

FURNITURE MAKERS COMPANY LIMITED

England & Wales · Charity number 1118569

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [05406250](#)

Registered 2007-03-28

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

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Activities

Objects: 3) GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES INCLUDING (WITHOUT LIMITATION);3.1) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION OF THOSE PERSONS ALREADY ENGAGED IN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN BECOMING ENGAGED IN THE CRAFT AND THE INDUSTRY OF FURNITURE MAKING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM;3.2) PROVIDING FOR NECESSITOUS MEMBERS OF THE CRAFT AND INDUSTRY OF FURNITURE MAKING, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS;3.3) PROVIDING FOR NECESSITOUS MEMBERS OF THE CRAFT AND INDUSTRY OF FURNITURE MAKING, OR OF THE COMPANY OR ITS STAFF AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, BY PENSION OR OTHERWISE, AND SUPPORTING SUCH OTHER CHARITIES AS THE COMPANY SHALL CONSIDER FIT.

Activities: The Charitable company seeks to provide a facility to support the activities of The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund and which will assist it in achieving it's stated objectives.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED IN PRACTICE NATIONAL
- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£293,953	£316,620	-	-
2024-04-30	£298,291	£298,534	-	-
2023-04-30	£329,739	£327,625	-	-
2022-04-30	£328,876	£324,800	-	-
2021-04-30	£168,063	£294,412	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
hayden davies	Chair	2019-11-26
Amanda Jane Waring		2025-12-02
PETER DOUGLAS HEAD		
Peter Kelsey		2014-02-28

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Accounts

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

TRUSTEES	Hayden Davies (Chairman) Peter Head Peter Kelsey
COMPANY SECRETARY	Peter Head
COMPANY NUMBER	05406250
CHARITY NUMBER	1118569
REGISTERED OFFICE	Furniture Makers' Hall 12 Austin Friars London EC2N 2HE
AUDITORS	Hillier Hopkins LLP Radius House 51 Clarendon Road Watford WD17 1HP
BANKERS	CAF Bank, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4PY

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

The Directors (who are also Trustees of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the Furniture Makers' Company ("FMC") for the year ended 30 April 2025. The Directors confirm that the Annual Report and Financial Statements of FMC comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the FMC's governing document and provisions of the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

FMC is registered as a charitable company in England and Wales, limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated 29 March 2005 and amended by special resolution dated 12 May 2006. FMC is connected to The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund (the "Livery").

Method of Appointment or Election of Directors

Potential Directors are identified by the member and are chosen with regard to eligibility, competence, specialist skills and availability.

Policies Adopted for the Induction and Training of Directors

All Directors are encouraged to ensure they are familiar with the requirements of the Charities Acts and attend suitable courses to help them meet those requirements.

Organisational Structure and Decision Making

FMC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Funds (charity number 1015519, the "Charity") whose activities are discussed below.

The management of FMC is the responsibility of the Directors who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust Deed.

The day to day running of FMC is carried out by the Board of Directors with the assistance of the clerk to the Livery.

The Board of Directors meets regularly to consider progress and evaluate the management accounts and reports of FMC. The Directors also consider all activities including progress on courses and awards, cash flow reports and fundraising.

Risk Management

The Directors are responsible for the detailed consideration and management of risks facing FMC. They conduct annual reviews of the major risks (strategic, business and operational) to which FMC is exposed, and of the systems and policies set in place to mitigate those risks. Internal financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions and projects. These procedures are reviewed periodically to ensure that they still meet the needs of FMC.

Objectives and Policies

Company Objectives

FMC's objectives reflect those of its parent, the Charity, and are as follows:

- to promote, encourage and foster the craft and industry of furnishing and furniture and its ancillary activities in the United Kingdom (the "Industry");
- to advance education by providing grants, bursaries and awards to individuals training in the Industry;
- to relieve financial hardship by making payments for such things as the provision of living expenses, education, healthcare, rest and recuperation for present and past employees of the Industry, their families, relatives and dependants; and
- to support financially or by other means any other charity

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Activities for Achieving Objectives

FMC seeks to provide a facility to support the activities of the Charity and which will assist it in achieving its stated objectives.

The Charity is able, through its connections within the industry, to help identify ways in which FMC can meet its charitable objectives. This includes developing contacts with other organisations within the industry who can benefit by using the facilities provided at Furniture Makers' Hall.

Strategies to Achieve the Year's Objectives

FMC seeks to maintain and develop its assets, and in particular Furniture Makers' Hall, in order to provide training, support and courses on relevant topics and to develop new initiatives with the help of experts in those fields, as well as the provision of a home and working facility for the Charity. FMC encourages the use of Furniture Makers' Hall for meetings and seminars throughout the furniture industry.

Principal Activities for the Year

FMC's principal activities are:

The advancement of education of persons and the public engaged in the craft of furniture making.

The provision of meeting areas, function rooms and associated support activities for charitable activities, including those undertaken by the Charity.

Achievements and Performance

Review of Activities

Furniture Makers' Hall provides a long-term home for the Charity and a focal point for the furniture industry.

Financial Review

During the year FMC received total Donations of £1,290 (2024: £1,290).

The Charity again made a grant to FMC of £73,172 (2024: £72,773) to fund the capital repayments on the mortgage. The Charity also made a support grant to FMC of £60,000 (2024: £60,000).

FMC generated income from its property of £158,236 (2024: £161,916).

The general funds have reduced by £22,667 (2024: reduction of £243) to £971,799 (2024: £994,466).

Reserves Policy

The Company's reserves comprise a general fund and a revaluation reserve in respect of its freehold property.

The Directors regard the whole of the revaluation reserve and approximately £440,000 of the general fund to be held as reserves that represent the net investment in its freehold property.

The balance of the general fund, which at 30 April 2025 stood at £523,635, is retained as a reserve to meet future debt servicing costs and overheads.

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Future Developments

The outstanding mortgage on Furniture Makers' Hall is due for repayment in March 2026. The Directors are reassured by the Trustees of the Company's parent, the Charity, that sufficient funds will be made available to cover the repayment obligations.

The Directors continue to invest in the facility so that it is a prominent and high quality location for the Livery and the wider industry as well as for our tenants and those who hire the facilities.

Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors, who are also Trustees, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of FMC and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of FMC for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.


The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain FMC's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of FMC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of FMC and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of Information to Auditor

Each of the Directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that, so far as that trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the FMC's auditors is unaware, and that trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable group's auditor is aware of that information.

