

**Stockport Women's Centre
Annual Report and Accounts
For the year ended 31 March 2022**

**Charity Registration No. 1119969
Company Registration No. 06255693 (England and Wales)**



T H E W O M E N ' S C E N T R E

Supporting women in Stockport

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Legal and Administrative Information

Trustees:	K Day (Chair) H M Scott C Milner H Hoy L Dolling S Harrison L Taylor J Hancock
Charity number	1119969
Company number	06255693
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**Stockport Women's Centre
Trustees' Report (including Directors' Report)
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The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The Charity's objects ("the objects") are to advance education and relieve poverty and ill health for women and their families within the Stockport area by providing a centre whereby they can access advice, training and support as well as providing an outreach training and support service in the surrounding areas of Stockport

Vision

Women in Stockport are strong and confident

Mission

Stockport Women's Centre provides support to improve the wellbeing, physical and mental health of women, enabling them to improve the life chances for themselves and their families.

Social objectives

- Improve wellbeing, physical and mental health of women
- Build resilience in women
- Increase opportunities for social mobility
- Supporting women to be independent and strong

Delivery objectives

- Provide a safe, confidential, welcoming and nurturing environment for women
- Provide woman-centred services to women with multiple and complex needs
- Deliver a Trauma Informed service

Aims

To improve the mental health and wellbeing of women, improving their ability to provide a better environment in which they and their families can flourish.

- To specifically target Stockport priority areas addressing inequalities that exist and improve access to therapeutic services for women.
- To build relationships with our service users and each other based on trust and respect.

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- To provide a safe, confidential, welcoming and nurturing environment for women.
- To promote well-being, confidence and self-esteem amongst staff, volunteers and service users.
- To offer a range of high quality, holistic, personalised services to support women.
- To provide an accessible, non-judgemental and confidential service for Stockport women.
- To encourage, empower and support women to make informed choices to improve their quality of life.
- To maximise opportunities for women in Stockport working in partnership with other organisations who are concerned with the health and support of women.
- To consult with our stakeholders to ensure continual improvement of our services.
- To continually monitor and evaluate our services to ensure that they meet the needs of women.
- To provide opportunities for women to help other women through volunteering, enabling them to learn and develop, and to give something back to the wider community.
- To be an innovative and financially sustainable service to continue to meet all of our aims

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm, in the light of the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, that these aims fully meet the public benefit test and that all the activities of the charity, described in the report of the Trustees, are undertaken in pursuit of these aims. Stockport Women's Centre relies on contracts, grants, donations and fundraising to cover its operating costs.

Charitable Activities

Stockport Women's Centre is a specialist community support services for women facing multiple disadvantages. We deliver services to women only, in recognition of the well-evidenced need for gender-specific interventions. We provide holistic, woman-centred, trauma-informed services in a safe space.

We are an effective 'one stop' shop in Stockport for women, delivering front line services to meet the needs of women with complex issues. The needs have impacted upon their lives and immediate family members. In particular, issues include living with:

- Women's mental health
- Women who are victims of abuse
- Women in contact with the Criminal Justice System
- Socio economic factors such as poverty, social isolation and unemployment

2021-22 has continued to be a challenging year with the pandemic, however we have continued to remain open to enable women access to a safe space, we are the only accessible, safe space for women in Stockport. We have been incredibly

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creative and flexible to continue to support women in our local communities, adapting and finding new ways to work utilising technology.

The main work and activities we have delivered:

Our services and activities have been developed in response to the expressed needs of the women; we work with and gaps in service provision which are offered within an ethos of valuing all women by listening, caring and encouraging. The core work and activities over the last 12 months of the service have continued and include:

- One to one work with women who need extra support includes
 - Counselling and/or psychotherapy
 - Case work
 - Life coaching
 - Safety planning, risk assessment, advocacy, signposting
 - Complementary therapies
- Safeguarding support for children and families – escalating risk is identified and managed by the Centre adhering to Stockport Council's Safeguarding Policy to ensure a multi-agency approach if appropriate
- Co-ordinate or running a wide range of courses which are designed to increase skills to improve education opportunities, employability, social mobility, and self-confidence
- The provision of advice and support
- Peer Support
- Access to information and sign-posting – for many local women the Centre provides a trusted source of information including support:
- All activities and services provided to the women are built upon through an assessment of need and supported by a multi-skilled team including social workers, counsellors, psychotherapists, teachers, probation workers and includes 1-1 casework.

