoing.

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E. OBJECTIVES, VISION AND PURPOSE

Community Furniture Store is a socially active, environmentally oriented organisation that helps local communities to improve homes, lives and lifestyles. Our purpose is to:

- Reuse and repurpose household items to improve homes and people's lives.
- Realise people's potential and improve their skills by offering high quality employment, work placements and volunteering opportunities.
- Actively promote environmentally sustainable living.

The objects of the charity were amended at the Annual General Meeting on 15 November 2022 after the proposed changes received Charity Commission approval. The revised objects are now as follows:

- To relieve generally or individually persons who are in conditions of need, hardship, or distress for reasons including, but not limited to, lack of resources, sudden emergency, ill-health, disability, or other disadvantage.
- To provide by gift, sale, or otherwise, furniture, household goods and other items or services to relieve need, hardship or distress and prevent exclusion from essential services.
- To raise public awareness of, and encourage recycling, reuse, or repurposing of furniture and other household items, including by collecting unwanted items and making them available for others to use.
- To promote and provide life and work skills support and work experience for people who are unemployed or would otherwise benefit from such services.
- To promote any other charitable activity that is consistent with these objects, which shall be selected by the trustees at their absolute discretion.

F. REVIEW OF THE YEAR

- 6603 household items saved from incineration or landfill.
- Approximately 1800 volunteer hours accumulated from people in the local community.
- 2871 (approximately 30%) of donated household items were supplied to 914 qualifying households at discounted prices. The discount received totalled £50,863.
- 1655 affordable new white goods and beds/mattresses at affordable prices to people in need.
- 166.7 tonnes of furniture recycled equating to 230.6 tonnes of CO2 prevented from being released into the atmosphere.
- A new partnership with Broadacres Housing Association whereby their residents are referred to us for furniture needs.
- The IT Reuse Project continued and expanded utilising volunteers and assisting people in need to access services online.

G. BOARD & CHIEF OFFICER CHANGES – ALL THREE CHARITIES

During the 2022/23 fiscal year, under the leadership of Chair Graham Mitchell and Chief Officer Rebecca Blues, active participation was noted among both new and incumbent trustees in the charity's operations. Reviews were conducted of the charity's objectives, purposes, and articles of association, and were accepted by the Charity Commission.

The board of trustees brings a dynamic mix of skills and dedication to the table, and this wealth of expertise is actively utilised. Focus has been placed on organisational

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restructuring, resilience building, brand development, messaging, financial processes, and specific operational initiatives. These areas are managed by various working groups, consisting of trustees, colleagues, and staff, aiming to advance the organisation toward greater stability and effectiveness.

Efforts are geared towards meeting the needs of the served community, enhancing operational efficiency, and promoting staff well-being. Each work programme has been structured with clearly defined milestones and timelines, with the expectation that current initiatives will reach completion within the calendar year of 2023.

Subsequent to the end of the reporting year, Rebecca Blues resigned as Chief Officer in order to pursue other opportunities. The board subsequently appointed Katy Ridsdill-Smith as Chief Executive Officer. Tom Meares, Head of Projects, has also decided to leave the charities to pursue an opportunity leading another charity; he remained with the charities on a part-time basis to assist in the handover of responsibilities to Katy which is much appreciated.

H. ORGANISATIONAL CHANGES – ALL THREE CHARITIES

The fiscal year of 2022/23 marked a period of substantial alterations in both staffing and organisational framework, set against a backdrop of operational challenges. These challenges were notably influenced by the ongoing recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic compounded by the increased cost of living. During this period, the Chief Officer conducted a thorough review of the staffing structure with the objective of enhancing organisational efficiency.

Upon full staffing, the Chief Officer, responsible for leading the Community Furniture Store charities in York, Selby, and Scarborough, is aided by a full-time Head of Projects, Administration Assistant, and a Finance Manager. These roles are designed to collectively support the functioning of all three charities. For the York-based charity, an Operations Manager oversees the logistics of the collection and delivery services in addition to managing the warehouse and retail outlet. To ensure full compliance with employment laws, the trustees and management of the charity engage the expertise of Human Resources Consultant Karen Weaver.

I. REUSE & SUSTAINABILITY

In striving for operational sustainability, our charity continually refines its working practices to enhance efficiency and curtail resource consumption. While our initiatives have led to an estimated carbon offset of 224 tonnes through the reuse of goods, we acknowledge the carbon footprint generated by our activities. Our diesel van operations are meticulously planned to optimize fuel efficiency, and we employ online tracking systems to monitor driving behaviour. Plans are underway to transition to electric or hybrid vehicles as soon as it becomes feasible.

