

SLOUGH & DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1117544

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [05985626](#)

Registered 2007-01-10

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

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Activities

Objects: (1) TO PROMOTE THE INTERESTS OF DEAF PEOPLE AND HEARING IMPAIRED PEOPLE.(2) TO PROVIDE AMENITIES AT THE SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE, WINDMILL ROAD, SLOUGH, BERKS.

Activities: Developing and delivering services for all sensory impaired people.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Disability
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** SLOUGH
- Slough

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£136,502	£143,040	-	-
2024-03-31	£136,212	£136,604	-	-
2023-03-31	£112,827	£112,751	-	-
2022-03-31	£92,591	£79,369	-	-
2021-03-31	£68,994	£57,287	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David John Portsmouth		2012-10-31
PAUL HAYES		
Sarah Portsmouth		2019-01-26
Timothy John Davies		2012-10-31

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Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05985626 (England and Wales)
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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025
FOR
SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**

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FUTURE PLANS

The centre is committed to continuing its effort to provide services and support to the deaf and sensory impaired community and is continually looking for new ways to provide services to the community.

The trustees are continuing to provide and support the new service under the name of Deaf Aims. They specialise in services for deaf people, namely to offer nationally accredited courses in English & Mathematics and to assist deaf people looking for work by supporting them in finding and keeping jobs. In addition, Deaf Aims offers an individual and personalised service to deaf people in translating documents from English to BSL (British Sign Language) and vice versa.

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 Slough and District Deaf Centre is a company limited by guarantee (No 05985626) and registered with the Charity Commissioners (No 1117544). The charity is governed by its memorandum and articles of association, copies of which are available for inspection at the company's office or may be obtained by writing to the secretary.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees are elected by members of the charity. The charity aim to have a board of trustees that bring a diverse range of skills to the charity.

The board meet twice a year but are in regular contact during the year to discuss matters relating to the centre. Four of the trustees meet regularly at the centre on a monthly basis to discuss the day to day running of the centre.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
05985626 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number
1117544

Registered office
Windmill Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3SU

Trustees

Mr P Hayes - Chairperson
Miss R Bansal (resigned 30/10/2024)
Mr D J Portsmouth
Mrs A J Hayes
Mr T Davies
Mrs S Portsmouth

Independent Examiner

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 December 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Paul Hayes

Mr P Hayes - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Slough and District Deaf Centre ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company 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.

Joanne Kingsnorth

Joanne Kingsnorth FCA

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18 December 2025

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		21,585	8,350	29,935	27,849
Other trading activities	3	106,567	-	106,567	108,363
Total		<u>128,152</u>	<u>8,350</u>	<u>136,502</u>	<u>136,212</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		72,634	-	72,634	67,257
Charitable activities					
Centre management		45,997	18,822	64,819	64,326
Other		5,587	-	5,587	5,021
Total		<u>124,218</u>	<u>18,822</u>	<u>143,040</u>	<u>136,604</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		3,934	(10,472)	(6,538)	(392)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		40,724	341,225	381,949	382,341
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>44,658</u></u>	<u><u>330,753</u></u>	<u><u>375,411</u></u>	<u><u>381,949</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05985626)**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	14,377	330,753	345,130	362,961
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	10,244	-	10,244	9,486
Cash at bank and in hand		53,877	-	53,877	45,620
		<u>64,121</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,121</u>	<u>55,106</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(33,840)	-	(33,840)	(36,118)
		<u>30,281</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,281</u>	<u>18,988</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>30,281</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,281</u>	<u>18,988</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>44,658</u>	<u>330,753</u>	<u>375,411</u>	<u>381,949</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>44,658</u>	<u>330,753</u>	<u>375,411</u>	<u>381,949</u>
FUNDS					
	11			44,658	40,724
Unrestricted funds				330,753	341,225
Restricted funds				<u>375,411</u>	<u>381,949</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>375,411</u>	<u>381,949</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05985626)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 MARCH 2025

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 18 December 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Paul Hayes

Mr P Hayes - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Slough and District Deaf Centre is a charitable company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England and Wales. The address of the company's registered office is Windmill Road, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 3SU. The registered company number is 05985626 and the registered charity number is 1117544.

The principal activities of the charity are as disclosed within the Report of the Trustees on pages 1 to 3.

The presentation currency of these financial statements is Sterling (£), being the currency of the primary economic market in which the entity operates. All amounts in these financial statements have been rounded to the nearest pound unless stated otherwise.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

2. 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 financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. The trustees believe it is appropriate for the financial statements to be prepared on this basis.

Income

All incoming resources except grants are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

When the donors specify that donations and grants, including capital grants, are for particular restricted purposes, which do not amount to pre-conditions regarding entitlement, this income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds receivable.

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the expenditure occurs to which the grant relates.

Expenditure

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

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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

Short leasehold	- straight line - 2%
Fixtures and fittings	- straight line - 25%
Sensory garden	- straight line - 10%

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Where expenditure on a project for which restricted funds are available exceeds the balance on that fund, a transfer is made from unrestricted funds, to remove any overdrawn fund balances.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Financial instruments

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Significant judgements and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of income, expenditure, assets and liabilities. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on management's best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change.

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Hall Hire	400	4,500
Deaf Aims services	106,167	103,863
	<u>106,567</u>	<u>108,363</u>

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025****4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	4,470	4,272
Independent examiner's fees - other services	1,117	749
Depreciation - owned assets	22,343	21,218
Other operating leases	20,000	20,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	49,004	46,938
Trustees' social security	681	222
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>49,685</u>	<u>47,160</u>

The trustee's remuneration is in respect of one (2024: one) trustee, being Mrs A J Hayes, for services as a teacher of the deaf / centre manager for the local deaf community.

Trustees' expenses

One trustee was reimbursed £9,301 in respect of costs used in the services as a teacher of the deaf (2024 - £9,141).

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	2025	2024
Management	1	1
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025****7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Short leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Sensory garden £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2024	499,793	67,620	21,092	588,505
Additions	-	4,512	-	4,512
At 31 March 2025	<u>499,793</u>	<u>72,132</u>	<u>21,092</u>	<u>593,017</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	157,401	47,051	21,092	225,544
Charge for year	9,996	12,347	-	22,343
At 31 March 2025	<u>167,397</u>	<u>59,398</u>	<u>21,092</u>	<u>247,887</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	<u>332,396</u>	<u>12,734</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>345,130</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>342,392</u>	<u>20,569</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>362,961</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	9,131	4,514
Prepayments and accrued income	1,113	4,972
	<u>10,244</u>	<u>9,486</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Social security and other taxes	1,334	1,069
Other creditors	26,667	26,667
Accruals and deferred income	5,839	8,382
	<u>33,840</u>	<u>36,118</u>

10. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Within one year	20,000	20,000
Between one and five years	80,000	80,000
In more than five years	563,333	583,333
	<u>663,333</u>	<u>683,333</u>