We have continued to offer women a comprehensive holistic service which encompasses a personalised approach. The women we work with can access one or more of the activities/services at any one time or over a period and this ensures that we can respond not only to the women in high levels of need but also to those who require information or advice and social activities.

Highlights of the 12 months have included:

- 1082 women accessing the service; this has included 388 new women accessing the service and 184 that have re-accessed the service after 12 months
- The number of telephone calls continue to be high, on average 900 calls a month, the majority from the women we support.
- 388 women attended a full needs assessment, 279 women identified at assessment as having 3 or more needs
- 413 women have received 1:1 casework support with 171 currently receiving support
- 200 women have received 1:1 counselling with 75 currently receiving support

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- 159 women have attended groups including
 - Freedom programme
 - Wellbeing
 - Hypnotherapy Group
 - Knowing Me
 - Mindfulness and Relaxation
 - Art Therapy
- Winner of a Weston Charity Award

We have ensured that:

- every woman continued to receive some form of ongoing support even if she was unable to access the service remotely.
- Every woman has received a welcome pack when registering with the Centre
- Women that do not have access to equipment to access digital support receive tablets and smart phones

We have:

- Extended the offer of counselling to other women accessing women's centres across Greater Manchester. Whilst in its early stages, 68 women have been referred and engaging in the service.
- Recruited an additional 35 volunteers. We now have 80 volunteers.
- Maintained BACP Organisational Accreditation.
- Been a recipient of the Weston Garfield Charity Awards
- Secured a 4.5-year contract with Greater Manchester Combined Authority as a member of Greater Manchester Women's Support Alliance to support women in contact with the criminal justice system.
- Identified a gap in provision for 18–25-year-olds, and secured additional funding from the Pilgrim Trust to employ a young person's mental health case worker.
- Analysed the impact of the pandemic on the Charity
- increasing demands whilst keeping our focus on our values and quality
- Started the process of developing long term strategic objectives for the Centre with involvement from women with lived experience, volunteer, staff and Trustees.

Referrals:

Women are signposted to the Centre through a variety of pathways including Secondary Mental Health Services, GP, Health Visitors, Alcohol and Substance Misuse services, HMP Styal, Greater Manchester Police, Greater Manchester Probations Service, and many others.

Breakdown of referrals:

- 33% Health
- 32% Self-referrals
- 18% Social Care

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- 17% of women engaging are referred via other agencies including criminal justice and domestic abuse agencies

Identified Needs:

388 women attended a full needs assessment, a 17.5% increase on the previous year

75% identified as having a mental health

35% identifies as having a well-being issue

47% identified as having an issue with domestic abuse

25% identified as having issues with children/families and

30% identified as having an issue with finance/debt

Identified Need at Assessment	%
Attitudes/Thinking/Behaviours	79.02
Mental Health/Wellbeing	79.53
Mental Health	74.61
Wellbeing	34.72
Domestic/Sexual Abuse	46.89
Children and Families	24.09
Finance/Benefits/Debt	24.87
Accommodation	21.24
Education/Training/Volunteering/Employment	11.40
Physical Health	3.37
Drugs	4.92
Alcohol	6.22
Sex Work	0.78

Evidence informs us that some women do not disclose at assessment but disclose once a relationship of trust has been built. Yet still, 72.27% women at initial assessment had 3 or more identified needs and 43.26% had 4 or more identified needs.

Equality monitoring:

We collect equality monitoring data on registration for us to better understand who accesses services and what needs to be considered in the future to make sure our services are provided fairly and easily accessible. During the year, 451 completed the equality monitoring form.

44.57% of women who access the service are in the 30-44 age bracket, 26.83% of women are 18-29 and 22.84% 45-59.