The majority of our sales are to individuals who do not receive means-tested benefits (the indicator we use to assess if someone is at-risk of entering furniture poverty). This trend is encouraging and suggests a broader societal shift towards sustainability and the reuse of goods, which aligns well with our organisational mission.

J. HELPING PEOPLE IN POVERTY

To mitigate the financial strain and reduce the risk of poverty among individuals on means-tested benefits, we offer a 30% discount on our range of reused goods. This initiative aims to serve those with limited income, providing a viable alternative to purchasing new items, which could otherwise exacerbate their financial vulnerabilities and potentially lead to debt.

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K. YORK FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME

We are enormously proud that throughout the pandemic we were able to maintain the services that we provide to City of York Council through the York Financial Assistance Scheme (YFAS) which we prioritise because it benefits those in our community who are most in need. We are grateful to the City of York Council for its continued support of the Community Furniture Store in many ways, but particularly through the YFAS scheme. As the Council's partner, we have supplied goods to 387 households, not just in poverty, but in need of urgent emergency help. Beneficiaries of the scheme are identified by the council and referred to us. They receive a voucher for the furniture and household items needed at no expense to them. The recipient's shopping experience is identical to that of any person coming into the store, they are welcomed and provided with choices of furniture. The organisation has gone above and beyond its contractual obligations, offering a "personal shopper" experience to guide recipients through the selection process of essential household goods. This approach ensures that everyone is treated with the dignity and respect they deserve, a value that is deeply embedded in the ethos of CFS.

"Absolutely superb service - friendly/compassionate and understanding real people's needs - I've just had so much support as I finally move to independent living having spent time firstly in hostel then supported living. They deserve this recognition as do the CYC housing support team! Thank you all" – A YFAS Recipient.

L. IT REUSE

During the fiscal year 2022-2023, the IT Reuse project has focused on the collection, refurbishment, and redistribution of digital devices such as laptops, tablets, and smartphones to individuals in the city of York who are at risk of digital and financial exclusion. In addition to providing devices, the project offers training in both basic and advanced digital skills, aiming to improve employability and digital literacy. The initiative serves a diverse range of beneficiaries, including single-parent families, individuals affected by domestic abuse, refugees, and those with mental health needs. The project also has an environmental component, aiming to reduce electronic waste by reusing devices. Through collaborations with local organisations, IT Reuse seeks to provide a multi-faceted approach to digital inclusion. Over the reporting year the programme collected, refurbished and distributed 326 devices and 317 internet connectivity packages in conjunction with the Good Things Foundation data connectivity package programme. We also provide devices to community groups that are in need of a device to support the people that they work with. Over the past year IT Reuse has supported disability groups, food banks, drug and alcohol rehabilitation charities and more. IT Reuse has been sustained by significant grant and hardware donations from: Joseph Rowntree Foundation, Arnold Clark, Whitwam Family Trust, City of York Council Financial Inclusion Strategy Group, Feoffees of St Michael Spurriergate, York Common Good Trust and Norman Collinson Trust.

"The Collective Sharehouse was provided with two laptops for use at our food bank premises. This enables us to research benefits etc. to support our clients when a referral is required, as well as enabling us to be more efficient with our admin. A great service was provided by Tyler at IT Reuse and we are very grateful for the hardware and the assistance. Thank you".

M. VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering within the store provides individuals with the chance to learn new skills and help others in the community. Individuals who volunteer with Community

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Furniture Store York learn a range of skills including manual handling, health and safety, customer service, communication, and administrative skills. Over the past year we have supported 58 individuals to volunteer in the store and workshop.

“I am so very proud of a young volunteer who was referred from the job centre, who has been with us 2 months. When they started they were quite shy, lacking self-confidence and attended intermittently. But they have worked so hard at challenging themselves to take on any and all tasks and work with others. They are now a competent, confident and committed, valued member of our team. Watching them slowly learn that in fact they already had useful skills and knowledge has been a joy. They have taken initiative and spotted areas for improvement around the store, offering their skills to help us, above and beyond their normal role responsibilities. Now that they have recognised they have valuable knowledge they are even doing an additional days volunteering in IT Reuse. They are doing this as an extra day as they, very considerably, didn't want to let us down in the store.”

