

**Charity registration number 1114784**

**Company registration number 05697939 (England and Wales)**

**SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND**  
**(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

**SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND  
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)  
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mr William Potter (Chair) Mr Wayne Potter Mr John McClymont
<b>Secretary</b>	Mr William Potter
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<b>Company number</b>	05697939
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**SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND  
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TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

**Objectives and activities**

The objects of the Charity as set out in its constitution are:

To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of children in the UK as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think fit, in particular but without prejudice to the foregoing, for the benefit of those who are sick or disabled, to provide advocacy/information and emotional support to children and their families, the provision of financial assistance to individuals, including holidays for themselves and their families, and to support the charitable work of similar institutions.

*Public benefit*

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

**Achievements and performance**

*Significant activities and achievements against objectives*

These objectives are pursued through a range of activities in the different areas of the Charity's work which are summarized below.

**Support & Advocacy**

Our main charitable activity, we have more than 2,500 families that we have directly helped by way of a grant, holiday or support. We also provide support and advice to countless others. This may be in the form of emotional support, advice to ensure they are claiming the correct benefits, help in locating alternative funding and in some case "just being there for a chat". Since the cost-of-living crisis, we have found it necessary to increase our team that deal with this very important work. Many families have nowhere to turn to when they are dealing with issues that affect their children, our team is always on hand to offer support and advice, which is of great benefit to the families.

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**Grants**

The Charity continues to make grants to families of children that meet the criteria set out in our objectives. These grants include but are not limited to costs for: medical equipment, hospital travel expenses, educational equipment, financial support and crisis break holidays. Although our grants programme is not our main objective, we still feel it is an important part of the work we do.

Below are just a few of the comments that the Charity have received from families that have received grants from us:

*"We just would like to say a huge thank you for your generosity and a bubble tube machine you guys purchased for Oskar. He absolutely loves it and spends most days in front of it!"*

*"To everyone at Sunny Days Children's Fund. Finley & I would like to thank you for funding the trike. Finley loves his trike and to be able to come cycling with Nanny & also his peers. His trike has already made a difference in his strength to his leg muscle, he could not cycle up a short incline & after a week he had improved & it gave him such an achievement. Finley gets a lot of attention from people out & about on our bike rides & loves to chat with everyone. Finley & I can't thank you enough for helping to fund his trike."*

*"I am sending this Email to say a huge thank you for providing us with the dry robe to keep Elodie warm in her wheelchair and the oxygen bag to hold her oxygen concentrator. This has helped us so much."*

*"Thank you so much for the trampoline, Ruben is outside every day. It is really helping with his sensory and stimulation needs. It is also helping develop some low muscle tone and also helps his Hypermobility."*

*"Good afternoon, thank you again for the generosity of your charity for purchasing the PC for Prince. He is so happy and has begun his studying again as of yesterday."*

*"Thank you so much for providing us with the cost of travel for our hospital appointments, before your help we having to miss some appointments due to the costs involved in having to travel to London for treatment."*

**Holiday Homes**

The Charity's two Holiday homes have again proved to be a great success.

The benefits these breaks provide to the families are immeasurable and below are just a few of the comments that the Charity have received from families:

*"Thank you we all had a lovely time and appreciate it, the break was much needed this year as we have spent so much time in and out of hospital"*

*"I hope this email finds you well. We wanted to thank you sincerely. We are very very extremely grateful for this respite break. Actually, I was in shock when you called on Friday to tell me that we will be going away for this respite break. It was so lovely speaking to you. We are grateful to you and the wonderful team. Again, we are very thankful."*

*"We just wanted to thank you for a lovely break away over the half term. My family and I had a lovely time. Everyone was friendly and welcoming. Over the last 12 months we have spent so much time in hospital, that it was starting to affect his brothers & sisters, this break gave everyone in the family time to spend together without having to worry about appointments etc. Thank you once again."*

*"We have just returned from a holiday at The Orchards, firstly, we would like to thank everyone at Sunny Days for making this possible. We would also like to send our heartfelt thanks to everyone at the Orchards, the staff were wonderful and were there to help us with everything we needed. The activities at the park were amazing and allowed the children to have the time of their lives, just being away for a week has allowed the children to forget the times I had to be at hospital with their sister over the last few years. Nobody wanted to leave at the end of the week and hopefully you will allow us to go again at some time. Thanks again to everyone involved in helping us to make such brilliant family memories."*

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**Website**

Our website ([www.sunnydaysfund.org.uk](http://www.sunnydaysfund.org.uk)) has continued to be a good source of information for families to contact the Charity. We also receive many donations directly from the link on the website.

