

Minibuses, Shoppers, Ring & Ride

Vehicles: 12  
Miles: 53.989  
Passenger boardings: 36,844  
Group Members: 84  
Individual Members: 724  
Transport to meet individual

Cosy Mosey walking group

No of walkers: 44  
Attendance : 188  
Trips : 10  
Big thanks to Ian, Jean, Sandra and Gary for expertly arranging, delivering and caring for our cosy moseyers. If you can't keep up with everyday walkers, Cosy Mosey is for you.

Cosy Cuppa

Many thanks to Jane Pollard for facilitating these meetings and to Wendy Scott and Glenys Sage for making the refreshments/washing pots etc. A lovely social group for people at risk of isolation and in need of good company.  
*Sessions: 46 Attendance: 980*

Funding and Donations received from:

Nottinghamshire County Council, Ashfield District Council, Cllr Andy Meakin, Awards For All, Co-op, Community Matters, JN Derbyshire and many individuals and group members of Our Centre.

**Staff members:** Matt Pike, Elden Skinner, Jay Osmond, Ian Craske, Jen Hannant, John Blount, Lindsay Craske, Adrian Rowe, Paddy Ryan, Debbie Beck, Michael Timmins, John Berridge, Martin Atherton and Angie Peppard.

Voluntary Car Scheme

Miles covered: 76.345  
Journeys: 6,557  
Trips: 7,145  
Thank you to all our amazing volunteer car drivers for giving back to the community with your time and commitment.

Wheelchair Hire

Number of hirings: 112  
These are hired for a day/ weekend/week/month, for all sorts of reasons from health appointments, holidays, weddings and long term

Seated Exercise

Weekly chair based exercise sessions at Our Centre followed by refreshments. Helen, Pauline and Sue have developed these fast growing groups with love and kindness and we couldn't ask for more. Huge appreciation to Margaret for covering in emergencies.  
*Sessions: 90  
Attendance: 1,090*

Glad Rags

Charity shop only made possible through our team of wonderful volunteers. Thank you to John, Doreen, Ann, Denise, Janice, Glenys, Chris, Martin, Margaret, Sarah, Chloe and Lexey.  
Well done all of you.

**Volunteers:** Chris Rowe, John Bower, Dave Millard, Paul Williamson, Andy Jones, Don Ward, Glen Smith, Rob Barker, Eileen Ryan, Martin Atherton, Helen Williamson, Gill Welch, Eileen Lawrence, Mike Burn, Betty Bostock, Iris Topley, Ian Craske, Doreen Smith, John Smith, Jane Pollard, Sandra Shooter, Dave Rothery, Pauline Stojanovic, Alberto Rovida, Jean Toseland, Anne Morecroft, John Turner, Gary Chantry, Geoff Ware, Alan Kelly, Jayne Harwood, Chloe Smith, Jeff Thomas, Lexey Smith, Jean Craske, Pete Kent, Libby Waterfield, Rebecca Berridge, Margaret Smith x2, Sarah Smith, Dave Bramwell, Glenys Sage, Wendy Scott, Andy Jones, John Faulkner, Denise Barker, Susan Burn, Jim Tobias, Kevin Skinner, Jim Williams, Janice Bostock, Sandra Musson, Ann Schofield, Rikki Knight, Sue Herrington, Audrey Barnes, and last but not least Sally Anne Kent.

**Our Centre** is committed to promoting and valuing equality & diversity in all of its activities. We welcome and celebrate the diversity of the communities and are strongly committed to achieving equal opportunities and access for all people and groups in society. Equality & diversity is the cornerstone of all of our policies and procedures. We are proud of the actions we take to eliminate discrimination and prejudice to ensure inclusion and engagement for all the people who work and volunteer with us or wish to use our services. We will continue to strive towards a culture that is diverse and which recognises and develops the potential of all our staff, volunteers and service users and we will go above and beyond the minimum legal requirements in order to achieve this.



Annual Report 2023-2024

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Board of Trustees

**Chairperson:** Mr Paul Williamson  
**Vice Chair:** Helen Williamson  
**Treasurer:** Mrs Pauline Stojanovic  
**Trustees:** Mr Alberto Rovido  
Ms Christina Rowe  
Mr Rob Barker  
Mr John Knight  
Mr Martin Atherton  
Cllr Warren Nuttall - ADC representative  
Mrs Gillian Welch - Community Engagement Officer  
**Appointed Examiner of Accounts:**  
Community Accounting Plus

Interesting facts about our last financial year:

- \* Total expenditure = **£ 370,941.51**
- \* **Fuel costs** for buses = **£27,423.02**
- \* Insurance for buses and buildings = **£12,264.35**
- \* Bus MOT's, repairs & maintenance = **£22,982.80**
- \* Bank fees & card machine = **£1634,42**
- \* Hospitality-tea/coffee/sugar etc. = **£1726.62**
- \* Min wage salaries, NI & pensions = **£83,878.08**

We're not flash but we're fearless, friendly and fabulous!