- Alice Stevenson, Operations Manager

N. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income from charitable activities in 2022/23 was £629,452, an increase of £68,000 on the previous year and greater than pre-Covid trading which generated £526,832 in 2018/19, a remarkable 19.5% increase. The gross surplus on sale of goods in 2022/23 was £334,271 (sales – purchases). Other operational income totalled £53,711 (Gift Aid, Management Charges, etc) and grants totalling £48,354 were gratefully received. Total income from all sources amounted to £677,892.

Total expenditure was £677,705 compared to £630,470 in 2021/22 giving a small surplus of £187 for the year as opposed to a loss of £5,686 in 2021/22. Expenditure includes the costs of the ongoing, and successful, IT Reuse Project (£28,138) which is supported by grant funding. Employment costs also increased following the Government-led increase in National Living Wage. In March 2023 the trustees agreed pay awards for the coming year that mean we are now a Real Living Wage employer. It is relevant to note that the supply and cost of new goods purchased continues to prove challenging as a result of blockages in the supply chain and increased pricing by suppliers. To manage this increase, we use a range of different suppliers of new goods so as to keep prices as affordable as possible for our customers.

The priorities for 2023/24 will be to learn from operational issues that arose during 2022/23 to further consolidate the revised staffing structure and take advantage of the efficiencies it will produce. Another priority is to develop online sales. We will also secure funding to sustain the IT Reuse project and other projects that the trustees are actively working towards. Alongside this, increasing Gift Aid income, careful control of expenditure and the rebuilding of cash reserves (see below) will continue to have high importance. Employment costs also increased following the Government led increase in National Living Wage. Through sustained focused efforts we have been successful in achieving significant grant income, maintaining and growing our trading activities. The charity is considered a “going concern” by the trustees.

O. RESERVES' POLICY - YORK

The governing board has developed a policy to hold unrestricted funds not invested in fixed assets of between three and six months of budgeted overhead expenditure excluding exceptional items.

Budgeted overhead expenditure for the year ending 31 March 2023 was agreed at £464,756 in February 2022. Net current assets as of 31 March 2023 total £81,851, an

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increase from the 2022 year-end figure of £74,948. This is well below the target minimum of £116,000. As such the recovery of cash reserves remains a high priority. Community Furniture Store (York) greatly values the continuing support of donors of reusable goods, customers, funders, and of the City of York Council and many other local organisations. The value of donated items, from which we derive a large part of the charity's income, is not included in the above valuation of our reserves. Average monthly sales of donated items total £22,000, which mitigates the shortfall to a certain extent, providing donation levels are maintained.

P. STAFF APPRECIATION

We congratulate and thank Rebecca Blues on her leadership of the charities and wish her well for the future, departing from her role at the end of July 2023. She has been actively supported by Tom Meares as Head of Projects. We thank all the York staff for their work and flexibility during a year dominated by many changes in staff roles, in personnel, and in working practices.

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Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees



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David Nash
Chair



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Prakash Mistry
Treasurer

28 November, 2023

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

I report to the charity trustees on the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 11 to 23.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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 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

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

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant 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
- 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 (FRS102).

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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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28 November, 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income					
Donations and grants	2	9,941	38,413	48,354	63,657
Income from charitable activities	3	629,452	-	629,452	561,126
Investment income	4	<u>86</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>1</u>
Total income		<u>639,479</u>	<u>38,413</u>	<u>677,892</u>	<u>624,784</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on charitable activities	5	<u>649,421</u>	<u>28,284</u>	<u>677,705</u>	<u>630,470</u>
Total expenditure		<u>649,421</u>	<u>28,284</u>	<u>677,705</u>	<u>630,470</u>
Net (expenditure)/income and net movement in funds for the year	6	(9,942)	10,129	187	(5,686)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>93,143</u>	<u>12,569</u>	<u>105,712</u>	<u>111,398</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>83,201</u>	<u>22,698</u>	<u>105,899</u>	<u>105,712</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	9	642	940
Tangible assets	10	<u>23,406</u>	<u>29,824</u>
		<u>24,048</u>	<u>30,764</u>
Current assets			
Stocks	11	21,037	14,824
Debtors	12	37,882	30,692
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>63,703</u>	<u>53,747</u>
		122,622	99,263
Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(40,771)</u>	<u>(24,315)</u>
Net current assets		<u>81,851</u>	<u>74,948</u>
Net assets		<u>105,899</u>	<u>105,712</u>
The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted income funds	15	83,201	93,143
Restricted income funds	15	<u>22,698</u>	<u>12,569</u>
Total charity funds		<u>105,899</u>	<u>105,712</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the 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).