Whilst 33.92% of women have presented as unemployed, 54.99% are on benefits

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51.22% identify as having a long-term physical/mental health/health condition/disability.

Ethnic minority groups represent 15.74% of the women who access service. Both the needs assessment and the equality monitoring evidence that we support and engage with some of the most vulnerable and marginalised women in the Stockport community.

Service User Evaluation: A total of 127 women completed an anonymous service user evaluation at exit of the project

- 92.12% of women were very satisfied with their overall experience of the project and 7.88% satisfied.
- 93.7% of women stated they had experienced positive changes in their life

Positive Feedback from Service Users:

- Always supported. Provided toiletries for me and books and toys for the children. Thankful for everything
- Loved the welcome pack, it was nice to receive it when going through a very difficult time
- Going back into work in January, knowing SWC are there to support me if I need in the future
- Wouldn't be in such a good place now if it weren't for SWC
- I've been able to get the help I needed to change my debt; I'm now paying this off. I feel more positive and confident about the future
- Was much better than anything I have ever done before
- you will never understand the impact the support has had on my life. you have validated my feelings and resonated with my experiences. I have gained my confidence back and self-esteem
- Really evaluating myself and my way of thinking. going through changes. Having epiphanies
- Nothing to improve. I do the groups as well and I believe that for a small charity, they are invaluable due to the help offered. I feel as though they are always there to help
- Nothing in my experience, the service has been phenomenal each time I have used it
- SWC is amazing and can't thank everyone enough

Weston Charity Award

Since 2014, The Weston Charity Awards, in Partnership with Pilotlight, have supported ambitious front-line charities working in the fields of community, welfare and youth to amplify the impact of their work.

In May, 2021 Stockport Women's Centre was chosen as a winner of a Weston Charity Award, as part of the award we have access to the Pilotlight 360 program, a package of leadership coaching that we embarked on in August 2021. The programme looks at anything from operational efficiencies to sustainable long-term business strategies. After initial information-gathering we have set our goals, with

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the purpose of taking the organisation to the next level. We will have completed the program July 2022.

Safeguarding

Since 1st April 2021 there have been 52 safeguarding incidents including child protection, domestic abuse and mental health issues. Safeguarding support for children and families – escalating risk is managed by the Centre adhering to Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council's Policy to ensure a multi-agency approach if appropriate.

Volunteers

The services are supported by our dedicated and generous volunteers, 75 volunteers have supported the project over the past year. Volunteers make a huge contribution to the charity, providing a wealth of skills, knowledge, and capacity.

Each role is vital and without the volunteers we would not be able to deliver services to the women of Stockport. The volunteers have many roles in the centre ranging from counsellors, psychotherapists, drop-in workers, art facilitators, group facilitators and administrators.

Our reputation as a charity, which supports women at times of stress and difficulties on their lives, has contributed to never having a shortage of women ready to offer their time to help other women.

Staff

The Women's Centre is fortunate in having such dedicated staff who are passionate about providing outstanding services to women. The trustees would like to express their thanks to the staff for their remarkable commitment to Stockport Women's Centre.

**Main challenges in 2021-22 and how we responded:
The COVID 19 Pandemic**

2021-22 has continued to be a challenging year, we continued to remain open to enable women access to a safe space, we are the only accessible, safe space for women in Stockport. We were creative and flexible to continue to support women in our local communities, adapting and finding new ways to work utilising technology.

Women were offered the options on how they received support and we adapted. Many women throughout the year accessed the service via the remote offer

- Telephone
- Video

This brought challenges in particular, complexity and difficulty in engaging with women with multiple disadvantages.

We made sure telephone appointments were seen as the same level of commitment as a face-to-face appointment.

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Certain issues were much harder to support over the phone such as helping to fill in forms and make calls to other organisations and it was felt by some caseworkers that doing personal development activities have less impact on the phone and zoom. This is reflected in feedback from women.

As agencies remain and close and thresholds to access those agencies more difficult to meet, we found ourselves identifying the services for women and then having to give additional support and advocacy to enable women to access those services.