We are very grateful to our funders:-



Report by the Chair of Trustees

Looking back over the last 12 months this has been a year that has seen many changes. As is so often the case several staff have come and gone. Angie had planned to take more of a back seat in the day-to-day running of the centre but this only lasted about 48 hours before she was back at her desk. She is still very much involved with the management but a number of colleagues have picked up certain aspects of her former role. The workload is always increasing and I would like to acknowledge the hard work that goes on in the background to cope with whatever comes our way. Many thanks in particular to Matt, Elden, Paddy and John whose main task is the organisation of the transport. As a result of their efforts everyone knows where to be and what to do. I should like to thank Matt for all his hard work on the finances, particularly in these difficult economic times. We would also be lost without the efforts of Elden to keep our fleet of buses on the road and to fill in for drivers when necessary. Paddy and John are indispensable in organising the rotas for our drivers. We are also indebted to our volunteers, without whom Our Centre could not function. Thank you to: those who work in our shop, Gladbags, which has been a very successful venture and brings in extra revenue, those who run the seated exercise groups, those who organise, Cosy Cuppa, Cosy Mosey and all the other activities we provide. Last December we held our annual Christmas event at a new venue in Hucknall. Angie organised all the entertainment and catering, with lots of help and the drivers provided the transport both ways. We very much appreciated everyone's efforts in participating in the entertainment on offer. I would like to send my personal thanks to the members of the Board of Trustees who meet on a regular basis in order to discuss, plan and make decisions on future

Paul Williamson



Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024  
(Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

|                                    | Note | Unrestricted<br>£ | Restricted<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Income and Endowments from:</b> |      |                   |                 |                    |                    |
| Donations and legacies             | 2    | 19,561            | -               | 19,561             | 9,531              |
| Charitable activities              | 3    | 8,038             | 283,200         | 291,238            | 245,917            |
| Other trading activities           | 5    | 12,404            | -               | 12,404             | 4,820              |
| Investment income                  | 6    | 1,697             | -               | 1,697              | 1,591              |
| Other income                       | 7    | 8,700             | -               | 8,700              | 338                |
| Total Income                       |      | 50,400            | 283,200         | 333,600            | 262,197            |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |      |                   |                 |                    |                    |
| Charitable activities              | 8    | (55,913)          | (304,047)       | (359,960)          | (295,705)          |
| Total Expenditure                  |      | (55,913)          | (304,047)       | (359,960)          | (295,705)          |
| Net expenditure                    |      | (5,513)           | (20,847)        | (26,360)           | (33,508)           |
| Transfers between funds            |      | (23,124)          | 23,124          | -                  | -                  |
| Net movement in funds              |      | (28,637)          | 2,277           | (26,360)           | (33,508)           |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |      |                   |                 |                    |                    |
| Total funds brought forward        |      | 260,006           | 47,550          | 307,556            | 341,064            |
| Total funds carried forward        | 21   | 231,369           | 49,827          | 281,196            | 307,556            |

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.  
The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 21.

| 21 Funds                        | Balance at 1<br>April 2023<br>£ | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Transfers<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March<br>2024<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b>       |                                 |                            |                            |                |                                     |
| <i>General</i>                  |                                 |                            |                            |                |                                     |
| General fund                    | 256,649                         | 50,400                     | (55,913)                   | (19,767)       | 231,369                             |
| <i>Designated</i>               |                                 |                            |                            |                |                                     |
| Building & Vehicle Funds        | 3,357                           | -                          | -                          | (3,357)        | -                                   |
| <b>Total unrestricted funds</b> | 260,006                         | 50,400                     | (55,913)                   | (23,124)       | 231,369                             |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>         |                                 |                            |                            |                |                                     |
| Transport fund                  | 39,386                          | 215,309                    | (261,100)                  | 54,248         | 47,843                              |
| Salary (Lottery)                | 8,164                           | -                          | (8,164)                    | -              | -                                   |
| Anchor project (Lottery)        | -                               | 58,813                     | (27,689)                   | (31,124)       | -                                   |
| Exterior insulation (NCC)       | -                               | 9,078                      | (7,094)                    | -              | 1,984                               |
| <b>Total restricted funds</b>   | 47,550                          | 283,200                    | (304,047)                  | 23,124         | 49,827                              |
| <b>Total funds</b>              | 307,556                         | 333,600                    | (359,960)                  | -              | 281,196                             |

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Transport fund is the net book value of vehicles and hence the transfers from the designated and general funds are to keep the balance at this level each year.  
Salary (Lottery) - funding from the National Lottery Community Fund towards the receptionist's salary.  
Anchor project (Lottery) - to help people in Ashfield who are struggling through the cost of living crisis. We used the funding for our charity shop to make it a warm and welcoming place to get essentials such as clothes and household items and to increase group capacity at Our Centre, by recruiting more volunteers.  
Exterior insulation (NCC) - funding from the Notts County Council towards exterior insulation.