The annual operating lease cost is due to Slough Borough Council but is fully covered by a grant receivable each year, also from Slough Borough Council.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	40,724	3,934	44,658
Restricted funds			
Building fund	340,700	(9,947)	330,753
Equipment fund	525	(525)	-
	<u>341,225</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>	<u>330,753</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>381,949</u>	<u>(6,538)</u>	<u>375,411</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	128,152	(124,218)	3,934
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(9,947)	(9,947)
Running costs fund	8,350	(8,350)	-
Equipment fund	-	(525)	(525)
	<u>8,350</u>	<u>(18,822)</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,502</u>	<u>(143,040)</u>	<u>(6,538)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	30,644	10,080	40,724
Restricted funds			
Building fund	350,647	(9,947)	340,700
Equipment fund	1,050	(525)	525
	<u>351,697</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>	<u>341,225</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>382,341</u>	<u>(392)</u>	<u>381,949</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	129,792	(119,712)	10,080
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(9,947)	(9,947)
Running costs fund	6,420	(6,420)	-
Equipment fund	-	(525)	(525)
	<u>6,420</u>	<u>(16,892)</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,212</u>	<u>(136,604)</u>	<u>(392)</u>

Description of funds held:

Building fund - This relates to funds received towards the construction and development of the Deaf Centre. Funds are primarily included within tangible fixed assets, with a corresponding deduction for the loan included within other creditors.

Running costs fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used as contributions towards the running costs of the centre.

Equipment fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used for the purposes of purchasing equipment for the centre.

12. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Total financial commitments, guarantees and contingencies not included in the statement of financial position amount to £663,333 (2024 - £683,333) as shown in note 10.

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Included within Deaf Aims costs are amounts paid to T J Davies (trustee) in respect of support and transport costs totalling £6,229 (2024: £7,166). Additionally an amount of £1,400 (2024: £1,390) was paid to the spouse of a Trustee of the Charity in respect of cleaning services provided to the charity.

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14. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity was under control of the trustees throughout the current and previous year.

15. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £10.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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05985626 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

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Registered office

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Trustees

Mr P Hayes - Chairperson
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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Paul Hayes

Mr P Hayes - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Slough and District Deaf Centre ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company 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.

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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Other trading activities	3	108,363	-	108,363	97,476
Total		<u>129,792</u>	<u>6,420</u>	<u>136,212</u>	<u>112,827</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		21,360	-	21,360	11,366
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Centre management		47,434	16,892	64,326	63,729
Other		50,918	-	50,918	37,656
Total		<u>119,712</u>	<u>16,892</u>	<u>136,604</u>	<u>112,751</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		10,080	(10,472)	(392)	76
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		30,644	351,697	382,341	382,265
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>40,724</u></u>	<u><u>341,225</u></u>	<u><u>381,949</u></u>	<u><u>382,341</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05985626)**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	21,736	341,225	362,961	375,570
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	9,486	-	9,486	4,852
Cash at bank and in hand		45,620	-	45,620	34,900
		<u>55,106</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,106</u>	<u>39,752</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(36,118)	-	(36,118)	(32,981)
		<u>18,988</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,988</u>	<u>6,771</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>40,724</u>	<u>341,225</u>	<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>40,724</u>	<u>341,225</u>	<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>40,724</u>	<u>341,225</u>	<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
FUNDS					
	11			40,724	30,644
Unrestricted funds				341,225	351,697
Restricted funds				<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05985626)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 MARCH 2024

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 20 December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Paul Hayes

Mr P Hayes - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

Slough and District Deaf Centre is a charitable company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England and Wales. The address of the company's registered office is Windmill Road, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 3SU. The registered company number is 05985626 and the registered charity number is 1117544.

The principal activities of the charity are as disclosed within the Report of the Trustees on pages 1 to 3.

The presentation currency of these financial statements is Sterling (£), being the currency of the primary economic market in which the entity operates. All amounts in these financial statements have been rounded to the nearest pound unless stated otherwise.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

2. 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 financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. The trustees believe it is appropriate for the financial statements to be prepared on this basis.

Income

All incoming resources except grants are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

When the donors specify that donations and grants, including capital grants, are for particular restricted purposes, which do not amount to pre-conditions regarding entitlement, this income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds receivable.

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the expenditure occurs to which the grant relates.

Expenditure

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

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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

Short leasehold	- straight line - 2%
Fixtures and fittings	- straight line - 25%
Sensory garden	- straight line - 10%

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued****Taxation**

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

Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Where expenditure on a project for which restricted funds are available exceeds the balance on that fund, a transfer is made from unrestricted funds, to remove any overdrawn fund balances.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Financial instruments

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Significant judgements and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of income, expenditure, assets and liabilities. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on management's best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change.

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Hall Hire	4,500	23,275
Deaf Aims services	103,863	74,201
	<u>108,363</u>	<u>97,476</u>

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	4,272	3,888
Independent examiner's fees - other services	749	432
Depreciation - owned assets	21,218	20,241
Other operating leases	20,000	20,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	46,938	37,656
Trustees' social security	222	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>47,160</u>	<u>37,656</u>

The trustee's remuneration is in respect of one (2023: one) trustee, being Mrs A J Hayes, for services as a support worker for the local deaf community.

Trustees' expenses

One trustee was reimbursed £9,141 in respect of costs used in the services as a support worker (2023 - two trustees £7,544).

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	2024	2023
Management	1	1
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Short leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Sensory garden £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2023	499,793	59,011	21,092	579,896
Additions	-	8,609	-	8,609
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2024	499,793	67,620	21,092	588,505
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2023	147,405	35,829	21,092	204,326
Charge for year	9,996	11,222	-	21,218
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2024	157,401	47,051	21,092	225,544
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2024	342,392	20,569	-	362,961
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 31 March 2023	352,388	23,182	-	375,570
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	4,514	3,724
Prepayments and accrued income	4,972	1,128
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	9,486	4,852
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Social security and other taxes	1,069	832
Other creditors	26,667	26,667
Accruals and deferred income	8,382	5,482
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	36,118	32,981
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

10. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Within one year	20,000	20,000
Between one and five years	80,000	80,000
In more than five years	583,333	603,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	683,333	703,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The annual operating lease cost is due to Slough Borough Council but is fully covered by a grant receivable each year, also from Slough Borough Council.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	30,644	10,080	40,724
Restricted funds			
Building fund	350,647	(9,947)	340,700
Equipment fund	1,050	(525)	525
	<u>351,697</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>	<u>341,225</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>382,341</u>	<u>(392)</u>	<u>381,949</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	129,792	(119,712)	10,080
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(9,947)	(9,947)
Running costs fund	6,420	(6,420)	-
Equipment fund	-	(525)	(525)
	<u>6,420</u>	<u>(16,892)</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,212</u>	<u>(136,604)</u>	<u>(392)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	19,771	10,873	30,644
Restricted funds			
Building fund	360,594	(9,947)	350,647
Equipment fund	1,900	(850)	1,050
	<u>362,494</u>	<u>(10,797)</u>	<u>351,697</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>382,265</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>382,341</u>

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****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	112,519	(101,646)	10,873
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(9,947)	(9,947)
Equipment fund	308	(1,158)	(850)
	<u>308</u>	<u>(11,105)</u>	<u>(10,797)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>112,827</u>	<u>(112,751)</u>	<u>76</u>

Description of funds held:

Building fund - This relates to funds received towards the construction and development of the Deaf Centre. Funds are primarily included within tangible fixed assets, with a corresponding deduction for the loan included within other creditors.