Many women reported they were feeling isolated, for some women this was massive and we ensured that there was a fixed point of week where they had contact from the Centre.

Involving the people in our communities

This has been a challenge due to the amount of work that was delivered by phone or video conferencing.

We continued to involve the people in our community, using existing measures such as

- Feedback from the peer groups that continued to meet
- 1:1 interviews
- Anonymous service user evaluation at end of activities
- Case studies - See Appendix 'B' and 'Appendix 'C'

As well as

- Outcomes Star – distance travelled for women accessing support

Financial Review

The results for the year are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities. The statement shows that income for the year has decreased from £709,524 to £620,240 with expenditure decreasing from £678,379 to £598,207. This has resulted in a net surplus for the year of £22,033 (2021: £30,785).

And leaves funds at 31st March 2022 totalling £169,850 (2021: £147,817) of which £3,396 (2021: £13,503) is restricted.

Funding Sources

As well as the many individual supporters we would like to say thank you to the following organisations for supporting the vital work of charity.

- The Coutts Foundation
- The Zochonis Charitable Trust
- The Garfield Weston Foundation
- The National Lottery Fund
- The Lloyds Foundation
- Greater Manchester Combined Authority
- Stockport Clinical Commissioning Group

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- Greater Manchester Women's Support Alliance
- Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council and
- The Ministry of Justice
- John Lewis Partnership

We remain immensely thankful to all those supporters that have helped us to raise funds needed to meet the full costs of the projects and associate costs of running the project.

Reserves Policy

The policy of the trustees is to hold sufficient funds to cover three months typical running costs. The level of reserves is monitored throughout the year as part of the charity's budgetary process.

Investment Policy and Objectives

The charity does not have an investment policy. When available, funds are held in interest bearing bank accounts to maximise returns.

Risk Management

The Trustees assume responsibility for ongoing review of the risks facing the organisation. In this context, we define risk as the potential to fail to achieve our objectives and for loss, whether financial or reputational, inherent in the environment in which we operate.

Stockport Women's Centre conducts an ongoing programme of, identifying risks in the following business-critical areas. The Trustees note the following specific areas that give rise to the potential major risk areas for the forthcoming financial year.

- Financial
- Human Resources
- Safeguarding
- Relationships and external partnerships

Identified risks are classified as of low, medium or high likelihood and as having small, serious or severe potential to damage the business. Those risks with medium to high chances of occurring and/or with serious to severe potential to damage are listed, monitored and steps taken to mitigate them.

The trustees will consider the potential impact and likelihood of occurrence of these and other risks across the organisation's activities and identify the key controls required. The Board will ensure that next year there is an appropriate control framework in place, recognising that the system of internal control is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve the Charity's objectives.

The Trustees consider that Stockport Women's Centre has procedures in place to maintain strong internal controls and are satisfied that the systems of financial

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control comply in all material aspects with the guidelines issued by the Charity Commission and are operating with sufficient effectiveness to provide reasonable assurance.

Plans for the next 12 months.

We have learnt from our delivery model over the last 12 months and are to continue to offer a blended service to women face to face, telephone and/or video support. However, as other services continue to use telephone and video-based approaches to support, we will continue to be open as a safe space for women and ensure the right support is available at the right time, considering levels of risk to women and their families.

Over the next year, we would like to:

- Continue to ensure a mix of services that are offered to women so that many more women can access the vital support they require, including developing the digital offer.
- Continue to offer a community space for partner agencies to be based to strengthen the 'one stop shop' approach.
- Continue the offer of longer-term support to women with complex and multiple issues.
- Offer specialised drop-ins, including a young-persons drop-in
- Develop further 'Pop up' Centres across Stockport specifically targeting Stockport priority areas
- Increase the number of young women (18-25) to access the service.
- Continue the process of developing long term strategic objectives for the Centre with involvement from women with lived experience, volunteer, staff and Trustees.

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a company limited by guarantee.

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006. The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

K Day (Chair)
H M Scott
C Milner
H Hoy
L Dolling
S Harrison
L Taylor
J Hancock

None of the Trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the Trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The company's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to follow the CBI's Prompt Payers Code (copies are available from the CBI, Centre Point, 103 New Oxford Street, London WC1A 1DU).