In preparing this report, the Directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on 2 Dec 25 and signed on their behalf by:


Hayden Davies, Chairman

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Furniture Makers' Company Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 30 April 2025 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 April 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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

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Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance including the remuneration incentives and pressures of key management;
- the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management. We consider the results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the Charitable Company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
 - the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override, including testing journals and evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the Charitable Company operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We focused on laws and regulations that could give rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements, including, but not limited to, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and relevant tax legislation.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial

Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Signed by:



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Hillier Hopkins LLP
Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor
Radius House
51 Clarendon Road
Watford, Herts
WD17 1HP

Date: 28-01-2026

Hillier Hopkins LLP are eligible to act as auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Total funds 2025 £	Unrestricted Total funds 2024 £
INCOME FROM:			
Donations and grants	2	134,462	134,063
Investment income	3	1,255	2,312
Other income	4	158,236	161,916
TOTAL INCOME:		<u>293,953</u>	<u>298,291</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	5	312,370	294,384
Governance costs	6	4,250	4,150
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>316,620</u>	<u>298,534</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 API 2025		<u>(22,667)</u>	<u>(243)</u>
Funds brought forward		994,466	994,709
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 APRIL 2025		<u>971,799</u>	<u>994,466</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

	<u>Notes</u>	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	10		2,689,870		2,769,656
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	11	46,176		80,614	
Cash at bank		<u>215,318</u>		<u>143,063</u>	
		<u>261,494</u>		<u>223,677</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors - Amount falling due within one year	12	1,979,565		183,922	
		<u>1,979,565</u>		<u>183,922</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES) FOR THE YEAR			<u>(1,718,071)</u>		39,755
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			971,799		2,809,411
Creditors - Amount falling due after more than one year	13		-		1,814,945
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>971,799</u>		<u>994,466</u>
CHARITY FUNDS					
General fund	14		523,635		546,302
Revaluation reserve	14		448,164		448,164
Total funds			<u>971,799</u>		<u>994,466</u>

The entity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. The members have not required the entity to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. However, an audit is required in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011

Directors' responsibilities:

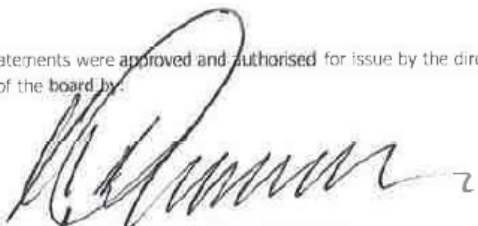
The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the directors on behalf of the board.
Signed on behalf of the board by:

Hayden Davies
Chairman

Date:



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The notes on pages 13 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of Preparation

Furniture Makers Company Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) shows the sources of income and expenditure analysed between General Fund and Restricted Funds.

The SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice) requires all sources of income to be shown, even though they may be used for purchasing fixed assets. The asset itself is charged in the balance sheet at the time of purchase and is not included in the SOFA expenditure. Depreciation of the asset is charged in the SOFA. Accordingly the net incoming resources are not necessarily operating surpluses (or deficits) as they include the purchase cost of the assets less the depreciation charges.

1.2 Income

Donations, fundraising and other income is recorded in the financial period for which it is received. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. It is analysed as follows:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit costs.

1.4 Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Freehold property	1% straight line
Improvements to property	10% straight line
Fixtures & fittings	15% straight line
Office and catering equipment	15% straight line

1.5 General Fund (Unrestricted)

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received, or generated, for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose, and are available as general funds.

1.6 Financial instruments

The 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.7 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which assumes the charity's ability to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

At the balance sheet date, the charity had net current liabilities of £1,718,071, which includes a bank loan of £1,086,207 due for repayment on 16 March 2026. The charity does not currently have committed facilities in place to refinance this loan. However, if refinancing is not secured, the loan could be repaid using funds generated from the sale of assets held by the parent charity. The charity is dependent on the continued financial support of its parent to meet its liabilities as they fall due. The parent charity has indicated its intention, without providing a binding commitment, to continue to provide financial support for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements.

Having considered the financial position of the charity, the expected support from the parent, and the availability of assets within the group to meet obligations as they fall due, the trustees are satisfied that it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

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2. Voluntary Income	Notes		Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Donations			1,290	1,290
Grants			<u>133,172</u>	<u>132,773</u>
			<u><u>134,462</u></u>	<u><u>134,063</u></u>
3. Investment Income			Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Investment income			<u>1,255</u>	<u>2,312</u>
4. Other Income			Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Rental income and hall hire			<u>158,236</u>	<u>161,916</u>
5. Charitable Activities			Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Premises	7,8		219,704	190,317
Finance costs	7,8		<u>92,666</u>	<u>104,067</u>
			<u><u>312,370</u></u>	<u><u>294,384</u></u>
6. Governance Costs			Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Auditors' remuneration			<u>4,250</u>	<u>4,150</u>
7. Direct Costs			Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
		Premises 2025	Finance 2025	
Premises Depreciation		79,787	-	79,787
Mortgage Interest		-	66,598	66,598
Loan Interest		-	26,009	26,009
Bank Charges		-	59	60
		<u>79,787</u>	<u>92,666</u>	<u>172,453</u>
Total 2025		<u><u>79,787</u></u>	<u><u>92,666</u></u>	<u><u>172,453</u></u>
Total 2024		<u><u>84,012</u></u>	<u><u>104,067</u></u>	<u><u>188,079</u></u>

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8. Support Costs

	Premises 2025	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
Rent, rates and insurance	20,891	20,891	18,007
Service charges	82,282	82,282	62,135
Tenancy and surveying costs	20,494	20,494	10,457
Catering contract costs	4,574	4,574	4,595
Property costs	10,423	10,423	10,362
Sundry expenses	1,253	1,253	749
Total 2025	<u>139,917</u>	<u>139,917</u>	<u>106,305</u>
Total 2024	<u>106,305</u>	<u>106,305</u>	

9. Net Incoming /(Outgoing) Resources

This is stated after charging:

	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	79,787	84,012
Auditors remuneration	<u>4,250</u>	<u>4,150</u>

During the year, no Directors received any remuneration (2024 : £Nil)

During the year, no Directors received any benefits in kind (2024 : £Nil)

During the year, no Directors received reimbursement of expenses (2024 : £Nil)

During the year, there were no paid employees

10. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Fixtures & fittings £	Office & catering equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1st May 2024	3,219,611	429,140	214,546	40,551	3,903,848
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2025	<u>3,219,611</u>	<u>429,140</u>	<u>214,546</u>	<u>40,551</u>	<u>3,903,848</u>
Accumulated Depreciation					
At 1st May	504,767	385,016	210,090	34,318	1,134,191
Charge for the year	32,197	42,102	3,461	2,027	79,787
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2025	<u>536,963</u>	<u>427,118</u>	<u>213,552</u>	<u>36,345</u>	<u>1,213,978</u>
NBV at 30 April 2025	<u>2,682,647</u>	<u>2,022</u>	<u>995</u>	<u>4,206</u>	<u>2,689,870</u>
NBV at 30 April 2024	<u>2,714,844</u>	<u>44,124</u>	<u>4,456</u>	<u>6,233</u>	<u>2,769,656</u>

The charity owns a property, part of which is rented to third parties under operating leases and short-term arrangements, and part of which is rented to a fellow group company. Due to shared services, common areas, and the inability to sell or lease individual floors separately under finance leases, the property does not meet the criteria for investment property under FRS 102 and the Charities SORP. It is therefore classified as a tangible fixed asset and accounted for using the cost model.

11. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	20,973	56,468
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>25,203</u>	<u>24,146</u>
	<u>46,176</u>	<u>80,614</u>

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12. Creditors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Mortgage payments due within one year	1,086,207	76,876
Trade creditors	24,096	12,008
Amounts owed to group undertakings	680,306	51,534
Amounts owed to the Livery	129,545	-
Other taxation and social security	5,727	(2,388)
Other creditors	24,410	24,410
Accruals and deferred income	29,273	21,482
	<u>1,979,564</u>	<u>183,922</u>

13. Creditors

Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Mortgage	-	1,082,500
Long term loan owed to group undertakings	-	608,192
Long term loan owed to the Livery	-	124,253
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,814,945</u>

The Mortgage of £1,086,250 outstanding at 31 April 2025 (2024: £1,159,376) is secured by a first legal charge over the freehold property.

14. Statement of Funds

	2025	2025	2025	2025
	Brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	546,302	293,953	-	523,635
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>994,466</u>	<u>293,953</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>971,799</u>
	2024	2024	2024	2024
	Brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	546,545	298,291	-	546,302
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>994,709</u>	<u>298,291</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>994,466</u>

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15. Related Party Disclosure

The company is related to the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund ("the Livery").

Under FRS 102 the company is not required to disclose related party transactions with its group headed by its parent company, The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, on the basis that consolidated accounts are prepared.

Related party transactions between FMC and the Livery

At 30th April 2025 the company owed the Livery £129,674 (2024: £124,253), a loan subordinated to the Allica loan, which is included within mortgage payments due within one year in creditors, and is not repayable until after the Allica loan has been settled.

16. Ultimate Parent Undertaking and Controlling Party

The ultimate controlling party is the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund Incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, an entity incorporated in the United Kingdom. Charity number 1015519 and Company number 02759359.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

TRUSTEES	Hayden Davies (Chairman) Peter Head Peter Kelsey
COMPANY SECRETARY	Peter Head
COMPANY NUMBER	05406250
CHARITY NUMBER	1118569
REGISTERED OFFICE	Furniture Makers' Hall 12 Austin Friars London EC2N 2HE
AUDITORS	Hillier Hopkins LLP Radius House 51 Clarendon Road Watford WD17 1HP
BANKERS	CAF Bank, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4PY

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The Directors (who are also Trustees of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the Furniture Makers' Company ("FMC") for the year ended 30 April 2023. The Directors confirm that the Annual Report and Financial Statements of FMC comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the FMC's governing document and provisions of the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

FMC is registered as a charitable company in England and Wales, limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated 29 March 2005 and amended by special resolution dated 12 May 2006. FMC is connected to The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund (the "Livery").

Method of Appointment or Election of Directors

Potential Directors are identified by the member and are chosen with regard to eligibility, competence, specialist skills and availability.

Policies Adopted for the Induction and Training of Directors

All Directors are encouraged to ensure they are familiar with the requirements of the Charities Acts and attend suitable courses to help them meet those requirements.

Organisational Structure and Decision Making

FMC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Funds (charity number 1015519, the "Charity") whose activities are discussed below.

The management of FMC is the responsibility of the Directors who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust Deed.

The day to day running of FMC is carried out by the Board of Directors with the assistance of the clerk to the Livery.

The Board of Directors meets regularly to consider progress and evaluate the management accounts and reports of FMC. The Directors also consider all activities including progress on courses and awards, cash flow reports and fundraising.

Risk Management

The Directors are responsible for the detailed consideration and management of risks facing FMC. They conduct annual reviews of the major risks (strategic, business and operational) to which FMC is exposed, and of the systems and policies set in place to mitigate those risks. Internal financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions and projects. These procedures are reviewed periodically to ensure that they still meet the needs of FMC.

Objectives and Policies

Company Objectives

FMC's objectives reflect those of its parent, the Charity, and are as follows:

- to promote, encourage and foster the craft and industry of furnishing and furniture and its ancillary activities in the United Kingdom (the "Industry");
- to advance education by providing grants, bursaries and awards to individuals training in the Industry;
- to relieve financial hardship by making payments for such things as the provision of living expenses, education, healthcare, rest and recuperation for present and past employees of the Industry, their families, relatives and dependants; and
- to support financially or by other means any other charity

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Activities for Achieving Objectives

FMC seeks to provide a facility to support the activities of the Charity and which will assist it in achieving its stated objectives.

The Charity is able, through its connections within the industry, to help identify ways in which FMC can meet its charitable objectives. This includes developing contacts with other organisations within the industry who can benefit by using the facilities provided at Furniture Makers' Hall.

Strategies to Achieve the Year's Objectives

FMC seeks to maintain and develop its assets, and in particular Furniture Makers' Hall, in order to provide training, support and courses on relevant topics and to develop new initiatives with the help of experts in those fields, as well as the provision of a home and working facility for the Charity. FMC encourages the use of Furniture Makers' Hall for meetings and seminars throughout the furniture industry.

Principal Activities for the Year

FMC's principal activities are:

The advancement of education of persons and the public engaged in the craft of furniture making.

The provision of meeting areas, function rooms and associated support activities for charitable activities, including those undertaken by the Charity.

Achievements and Performance

Review of Activities

Furniture Makers' Hall provides a long-term home for the Charity and a focal point for the furniture industry.

Financial Review

During the year FMC received total Donations of £1,570 (2022: £1,740).

The Charity again made a grant to FMC of £73,172 (2022: £71,584) to fund the capital repayments on the mortgage. The Charity also made a support grant to FMC of £120,000.

FMC generated income from its property of £134,559 (2022: £135,543).

The general funds have increased by £2,114 (2021: £4,076) to £994,709 (2022: £992,595).

Reserves Policy

The Company's reserves comprise a general fund and a revaluation reserve in respect of its freehold property.

The Directors regard the whole of the revaluation reserve and approximately £440,000 of the general fund to be held as reserves that represent the net investment in its freehold property.

The balance of the general fund, which at 30 April 2023 stood at £546,545, is retained as a reserve to meet future debt servicing costs and overheads.

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Future Developments

The Directors have been disappointed in the slow uptake in demand post Covid-19. This has impacted the letting income for the Hall and the catering activity. The Directors are optimistic that the recovery will be sustained and will continue to invest in maintaining and improving the Hall.

Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors, who are also Trustees, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of FMC and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of FMC for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain FMC's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of FMC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of FMC and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of Information to Auditor

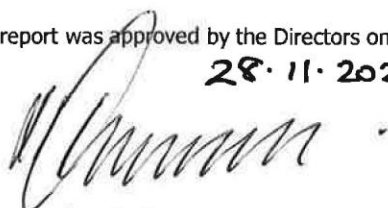
Each of the Directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that, so far as that trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the FMC's auditors is unaware, and that trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable group's auditor is aware of that information.