QuickBooks information inputted and coordinated expertly by Matt Pike

MANAGER’S REPORT

In my 32 years here, many staff, volunteers and trustees have died; the most recent being our beautiful Helen Williamson and Barry Clarke, rest in peace all of you, you have left your mark.

So, what has this past year brought? Funding has allowed us to purchase solar panels, exterior insulation, a van, accessible shop door and shutter, shelves, clothes rails etc. Lack of funding meant that sadly, we said goodbye to Lindsay Craske, who was just getting into her stride. Increased cost of living has been responsible for a year of anxieties, hard decisions and finally acceptance that changes must be made. Prices had to be elevated to protect our services and activities; never a popular move but most people were expecting it and understood. We are still battling to get recognition from whoever allocates funding in the NHS. Our Centre has been delivering and returning people to hospitals like Kings Mill, Newark , Mansfield Community, City and Queens Med; to GP’s appointments throughout Ashfield and Mansfield and to other health services since 1981 without a smidgeon of funding from any health service. We are always under staffed, always overworked and often exploited and I know this because I see it and it hurts so much. A huge decision for me was to step down as centre manager, but I always thought I’d know when it was the right time to make way for the young guns and the time is now. Matt and Elden will seamlessly pick up where I left off and no-one will notice I’ve gone, especially if they spill lots of drinks on their paperwork, be disruptive, make a lot of noise, have little or no regard for health and safety, have messy desks [Elden’s already rocking that one] ... oh and look gorgeous at all times!

It’s not all been a bed of roses as I’ve encountered bullying, intimidation and physical and emotional abuse, which is now perceived as coercive behaviour but I have mostly met crazy, wonderful people who have enriched my life and given me infinite moments of joy and laughter and these latter moments are the ones I’ll forever remember and keep in my heart. So keep the faith everyone: Our Centre will flourish while there is passion driving it and we have that in shed loads with Matt, Elden, Paddy, John, the drivers and the volunteers.

I can’t forget our members because without you all, we wouldn’t be needed. So thank you for the support, the fun, the moments that are pure surrealism, the tears, the hugs, the appreciation and gratitude. You’ve made my life hell!

Seriously, I’ve had the best job, the best time and made the best friends, so thank you all for giving me the time of my life.

Love Angie xx

Company registration number: 05956771

Charity registration number: 1119588

# Our Centre

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Community Accounting Plus  
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## **Our Centre**

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## **Our Centre**

### **Reference and Administrative Details**

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Trustees</b>                    | Paul Williamson, Chair  |
|                                    | Helen Williamson, Vice Chair  |
|                                    | Pauline Stojanovic, Treasurer   |
|                                    | Rob Barker  |
|                                    | Christina Rowe  |
|                                    | Alberto Rovida  |
|                                    | John Knight   |
|                                    | Martin Atherton   |
| <b>Charity Registration Number</b> | 1119588   |
| <b>Company Registration Number</b> | 05956771  |
| <b>Registered Office</b>           | 6 Pond Street<br>Kirkby-in-Ashfield<br>Nottinghamshire<br>NG17 7AH  |
| <b>Independent Examiner</b>        | John O'Brien, employee of<br>Community Accounting Plus<br>Units 1 & 2 North West<br>41 Talbot Street<br>Nottingham<br>NG1 5GL |

## **Our Centre**

### **Trustees' Report**

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### **Trustees and officers**

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Trustees: | Paul Williamson, Chair                      |
|           | Helen Williamson, Vice Chair                |
|           | Pauline Stojanovic, Treasurer               |
|           | Rob Barker                                  |
|           | Christina Rowe                              |
|           | Alberto Rovida                              |
|           | John Knight                                 |
|           | Martin Atherton (appointed 18 October 2023) |

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### ***Nature of governing document***

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and registered charity. It is operated under the rules of its memorandum and articles of association dated 5 October 2006. It has no share capital and the liability of each member in the event of winding-up is limited to £1.