The majority of families are referred to the Charity through Hospital and Local Council Social Workers, but some have applied directly through the website and contact through fundraising activities. The Charity confirms all the relevant medical conditions of the children through either the family GP or the Hospital attended.

The Trustees are mindful of the public benefit tests for charities, and confirm they have complied with the duty in the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

**Financial review**

Due to the continuing cost of living crisis, it has again proved to be a difficult year for us, our income from all sources has greatly reduced from last year.

We will continue to strive to increase our fundraising activities to ensure that we are able to maintain our objectives, allowing us to continue to help as many families as possible.

The Charity generated total incoming resources for the year of £367,062 (2023: £385,458); all this income is self-generated through telephone appeals and grant applications.

The Charity's total expenditure for the year was £362,362 (2023: £399,297) including spending on charitable activities of £284,585 (2023: £284,906), leaving net (expenditure) / income for the year of £5,898 (2023: £12,605).

The Charity's General Reserves brought forward were £126,076, giving General Reserves carried forward of £131,974. There are no Restricted Reserves.

The Trustees are of the opinion that the Charity's main aim is to continue to provide support, advocacy etc. for existing and potential future families but will also continue to make direct grants and holidays where appropriate and where funds permit.

The Trustees are satisfied with the Charity's financial position at the year end.

***Reserves policy***

The majority of the Charity's income is from daily/weekly fundraising activities and it does not rely on large corporate grants or bequests. This allows the Charity to have a definite indication of our regular income. We endeavour to maintain between £40,000 and £50,000 in reserves for unforeseen circumstances. The Trustees believe this is sufficient to meet the Charity's ongoing obligations.

***Major risks***

The Trustees have formally assessed business risks, and this has involved assessing the types of risk facing the Charity, prioritising them in terms of the potential impact and likelihood of occurrence, and identifying means of mitigating the risks. As part of this process the Trustees have assessed the adequacy of the Charity's internal controls and the costs of operating particular controls relative to the benefits obtained.

**Plans for future periods**

The Charity intends to continue to build on its strong links with the Great Ormond Street Hospital and other children's hospitals throughout the country. We will also continue to support Council Social Workers nationally. Our intention is to also continue supporting our existing and future families through our support and advocacy team.

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**Structure, governance and management**

Sunny Days Children's Fund is constituted as a registered Charity and a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital, with the Charity Trustees being directors of the company. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £10.

Trustees are normally elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), when a third of Trustees retire by rotation, but can also be appointed during the year to serve until the next AGM, when they have to stand for re-election. All major decisions that have financial or staffing implications are made by the Board of Trustees. Salaries and other running costs are agreed as part of the annual budgetary process.

Mr William Potter

Mr Wayne Potter

Mr John McClymont

Mr T Jones

(Appointed 14 July 2023)

(Deceased 12 July 2023)

*Recruitment and appointment of trustees*

The Board meets formally two times during the year, and in addition the CEO has daily contact with the Trustees. The formal meetings cover staffing, finance, work reports, policy and broader strategic issues.

**Auditor**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that KLSA LLP be reappointed as auditor of the Charity will be put at a General Meeting.

**Disclosure of information to auditor**

Each of the Trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mr William Potter  
Chair of the Trustees

21 January 2025

**SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND**  
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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**  
***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024***

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The Trustees, who are also the directors of Sunny Days Childrens Fund for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees 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 charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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; and
- 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 adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity 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 charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



# **SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

## **TO THE MEMBERS OF SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND**

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### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Sunny Days Childrens Fund (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 June 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as going concern.

### **Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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

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

- the information given in the Trustees report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report included within the Trustees report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)  
TO THE MEMBERS OF SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND**

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the Trustees report.

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

**Responsibilities of Trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees responsibilities, the Trustees, who are also the directors of the charity for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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

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**Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations**

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charitable company through discussions with trustees and other management, and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the sector; and
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the operations of the charitable company
- financial statements or the operations of the charitable company, including the Companies Act 2006, Charities Act 2011, data protection, anti-bribery, employment, environmental and health and safety legislation.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charitable company's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates set out in note 2 were indicative of potential bias; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

To address the risk of non-compliance with laws and regulations, we communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit. The potential effect of these laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably.

Firstly, the charitable company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation (including related charities legislation) and taxation legislation (including payroll taxes) and we assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statements items.