In preparing this report, the Directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on

and signed on their behalf by:

28.11.2023



Hayden Davies, Chairman

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Furniture Makers' Company Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 30 April 2023 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:
give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 April 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

the information given in the Trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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

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Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance including the remuneration incentives and pressures of key management;
- the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management. We consider the results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the Charitable Company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
 - the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override, including testing journals and evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the Charitable Company operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We focused on laws and regulations that could give rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements, including, but not limited to, the Companies Act 2006 and relevant tax legislation.

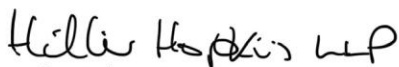
Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial

Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Hillier Hopkins LLP
Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditors
Radius House
51 Clarendon Road
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Date: 8.12.23

Hillier Hopkins LLP are eligible to act as auditors in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted Total funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Total funds 2022 £
INCOME FROM:			
Donations and legacies	2	194,742	193,324
Investment income	3	438	9
Other Income	4	134,559	135,543
TOTAL INCOME:		<u>329,739</u>	<u>328,876</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	5	323,675	321,250
Governance costs	6	3,950	3,550
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>327,625</u>	<u>324,800</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023		<u>2,114</u>	<u>4,076</u>
Funds brought forward		992,595	988,519
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 APRIL 2023		<u>994,709</u>	<u>992,595</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
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	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	10		2,849,403		2,934,023
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	11	75,263		67,469	
Cash at bank		<u>187,347</u>		<u>156,092</u>	
		<u>262,610</u>		<u>223,561</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors - Amount falling due within one year	12	194,125		185,186	
		<u>194,125</u>		<u>185,186</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			68,485		38,375
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021					
TOTAL ASSETS LESS			<u>2,917,888</u>		<u>2,972,397</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors - Amount falling due after more than one year	13		1,923,179		1,979,802
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>994,709</u>		<u>992,595</u>
CHARITY FUNDS					
General fund	14		546,545		544,431
Revaluation reserve	14		448,164		448,164
Total funds			<u>994,709</u>		<u>992,595</u>

The entity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. The members have not required the entity to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. However, an audit is required in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011

Directors' responsibilities:

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the directors on behalf of the board.

Signed on behalf of the board by:

Hayden Davies
Chairman



Date:

28. Nov. 2023

The notes on pages 13 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of Preparation

Furniture Makers Company Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) shows the sources of income and expenditure analysed between General Fund and Restricted Funds.

The SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice) requires all sources of income to be shown, even though they may be used for purchasing fixed assets. The asset itself is charged in the balance sheet at the time of purchase and is not included in the SOFA expenditure. Depreciation of the asset is charged in the SOFA. Accordingly the net incoming resources are not necessarily operating surpluses (or deficits) as they include the purchase cost of the assets less the depreciation charges.

1.2 Income

Donations, fundraising and other income is recorded in the financial period for which it is received. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. It is analysed as follows:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees.

1.4 Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Freehold property	1% straight line
Improvements to property	10% straight line
Fixtures & fittings	15% straight line
Office and catering equipment	15% straight line

1.5 General Fund (Unrestricted)

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received, or generated, for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose, and are available as general funds.

1.6 Financial instruments

The 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2. Voluntary Income	Notes		Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
Donations			1,570	1,740
Grants			193,172	191,584
			<u>194,742</u>	<u>193,324</u>
3. Investment Income			Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
Investment income			438	9
			<u>438</u>	<u>9</u>
4. Other Income			Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
Rental income and hall hire			134,559	135,543
			<u>134,559</u>	<u>135,543</u>
5. Charitable Activities			Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
Premises	7,8		227,275	228,505
Finance costs	7,8		96,400	92,745
			<u>323,675</u>	<u>321,250</u>
6. Governance Costs			Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
Auditors' remuneration			3,950	3,550
			<u>3,950</u>	<u>3,550</u>
7. Direct Costs			Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
		Premises 2023	Finance 2023	
Premises Depreciation		84,621	-	84,621
Mortgage Interest		-	77,917	82,179
Loan Interest		-	18,335	10,437
Bank Charges		-	148	129
		<u>84,621</u>	<u>96,400</u>	<u>181,021</u>
Total 2023		<u>84,621</u>	<u>96,400</u>	<u>188,883</u>
Total 2022		<u>96,138</u>	<u>92,745</u>	<u>188,883</u>

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8. Support Costs

	Premises 2023	Total funds 2023	Total funds 2022
Rent, rates and insurance	16,748	16,748	20,525
Service charges	109,822	109,822	97,467
Tenancy and surveying costs	1,750	1,750	-
Catering contract costs	4,743	4,743	1,898
Property costs	9,352	9,352	11,976
Sundry expenses	239	239	501
Total 2023	142,654	142,654	132,367
Total 2022	132,367	132,367	

9. Net Incoming /(Outgoing) Resources

This is stated after charging:

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	84,621	96,138
Auditors remuneration	3,950	3,550

During the year, no Directors received any remuneration (2022 : £Nil)
 During the year, no Directors received any benefits in kind (2022 : £Nil)
 During the year, no Directors received reimbursement of expenses (2022 : £Nil)
 During the year, there were no paid employees

10. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Fixtures & fittings £	Office & catering equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1st May 2022	3,219,610	429,140	214,547	36,285	3,899,582
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2023	3,219,610	429,140	214,547	36,285	3,899,582
Accumulated Depreciation					
At 1st May	440,374	298,904	196,293	29,988	965,559
Charge for the year	32,196	43,139	6,478	2,807	84,620
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2023	472,570	342,043	202,771	32,795	1,050,179
NBV at 30 April 2023	2,747,040	87,097	11,776	3,490	2,849,403
NBV at 30 April 2022	2,779,236	130,236	18,254	6,297	2,934,023

11. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	28,928	43,691
Prepayments and accrued income	33,007	11,251
Amounts owed by group undertakings	13,328	12,527
	75,263	67,469

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12. Creditors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Mortgage payments due within one year	75,000	73,172
Trade creditors	25,554	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	51,534	51,532
Amounts owed to the Livery	1,725	2,205
Other taxation and social security	8,192	235
Other creditors	9,806	9,884
Accruals and deferred income	22,234	48,158
	<u>194,125</u>	<u>185,186</u>

Deferred income relates to rental income. One of the tenants are invoiced in advance for the quarter, two months of the quarter invoice fall into the next financial year

13. Creditors

Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Mortgage	1,217,498	1,292,457
Long term loan owed to group undertakings	587,098	571,648
Long term loan owed to the Livery	118,583	115,697
	<u>1,923,179</u>	<u>1,979,802</u>

The Mortgage of £1,292,498 outstanding at 31 April 2023 (2022: £1,365,629) is secured by a first legal charge over the freehold property.

14. Statement of Funds

	2023	2023	2023	2023
	Brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	544,431	329,739	327,625	546,545
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>992,595</u>	<u>329,739</u>	<u>327,625</u>	<u>994,709</u>
	2022	2022	2022	2022
	Brought forward	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Carried forward
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	540,355	328,876	324,801	544,431
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>988,519</u>	<u>328,876</u>	<u>324,801</u>	<u>992,595</u>

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15. Related Party Disclosure

The company is related to the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund ("the Livery").