##### ***Recruitment and appointment of trustees***

Vacant positions are advertised on the Our Centre website, the Our Centre newsletter, local radio, in community centres, libraries and on social media. All applications are presented at a Trustee Meeting with their proposals and this is followed up with an induction meeting and training if appropriate.

#### **Objectives and activities**

##### ***Objects and aims***

To support Kirkby-in-Ashfield and the wider community with services to aid healthier, independent lifestyles and ease isolation, financial hardship and well-being.

- (a) act as a recruiting agency for volunteers and provide them with an advisory and pastoral service to encourage their goodwill and stimulate their efforts;
- (b) provide a central resource of advice and information for persons willing to undertake voluntary service and for voluntary and statutory organisations;
- (c) provide a community transport service, including a voluntary car scheme, for such of the inhabitants of Kirkby and the surrounding area, who are in need of such a service because of age, sickness or disability (mental or physical), or poverty, or because of a lack of availability of adequate and safe public passenger services;
- (d) relieve financial hardship by the recycling and provision of furniture, clothes and other household items; and
- (e) provide or assist in the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life.

## **Our Centre**

### **Trustees' Report**

#### ***Public benefit***

Community transport via fully accessible minibuses and a voluntary car scheme, volunteer recruitment and support, wheelchair hire, walking groups, chair based exercise groups, self help groups, social groups, recycling of clothes and other household items, shopper services and a resource centre.

These activities increase skills and confidence, reduce isolation, enhance physical and emotional well-being and promote good mental health.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

#### **Achievements and performance**

Employing a supervisor on a short term contract to oversee GladRags and kick start the work needed;

Completely renovating part of the building to use as a Charity Shop, using volunteer students from West Notts College, new shelves and boarding and payment base;

New logo and signage, plus leaflet and flyer updates and improvements [all free work];

Exterior insulation added to outside of Our Centre building;

Solar panels installed to Our Centre building;

Caddy Cargo van purchased for GladRags collections and deliveries;

A reliable bank of volunteers to open and run GladRags every weekday;

Installation of a electric door at GladRags, enabling better access for wheelchair and mobility scooter users;

Another hugely successful Christmas Show;

Offered practical and emotional support for our Chair and his wife and two volunteers going through intensive cancer treatments;

Continuing our seated exercise classes thanks to the fabulous commitment of our Treasurer.

## **Our Centre**

### **Trustees' Report**

#### **Financial review**

Currently our financial position remains stable but doesn't necessarily show in the figures due to lots of funding for capital having to be spent before the end of the financial year.

We have increased prices this year, which we haven't done for several years. However, fuel costs have been extortionate, leaving us no option but to charge a bit more.

#### ***Policy on reserves***

The Trustees have established a reserves policy to ensure that adequate funding be kept in reserve in the event that Our Centre ceases to be viable. The level of reserves is reviewed annually and adjusted appropriately by the management committee. The charity currently has reserves to cover three months running costs.

#### ***Principal risks and uncertainties***

##### ***Financial risks***

Loss or reduction of funding, replacement of minibuses, cost of living crisis.

#### **Acknowledgements**

Special thanks to our funders, staff and volunteers and the community for supporting the work we do.



## Our Centre

### Trustees' Report

#### Statement of Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also the directors of Our Centre for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". The report and accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards, comprising FRS 102 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.


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

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

#### Small companies provision statement

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 09/07/24 and signed on its behalf by:

  
.....  
Paul Williamson  
Trustee

## Our Centre

### Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Our Centre ('the Company')

#### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Our Centre ('the Company')

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

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

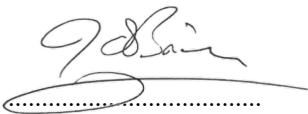
#### Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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



John O'Brien MSc, FAIA, FCCA, FCIE, employee of Community Accounting Plus  
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Date: 09/07/24