The company's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to:

- settle the terms of payment with suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction;
- ensure that suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts; and
- pay in accordance with the company's contractual and other legal obligations.

Trade creditors of the company at the year-end were £1,168.

Remuneration policy

Remuneration for key management is agreed by the Trustees.

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Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees, who are also the directors of Stockport Women's Centre for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Annual Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards 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 charity will continue in operation.

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

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'K Day', is centered on a white rectangular background.

K Day, Chair of the Board of Trustees

Dated: 30 November 2022

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Stockport Women's Centre for the year ended 31 March 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 15 to 31.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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 company's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants.

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

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

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



Emma Willder, FCMA, CGMA, CG(Affiliated)

Beyond Profit Ltd, G104 Bolton Arena, Arena Approach, Horwich, Bolton, BL6 6LB

Date: 1 December 2022

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Statement of Financial Activities including the Income and Expenditure Account For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 31 March 2022	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 31 March 2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	2	5,158	-	5,158	22,853	-	22,853
Charitable activities	2	488,081	125,276	613,357	561,419	123,106	684,525
Other trading activities	2	1,725	-	1,725	2,146	-	2,146
Total		494,964	125,276	620,240	586,418	123,106	709,524
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds		359	-	359	530	-	530
Charitable activities	4	462,465	135,383	597,848	538,161	140,048	678,209
Total		462,824	135,383	598,207	538,691	140,048	678,739
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers							
		32,140	(10,107)	22,033	47,727	(16,942)	30,785
Transfer between funds		-	-	0	35	(35)	-
Net movement in funds		32,140	(10,107)	22,033	47,762	(16,977)	30,785
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		134,314	13,503	147,817	86,552	30,480	117,032
Total funds carried forward		166,454	3,396	169,850	134,314	13,503	147,817

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

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Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2022

	Notes	31 March 2022 £	31 March 2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	12	152	666
Total fixed assets		152	666
Current assets			
Debtors	9	46,586	6,801
Cash at bank and in hand	11	236,397	231,424
Total current assets		282,983	238,225
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	113,285	91,073
Net current assets/(liabilities)		169,698	147,152
Total net assets / (liabilities)		169,850	147,818
Funds of the Charity			
Restricted funds	13	3,396	13,503
Unrestricted funds	13	166,454	134,314
Total funds		169,850	147,817

For the year in question, the company was entitled to exemption from an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476,

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to the members of the company.

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Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2022



Approved by the trustees on 30 November 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

	Note	31 March 2022 £	31 March 2021 £
Net cash (used by) / provided by operating activities	15	<u>4,974</u>	<u>94,714</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash used in financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Increase in cash equivalents in the year		<u>4,974</u>	<u>94,714</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		<u>231,423</u>	<u>136,709</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	15	<u>236,397</u>	<u>231,423</u>

The notes on pages 18 to 31 form an integral part of the financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

Note 1: Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities in preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), second edition - October 2019 (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2016.

The charity has applied the exemption available to small charities in the Charities SORP (FRS 102) and does not include a Statement of Cash Flows in these Financial Statements.

Stockport Women's 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 notes.

b) Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern.

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

c) Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be reliably measured.

Income for government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received the account can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Donations are recognised when the charity receives the funds.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known and the receipt is expected. If the amount is not known the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

d) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

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Restricted funds are funds which the donor has specified are solely to be used for particular activities.

e) Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

f) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be recognised reliably.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is shown inclusive of VAT.

g) Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs. Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

h) Operating Leases

The charity classifies the lease of photocopying and printing equipment as operating leases; the title to the equipment remains with the lessor. Rental charges are charged on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

i) Tangible Fixed Assets

Individual assets costing £550 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated evenly over their estimated useful economic lives, as follows:

Leasehold improvements	10% straight-line
Fixtures and fitting	33% reducing balance
Computers	33% reducing balance

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measure at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

The gain or less arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the assets, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

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j) Impairment of fixed assets

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

k) Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

l) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provision re normally recognised at their settle met amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

m) Corporation Tax

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

n) Key estimates and accounting judgements

In applying the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions in determining the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities. The Trustees' judgements, estimates and assumptions are based on the best and most reliable evidence available at the time when the decisions are made and are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be applicable. Due to the inherent subjectivity involved in making such judgements, estimates ad assumptions, the actual results and outcomes may differ.