Secondly, the charitable company is subject to grants terms and conditions where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the termination of grants. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: Charity Commission inspections and health and safety legislation regulations. Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the Trustees and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Therefore, if a breach of operational regulations is not disclosed to us or evident from relevant correspondence, an audit will not detect that breach.

We communicated identified fraud risks and non-compliance with laws and regulations with those charged with governance, throughout the audit team and remained alert to any indications throughout the audit.

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

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A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and regulations made under that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



**Shilpa Chheda (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of KLSA LLP**

21 January 2025

**Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditor**

Kalamu House  
11 Coldbath Square  
London  
EC1R 5HL

**SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND**  
**(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>			
Charitable activities	4	367,062	385,458
Investments	3	1,198	684
Other income	5	-	550
<b>Total income</b>		<u>368,260</u>	<u>386,692</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Raising funds	6	77,777	114,391
Charitable activities	7	284,585	284,906
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>362,362</u>	<u>399,297</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds</b>		5,898	(12,605)
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Fund balances at 1 July 2023		126,076	138,681
<b>Fund balances at 30 June 2024</b>		<u>131,974</u>	<u>126,076</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

**SUNNY DAYS CHILDRENS FUND**  
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**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	13		16,881		20,861
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	14	17,187		2,820	
Cash at bank and in hand		101,874		107,252	
		<u>119,061</u>		<u>110,072</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	15	<u>(3,968)</u>		<u>(4,857)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>115,093</u>		<u>105,215</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>131,974</u>		<u>126,076</u>
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Unrestricted funds	17		<u>131,974</u>		<u>126,076</u>
			<u>131,974</u>		<u>126,076</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 21 January 2025

  
Mr William Potter  
Chair of the Trustees

Company registration number 05697939 (England and Wales)

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**1 Accounting policies**

**Charity information**

Sunny Days Childrens Fund is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 4 Cressing Road, Braintree, Essex, CM7 3PP. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the charity. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 1 of these financial statements.

The principal activity of the charity is the raising of funds to help children under the age of 18 years with a wide range of adverse medical conditions and all other life hindering conditions.

**1.1 Accounting convention**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

**1.2 Going concern**

The charity is able to fund its operational costs and meet its liabilities, through utilisation of existing cash resources and with continued support from grants and donations. The charity is therefore dependant upon its sponsors and donors for continuing financial support. As at 30 June 2024, the charity's net expenditure was £131k (2023: £126k). The charity's net current assets were £115k (2023: £105k).

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

**1.3 Charitable funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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**1 Accounting policies**

**(Continued)**

**1.4 Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income, after any performance conditions have been met, when the amount can be measured reliably and when it is probable that the income will be received.

Income from donations is recognised on receipt, unless there are conditions attached to the donation that require a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained. In this case income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102). Further detail of the contribution of volunteers to the charity is given in the Trustees' Annual Report.

**1.5 Resources expended**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Costs of raising funds includes the costs associated with attracting voluntary income
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose

Grants payable to third parties are included in expenditure on charitable activities. Where unconditional grants are made, these amounts are recognised when a constructive obligation is created, typically when the recipient is notified that a grant will be made to them. Where grants are conditional on performance, then the grant is only recognised once any unfulfilled conditions are outside of the control of the charity.

**Support costs allocation**

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, and project management costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities.



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**1 Accounting policies**

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**1.6 Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

Assets with a cost of less than £200 are expensed.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold property	10% on a straight line basis
Fixtures and fittings	25% on a reducing balance basis

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

**1.7 Impairment of fixed assets**

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

**1.8 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

**1.9 Financial instruments**

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

***Basic financial assets***

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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**1 Accounting policies**

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***Basic financial liabilities***

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

***Derecognition of financial liabilities***

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

**1.10 Taxation**

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010. It therefore meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

**1.11 Employee benefits**

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

**2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements**

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

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

**Key sources of estimation uncertainty**

**Useful economic lives of tangible assets**

Management reviews the useful lives and residual values of the tangible assets on a regular basis. During the financial year, the directors determined no significant changes in the useful lives and residual values.

**Staff costs accrual**

The monetary liability for employees' accrued holidays and management approved bonus at the reporting date is recognised as an expense accrual.

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**3 Income from investments**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	1,198	684

**4 Charitable activities**

	2024 £	2023 £
General donations and telephone appeals	326,289	353,974
Gift Aid recoverable	40,773	31,484
	<u>367,062</u>	<u>385,458</u>

**5 Other income**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Other income	-	550

The previous year other income relates to government subsidy that was received in the bank.