Under FRS 102 the company is not required to disclose related party transactions with its group headed by its parent company, The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, on the basis that consolidated accounts are prepared.

Related party transactions between FMC and the Livery

At 30th April 2023 the company owed the Livery £118,583 (2022: £115,697), a loan subordinated to the Allica loan and is not repayable until after the Allica loan has been settled.

At 30th April 2023 the company owed the Livery £1,725 (2022: £2,205) which was due within one year and has after year end been fully repaid.

16. Ultimate Parent Undertaking and Controlling Party

The ultimate controlling party is the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund Incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, an entity incorporated in the United Kingdom. Charity number 1015519 and Company number 02759359.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1118569

Accounts

Registered Company Number 5406250

Charity Number 1118569

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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TRUSTEES

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

TRUSTEES

Peter Kelsey (Chairman)
Peter Head
Hayden Davies

COMPANY SECRETARY

Peter Head

COMPANY NUMBER

05406250

CHARITY NUMBER

1118569

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The Directors (who are also Trustees of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the Furniture Makers' Company ("FMC") for the year ended 30 April 2022. The Directors confirm that the Annual report and Financial Statements of FMC comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the FMC's governing document and provisions of the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

FMC is registered as a charitable company in England and Wales, limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated 29 March 2005 and amended by special resolution dated 12 May 2006. FMC is connected to The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund (the "Livery").

Method of Appointment or Election of Directors

Potential Directors are identified by the member and are chosen with regard to eligibility, competence, specialist skills and availability.

Policies Adopted for the Induction and Training of Directors

All Directors are encouraged to ensure they are familiar with the requirements of the Charities Acts and attend suitable courses to help them meet those requirements.

Organisational Structure and Decision Making

FMC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Funds (charity number 1015519, the "Charity") whose activities are discussed below.

The management of FMC is the responsibility of the Directors who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust Deed.

The day to day running of FMC is carried out by the Board of Directors with the assistance of the clerk to the Livery.

The Board of Directors meets regularly to consider progress and evaluate the management accounts and reports of FMC. The Directors also consider all activities including progress on courses and awards, cash flow reports and fundraising.

Risk Management

The Directors are responsible for the detailed consideration and management of risks facing FMC. They conduct annual reviews of the major risks (strategic, business and operational) to which FMC is exposed, and of the systems and policies set in place to mitigate those risks. Internal financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions and projects. These procedures are reviewed periodically to ensure that they still meet the needs of FMC.

Objectives and Policies

Company Objectives

FMC's objectives reflect those of its parent, the Charity, and are as follows:

- to promote, encourage and foster the craft and industry of furnishing and furniture and its ancillary activities in the United Kingdom (the "Industry");
- to advance education by providing grants, bursaries and awards to individuals training in the Industry;
- to relieve financial hardship by making payments for such things as the provision of living expenses, education, healthcare, rest and recuperation for present and past employees of the Industry, their families, relatives and dependants; and
- to support financially or by other means any other charity

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Activities for Achieving Objectives

FMC seeks to provide a facility to support the activities of the Charity and which will assist it in achieving its stated objectives.

The Charity is able, through its connections within the industry, to help identify ways in which FMC can meet its charitable objectives. This includes developing contacts with other organisations within the industry who can benefit by using the facilities provided at Furniture Makers' Hall.

Strategies to Achieve the Year's Objectives

FMC seeks to maintain and develop its assets, and in particular Furniture Makers' Hall, in order to provide training, support and courses on relevant topics and to develop new initiatives with the help of experts in those fields, as well as the provision of a home and working facility for the Charity. FMC encourages the use of Furniture Makers' Hall for meetings and seminars throughout the furniture industry.

Principal Activities for the Year

FMC's principal activities are:

- The advancement of education of persons and the public engaged in the craft of furniture making.
- The provision of meeting areas, function rooms and associated support activities for charitable activities, including those undertaken by the Charity.

Normally FMC would have hosted a number of meetings with the other organisations including the British Furniture Confederation, the Livery, the Charity and other Industry related associations but due to Covid-19, activities have been severely restricted during the year.

Achievements and Performance

Review of Activities

Furniture Makers' Hall provides a long-term home for the Charity and a focal point for the furniture industry.

The normal catering undertaken in the Hall has not been able to take place during the first half of the year and one of our four tenants has exercised their break clause, both of these are due to the impact of Covid-19.

The Directors anticipate a return to previous trading levels in line with macro-economic recovery.

Financial Review

During the year FMC received total Donations of £1,740 (2021: £1,905).

The Charity again made a grant to FMC of £71,584 (2021: £69,644) to fund the capital repayments on the mortgage. The Charity also made a grant to FMC for covid support of £120,000.

FMC generated income from its property of £135,543 (2021: £96,476) representing an increase due to the increase in catering hall hire income and, in line with so many other enterprises, due to recommencing of commercial events after COVID-19.

The general funds have increased by £4,076 (2021: £126,349 decrease) to £992,595 (2021: £988,518)

Reserves Policy

The Company's reserves comprise a general fund and a revaluation reserve in respect of its freehold property. The Directors regard the whole of the revaluation reserve and approximately £440,000 of the general fund to be held as reserves that represent the net investment in its freehold property. The balance of the general fund, which at 30 April 2022 stood at £544,431, is retained as a reserve to meet future debt servicing costs and overheads.

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Future Developments

The Directors hope for a gradual return to usual trading as the impact of Covid-19 reduces and continue to keep the hall to the high standards by continuously maintaining and improving the space as to achieve FMC's charitable and financial aims.

Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors, who are also Trustees, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of FMC and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of FMC for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain FMC's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of FMC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of FMC and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of Information to Auditor

Each of the Directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that, so far as that trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the FMC's auditors is unaware, and that trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable group's auditor is aware of that information.

In preparing this report, the Directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on 29/11/22, and signed on their behalf by:


Peter Kelsey, Chairman

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Furniture Makers' Company Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 30 April 2022 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 April 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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Other Information

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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

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Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance including the remuneration incentives and pressures of key management;
- the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management. We consider the results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the Charitable Company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
 - the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override, including testing journals and evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the Charitable Company operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We focused on laws and regulations that could give rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements, including, but not limited to, the Companies Act 2006 and relevant tax legislation.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial

Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditor's report.