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

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Note 2: Analysis of income

	Unrestricted funds	2022 Restricted funds	Total funds	Unrestricted funds	2021 Restricted funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies:						
Donations and gifts	5,158	-	5,158	22,853	-	22,853
Total	5,158	-	5,158	22,853	-	22,853
Charitable activities:						
Performance related grants	488,081	125,276	613,357	561,419	123,106	684,525
Total	488,081	125,276	613,357	561,419	123,106	684,525
Other trading activities:						
Lettings and licencing arrangements	1,725	-	1,725	2,146	-	2,146
Total	1,725	-	1,725	2,146	-	2,146
Total income	494,964	125,276	620,240	586,418	123,106	709,524

Note 3: Analysis of receipts of government grants

	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£	£
Greater Manchester Combined Authority	57,553	257,994
Stockport MBC	15,116	15,116
Coronavirus Job Rentention Scheme	29,477	6,894
Total	102,146	280,004

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Note 4: Analysis of expenditure

	2022 £	2021 £
Staff costs	493,899	430,018
Depreciation and impairment	514	514
Computer and equipment costs	5,534	5,119
Establishment costs	33,692	32,699
Advertising and promotion	122	5,133
Other costs	916	858
Volunteer expenses	10	30
Beneficiary expenses	4,757	13,522
Training	220	1,963
Repairs and equipment maintenance	967	9,202
Cleaning and refuse	1,314	3,677
Professional fees	2,732	12,831
Staff expenses and travel	1,791	1,885
Sessional workers	27,659	73,275
	574,127	590,726
Grant funding of activities (see note 6)	14,383	72,549
Share of support costs (see note 5)	6,510	11,024
Share of governance costs (see note 5)	2,828	3,910
	597,848	678,209
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	462,465	538,161
Restricted funds	135,383	140,048
	597,848	678,209

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Note 5: Allocation of Governance and Other Support Costs

The total support costs and overheads attributable to charitable activity is apportioned as shown below:

	Support Costs	Total	2021
	£	£	£
Telephone	4,623	4,623	5,551
Printing and stationery	1,887	1,887	2,896
	6,510	6,510	8,447

Governance Costs	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£	£
Independent Examination	540	540
Accountancy Fees	2,288	3,370
	2,828	3,910

The total governance cost attributable to charitable activities is then apportioned in the same ratio as the other support costs.

Note 6: Grants payable

	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£	£
Grants to institutions	14,383	72,549
Total	14,383	72,549

The grants paid during the year to Women in Prison was £14,383 (2021:£nil). The amount paid to Greater Manchester Women's Support Alliance was £nil (2021: £72,549).

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Note 7: Details of certain items of expenditure

	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees	540	540
Other accountancy fees	2,288	3,370
Total	2,828	3,910

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Note 8: Employees

	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries and wages	429,198	383,359
Social security costs	32,912	27,097
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	19,708	15,727
Other	-	-
Total staff costs	481,818	426,183

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000

8.2 Average head count in the year

	2022	2021
	19	18
Total	19	18

8.3 Key Management Personnel

The remuneration of the key management personnel is:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries and wages	38,765	38,737
Social security costs	4,130	4,135
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	1,938	1,738
Total staff costs	44,833	44,610

During the period the charity made use of the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme. The amount claimed is shown in note 3.

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Note 9: Debtors

Amounts falling due within one year

	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£	£
Trade debtors	46,586	6,801
Total	46,586	6,801

Note 10: Creditors & Accruals

Analysis of creditors: falling due within one year

	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,168	3,732
Accruals and deferred income	99,592	87,717
Other creditors	12,525	(376)
Total	113,285	91,073

Deferred income comprises of income received by the charity in 2020 for activities taking place in 2021.