Running costs fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used as contributions towards the running costs of the centre.

Equipment fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used for the purposes of purchasing equipment for the centre.

12. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Total financial commitments, guarantees and contingencies not included in the statement of financial position amount to £683,333 (2023 - £703,333) as shown in note 10.

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Included within Deaf Aims costs are amounts paid to T J Davies (trustee) in respect of support and transport costs totalling £7,166 (2023: £4,500). Additionally an amount of £1,390 (2023: £605) was paid to the spouse of a Trustee of the Charity in respect of cleaning services provided to the charity.

14. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity was under control of the trustees throughout the current and previous year.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

15. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £10.

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05985626 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117544

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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 2024. 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's aim is to develop and deliver services to all sensory impaired people and to provide amenities at the Slough and District Deaf Centre, Windmill Road, Slough.

The trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The trustees consider that the activities undertaken at the Slough and District Deaf Centre, as set out under significant activities below, are in accordance with this guidance.

Significant activities

The state of the art building originally costing £497,366 was opened in November 2008. This was partially funded by a £190,000 loan from Futurebuilders England, which has now been fully repaid, but mainly by the deaf community following 5 years fundraising by the Slough Deaf Centre Management Committee, including a substantial donation from a former member, Margaret Burley.

There is still overwhelming support for the development of our sensory needs resource centre, where the following services are made available in partnership with Health, Council, Voluntary Sector, Users and Carer group partners:

- information officer to assist with correspondence, benefit applications and reviews, accessing information and other services;
- young carers group - including children of deaf parents;
- family support worker for deaf parents;
- interpreter support for hospital and education meetings and appointments;
- support for deaf people to find and get into work - including work preparation;
- Asian deaf women's group/other deaf minority groups;
- sign language classes for hearing parents, siblings, relatives;
- parenting classes for deaf parents and hearing parents of deaf children;
- static display of environmental equipment and manufacturer's leaflets, with equipment officer attending a drop in session, fortnightly or once a month;
- health professionals to offer, through health promotion programmes, information on various medical conditions such as diabetes, pregnancy, sexual health, women's health, healthy eating / diet;
- support for deaf people with additional needs to either attend college / access college or to offer individually tailored sessions to learn numeracy, literacy and basic skills;
- social club for the deaf / blind and hard of hearing.

The building replaced the long-established Slough Deaf Social Club on the same site. The former 'Timber' building, built by the deaf community and opened in 1960, was demolished in December 2007 after falling into disrepair.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain the unrestricted fund at a level that is deemed to be sufficient to cover the running costs of the charity and make payment as they fall due. This is after taking into account the donations and contributions towards such costs recognised each year. The charity is aiming to increase its unrestricted reserves in the current year.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

FUTURE PLANS

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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Paul Hayes

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Slough and District Deaf Centre ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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Total		<u>119,712</u>	<u>16,892</u>	<u>136,604</u>	<u>112,751</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		10,080	(10,472)	(392)	76
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		30,644	351,697	382,341	382,265
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>40,724</u></u>	<u><u>341,225</u></u>	<u><u>381,949</u></u>	<u><u>382,341</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	21,736	341,225	362,961	375,570
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	9,486	-	9,486	4,852
Cash at bank and in hand		45,620	-	45,620	34,900
		<u>55,106</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,106</u>	<u>39,752</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(36,118)	-	(36,118)	(32,981)
		<u>18,988</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,988</u>	<u>6,771</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>40,724</u>	<u>341,225</u>	<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>40,724</u>	<u>341,225</u>	<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>40,724</u>	<u>341,225</u>	<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
FUNDS					
	11			40,724	30,644
Unrestricted funds				341,225	351,697
Restricted funds				<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>381,949</u>	<u>382,341</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 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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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 MARCH 2024

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 20 December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Paul Hayes

Mr P Hayes - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

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The principal activities of the charity are as disclosed within the Report of the Trustees on pages 1 to 3.

The presentation currency of these financial statements is Sterling (£), being the currency of the primary economic market in which the entity operates. All amounts in these financial statements have been rounded to the nearest pound unless stated otherwise.

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The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. The trustees believe it is appropriate for the financial statements to be prepared on this basis.

Income

All incoming resources except grants are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

When the donors specify that donations and grants, including capital grants, are for particular restricted purposes, which do not amount to pre-conditions regarding entitlement, this income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds receivable.

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the expenditure occurs to which the grant relates.

Expenditure

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

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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

Short leasehold	- straight line - 2%
Fixtures and fittings	- straight line - 25%
Sensory garden	- straight line - 10%

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued****Taxation**

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

Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Where expenditure on a project for which restricted funds are available exceeds the balance on that fund, a transfer is made from unrestricted funds, to remove any overdrawn fund balances.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Financial instruments

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Significant judgements and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of income, expenditure, assets and liabilities. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on management's best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change.

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Hall Hire	4,500	23,275
Deaf Aims services	103,863	74,201
	<u>108,363</u>	<u>97,476</u>

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	4,272	3,888
Independent examiner's fees - other services	749	432
Depreciation - owned assets	21,218	20,241
Other operating leases	20,000	20,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	46,938	37,656
Trustees' social security	222	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u>47,160</u>	<u>37,656</u>

The trustee's remuneration is in respect of one (2023: one) trustee, being Mrs A J Hayes, for services as a support worker for the local deaf community.

Trustees' expenses

One trustee was reimbursed £9,141 in respect of costs used in the services as a support worker (2023 - two trustees £7,544).

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	2024	2023
Management	1	1
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Short leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Sensory garden £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2023	499,793	59,011	21,092	579,896
Additions	-	8,609	-	8,609
At 31 March 2024	499,793	67,620	21,092	588,505
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2023	147,405	35,829	21,092	204,326
Charge for year	9,996	11,222	-	21,218
At 31 March 2024	157,401	47,051	21,092	225,544
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2024	342,392	20,569	-	362,961
At 31 March 2023	352,388	23,182	-	375,570

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	4,514	3,724
Prepayments and accrued income	4,972	1,128
	9,486	4,852

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Social security and other taxes	1,069	832
Other creditors	26,667	26,667
Accruals and deferred income	8,382	5,482
	36,118	32,981

10. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Within one year	20,000	20,000
Between one and five years	80,000	80,000
In more than five years	583,333	603,000
	683,333	703,000

The annual operating lease cost is due to Slough Borough Council but is fully covered by a grant receivable each year, also from Slough Borough Council.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	30,644	10,080	40,724
Restricted funds			
Building fund	350,647	(9,947)	340,700
Equipment fund	1,050	(525)	525
	<u>351,697</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>	<u>341,225</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>382,341</u>	<u>(392)</u>	<u>381,949</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	129,792	(119,712)	10,080
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(9,947)	(9,947)
Running costs fund	6,420	(6,420)	-
Equipment fund	-	(525)	(525)
	<u>6,420</u>	<u>(16,892)</u>	<u>(10,472)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>136,212</u>	<u>(136,604)</u>	<u>(392)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	19,771	10,873	30,644
Restricted funds			
Building fund	360,594	(9,947)	350,647
Equipment fund	1,900	(850)	1,050
	<u>362,494</u>	<u>(10,797)</u>	<u>351,697</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>382,265</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>382,341</u>

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****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	112,519	(101,646)	10,873
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(9,947)	(9,947)
Equipment fund	308	(1,158)	(850)
	<u>308</u>	<u>(11,105)</u>	<u>(10,797)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>112,827</u>	<u>(112,751)</u>	<u>76</u>

Description of funds held:

Building fund - This relates to funds received towards the construction and development of the Deaf Centre. Funds are primarily included within tangible fixed assets, with a corresponding deduction for the loan included within other creditors.