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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Hillier Hopkins LLP

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Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditors
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Date: 23 / 1 / 2023

Hillier Hopkins LLP are eligible to act as auditors in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted Total funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Total funds 2021 £
INCOME FROM:			
Donations and legacies	2	193,324	71,548
Investment income	3	9	39
Other income	4	135,543	96,476
TOTAL INCOME:		<u>328,876</u>	<u>168,063</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	5	321,250	290,462
Governance costs	6	3,550	3,950
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>324,800</u>	<u>294,412</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2022		<u>4,076</u>	<u>(126,349)</u>
Funds brought forward		988,519	1,114,867
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 APRIL 2022		<u>992,595</u>	<u>988,519</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
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	Notes	£	2022	£	2021	£
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible fixed assets	10			2,934,023		3,027,542
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors and prepayments	11	67,469			10,445	
Cash at bank		156,092		145,751		156,196
		<u>223,561</u>				<u>156,196</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Creditors - Amount falling due within one year	12	185,186			152,729	
		<u>185,186</u>			<u>152,729</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS				38,375		3,467
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021						
TOTAL ASSETS LESS				<u>2,972,397</u>		<u>3,031,009</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Creditors - Amount falling due after more than one year	13			1,979,802		2,042,490
TOTAL NET ASSETS				<u>992,595</u>		<u>988,519</u>
CHARITY FUNDS						
General fund	14			544,431		540,355
Revaluation reserve	14			448,164		448,164
Total funds				<u>992,595</u>		<u>988,519</u>

The entity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. The members have not required the entity to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006. However, an audit is required in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011

Directors' responsibilities:

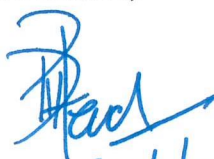
The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the directors on behalf of the board.

Signed on behalf of the board by:

P D Head
Director



29/11/2022

Date:

The notes on pages 13 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of Preparation

Furniture Makers Company Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) shows the sources of income and expenditure analysed between General Fund and Restricted Funds.

The SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice) requires all sources of income to be shown, even though they may be used for purchasing fixed assets. The asset itself is charged in the balance sheet at the time of purchase and is not included in the SOFA expenditure. Depreciation of the asset is charged in the SOFA. Accordingly the net incoming resources are not necessarily operating surpluses (or deficits) as they include the purchase cost of the assets less the depreciation charges.

1.2 Income

Donations, fundraising and other income is recorded in the financial period for which it is received. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. It is analysed as follows:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees.

1.4 Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Freehold property	1% straight line
Improvements to property	10% straight line
Fixtures & fittings	15% straight line
Office equipment	15% straight line

1.5 General Fund (Unrestricted)

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received, or generated, for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose, and are available as general funds.

1.6 Financial instruments

The 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2. Voluntary Income	Notes		Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
Donations			1,740	1,905
Grants			<u>191,584</u>	<u>69,644</u>
			<u>193,324</u>	<u>71,549</u>
3. Investment Income			Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
Investment income			<u>9</u>	<u>39</u>
4. Other Income			Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
Rental income and hall hire			<u>135,543</u>	<u>96,476</u>
5. Charitable Activities			Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
Premises	7,8		228,505	194,861
Finance costs	7,8		<u>92,745</u>	<u>95,601</u>
			<u>321,250</u>	<u>290,462</u>
6. Governance Costs			Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
Auditors' remuneration			<u>3,550</u>	<u>3,950</u>
7. Direct Costs			Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
		Premises 2022	Finance 2022	
Premises Depreciation		96,138	-	103,820
Mortgage Interest		-	82,179	85,465
Loan Interest		-	10,437	9,936
Bank Charges		-	129	200
		<u>96,138</u>	<u>92,745</u>	<u>199,421</u>
Total 2022		<u>96,138</u>	<u>92,745</u>	<u>199,421</u>
Total 2021		<u>103,820</u>	<u>95,601</u>	<u>199,421</u>

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8. Support Costs

	Premises 2022	Total funds 2022	Total funds 2021
Rent, rates and insurance	20,525	20,525	11,416
Service charges	97,467	97,467	76,407
Tenancy and surveying costs	-	-	320
Catering contract costs	1,898	1,898	2,244
Property costs	11,976	11,976	380
Sundry expenses	501	501	274
Total 2022	132,367	132,367	91,041
Total 2021	91,041	91,041	

9. Net Incoming /(Outgoing) Resources

This is stated after charging:

	2022 £	2021 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	96,138	103,821
Auditors remuneration	3,550	3,950

During the year, no Directors received any remuneration (2021 : £Nil)
 During the year, no Directors received any benefits in kind (2021 : £Nil)
 During the year, no Directors received reimbursement of expenses (2021 : £Nil)
 During the year, there were no paid employees

10. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Fixtures & fittings £	Office & catering equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1st May 2021	3,219,610	429,140	214,547	33,666	3,896,963
Additions	-	-	-	2,619	2,619
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2022	<u>3,219,610</u>	<u>429,140</u>	<u>214,547</u>	<u>36,285</u>	<u>3,899,582</u>
Accumulated Depreciation					
At 1st May	408,178	256,166	179,023	26,054	869,421
Charge for the year	32,196	42,738	17,270	3,934	96,138
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2022	<u>440,374</u>	<u>298,904</u>	<u>196,293</u>	<u>29,988</u>	<u>965,559</u>
NBV at 30 April 2022	<u>2,779,236</u>	<u>130,236</u>	<u>18,254</u>	<u>6,297</u>	<u>2,934,023</u>
NBV at 30 April 2021	<u>2,811,432</u>	<u>172,974</u>	<u>35,524</u>	<u>7,612</u>	<u>3,027,542</u>

11. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	43,691	-
Other taxation and social security	-	985
Prepayments and accrued income	11,251	9,460
Amounts owed by group undertakings	12,527	-
	<u>67,469</u>	<u>10,445</u>

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12. Creditors

	2022 £	2021 £
Mortgage payments due within one year	73,172	69,644
Trade creditors	-	9,543
Amounts owed to group undertakings	51,532	39,873
Amounts owed to the Livery	2,205	2,685
Other taxation and social security	235	-
Other creditors	9,884	9,883
Accruals and deferred income	48,158	21,101
	<u>185,186</u>	<u>152,729</u>

Deferred income relates to rental income. One of the tenants are invoiced in advance for the quarter, two months of the quarter invoice fall into the next financial year

13. Creditors

Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Mortgage	1,292,457	1,365,583
Long term loan owed to group undertakings	571,648	561,487
Long term loan owed to the Livery	115,697	115,420
	<u>1,979,802</u>	<u>2,042,490</u>

The Mortgage of £1,292,457 outstanding at 31 April 2022 (2021: £1,365,583) is secured by a first legal charge over the freehold property.

14. Statement of Funds

	2022 Brought forward £	2022 Incoming resources £	2022 Resources expended £	2022 Carried forward
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	540,355	328,876	-	544,431
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>988,519</u>	<u>328,876</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>992,595</u>
	2021 Brought forward £	2021 Incoming resources £	2021 Resources expended £	2021 Carried forward £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	666,704	168,063	-	540,355
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>1,114,868</u>	<u>168,063</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>988,519</u>

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15. Related Party Disclosure

The company is related to the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund ("the Livery").

Under FRS 102 the company is not required to disclose related party transactions with its group headed by its parent company, The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, on the basis that consolidated accounts are prepared.

Related party transactions between FMC and the Livery

At 30th April 2022 the company owed the Livery £115,697 (2021: £115,420), a loan subordinated to the AIB loan and is not repayable until after the AIB loan has been settled.

At 30th April 2022 the company owed the Livery £2,205 (2021: £2,684) which was due within one year and has now been fully repaid.