## Our Centre

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

|                                    | Note | Unrestricted<br>£     | Restricted<br>£      | Total<br>2024<br>£    | Total<br>2023<br>£    |
|------------------------------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Income and Endowments from:</b> |      |                       |                      |                       |                       |
| Donations and legacies             | 2    | 19,561                | -                    | 19,561                | 9,531                 |
| Charitable activities              | 3    | 8,038                 | 283,200              | 291,238               | 245,917               |
| Other trading activities           | 5    | 12,404                | -                    | 12,404                | 4,820                 |
| Investment income                  | 6    | 1,697                 | -                    | 1,697                 | 1,591                 |
| Other income                       | 7    | 8,700                 | -                    | 8,700                 | 338                   |
| Total Income                       |      | <u>50,400</u>         | <u>283,200</u>       | <u>333,600</u>        | <u>262,197</u>        |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |      |                       |                      |                       |                       |
| Charitable activities              | 8    | <u>(55,913)</u>       | <u>(304,047)</u>     | <u>(359,960)</u>      | <u>(295,705)</u>      |
| Total Expenditure                  |      | <u>(55,913)</u>       | <u>(304,047)</u>     | <u>(359,960)</u>      | <u>(295,705)</u>      |
| Net expenditure                    |      | (5,513)               | (20,847)             | (26,360)              | (33,508)              |
| Transfers between funds            |      | <u>(23,124)</u>       | <u>23,124</u>        | <u>-</u>              | <u>-</u>              |
| Net movement in funds              |      | (28,637)              | 2,277                | (26,360)              | (33,508)              |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |      |                       |                      |                       |                       |
| Total funds brought forward        |      | <u>260,006</u>        | <u>47,550</u>        | <u>307,556</u>        | <u>341,064</u>        |
| Total funds carried forward        | 21   | <u><u>231,369</u></u> | <u><u>49,827</u></u> | <u><u>281,196</u></u> | <u><u>307,556</u></u> |

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for the period is shown in note 21.

The notes on pages 10 to 19 form an integral part of these financial statements.

## Our Centre

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 (Including Income and Expenditure Account and Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses)

These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes

|                                    | Note | Unrestricted<br>£     | Restricted<br>£      | Total<br>2023<br>£    |
|------------------------------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Income and Endowments from:</b> |      |                       |                      |                       |
| Donations and legacies             | 2    | 9,531                 | -                    | 9,531                 |
| Charitable activities              | 3    | 7,851                 | 238,066              | 245,917               |
| Other trading activities           | 5    | 4,820                 | -                    | 4,820                 |
| Investment income                  | 6    | 1,591                 | -                    | 1,591                 |
| Other income                       | 7    | 338                   | -                    | 338                   |
| Total Income                       |      | <u>24,131</u>         | <u>238,066</u>       | <u>262,197</u>        |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |      |                       |                      |                       |
| Charitable activities              | 8    | <u>(61,319)</u>       | <u>(234,386)</u>     | <u>(295,705)</u>      |
| Total Expenditure                  |      | <u>(61,319)</u>       | <u>(234,386)</u>     | <u>(295,705)</u>      |
| Net (expenditure)/income           |      | (37,188)              | 3,680                | (33,508)              |
| Transfers between funds            |      | <u>(19,509)</u>       | <u>19,509</u>        | <u>-</u>              |
| Net movement in funds              |      | (56,697)              | 23,189               | (33,508)              |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |      |                       |                      |                       |
| Total funds brought forward        |      | <u>316,703</u>        | <u>24,361</u>        | <u>341,064</u>        |
| Total funds carried forward        | 21   | <u><u>260,006</u></u> | <u><u>47,550</u></u> | <u><u>307,556</u></u> |

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## Our Centre

(Registration number: 05956771)  
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

|   | Note | 2024<br>£ | 2023<br>£ |
|---|------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                                   |      |           |           |
| Tangible assets                                       | 14   | 214,749   | 201,982   |
| <b>Current assets</b>                                 |      |           |           |
| Debtors   | 15   | 4,539     | 2,606     |
| Cash at bank and in hand                              | 16   | 66,297    | 105,572   |
|   |      | 70,836    | 108,178   |
| <b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b> | 17   | (4,389)   | (2,604)   |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                             |      | 66,447    | 105,574   |
| <b>Net assets</b>                                     |      | 281,196   | 307,556   |
| <b>Funds of the charity:</b>                          |      |           |           |
| <b>Restricted income funds</b>                        |      |           |           |
| Restricted funds                                      | 21   | 49,827    | 47,550    |
| <b>Unrestricted income funds</b>                      |      |           |           |
| Unrestricted funds                                    |      | 231,369   | 260,006   |
| <b>Total funds</b>                                    | 21   | 281,196   | 307,556   |

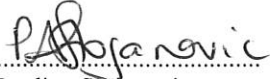
For the financial year ending 31 March 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

### Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements on pages 7 to 19 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on ...09/07/24... and signed on their behalf by:

  
Pauline Stojanovic  
Trustee

The notes on pages 10 to 19 form an integral part of these financial statements.



## **Our Centre**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

#### **1 Accounting policies**

##### **Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates**

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

##### **Statement of compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

##### **Basis of preparation**

Our Centre meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

##### **Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements.

##### **Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement**

Under the exemption available to smaller charities the Board of Trustees has chosen not to include a Statement of Cash Flows within the financial statements.

##### **Income and endowments**

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

##### ***Donations and legacies***

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

##### ***Grants receivable***

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

#### Charitable activities

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.