Running costs fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used as contributions towards the running costs of the centre.

Equipment fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used for the purposes of purchasing equipment for the centre.

12. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Total financial commitments, guarantees and contingencies not included in the statement of financial position amount to £683,333 (2023 - £703,333) as shown in note 10.

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Included within Deaf Aims costs are amounts paid to T J Davies (trustee) in respect of support and transport costs totalling £7,166 (2023: £4,500). Additionally an amount of £1,390 (2023: £605) was paid to the spouse of a Trustee of the Charity in respect of cleaning services provided to the charity.

14. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity was under control of the trustees throughout the current and previous year.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

15. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £10.

SLOUGH & DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1117544

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05985626 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117544

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
FOR
SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's aim is to develop and deliver services to all sensory impaired people and to provide amenities at the Slough and District Deaf Centre, Windmill Road, Slough.

The trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The trustees consider that the activities undertaken at the Slough and District Deaf Centre, as set out under significant activities below, are in accordance with this guidance.

Significant activities

The state of the art building originally costing £497,366 was opened in November 2008. This was partially funded by a £190,000 loan from Futurebuilders England, which has now been fully repaid, but mainly by the deaf community following 5 years fundraising by the Slough Deaf Centre Management Committee, including a substantial donation from a former member, Margaret Burley.

There is still overwhelming support for the development of our sensory needs resource centre, where the following services are made available in partnership with Health, Council, Voluntary Sector, Users and Carer group partners:

- information officer to assist with correspondence, benefit applications and reviews, accessing information and other services;
- young carers group - including children of deaf parents;
- family support worker for deaf parents;
- interpreter support for hospital and education meetings and appointments;
- support for deaf people to find and get into work - including work preparation;
- Asian deaf women's group/other deaf minority groups;
- sign language classes for hearing parents, siblings, relatives;
- parenting classes for deaf parents and hearing parents of deaf children;
- static display of environmental equipment and manufacturer's leaflets, with equipment officer attending a drop in session, fortnightly or once a month;
- health professionals to offer, through health promotion programmes, information on various medical conditions such as diabetes, pregnancy, sexual health, women's health, healthy eating / diet;
- support for deaf people with additional needs to either attend college / access college or to offer individually tailored sessions to learn numeracy, literacy and basic skills;
- social club for the deaf / blind and hard of hearing.

The building replaced the long-established Slough Deaf Social Club on the same site. The former 'Timber' building, built by the deaf community and opened in 1960, was demolished in December 2007 after falling into disrepair.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain the unrestricted fund at a level that is deemed to be sufficient to cover the running costs of the charity and make payment as they fall due. This is after taking into account the donations and contributions towards such costs recognised each year. The charity is aiming to increase its unrestricted reserves in the current year.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

FUTURE PLANS

The centre is committed to continuing its effort to provide services and support to the deaf and sensory impaired community and is continually looking for new ways to provide services to the community.

The trustees are continuing to provide and support the new service under the name of Deaf Aims. They specialise in services for deaf people, namely to offer nationally accredited courses in English & Mathematics and to assist deaf people looking for work by supporting them in finding and keeping jobs. In addition, Deaf Aims offers an individual and personalised service to deaf people in translating documents from English to BSL (British Sign Language) and vice versa.

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 Slough and District Deaf Centre is a company limited by guarantee (No 05985626) and registered with the Charity Commissioners (No 1117544). The charity is governed by its memorandum and articles of association, copies of which are available for inspection at the company's office or may be obtained by writing to the secretary.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees are elected by members of the charity. The charity aim to have a board of trustees that bring a diverse range of skills to the charity.

The board meet on a quarterly basis and have done since the centre opened in November 2008.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

05985626 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1117544

Registered office

Windmill Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3SU

Trustees

Mr P Hayes
Miss R Bansal
Mr D J Portsmouth
Mrs A J Hayes
Mr T Davies
Mrs S Portsmouth

Chairperson

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 21 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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Mr P Hayes - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Slough and District Deaf Centre ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company 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.



Joanne Kingsnorth FCA

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21 December 2023

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		15,043	308	15,351	30,400
Other trading activities	3	97,476	-	97,476	61,742
Other income		-	-	-	449
Total		<u>112,519</u>	<u>308</u>	<u>112,827</u>	<u>92,591</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		11,366	-	11,366	7,345
Charitable activities					
Centre management		52,624	11,105	63,729	52,982
Other		37,656	-	37,656	19,042
Total		<u>101,646</u>	<u>11,105</u>	<u>112,751</u>	<u>79,369</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		10,873	(10,797)	76	13,222
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		19,771	362,494	382,265	369,043
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>30,644</u></u>	<u><u>351,697</u></u>	<u><u>382,341</u></u>	<u><u>382,265</u></u>

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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31 MARCH 2023**

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FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	23,873	351,697	375,570	375,615
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	4,852	-	4,852	11,048
Cash at bank and in hand		34,900	-	34,900	29,112
		<u>39,752</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,752</u>	<u>40,160</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(32,981)	-	(32,981)	(33,510)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>6,771</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,771</u>	<u>6,650</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>30,644</u>	<u>351,697</u>	<u>382,341</u>	<u>382,265</u>
NET ASSETS					
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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 MARCH 2023

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Where expenditure on a project for which restricted funds are available exceeds the balance on that fund, a transfer is made from unrestricted funds, to remove any overdrawn fund balances.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Financial instruments

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Significant judgements and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of income, expenditure, assets and liabilities. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on management's best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change.

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Hall Hire	23,275	23,400
Deaf Aims services	74,201	38,342
	<u>97,476</u>	<u>61,742</u>

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	3,888	3,888
Independent examiner's fees - other services	432	684
Depreciation - owned assets	20,241	15,194
Other operating leases	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	<u>37,656</u>	<u>19,042</u>

The trustee's remuneration is in respect of one (2022: one) trustee, being Mrs A J Hayes, for services as a support worker for the local deaf community.

Trustees' expenses

Two trustees were reimbursed an aggregate of £7,544 in respect of costs used in the services as a support worker and a small amount of office expenses (2022 - one trustee £6,025).