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006; and no notice has been deposited under section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the 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 accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2023

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 28 November 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



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David Nash



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Prakash Mistry

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Cash generated from operating activities:				
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	187		(5,686)	
Reconciliation to net cash inflow from operations:				
(Increase) in stocks	(6,213)		(2,536)	
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(7,190)		7,756	
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	16,456		(2,124)	
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	6,595		9,166	
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	<u>310</u>		<u>463</u>	
Net cash inflow from operating activities		10,145		7,039
Investing activities				
Purchase of tangible and intangible fixed assets	<u>(189)</u>		<u>(174)</u>	
		<u>(189)</u>		<u>(174)</u>
Net increase in cash		9,956		6,865
Cash at bank and in hand at the beginning of the year		<u>53,747</u>		<u>46,882</u>
Cash at bank and in hand at the end of the year		<u>63,703</u>		<u>53,747</u>

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1 Accounting policies

The accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding year.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and with the 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 SORP”).

Income recognition policies

Items of income are recognised and included in the financial statements when all of the following criteria are met:

- the charity has entitlement to the funds;
- any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
- there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
- the amount can be measured reliably.

In particular, where the terms of grant income are that it can only be utilised against expenditure in years following the balance sheet date, the grant is not recognised as income in the year but is instead treated as deferred income within creditors.

Donated goods

The charity operates a retail Gift Aid scheme whereby it administers the sale of furniture on behalf of members of the public, who then donate the proceeds to the charity, enabling it to claim a tax credit. While this is legally considered to be a cash donation, in economic substance it is similar to a trading activity, and therefore both the sale proceeds and the tax credit are included within “income from charitable activities”.

The SORP requires that other donated goods should be measured at fair value. The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in the SORP which allows this treatment not to be adopted if it is impractical to measure the fair value of goods donated for resale or if the costs of valuation outweigh the benefit to users of the accounts and the charity of this information. Donated goods are therefore recognised when they are sold.

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Expenditure

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

Expenditure on charitable activities comprises the costs of operating the store.

Governance costs are included within expenditure on charitable activities and are analysed separately in the notes to the financial statements. They include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity, such as accountancy and other costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Fixed assets

Depreciation and amortisation are provided at the following rates in order to write each asset down to its residual value over its useful life:

Plant and machinery	20% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	8 or 10 years straight line
Motor vehicles	20% reducing balance
Computer equipment	33% reducing balance
Computer software	33% reducing balance

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Cash flow statement

The charity's gross income exceeds £500,000 and consequently a cash flow statement is required by the SORP.

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2 Donations and grants

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations and grants	<u>48,354</u>	<u>63,657</u>

Of the total income from donations and grants, £38,413 (2022: £43,323) consisted of restricted fund income and £9,941 (2022: £20,334) of unrestricted fund income. Restricted fund income consisted of grants of £26,064 from City of York Council, £3,000 from Feofees, £1,000 from Common Good Trust, £7,000 from Joseph Rowntree, £1,000 from Friend Central Adult School and £349 from Enactus, all towards IT re-use. A total of £12,569 was held in restricted funds at 1 April 2022. Added to the £38,413 received during the year, a total of £50,982 was available for spending, and £28,284 was spent on salaries of employees involved in IT re-use. This left an unspent restricted fund of £22,698 at the end of the year.

Unrestricted income consisted of £9,941 from City of York Council.

3 Income from charitable activities

Shop income	575,741	510,572
Gift Aid tax credit	9,508	14,409
Management charges	40,913	29,244
Recharges of overheads to associated charities	2,875	6,825
Sundry income	<u>415</u>	<u>76</u>
	<u>629,452</u>	<u>561,126</u>

Shop income includes £39,208 (2022: £59,420) representing donations from members of the public on which Gift Aid has been claimed from sale of their goods through the retail Gift Aid scheme.

4 Investment income

All of the charity's investment income arises from money held in interest bearing deposit accounts.