#### Taxation

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

#### Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500.00 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

#### Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life on a straight line basis as follows:

| Asset class         | Depreciation method and rate |
|---------------------|------------------------------|
| Land & buildings    | 3%                           |
| Fixtures & fittings | 10%                          |
| General equipment   | 20%                          |
| IT equipment        | 33.3%                        |
| Motor vehicles      | 20%                          |

#### Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### Fund structure

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

Restricted income funds are those grants for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

#### Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity. Pension costs charges in the Statement of Financial Activities represent the contributions payable by the charity during the year.

### 2 Income from donations and legacies

|  | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>General<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Donations and legacies;                                  |                                       |                    |                    |
| Donations from companies, trusts and similar<br>proceeds | 13,741                                | 13,741             | 6,781              |
| Grants, including capital grants;                        |                                       |                    |                    |
| Government grants  | 5,820                                 | 5,820              | 2,750              |
|  | 19,561                                | 19,561             | 9,531              |

### 3 Income from charitable activities

|                        | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>General<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Activities             | 4,118                                 | -                        | 4,118              | 3,862              |
| General administration | 91                                    | 12,666                   | 12,757             | 2,927              |
| Grants & donations     | -                                     | 112,374                  | 112,374            | 80,150             |
| Wheelchair & room hire | 449                                   | -                        | 449                | 448                |
| Registration           | 3,380                                 | 1,060                    | 4,440              | 4,721              |
| Transport fares & hire | -                                     | 157,100                  | 157,100            | 153,809            |
|                        | 8,038                                 | 283,200                  | 291,238            | 245,917            |

## Our Centre

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 4 Grants & donations

|                                 | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total<br>£     |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Nottinghamshire County Council  | 4,820                      | 37,561                   | 42,381         |
| Ashfield District Council       | 1,000                      | 16,000                   | 17,000         |
| Co-op Community Fund            | 1,191                      | -                        | 1,191          |
| National Lottery Community Fund | -                          | 58,813                   | 58,813         |
| Community Matters Fund          | 6,595                      | -                        | 6,595          |
| J. N. Derbyshire Trust          | 4,000                      | -                        | 4,000          |
| Notts Community Foundation      | 500                        | -                        | 500            |
| Sundry grants & donations       | 1,455                      | -                        | 1,455          |
|                                 | <u>19,561</u>              | <u>112,374</u>           | <u>131,935</u> |

#### 5 Income from other trading activities

|  | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>General<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Trading income;                        |                                       |                    |                    |
| Sale of donated goods (Glad Rags shop) | 9,682                                 | 9,682              | 4,434              |
| Fundraising                            | 2,722                                 | 2,722              | 386                |
|  | <u>12,404</u>                         | <u>12,404</u>      | <u>4,820</u>       |

#### 6 Investment income

|   | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>General<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Interest receivable and similar income; |                                       |                    |                    |
| Interest receivable on bank deposits    | 1,697                                 | 1,697              | 1,591              |

#### 7 Other income

|               | Unrestricted<br>General<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|---------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Rental income | <u>8,700</u>                 | <u>8,700</u>       | <u>338</u>         |

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 8 Expenditure on charitable activities

|                                   | Unrestricted<br>funds<br>General<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Activities & supplies             | 269                                   | 80                       | 349                | 682                |
| Card machine & bank charges       | 140                                   | 1,494                    | 1,634              | 1,332              |
| Glad Rags shop costs              | -                                     | 158                      | 158                | -                  |
| Cleaning                          | 59                                    | 386                      | 445                | 634                |
| Depreciation                      | 18,357                                | 7,781                    | 26,138             | 18,357             |
| Subscriptions                     | 25                                    | -                        | 25                 | -                  |
| Hospitality                       | 454                                   | 1,273                    | 1,727              | 2,484              |
| IT software & consumables         | 67                                    | 266                      | 333                | 307                |
| Training                          | -                                     | -                        | -                  | 228                |
| Legal & professional              | 289                                   | 1,767                    | 2,056              | 1,571              |
| Insurance                         | 966                                   | -                        | 966                | 909                |
| Payroll service                   | 143                                   | 1,184                    | 1,327              | 1,201              |
| Premises maintenance              | 113                                   | 11,902                   | 12,015             | 466                |
| Equipment, repairs & renewals     | 22                                    | 2,068                    | 2,090              | 640                |
| Rent, room hire & utilities       | 312                                   | 3,656                    | 3,968              | 2,086              |
| Printing, stationery & postage    | 188                                   | 1,004                    | 1,192              | 1,157              |
| Sundry expenses                   | 1,604                                 | -                        | 1,604              | -                  |
| Telephone & internet              | 222                                   | 1,997                    | 2,219              | 1,920              |
| Vehicle running costs & insurance | -                                     | 61,704                   | 61,704             | 55,463             |
| Volunteer expenses                | 335                                   | 10,031                   | 10,366             | 6,638              |
| Wages, NI & pension               | 32,348                                | 197,296                  | 229,644            | 199,630            |
|                                   | 55,913                                | 304,047                  | 359,960            | 295,705            |