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	2023	2022
Management	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>

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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Short leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Sensory garden £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2022	499,793	38,815	21,092	559,700
Additions	-	20,196	-	20,196
At 31 March 2023	<u>499,793</u>	<u>59,011</u>	<u>21,092</u>	<u>579,896</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2022	137,409	25,584	21,092	184,085
Charge for year	9,996	10,245	-	20,241
At 31 March 2023	<u>147,405</u>	<u>35,829</u>	<u>21,092</u>	<u>204,326</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2023	<u>352,388</u>	<u>23,182</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>375,570</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>362,384</u>	<u>13,231</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>375,615</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	3,724	2,050
Prepayments and accrued income	1,128	8,998
	<u>4,852</u>	<u>11,048</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Social security and other taxes	832	633
Other creditors	26,667	26,667
Accruals and deferred income	5,482	6,210
	<u>32,981</u>	<u>33,510</u>

10. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Within one year	20,000	20,000
Between one and five years	80,000	80,000
In more than five years	603,000	623,333
	<u>703,000</u>	<u>723,333</u>

The annual operating lease cost is due to Slough Borough Council but is fully covered by a grant receivable each year, also from Slough Borough Council.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	19,771	10,873	30,644
Restricted funds			
Building fund	360,594	(9,947)	350,647
Equipment fund	1,900	(850)	1,050
	<u>362,494</u>	<u>(10,797)</u>	<u>351,697</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>382,265</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>382,341</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	112,519	(101,646)	10,873
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(9,947)	(9,947)
Equipment fund	308	(1,158)	(850)
	<u>308</u>	<u>(11,105)</u>	<u>(10,797)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>112,827</u>	<u>(112,751)</u>	<u>76</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	20,244	22,273	(22,746)	19,771
Restricted funds				
Building fund	348,149	(10,301)	22,746	360,594
Equipment fund	650	1,250	-	1,900
	<u>348,799</u>	<u>(9,051)</u>	<u>22,746</u>	<u>362,494</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>369,043</u>	<u>13,222</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>382,265</u>

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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	82,656	(60,383)	22,273
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(10,301)	(10,301)
Running costs fund	7,835	(7,835)	-
Equipment fund	2,100	(850)	1,250
	<u>9,935</u>	<u>(18,986)</u>	<u>(9,051)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,591</u>	<u>(79,369)</u>	<u>13,222</u>

Description of funds held:

Building fund - This relates to funds received towards the construction and development of the Deaf Centre. Funds are primarily included within tangible fixed assets, with a corresponding deduction for the loan included within other creditors.

Running costs fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used as contributions towards the running costs of the centre.

Equipment fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used for the purposes of purchasing equipment for the centre.

12. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Total financial commitments, guarantees and contingencies not included in the statement of financial position amount to £703,333 (2022 - £723,333) as shown in note 10.

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Included within Deaf Aims costs are amounts paid to T J Davies (trustee) in respect of support and transport costs totalling £4,500 (2022: £nil). Additionally an amount of £605 (2022: £nil) was paid to the spouse of a Trustee of the Charity in respect of cleaning services provided to the charity.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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14. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity was under control of the trustees throughout the current and previous year.

15. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £10.

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	(5,487)	9,935
Grants	20,000	20,000
Membership and visitors fees	838	465
	<u>15,351</u>	<u>30,400</u>
Other trading activities		
Hall Hire	23,275	23,400
Deaf Aims services	74,201	38,342
	<u>97,476</u>	<u>61,742</u>
Other income		
Insurance receipts	-	449
	<u>-</u>	<u>449</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>112,827</u>	<u>92,591</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Bar purchases	-	1,320
Deaf Aims costs	11,366	6,025
	<u>11,366</u>	<u>7,345</u>
Charitable activities		
Rent	20,000	20,000
Rates and water	703	684
Insurance	1,968	1,912
Light and heat	6,740	3,368
Telephone	970	(27)
Office costs	2,178	1,655
Repairs and maintenance	3,558	3,787
Training courses	684	-
Legal and professional fees	140	-
Cleaning and recycling costs	2,157	1,468
Leasehold property depreciation	9,996	9,996
Fixtures and equipment depreciation	10,245	5,198
Bank interest and charges	70	369
	<u>59,409</u>	<u>48,410</u>
Other		
Trustees' salaries	37,656	19,042

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Independent examiner's fees	3,888	3,888
Independent examiner's fees - other services	432	684
	<u>4,320</u>	<u>4,572</u>
Total resources expended	<u>112,751</u>	<u>79,369</u>
Net income	<u>76</u>	<u>13,222</u>

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SLOUGH & DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1117544

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05985626 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117544

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022
FOR
SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**

Seymour Taylor Limited
57 London Road
High Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
HP11 1BS

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity's aim is to develop and deliver services to all sensory impaired people and to provide amenities at the Slough and District Deaf Centre, Windmill Road, Slough.

The trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The trustees consider that the activities undertaken at the Slough and District Deaf Centre, as set out under significant activities below, are in accordance with this guidance.

Significant activities

The state of the art building originally costing £497,366 was opened in November 2008. This was partially funded by a £190,000 loan from Futurebuilders England, which has now been fully repaid, but mainly by the deaf community following 5 years fundraising by the Slough Deaf Centre Management Committee, including a substantial donation from a former member, Margaret Burley.

The centre has a service level agreement with Slough Borough Council to help with the day to day running cost of the centre and to provide services in conjunction with the sensory needs team that are based at the centre.

There is still overwhelming support for the development of our sensory needs resource centre, where the following services are made available in partnership with Health, Council, Voluntary Sector, Users and Carer group partners:

- information officer to assist with correspondence, benefit applications and reviews, accessing information and other services;
- young carers group - including children of deaf parents;
- family support worker for deaf parents;
- interpreter support for hospital and education meetings and appointments;
- support for deaf people to find and get into work - including work preparation;
- Asian deaf women's group/other deaf minority groups;
- sign language classes for hearing parents, siblings, relatives;
- parenting classes for deaf parents and hearing parents of deaf children;
- static display of environmental equipment and manufacturer's leaflets, with equipment officer attending a drop in session, fortnightly or once a month;
- health professionals to offer, through health promotion programmes, information on various medical conditions such as diabetes, pregnancy, sexual health, women's health, healthy eating / diet;
- support for deaf people with additional needs to either attend college / access college or to offer individually tailored sessions to learn numeracy, literacy and basic skills;
- social club for the deaf / blind and hard of hearing.

The building replaced the long-established Slough Deaf Social Club on the same site. The former 'Timber' building, built by the deaf community and opened in 1960, was demolished in December 2007 after falling into disrepair.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain the unrestricted fund at a level that equates to approximately 6 months of the unrestricted expenditure. This should provide sufficient funds to cover the centre's running costs. The charity is aiming to increase its unrestricted reserves in the current year.

FUTURE PLANS

The centre is committed to continuing its effort to provide services and support to the deaf and sensory impaired community and is continually looking for new ways to provide services to the community.

The trustees are continuing to provide and support the new service under the name of Deaf Aims. They specialise in services for deaf people, namely to offer nationally accredited courses in English & Mathematics and to assist deaf people looking for work by supporting them in finding and keeping jobs. In addition, Deaf Aims offers an individual and personalised service to deaf people in translating documents from English to BSL (British Sign Language) and vice versa.

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 Slough and District Deaf Centre is a company limited by guarantee (No 05985626) and registered with the Charity Commissioners (No 1117544). The charity is governed by its memorandum and articles of association, copies of which are available for inspection at the company's office or may be obtained by writing to the secretary.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees are elected by members of the charity. The charity aim to have a board of trustees that bring a diverse range of skills to the charity.