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5 Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Direct costs:		
Cost of goods sold	241,270	210,853
Purchases of goods and services for recharge	<u>-</u>	<u>75</u>
	<u>241,270</u>	<u>210,928</u>
Support costs:		
Wages and salaries	276,942	268,153
General office costs	134,192	132,184
Accountancy	6,856	1,500
Legal and professional	<u>12,323</u>	<u>6,566</u>
	<u>430,313</u>	<u>408,403</u>
Grants	<u>-</u>	<u>7,280</u>
Governance costs:		
Wages and salaries	2,520	1,959
Accountancy and independent examination	<u>3,602</u>	<u>1,900</u>
	<u>6,122</u>	<u>3,859</u>
	<u>677,705</u>	<u>630,470</u>

Wages and salaries are apportioned between support and governance costs on a time basis, with 5% of the chief officer's time being accounted for as governance costs. Accountancy costs are allocated to governance costs where they relate to information prepared for trustees' meetings.

6 Net (expenditure)/income for the year

Net (expenditure)/income for the year is stated after charging:

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets – owned assets	6,595	9,166
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets – owned assets	310	463
Fees paid to independent examiner:		
Independent examination	750	750
Other accountancy, VAT and consultancy services	2,900	2,650

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7 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No trustee was reimbursed any sum in respect of travel expenses during the year (2022: £nil) in relation to his/her trustee duties.

8 Staff costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	255,743	248,244
Social security costs	19,037	28,729
Payments to defined contribution pension schemes	<u>4,682</u>	<u>3,139</u>
	<u>279,462</u>	<u>270,112</u>

The average number of staff during the year was 11 (2022: 13) and the average number of full-time equivalent staff during the year was 10.1 (2022: 11.6).

No employees had employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2022: nil).

9 Intangible fixed assets

	Computer software
	£
Cost:	
At 1 April 2022	6,434
Additions	<u>12</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>6,446</u>
Amortisation:	
At 1 April 2022	5,494
Less on disposals	-
Amortisation for the year	<u>310</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>5,804</u>
Net book value:	
At 31 March 2023	<u>642</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>940</u>

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10 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant & machinery	Fixtures & fittings	Motor vehicles	Computer equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost:					
At 1 April 2022	2,651	8,496	88,066	16,633	115,846
Additions	65	-	-	112	177
Disposals	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>2,716</u>	<u>8,496</u>	<u>88,066</u>	<u>16,745</u>	<u>116,023</u>
Depreciation:					
At 1 April 2022	2,046	7,429	62,486	14,061	86,022
Less on disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation for the year	<u>135</u>	<u>520</u>	<u>5,116</u>	<u>824</u>	<u>6,595</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>2,181</u>	<u>7,949</u>	<u>67,602</u>	<u>14,885</u>	<u>92,617</u>
Net book value:					
At 31 March 2023	<u>535</u>	<u>547</u>	<u>20,464</u>	<u>1,860</u>	<u>23,406</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>605</u>	<u>1,067</u>	<u>25,580</u>	<u>2,572</u>	<u>29,824</u>

11 Stocks

All the amounts shown as stocks are in respect of goods for resale. See note 1 for the treatment of donated stock.

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12 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	18,993	2,260
Amounts due from associated undertakings (note 16)	-	-
Other debtors:		
VAT repayment	2,791	3,105
Gift Aid tax credit	9,508	14,409
Grants due	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>6,590</u>	<u>10,918</u>
	<u>37,882</u>	<u>30,692</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Trade creditors	32,829	13,996
PAYE creditor	4,444	-
Accruals and deferred income	<u>3,498</u>	<u>10,319</u>
	<u>40,771</u>	<u>24,315</u>

14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	General fund	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Intangible fixed assets	642	-	-	642
Tangible fixed assets	23,406	-	-	23,406
Current assets	69,924	30,000	22,698	122,622
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	<u>(40,771)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(40,771)</u>
Net assets at 31 March 2023	<u>53,201</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>22,698</u>	<u>105,899</u>

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15 Movement in funds

	1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted income funds:					
General fund	63,143	639,479	(649,421)	-	53,201
Designated fund	<u>30,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,000</u>
	<u>93,143</u>	<u>639,479</u>	<u>(649,421)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,201</u>
Restricted income funds:					
IT re-use	<u>12,569</u>	<u>38,413</u>	<u>(28,284)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,698</u>
Total funds	<u>105,712</u>	<u>677,892</u>	<u>(677,705)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105,899</u>

The designated fund represents funds set aside by the trustees for the future replacement of fixed assets.