16. Ultimate Parent Undertaking and Controlling Party

The ultimate controlling party is the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund Incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, an entity incorporated in the United Kingdom. Charity number 1015519 and Company number 02759359.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
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TRUSTEES	Peter Kelsey (Chairman) Peter Head Hayden Davies
COMPANY SECRETARY	Peter Head
COMPANY NUMBER	05406250
CHARITY NUMBER	1118569
REGISTERED OFFICE	Furniture Makers' Hall 12 Austin Friars London EC2N 2HE
AUDITORS	Hillier Hopkins LLP Radius House 51 Clarendon Road Watford WD17 1HP
BANKERS	Allied Irish Bank, 202 Finchley Road, London NW3 6BX

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The Directors (who are also Trustees of the charity for the purpose of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the Furniture Makers' Company ("FMC") for the year ended 30 April 2021. The Directors confirm that the Annual report and Financial Statements of FMC comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the FMC's governing document and provisions of the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

FMC is registered as a charitable company in England and Wales, limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated 29 March 2005 and amended by special resolution dated 12 May 2006. FMC is connected to The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund (the "Livery").

Method of Appointment or Election of Directors

Potential Directors are identified by the member and are chosen with regard to eligibility, competence, specialist skills and availability.

Policies Adopted for the Induction and Training of Directors

All Directors are encouraged to ensure they are familiar with the requirements of the Charities Acts and attend suitable courses to help them meet those requirements.

Organisational Structure and Decision Making

FMC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Funds (charity number 1015519, the "Charity") whose activities are discussed below.

The management of FMC is the responsibility of the Directors who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust Deed.

The day to day running of FMC is carried out by the Board of Directors with the assistance of the clerk to the Livery.

The Board of Directors meets regularly to consider progress and evaluate the management accounts and reports of FMC. The Directors also consider all activities including progress on courses and awards, cash flow reports and fundraising.

Risk Management

The Directors are responsible for the detailed consideration and management of risks facing FMC. They conduct annual reviews of the major risks (strategic, business and operational) to which FMC is exposed, and of the systems and policies set in place to mitigate those risks. Internal financial risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for the authorisation of all transactions and projects. These procedures are reviewed periodically to ensure that they still meet the needs of FMC.

Objectives and Policies

Company Objectives

FMC's objectives reflect those of its parent, the Charity, and are as follows:

- to promote, encourage and foster the craft and industry of furnishing and furniture and its ancillary activities in the United Kingdom (the "Industry");
- to advance education by providing grants, bursaries and awards to individuals training in the Industry;
- to relieve financial hardship by making payments for such things as the provision of living expenses, education, healthcare, rest and recuperation for present and past employees of the Industry, their families, relatives and dependants; and
- to support financially or by other means any other charity

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Activities for Achieving Objectives

FMC seeks to provide a facility to support the activities of the Charity and which will assist it in achieving its stated objectives.

The Charity is able, through its connections within the industry, to help identify ways in which FMC can meet its charitable objectives. This includes developing contacts with other organisations within the industry who can benefit by using the facilities provided at Furniture Makers' Hall.

Strategies to Achieve the Year's Objectives

FMC seeks to maintain and develop its assets, and in particular Furniture Makers' Hall, in order to provide training, support and courses on relevant topics and to develop new initiatives with the help of experts in those fields, as well as the provision of a home and working facility for the Charity. FMC encourages the use of Furniture Makers' Hall for meetings and seminars throughout the furniture industry.

Principal Activities for the Year

FMC's principal activities are:

- The advancement of education of persons and the public engaged in the craft of furniture making.
- The provision of meeting areas, function rooms and associated support activities for charitable activities, including those undertaken by the Charity.

Normally FMC would have hosted a number of meetings with the other organisations including the British Furniture Confederation, the Livery, the Charity and other Industry related associations but due to Covid-19, activities have been severely restricted during the year.

Achievements and Performance

Review of Activities

Furniture Makers' Hall provides a long-term home for the Charity and a focal point for the furniture industry. However, due to Covid 19, the seminars and exhibition normally provided by FMC have not taken place during the year.

The normal catering undertaken in the Hall has not been able to take place during the year and one of our four tenants has exercised their break clause, both of these are due to the impact of Covid-19.

The Directors anticipate a return to previous trading levels in line with macro-economic recovery.

Financial Review

During the year FMC received total Donations of £1,905 (2020: £1,544).

The Charity again made a grant to FMC of £69,644 (2020: £67,948) to fund the capital repayments on the mortgage.

FMC generated income from its property of £96,476 (2020: £185,121) representing a decrease due to the loss of a tenant and, in line with so many other enterprises, due to the cancellation of commercial events due to COVID-19.

The general funds have decreased by £126,349 (2020: £62,549 decrease) to £988,518 (2020: £1,114,867)

Reserves Policy

The Company's reserves comprise a general fund and a revaluation reserve in respect of its freehold property.

The Directors regard the whole of the revaluation reserve and approximately £440,000 of the general fund to be held as reserves that represent the net investment in its freehold property.

The balance of the general fund, which at 30 April 2021 stood at £540,355, is retained as a reserve to meet future debt servicing costs and overheads.

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Future Developments

The Directors hope for a gradual return to usual trading as the impact of Covid-19 reduces and continue to keep the hall to the high standards by continuously maintaining and improving the space as to achieve FMC's charitable and financial aims.

Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors, who are also Trustees, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of FMC and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of FMC for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain FMC's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of FMC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of FMC and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of Information to Auditor

Each of the Directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that, so far as that trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the FMC's auditors is unaware, and that trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a trustee in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable group's auditor is aware of that information.

In preparing this report, the Directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Directors on _____ and signed on their behalf by:

Peter Kelsey, Chairman

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Furniture Makers' Company Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 30 April 2021 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 April 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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Other information

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance including the remuneration incentives and pressures of key management;
- the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management. We consider the results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the Company's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
 - the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override, including testing journals and evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the Company operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We focused on laws and regulations that could give rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements, including, but not limited to, the Companies Act 2006 and relevant tax legislation.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Hillier Hopkins LLP
Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor
Radius House
51 Clarendon Road
Watford
Herts
WD17 1HP

Date:

Hillier Hopkins LLP are eligible to act as auditors in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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	Note	Unrestricted Total funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Total funds 2020 £
INCOME FROM:			
Donations and legacies	2	71,549	69,492
Investment income	3	39	134
Other income	4	96,476	185,121
TOTAL INCOME:		<u>168,063</u>	<u>254,747</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	5	290,462	314,645
Governance costs	6	3,950	2,650
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>294,412</u>	<u>317,295</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021		<u>(126,349)</u>	<u>(62,548)</u>
Funds brought forward		1,114,867	1,177,415
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 APRIL 2021		<u>988,519</u>	<u>1,114,867</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
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	<u>Notes</u>	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	10		3,027,542		3,131,362
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors and prepayments	11	10,445		104,921	
Cash at bank		<u>145,751</u>		<u>191,686</u>	
		<u>156,196</u>		<u>296,607</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors - Amount falling due within one year	12	152,729		210,904	
		<u>152,729</u>		<u>210,904</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2021			<u>3,468</u>		<u>85,704</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES				<u>3,031,009</u>	<u>3,217,066</u>
Creditors - Amount falling due after more than one year	13		2,042,490		2,102,199
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u><u>988,519</u></u>		<u><u>1,114,867</u></u>
CHARITY FUNDS					
General fund	14		540,355		666,703
Revaluation reserve	14		448,164		448,164
Total funds			<u><u>988,519</u></u>		<u><u>1,114,867</u></u>

For the year ending 30 April 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies but as this company is a charity, it is subject to audit under section 144 the Charities Act 2011.