#### 9 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net outgoing resources for the year include:

|                              | 2024<br>£ | 2023<br>£ |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Depreciation of fixed assets | 26,138    | 18,357    |
|                              | 26,138    | 18,357    |



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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 10 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

|  | 2024<br>£      | 2023<br>£      |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Staff costs during the year were:</b> |                |                |
| Wages and salaries                       | 214,873        | 188,048        |
| Social security costs                    | 9,532          | 8,304          |
| Pension costs                            | 5,239          | 3,278          |
|  | <u>229,644</u> | <u>199,630</u> |

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

|                             | 2024<br>No | 2023<br>No |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Average number of employees | <u>13</u>  | <u>11</u>  |

9 (2023 - 9) of the above employees participated in the Defined Contribution Pension Schemes.

Contributions to the employee pension schemes for the year totalled £5,239 (2023 - £3,278).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year.

The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £42,599 (2023 - £39,533).

#### 11 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

#### 12 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 13 Fees payable to independent examiner

During the period, the fees payable (excluding VAT) to the charity's independent examiner are analysed as follows:

|                          | 2024<br>£    | 2023<br>£    |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Independent examination  | 1,270        | 1,145        |
| Other financial services | 1,105        | 1,001        |
|                          | <u>2,375</u> | <u>2,146</u> |

#### 14 Tangible fixed assets

|                       | Land<br>and<br>buildings<br>£ | Fixtures<br>&<br>fittings<br>£ | Motor<br>vehicles<br>£ | IT<br>equipment<br>£ | General<br>equipment<br>£ | Total<br>£     |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Cost</b>           |                               |                                |                        |                      |                           |                |
| At 1 April 2023       | 187,084                       | 4,650                          | 221,329                | 8,137                | 17,792                    | 438,992        |
| Additions             | <u>-</u>                      | <u>-</u>                       | <u>25,189</u>          | <u>-</u>             | <u>13,716</u>             | <u>38,905</u>  |
| At 31 March 2024      | <u>187,084</u>                | <u>4,650</u>                   | <u>246,518</u>         | <u>8,137</u>         | <u>31,508</u>             | <u>477,897</u> |
| <b>Depreciation</b>   |                               |                                |                        |                      |                           |                |
| At 1 April 2023       | 26,654                        | 4,650                          | 181,943                | 7,459                | 16,304                    | 237,010        |
| Charge for the year   | <u>5,613</u>                  | <u>-</u>                       | <u>16,732</u>          | <u>678</u>           | <u>3,115</u>              | <u>26,138</u>  |
| At 31 March 2024      | <u>32,267</u>                 | <u>4,650</u>                   | <u>198,675</u>         | <u>8,137</u>         | <u>19,419</u>             | <u>263,148</u> |
| <b>Net book value</b> |                               |                                |                        |                      |                           |                |
| At 31 March 2024      | <u>154,817</u>                | <u>-</u>                       | <u>47,843</u>          | <u>-</u>             | <u>12,089</u>             | <u>214,749</u> |
| At 31 March 2023      | <u>160,430</u>                | <u>-</u>                       | <u>39,386</u>          | <u>678</u>           | <u>1,488</u>              | <u>201,982</u> |

#### 15 Debtors

|               | 2024<br>£    | 2023<br>£    |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Trade debtors | <u>4,539</u> | <u>2,606</u> |

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 16 Cash and cash equivalents

|              | 2024<br>£     | 2023<br>£      |
|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| Cash on hand | 521           | 2,220          |
| Cash at bank | 65,776        | 103,352        |
|              | <u>66,297</u> | <u>105,572</u> |

#### 17 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

|                 | 2024<br>£    | 2023<br>£    |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Other creditors | 319          | 304          |
| Accruals        | 4,070        | 2,300        |
|                 | <u>4,389</u> | <u>2,604</u> |