The board meet on a quarterly basis and have done since the centre opened in November 2008.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

05985626 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1117544

Registered office

Windmill Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3SU

Trustees

Mr P Hayes	Chairperson
Miss R Bansal	
Mr D J Portsmouth	
Mrs A J Hayes	
Mr T Davies	
Mrs S Portsmouth	

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Seymour Taylor Limited
57 London Road
High Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
HP11 1BS

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

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Mr P Hayes - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Slough and District Deaf Centre ('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

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.



Joanne Kingsnorth FCA
Seymour Taylor Limited
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25 January 2023

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
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		20,465	9,935	30,400	52,105
Other trading activities	3	61,742	-	61,742	16,889
Other income		449	-	449	-
Total		<u>82,656</u>	<u>9,935</u>	<u>92,591</u>	<u>68,994</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		7,345	-	7,345	(299)
Charitable activities					
Centre management		33,996	18,986	52,982	49,606
Other		19,042	-	19,042	7,980
Total		<u>60,383</u>	<u>18,986</u>	<u>79,369</u>	<u>57,287</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
Transfers between funds	15	22,273 (22,746)	(9,051) 22,746	13,222 -	11,707 -
Net movement in funds		<u>(473)</u>	<u>13,695</u>	<u>13,222</u>	<u>11,707</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		20,244	348,799	369,043	357,336
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>19,771</u></u>	<u><u>362,494</u></u>	<u><u>382,265</u></u>	<u><u>369,043</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	13,121	362,494	375,615	374,736
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	-	-	-	1,250
Debtors	9	11,048	-	11,048	28,809
Cash at bank and in hand		29,112	-	29,112	37,050
		<u>40,160</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,160</u>	<u>67,109</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(33,510)	-	(33,510)	(70,891)
		<u>6,650</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,650</u>	<u>(3,782)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>19,771</u>	<u>362,494</u>	<u>382,265</u>	<u>370,954</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	-	-	-	(1,911)
		<u>19,771</u>	<u>362,494</u>	<u>382,265</u>	<u>369,043</u>
NET ASSETS					
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	15			19,771	20,244
Restricted funds				362,494	348,799
				<u>382,265</u>	<u>369,043</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					

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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - 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:

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Mr P Hayes - Trustee

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Slough and District Deaf Centre is a charitable company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England and Wales. The address of the company's registered office is Windmill Road, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 3SU. The registered company number is 05985626 and the registered charity number is 1117544.

The principal activities of the charity are as disclosed within the Report of the Trustees on pages 1 to 3.

The presentation currency of these financial statements is Sterling (£), being the currency of the primary economic market in which the entity operates. All amounts in these financial statements have been rounded to the nearest pound unless stated otherwise.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

2. 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.

Given the spread of the Coronavirus "COVID-19", the trustees have given due consideration to expected future cashflows and consider there to be little impact on the charity's ability to act as a going concern.

At the statement of financial position date the charity had net current assets amounting to £6,650 (2021: net current liabilities of £3,782), and the charity had significant net assets amounting to £382,265 (2021: £369,043). The trustees have reviewed and assessed the potential impact on the charity over the next twelve months including the charity's capital resources and consider that the charity has adequate resources in place to continue in operation for at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income

All incoming resources except grants are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

When the donors specify that donations and grants, including capital grants, are for particular restricted purposes, which do not amount to pre-conditions regarding entitlement, this income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds receivable.

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the expenditure occurs to which the grant relates.

Government grants

The charity previously received government grants in 2021 in respect of the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS). The charity did not receive these grants this year.

These grants are recognised using the accruals model at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is a reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with conditions attached to them.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

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

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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

Short leasehold	- straight line - 2%
Fixtures and fittings	- straight line - 25%
Sensory garden	- straight line - 10%

Stocks

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

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bar takings	-	110
Hall Hire	23,400	10,281
Deaf Aims services	38,342	6,498
	<u>61,742</u>	<u>16,889</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	3,888	3,714
Independent examiner's fees - other services	684	1,204
Depreciation - owned assets	15,194	11,519
Other operating leases	20,000	20,000
	<u>40,766</u>	<u>36,437</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	19,042	7,980

The trustee's remuneration is in respect of one (2021: one) trustee, being Mrs A J Hayes, for services as a support worker for the local deaf community.

Trustees' expenses

One trustee was reimbursed an aggregate of £6,025 in respect of costs used in the services as a support worker and a small amount of office expenses (2021 - one trustee £863).

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	2022	2021
Management	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Short leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Sensory garden £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2021	499,793	22,742	21,092	543,627
Additions	-	16,073	-	16,073
At 31 March 2022	499,793	38,815	21,092	559,700
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2021	127,413	20,386	21,092	168,891
Charge for year	9,996	5,198	-	15,194
At 31 March 2022	137,409	25,584	21,092	184,085
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2022	362,384	13,231	-	375,615
At 31 March 2021	372,380	2,356	-	374,736

8. STOCKS

	2022 £	2021 £
Finished goods	-	1,250

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	2,050	456
Other debtors	-	146
Prepayments and accrued income	8,998	28,207
	11,048	28,809

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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other loans (see note 12)	-	20,481
Social security and other taxes	633	-
Other creditors	26,667	26,667
Accruals and deferred income	6,210	23,743
	<u>33,510</u>	<u>70,891</u>

Included within creditors is the following deferred income:

	£
Deferred income at 31 March 2021	20,000
Released in the year	(20,000)
Deferred in the year	-
Deferred income at 31 March 2022	<u>-</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other loans (see note 12)	-	1,911
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,911</u>

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Other loans	-	20,481
	<u>-</u>	<u>20,481</u>
Amounts falling between one and two years:		
Other loans - 1-2 years	-	1,911
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,911</u>

13. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Within one year	20,000	20,000
Between one and five years	80,000	80,000
In more than five years	623,333	643,333
	<u>723,333</u>	<u>743,333</u>

The annual operating lease cost is due to Slough Borough Council but is fully covered by a grant receivable each year, also from Slough Borough Council.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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14. SECURED DEBTS

Secured debts amounting to £Nil (2021: £22,392) are included within creditors in respect of other loans. Futurebuilders England hold the first legal charge over the leasehold property as security for the loan.

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	20,244	22,273	(22,746)	19,771
Restricted funds				
Building fund	348,149	(10,301)	22,746	360,594
Equipment fund	650	1,250	-	1,900
	<u>348,799</u>	<u>(9,051)</u>	<u>22,746</u>	<u>362,494</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>369,043</u>	<u>13,222</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>382,265</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	82,656	(60,383)	22,273
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(10,301)	(10,301)
Running costs fund	7,835	(7,835)	-
Equipment fund	2,100	(850)	1,250
	<u>9,935</u>	<u>(18,986)</u>	<u>(9,051)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>92,591</u>	<u>(79,369)</u>	<u>13,222</u>

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15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	18,032	23,152	(20,940)	20,244
Restricted funds				
Building fund	338,132	(10,923)	20,940	348,149
Equipment fund	1,172	(522)	-	650
	<u>339,304</u>	<u>(11,445)</u>	<u>20,940</u>	<u>348,799</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>357,336</u>	<u>11,707</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>369,043</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	61,869	(38,717)	23,152
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(10,923)	(10,923)
Running costs fund	7,125	(7,125)	-
Equipment fund	-	(522)	(522)
	<u>7,125</u>	<u>(18,570)</u>	<u>(11,445)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>68,994</u>	<u>(57,287)</u>	<u>11,707</u>

Description of funds held:

Building fund - This relates to funds received towards the construction and development of the Deaf Centre. Funds are primarily included within tangible fixed assets, with a corresponding deduction for the loan included within other creditors.