Directors' responsibilities:

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

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

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the directors on behalf of the board.

Signed on behalf of the board by:

P D Head
Director

Date:

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of Preparation

Furniture Makers Company Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) shows the sources of income and expenditure analysed between General Fund and Restricted Funds.

The SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice) requires all sources of income to be shown, even though they may be used for purchasing fixed assets. The asset itself is charged in the balance sheet at the time of purchase and is not included in the SOFA expenditure. Depreciation of the asset is charged in the SOFA. Accordingly the net incoming resources are not necessarily operating surpluses (or deficits) as they include the purchase cost of the assets less the depreciation charges.

1.2 Income

Donations, fundraising and other income is recorded in the financial period for which it is received. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. It is analysed as follows:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.
- Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees.

1.4 Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Freehold property	1% straight line
Improvements to property	10% straight line
Fixtures & fittings	15% straight line
Office equipment	15% straight line

1.5 General Fund (Unrestricted)

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received, or generated, for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose, and are available as general funds.

1.6 Financial instruments

The 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2. Voluntary Income	Notes		Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
Donations			1,905	1,544
Grants			<u>69,644</u>	<u>67,948</u>
			<u>71,549</u>	<u>69,492</u>
3. Investment Income			Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
Investment income			<u>39</u>	<u>134</u>
4. Other Income			Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
Rental income and hall hire			<u>96,476</u>	<u>185,121</u>
5. Charitable Activities			Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
Premises	7,8		194,862	215,727
Finance costs	7,8		<u>95,601</u>	<u>98,918</u>
			<u>290,462</u>	<u>314,646</u>
6. Governance Costs			Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
Auditors' remuneration			<u>3,950</u>	<u>2,650</u>
7. Direct Costs			Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
		Premises 2021	Finance 2021	
Premises Depreciation		103,821	-	103,821
Mortgage Interest		-	85,465	85,886
Loan Interest		-	9,936	12,917
Bank Charges		-	200	115
		<u>103,821</u>	<u>95,601</u>	<u>199,421</u>
Total 2021		<u>103,821</u>	<u>95,601</u>	<u>204,400</u>
Total 2020		<u>105,482</u>	<u>98,918</u>	<u>204,400</u>

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8. Support Costs

	Premises 2021	Total funds 2021	Total funds 2020
Rent, rates and insurance	11,416	11,416	15,788
Service charges	76,407	76,407	66,243
Tenancy and surveying costs	320	320	3,770
Catering contract costs	2,244	2,244	2,702
Property costs	380	380	21,068
Sundry expenses	274	274	676
Total 2021	<u>91,041</u>	<u>91,041</u>	<u>110,246</u>
Total 2020	<u>110,246</u>	<u>110,246</u>	

9. Net Incoming /(Outgoing) Resources

This is stated after charging:

	2021 £	2020 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	103,821	105,482
Auditors remuneration	<u>3,950</u>	<u>2,650</u>
During the year, no Directors received any remuneration	(2020 : £Nil)	
During the year, no Directors received any benefits in kind	(2020 : £Nil)	
During the year, no Directors received reimbursement of expenses	(2020 : £Nil)	
During the year, there were no paid employees		

10. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Fixtures & fittings £	Office & catering equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1st May 2020	3,219,610	429,140	214,547	33,666	3,896,963
Additions	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2021	<u>3,219,610</u>	<u>429,140</u>	<u>214,547</u>	<u>33,666</u>	<u>3,896,963</u>
Accumulated Depreciation					
At 1st May	375,982	212,548	154,484	22,586	765,600
Charge for the year	32,196	43,618	24,538	3,469	103,821
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 April 2021	<u>408,178</u>	<u>256,166</u>	<u>179,023</u>	<u>26,054</u>	<u>869,421</u>
NBV at 30 April 2021	<u>2,811,432</u>	<u>172,974</u>	<u>35,524</u>	<u>7,612</u>	<u>3,027,542</u>
NBV at 30 April 2020	<u>2,843,628</u>	<u>216,592</u>	<u>60,062</u>	<u>11,080</u>	<u>3,131,362</u>

11. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	0	85,473
Other taxation and social security	985	-
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>9,460</u>	<u>19,448</u>
	<u>10,445</u>	<u>104,921</u>

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12. Creditors

	2021 £	2020 £
Mortgage payments due within one year	69,644	69,644
Trade creditors	9,543	46,157
Amounts owed to group undertakings	39,873	31,880
Amounts owed to the Livery	2,685	21,135
Other taxation and social security	-	11,410
Other creditors	9,882	11,792
Accruals and deferred income	21,101	18,885
	<u>152,729</u>	<u>210,904</u>

13. Creditors

Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Mortgage	1,365,583	1,435,227
Long term loan owed to group undertakings	561,487	551,662
Long term loan owed to the Livery	115,420	115,309
	<u>2,042,490</u>	<u>2,102,199</u>

The Mortgage of £1,365,583 outstanding at 30 April 2020 (2020: £1,435,227) is secured by a first legal charge over the freehold property.

14. Statement of Funds

	2021 Brought forward £	2021 Incoming resources £	2021 Resources expended £	2021 Carried forward
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	666,704	168,063	- 294,412	540,355
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>1,114,868</u>	<u>168,063</u>	<u>- 294,412</u>	<u>988,519</u>
	2020 Brought forward £	2020 Incoming resources £	2020 Resources expended £	2020 Carried forward £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	729,251	254,747	- 317,295	666,703
Revaluation reserve	448,164	-	-	448,164
	<u>1,177,415</u>	<u>254,747</u>	<u>- 317,295</u>	<u>1,114,867</u>

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15. Related Party Disclosure

The company is related to the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Corporate Fund ("the Livery").

Under FRS 102 the company is not required to disclose related party transactions with its group headed by its parent company, The Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, on the basis that consolidated accounts are prepared.

Related party transactions between FMC and the Livery

At 30th April 2021 the company owed the Livery £115,420 (2020: £115,310), a loan subordinated to the AIB loan and is not repayable until after the AIB loan has been settled.

At 30th April 2021 the company owed the Livery £2,684 (2020: £21,135) which was due within one year and has now been fully repaid.

16. Ultimate Parent Undertaking and Controlling Party

The ultimate controlling party is the Worshipful Company of Furniture Makers' Charitable Fund Incorporating the Furnishing Trades Benevolent Association, an entity incorporated in the United Kingdom. Charity number 1015519 and Company number 02759359.