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**6 Expenditure on raising funds**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<b>Fundraising and publicity</b>		
Seeking donations, grants and legacies	9,368	9,008
Membership schemes and social lotteries	1,452	2,606
Staff costs	50,650	62,587
Depreciation and impairment	1,259	5,838
	<u>62,729</u>	<u>80,039</u>
<b>Trading costs</b>		
Support costs	15,048	34,352
	<u>15,048</u>	<u>34,352</u>
<b>Total costs</b>	<u><u>77,777</u></u>	<u><u>114,391</u></u>

**7 Expenditure on charitable activities**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	131,670	106,366
Printing, postage and stationery	16,201	14,444
Communications	7,013	5,157
Travel	-	1,219
Donations and grants	28,986	58,005
	<u>183,870</u>	<u>185,191</u>
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 8)</b>		
Support	95,677	97,044
Governance	5,038	2,671
	<u>284,585</u>	<u>284,906</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u><u>284,585</u></u>	<u><u>284,906</u></u>

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**8 Support costs allocated to activities**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<i><b>Basis of allocation</b></i>		
Staff costs	52,307	63,350
Depreciation	5,190	5,244
Premises costs	48,513	56,452
Insurance	788	741
Bank and credit charges	3,175	3,144
Governance costs	5,790	5,136
	<u>115,763</u>	<u>134,067</u>
<b>Analysed between:</b>		
Fundraising	15,048	34,352
Family support & Advocacy	100,715	99,715
	<u>115,763</u>	<u>134,067</u>
<b>Governance costs comprise:</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Audit fees	5,790	5,136
	<u>5,790</u>	<u>5,136</u>

**9 Trustees**

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) were reimbursed for expenses from charity during the year and in the previous year.

**10 Net movement in funds**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting)		
Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's financial statements	5,790	5,136
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	6,449	11,082
	<u>6,449</u>	<u>11,082</u>

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**11 Employees**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
Raising funds	7	7
Charitable activities	10	6
Support services	3	5
Total	<u>20</u>	<u>18</u>

**Employment costs**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Wages and salaries	<u>232,304</u>	<u>206,359</u>

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

**12 Taxation**

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

**13 Tangible fixed assets**

	<b>Freehold property</b>	<b>Fixtures and fittings</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 July 2023	58,376	63,566	121,942
Additions	-	2,469	2,469
At 30 June 2024	<u>58,376</u>	<u>66,035</u>	<u>124,411</u>
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 July 2023	57,117	43,964	101,081
Depreciation charged in the year	1,259	5,190	6,449
At 30 June 2024	<u>58,376</u>	<u>49,154</u>	<u>107,530</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 30 June 2024	-	16,881	16,881
At 30 June 2023	<u>1,259</u>	<u>19,602</u>	<u>20,861</u>

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**14 Debtors**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Gift aid recoverable	17,187	2,820

**15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other taxation and social security	1,436	2,433
Other creditors	406	825
Accruals and deferred income	2,126	1,599
	<u>3,968</u>	<u>4,857</u>

**16 Operating lease commitments**

**Lessee**

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Within one year	24,000	24,000

**17 Unrestricted funds**

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	<b>At 1 July 2023</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>At 30 June 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fixed asset fund	20,861	-	-	-	20,861
General funds	105,215	368,260	(362,362)	-	111,113
	<u>126,076</u>	<u>368,260</u>	<u>(362,362)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>131,974</u>

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**17 Unrestricted funds (Continued)**

Previous year:	At 1 July 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 30 June 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed asset fund	26,303	-	-	(5,442)	20,861
General funds	112,378	386,692	(399,297)	5,442	105,215
	<u>138,681</u>	<u>386,692</u>	<u>399,297</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>126,076</u>

The Designated fund represents the net book value of tangible fixed assets, and has been designated by the trustees to reflect the fact that these funds are not in a liquid form and so are not expendable funds.

**18 Related party transactions**

**Remuneration of key management personnel**

The remuneration of key management employees is as follows

	2024 £	2023 £
Key management personnel	44,200	42,250
	<u>44,200</u>	<u>42,250</u>

No trustee received any remuneration during the year. During the year the CEO was remunerated as follows;

	Power by which the payment is permitted	2024 £	2023 £
M Fitzmaurice	Employed by trustees	44,200	42,250

Other than the above, no trustee or other person related to the Charity had any interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the Charity during the year or the preceding year other than stated above.