#### 18 Charity status

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

#### 19 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

#### 20 Analysis of net assets between funds

|                       | Unrestricted   |  |                 | 2024<br>Total funds<br>£ |
|-----------------------|----------------|--|-----------------|--------------------------|
|                       | General<br>£   |  | Restricted<br>£ |                          |
| Tangible fixed assets | 166,906        |  | 47,843          | 214,749                  |
| Current assets        | 68,852         |  | 1,984           | 70,836                   |
| Current liabilities   | (4,389)        |  | -               | (4,389)                  |
| Total net assets      | <u>231,369</u> |  | <u>49,827</u>   | <u>281,196</u>           |

|                       | Unrestricted   |                 |                 | 2023<br>Total funds<br>£ |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
|                       | General<br>£   | Designated<br>£ | Restricted<br>£ |                          |
| Tangible fixed assets | 162,596        | -               | 39,386          | 201,982                  |
| Current assets        | 96,657         | 3,357           | 8,164           | 108,178                  |
| Current liabilities   | (2,604)        | -               | -               | (2,604)                  |
| Total net assets      | <u>256,649</u> | <u>3,357</u>    | <u>47,550</u>   | <u>307,556</u>           |

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

#### 21 Funds

|                                 | Balance at 1<br>April 2023<br>£ | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Transfers<br>£  | Balance at<br>31 March<br>2024<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b>       |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| <i>General</i>                  |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| General fund                    | 256,649                         | 50,400                     | (55,913)                   | (19,767)        | 231,369                             |
| <i>Designated</i>               |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| Building & Vehicle Funds        | 3,357                           | -                          | -                          | (3,357)         | -                                   |
| <b>Total unrestricted funds</b> | <u>260,006</u>                  | <u>50,400</u>              | <u>(55,913)</u>            | <u>(23,124)</u> | <u>231,369</u>                      |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>         |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| Transport fund                  | 39,386                          | 215,309                    | (261,100)                  | 54,248          | 47,843                              |
| Salary (Lottery)                | 8,164                           | -                          | (8,164)                    | -               | -                                   |
| Anchor project (Lottery)        | -                               | 58,813                     | (27,689)                   | (31,124)        | -                                   |
| Exterior insulation (NCC)       | -                               | 9,078                      | (7,094)                    | -               | 1,984                               |
| <b>Total restricted funds</b>   | <u>47,550</u>                   | <u>283,200</u>             | <u>(304,047)</u>           | <u>23,124</u>   | <u>49,827</u>                       |
| <b>Total funds</b>              | <u>307,556</u>                  | <u>333,600</u>             | <u>(359,960)</u>           | <u>-</u>        | <u>281,196</u>                      |

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

Transport fund is the net book value of vehicles and hence the transfers from the designated and general funds are to keep the balance at this level each year.

Salary (Lottery) - funding from the National Lottery Community Fund towards the receptionist's salary.

Anchor project (Lottery) - to help people in Ashfield who are struggling through the cost of living crisis. We used the funding for our charity shop to make it a warm and welcoming place to get essentials such as clothes and household items and to increase group capacity at Our Centre, by recruiting more volunteers.

Exterior insulation (NCC) - funding from the Notts County Council towards exterior insulation.

The transfer from the Anchor project (Lottery) fund to the General fund represents the net book value of fixed assets, the use of which is not subject to any restriction.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

*These are the figures for the previous accounting period and are included for comparative purposes*

|                                 | Balance at 1<br>April 2022<br>£ | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Transfers<br>£  | Balance at<br>31 March<br>2023<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b>       |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| <i>General</i>                  |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| General fund                    | 179,289                         | 24,131                     | (61,319)                   | 114,548         | 256,649                             |
| <i>Designated</i>               |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| Building & Vehicle Funds        | 137,414                         | -                          | -                          | (134,057)       | 3,357                               |
| <b>Total unrestricted funds</b> | <u>316,703</u>                  | <u>24,131</u>              | <u>(61,319)</u>            | <u>(19,509)</u> | <u>260,006</u>                      |
| <b>Restricted</b>               |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                     |
| Transport fund                  | 24,361                          | 228,166                    | (232,650)                  | 19,509          | 39,386                              |
| Salary (Lottery)                | -                               | 9,900                      | (1,736)                    | -               | 8,164                               |
| <b>Total restricted funds</b>   | <u>24,361</u>                   | <u>238,066</u>             | <u>(234,386)</u>           | <u>19,509</u>   | <u>47,550</u>                       |
| <b>Total funds</b>              | <u>341,064</u>                  | <u>262,197</u>             | <u>(295,705)</u>           | <u>-</u>        | <u>307,556</u>                      |



## Our Centre Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Our Centre ('the Company')

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Our Centre ('the Company') I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report** As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act'). Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement** Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member and Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, which is one of the listed bodies. I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect: 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or 3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)]. I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

John O'Brien MSc, FAIA, FCCA, FCIE, employee of Community Accounting Plus Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners Units 1 & 2 North West 41 Talbot Street Nottingham NG1 5GL Date:.....