The restricted funds are explained at note 2.

16 Related parties

The trustees of the charity are also the trustees of Community Furniture Store (Selby) Ltd. During the year, the charity issued invoices totalling £22,922 plus VAT (2022: £19,035) to Community Furniture Store (Selby) Ltd. A total of £863 plus VAT (2022: £1,413) related to the recharge of stock, £19,184 plus VAT (2022: £14,622) related to management recharges, and the remainder consisted of the recharge of office equipment and professional fees.

The trustees of the charity are also the trustees of Community Furniture Store (Ryedale) Ltd. During the year, the charity issued invoices totalling £21,862 plus VAT (2022: £19,754) to Community Furniture Store (Ryedale) Ltd. A total of £133 (2022: £2,132) related to the recharge of stock, £18,854 plus VAT (2022: £14,622) related to management charges, and the remainder consisted of the recharge of office equipment and professional fees.

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17 Operating lease commitments

The charity had the following future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases relating to premises for the following periods:

	2023	2022 (restated)
	£	£
Within one year	42,400	63,183
Between one and five years	<u>-</u>	<u>42,400</u>
	<u>42,400</u>	<u>105,583</u>

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	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
INCOME				
Donations and grants				
Grants	<u>9,941</u>	<u>38,413</u>	<u>48,354</u>	<u>63,657</u>
Income from charitable activities				
Shop income	575,741	-	575,741	510,572
Gift Aid tax credit	9,508	-	9,508	14,409
Management charges	40,913	-	40,913	29,244
Recharges of overheads to Selby and Ryedale stores	2,875	-	2,875	6,825
Sundry income	<u>415</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>415</u>	<u>76</u>
	<u>629,452</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>629,452</u>	<u>561,126</u>
Investment income				
Deposit account interest	<u>86</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>1</u>
Total income	<u>639,479</u>	<u>38,413</u>	<u>677,892</u>	<u>624,784</u>
EXPENDITURE (see page 26)	<u>649,421</u>	<u>28,284</u>	<u>677,705</u>	<u>630,470</u>
NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME	<u>(9,942)</u>	<u>10,129</u>	<u>187</u>	<u>(5,686)</u>

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	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
EXPENDITURE				
Expenditure on charitable activities				
Cost of sales:				
Cost of goods sold	241,270	-	241,470	210,853
Cost of goods and services recharged to associated charities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75</u>
	<u>241,270</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241,270</u>	<u>210,928</u>
Support costs:				
Wages and salaries	248,804	28,138	276,942	268,153
Rent and rates	64,164	-	64,164	61,461
Insurance	3,904	-	3,904	3,593
Light and heat	8,661	-	8,661	6,017
Building maintenance	2,084	-	2,084	903
Telephone	2,056	-	2,056	2,561
Postage and stationery	6,203	-	6,203	4,707
Advertising	991	-	991	3,572
Membership fees	1,447	-	1,447	1,182
Staff entertainment and gifts	-	-	-	466
Uniforms and personal protective equipment	1,253	-	1,253	1,027
Recruitment and training	1,718	-	1,718	2,243
Motor and travel expenses	13,596	-	13,596	18,772
Software support	12,066	-	12,066	9,968
Legal and professional	12,323	-	12,323	6,566
Accountancy	6,856	-	6,856	1,500
Waste recycling	1,663	-	1,663	1,819
Workshop project	2,343	146	2,489	1,072
Conferences and events	583	-	583	356
Sundry expenditure	572	-	572	55
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>6,595</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,595</u>	<u>9,166</u>
Carried forward	397,882	28,284	426,166	405,159

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	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
EXPENDITURE (continued)				
Expenditure on charitable activities (continued)				
Support costs (continued)				
Brought forward	397,882	28,284	426,166	405,159
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	310	-	310	463
Bank charges and interest	<u>3,837</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,837</u>	<u>2,781</u>
	<u>402,029</u>	<u>28,284</u>	<u>430,313</u>	<u>408,403</u>
Grants made	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,280</u>
Governance costs:				
Wages and salaries	2,520	-	2,520	1,959
Accountancy	<u>3,602</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,602</u>	<u>1,900</u>
	<u>6,122</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,122</u>	<u>3,859</u>
Total expenditure	<u>649,421</u>	<u>28,284</u>	<u>677,705</u>	<u>630,470</u>

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