Running costs fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used as contributions towards the running costs of the centre.

Equipment fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used for the purposes of purchasing equipment for the centre.

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16. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Total financial commitments, guarantees and contingencies not included in the statement of financial position amount to £723,333 (2021 - £743,333) as shown in note 13.

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022 (2021 £Nil) aside from membership fees paid by trustees and amounts included in the Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits note.

18. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity was under control of the trustees throughout the current and previous year.

19. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £10.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	9,935	7,625
Grants	20,000	44,480
Membership and visitors fees	465	-
	<u>30,400</u>	<u>52,105</u>
Other trading activities		
Bar takings	-	110
Hall Hire	23,400	10,281
Deaf Aims services	38,342	6,498
	<u>61,742</u>	<u>16,889</u>
Other income		
Insurance receipts	449	-
	<u>449</u>	<u>-</u>
Total incoming resources	92,591	68,994
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Bar purchases	1,320	(299)
Deaf Aims costs	6,025	-
	<u>7,345</u>	<u>(299)</u>
Charitable activities		
Rent	20,000	20,000
Rates and water	684	973
Insurance	1,912	1,847
Light and heat	3,368	3,112
Telephone	(27)	2,093
Office costs	1,655	1,374
Repairs and maintenance	3,787	1,548
Legal and professional fees	-	640
Cleaning and recycling costs	1,468	606
Leasehold property depreciation	9,996	9,996
Fixtures and equipment depreciation	5,198	1,523
Bank interest and charges	369	976
	<u>48,410</u>	<u>44,688</u>
Other		
Trustees' salaries	19,042	7,980

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	2022 £	2021 £
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Independent examiner's fees	3,888	3,714
Independent examiner's fees - other services	684	1,204
	<u>4,572</u>	<u>4,918</u>
Total resources expended	<u>79,369</u>	<u>57,287</u>
Net income	<u><u>13,222</u></u>	<u><u>11,707</u></u>

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SLOUGH & DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

England & Wales - Charity number 1117544

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05985626 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1117544

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
FOR
SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE**

Seymour Taylor Limited
57 London Road
High Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
HP11 1BS

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain the unrestricted fund at a level that equates to approximately 6 months of the unrestricted expenditure. This should provide sufficient funds to cover the centre's running costs. The charity is aiming to increase its unrestricted reserves in the current year.

FUTURE PLANS

The centre is committed to continuing its effort to provide services and support to the deaf and sensory impaired community and is continually looking for new ways to provide services to the community.

The trustees are continuing to provide and support the new service under the name of Deaf Aims. They specialise in services for deaf people, namely to offer nationally accredited courses in English & Mathematics and to assist deaf people looking for work by supporting them in finding and keeping jobs. In addition, Deaf Aims offers an individual and personalised service to deaf people in translating documents from English to BSL (British Sign Language) and vice versa.

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 Slough and District Deaf Centre is a company limited by guarantee (No 05985626) and registered with the Charity Commissioners (No 1117544). The charity is governed by its memorandum and articles of association, copies of which are available for inspection at the company's office or may be obtained by writing to the secretary.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The directors of the company are also trustees for the purposes of charity law. The trustees are elected by members of the charity. The charity aim to have a board of trustees that bring a diverse range of skills to the charity.

The board meet on a quarterly basis and have done since the centre opened in November 2008.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

05985626 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1117544

Registered office

Windmill Road
Slough
Berkshire
SL1 3SU

Trustees

Mr P Hayes
Miss R Bansal
Mr D J Portsmouth
Mrs A J Hayes
Mr T Davies
Mrs S Portsmouth

Chairperson

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

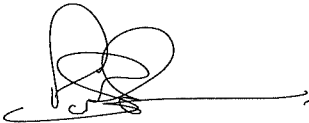
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

Seymour Taylor Limited
57 London Road
High Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 15 December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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Mr P Hayes - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Slough and District Deaf Centre ('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').

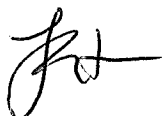
Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').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



Joanne Kingsnorth FCA
Seymour Taylor Limited
57 London Road
High Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
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15 December 2021

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.3.21 Total funds £	31.3.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		44,980	7,125	52,105	57,117
Other trading activities	3	16,889	-	16,889	38,485
Total		<u>61,869</u>	<u>7,125</u>	<u>68,994</u>	<u>95,602</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		(299)	-	(299)	7,085
Charitable activities					
Centre management		31,036	18,570	49,606	63,407
Other		7,980	-	7,980	8,400
Total		<u>38,717</u>	<u>18,570</u>	<u>57,287</u>	<u>78,892</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>23,152</u>	<u>(11,445)</u>	<u>11,707</u>	<u>16,710</u>
Transfers between funds	15	(20,940)	20,940	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>2,212</u>	<u>9,495</u>	<u>11,707</u>	<u>16,710</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		18,032	339,304	357,336	340,626
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>20,244</u></u>	<u><u>348,799</u></u>	<u><u>369,043</u></u>	<u><u>357,336</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	31.3.21 Total funds £	31.3.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	3,545	371,191	374,736	386,255
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	1,250	-	1,250	1,250
Debtors	9	28,809	-	28,809	37,502
Cash at bank and in hand		37,050	-	37,050	28,125
		<u>67,109</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>67,109</u>	<u>66,877</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(50,410)	(20,481)	(70,891)	(73,212)
		<u>16,699</u>	<u>(20,481)</u>	<u>(3,782)</u>	<u>(6,335)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		20,244	350,710	370,954	379,920
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	-	(1,911)	(1,911)	(22,584)
		<u>20,244</u>	<u>348,799</u>	<u>369,043</u>	<u>357,336</u>
NET ASSETS					
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	15			20,244	18,032
Restricted funds				348,799	339,304
				<u>369,043</u>	<u>357,336</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					

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.

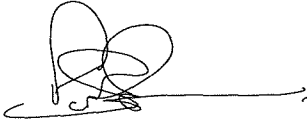
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SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - 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 15 December 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mr P Hayes - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Slough and District Deaf Centre is a charitable company limited by guarantee and incorporated in England and Wales. The address of the company's registered office is Windmill Road, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 3SU. The registered company number is 05985626 and the registered charity number is 1117544.

The principal activities of the charity are as disclosed within the Report of the Trustees on pages 1 to 3.

The presentation currency of these financial statements is Sterling (£), being the currency of the primary economic market in which the entity operates. All amounts in these financial statements have been rounded to the nearest pound unless stated otherwise.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

2. 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.

In light of the rapid global spread of the Coronavirus "COVID-19" since early 2020, the trustees have given due consideration to expected future cashflows and consider there to be little impact on the charity's ability to act as a going concern.

Although at the statement of financial position date the charity had net current liabilities amounting to £3,782 (2020: £6,335), the charity had significant net assets amounting to £369,043 (2020: £357,336). The trustees have reviewed and assessed the potential impact on the charity over the next twelve months including the charity's capital resources, have made cost saving measures where possible and consider that the charity has adequate resources in place to continue in operation for at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Income

All incoming resources except grants are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

When the donors specify that donations and grants, including capital grants, are for particular restricted purposes, which do not amount to pre-conditions regarding entitlement, this income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds receivable.

Grants are recognised in the financial statements when the expenditure occurs to which the grant relates.

Government grants

The charity receives government grants in respect of the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS).

These grants are recognised using the accruals model at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is a reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with conditions attached to them.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Expenditure

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

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes costs directly attributable to making the asset capable of operating as intended.

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

Short leasehold	- straight line - 2%
Fixtures and fittings	- straight line - 25%
Sensory garden	- straight line - 10%

Stocks

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

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Where expenditure on a project for which restricted funds are available exceeds the balance on that fund, a transfer is made from unrestricted funds, to remove any overdrawn fund balances.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Financial instruments

The charitable company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Significant judgements and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of income, expenditure, assets and liabilities. If in the future such estimates and assumptions, which are based on management's best judgment at the date of the financial statements, deviate from the actual circumstances, the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change.

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Bar takings	110	10,742
Hall Hire	10,281	11,125
Deaf Aims services	6,498	16,618
	<u>16,889</u>	<u>38,485</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	3,714	3,690
Independent examiner's fees - other services	1,204	477
Depreciation - owned assets	11,519	11,519
Other operating leases	20,000	20,000
	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Trustees' salaries	7,980	8,400
	<u>7,980</u>	<u>8,400</u>

The trustee's remuneration is in respect of one (2020: one) trustee, being Mrs A J Hayes, for services as a support worker for the local deaf community.

Trustees' expenses

One trustee was reimbursed an aggregate of £863 in respect of office expenses and other reclaimed expenses (2020 - three trustees £4,545).

6. STAFF COSTS

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

	31.3.21	31.3.20
Management	6	6
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

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

SLOUGH AND DISTRICT DEAF CENTRE

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

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Short leasehold £	Fixtures and fittings £	Sensory garden £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021	499,793	22,742	21,092	543,627
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2020	117,417	18,863	21,092	157,372
Charge for year	9,996	1,523	-	11,519
At 31 March 2021	127,413	20,386	21,092	168,891
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2021	372,380	2,356	-	374,736
At 31 March 2020	382,376	3,879	-	386,255

8. STOCKS

Finished goods	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
	1,250	1,250

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Trade debtors	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
Other debtors	456	2,100
Prepayments and accrued income	146	146
	28,207	35,256
	28,809	37,502

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Other loans (see note 12)	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
Trade creditors	20,481	19,772
Other creditors	-	20,353
Accruals and deferred income	26,667	26,667
	23,743	6,420
	70,891	73,212

Included within creditors is the following deferred income:

Deferred income at 31 March 2020	£
	900
Released in the year	(900)
Deferred in the year	-
Deferred income at 31 March 2021	-

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11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Other loans (see note 12)	1,911	22,584

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Other loans	20,481	19,772
Amounts falling between one and two years:		
Other loans - 1-2 years	1,911	22,584

13. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Within one year	20,000	20,000
Between one and five years	80,000	80,000
In more than five years	643,333	663,333

The annual operating lease cost is due to Slough Borough Council but is fully covered by a grant receivable each year, also from Slough Borough Council.

14. SECURED DEBTS

The following secured debts are included within creditors:

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Other loans	22,392	42,356

Futurebuilders England hold the first legal charge over the leasehold property as security for the loan.

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15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	18,032	23,152	(20,940)	20,244
Restricted funds				
Building fund	338,132	(10,923)	20,940	348,149
Equipment fund	1,172	(522)	-	650
	<u>339,304</u>	<u>(11,445)</u>	<u>20,940</u>	<u>348,799</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>357,336</u>	<u>11,707</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>369,043</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	61,869	(38,717)	23,152
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(10,923)	(10,923)
Running costs fund	7,125	(7,125)	-
Equipment fund	-	(522)	(522)
	<u>7,125</u>	<u>(18,570)</u>	<u>(11,445)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>68,994</u>	<u>(57,287)</u>	<u>11,707</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.20 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	11,186	27,786	(20,940)	18,032
Restricted funds				
Building fund	329,045	(11,853)	20,940	338,132
Equipment fund	395	777	-	1,172
	<u>329,440</u>	<u>(11,076)</u>	<u>20,940</u>	<u>339,304</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>340,626</u>	<u>16,710</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>357,336</u>

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15. 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	80,119	(52,333)	27,786
Restricted funds			
Building fund	-	(11,853)	(11,853)
Running costs fund	14,183	(14,183)	-
Equipment fund	1,300	(523)	777
	<u>15,483</u>	<u>(26,559)</u>	<u>(11,076)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>95,602</u>	<u>(78,892)</u>	<u>16,710</u>

Description of funds held:

Building fund - This relates to funds received towards the construction and development of the Deaf Centre. Funds are primarily included within tangible fixed assets, with a corresponding deduction for the loan included within other creditors.

Running costs fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used as contributions towards the running costs of the centre.

Equipment fund - This relates to funds received which are to be used for the purposes of purchasing equipment for the centre.

16. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Total financial commitments, guarantees and contingencies not included in the statement of financial position amount to £743,333 (2020 - £763,333) as shown in note 13.

17. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2021 (2020 £Nil) aside from membership fees paid by trustees and amounts included in the Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits note.

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18. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The charity was under control of the trustees throughout the current and previous year.

19. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The liability of each member is limited to an amount not exceeding £10.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	7,625	15,983
Grants	44,480	40,000
Membership and visitors fees	-	1,134
	<u>52,105</u>	<u>57,117</u>
Other trading activities		
Bar takings	110	10,742
Hall Hire	10,281	11,125
Deaf Aims services	6,498	16,618
	<u>16,889</u>	<u>38,485</u>
Total incoming resources	68,994	95,602
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Bar purchases	(299)	7,085
Charitable activities		
Rent	20,000	20,000
Rates and water	973	1,024
Insurance	1,847	1,798
Light and heat	3,112	6,161
Telephone	2,093	3,332
Office costs	1,374	5,309
Repairs and maintenance	1,548	4,731
Legal and professional fees	640	240
Cleaning and recycling costs	606	3,215
Leasehold property depreciation	9,996	9,996
Fixtures and equipment depreciation	1,523	1,523
Bank interest and charges	976	1,911
	<u>44,688</u>	<u>59,240</u>
Other		
Trustees' salaries	7,980	8,400
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Independent examiner's fees	3,714	3,690
Independent examiner's fees - other services	1,204	477
	<u>4,918</u>	<u>4,167</u>

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	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
Total resources expended	<u>57,287</u>	<u>78,892</u>
Net income	<u><u>11,707</u></u>	<u><u>16,710</u></u>

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