	£
Balance at 31 March 2021	86,440
Amounts released to income earned from charitable activities	(86,440)
Amount deferred in period	98,332
Balance at 31 March 2022	98,332

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Note 11: Cash at bank and in hand

	31 March 2022	31 March 2021
	£	£
Current Account	236,382	231,359
Petty Cash	15	65
Total	236,397	231,424

Note 12: Tangible Fixed Assets

	Leasehold improvements	Fixtures and fittings	Computers	Total
	£	£	£	£
<u>Cost</u>				
At 1 April 2021	6,921	25,046	19,833	51,800
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	6,921	25,046	19,833	51,800
<u>Depreciation</u>				
At 1 April 2021	6,921	25,046	19,167	51,134
Charge for the year	-	-	514	514
At 31 March 2022	6,921	25,046	19,681	51,648
Net book value at 1 April 2021	-	-	666	666
Net book value at 31 March 2022	-	-	152	152

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Note 13: Charity funds

	Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer between funds	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Restricted Funds					
National Lottery Fund - Community Fund	-	113,276	(109,880)	-	3,396
The Zochonis Charitable Trust	-	12,000	(12,000)	-	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation	13,503	-	(13,503)	-	-
	13,503	125,276	(135,383)	-	3,396
		-			
Unrestricted Funds	134,314	494,964	(462,824)	-	166,454
	134,314	494,964	(462,824)	-	166,454
Total Funds	147,817	620,240	(598,207)	-	169,850

2020/21 Comparative

	Balance at 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer between funds	Balance at 31 March 2021 £
Restricted Funds					
National Lottery Fund - Development Fund	3,711	-	(3,711)	-	-
Mental Health Evaluation Project	5,849	-	(5,849)	-	-
The Alliance of Positive Relationships	35	-	-	(35)	-
National Lottery - Awards for All	3,065	-	(3,065)	-	-
Greater Manchester Combined Authority	17,820	-	(17,820)	-	-
National Lottery - COVID Response	-	90,106	(90,106)	-	-
Lloyds Bank Foundation	-	33,000	(19,497)	-	13,503
	30,480	123,106	(140,048)	(35)	13,503
Unrestricted Funds	86,552	586,418	(538,690)	35	134,314
	86,552	586,418	(538,690)	35	134,314
Total Funds	117,032	709,524	(678,738)	-	147,817

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Note 13: Charity funds (continued)

Restricted fund details

National Lottery Fund - Community Fund	To develop support services to women in Stockport.
The Zochonis Charitable Trust	To support the employment of a Mental Health Support Worker.
Lloyds Bank Foundation	To employ a Mental Health Women's Case Worker.

Note 14: Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
Fund balances at 31 March 2022 represented by:			
Tangible assets	152	-	152
Current assets/(liabilities)	166,304	3,396	169,700
	<u>166,456</u>	<u>3,396</u>	<u>169,852</u>

2020/21 Comparative

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
Fund balances at 31 March 2021 represented by:			
Tangible assets	666	-	666
Current assets/(liabilities)	155,648	8,445	164,093
	<u>156,314</u>	<u>8,445</u>	<u>164,759</u>

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Note 15: Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Net movement in funds	22,034	30,785
Add back depreciation	514	514
Decrease / (Increase) in debtors	(39,785)	(4,129)
(Decrease) / Increase in creditors	22,211	67,544
Net cash (used by) / provided by operating activities	4,974	94,714

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash in hand and at bank	236,397	231,424
Total cash and cash equivalents	236,397	231,424

Note 16: Trustees remuneration and expenses

The trustees, nor any persons connected with them) received no remuneration or benefits for the performance of their duties.

Note 17: Related party transactions

The following are related party transactions

Name of the trustee and/or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount £	Balance at period end £	Provision for bad debts at period end £	Amounts written off during reporting period £
Kay Day, Greater Manchester Women's Support Alliance	Trustee of Greater Manchester Women's Support Alliance and Stockport Women's Centre	Support services, infrastructure costs and contracts	333,515	46,455	-	-
Total			333,515	46,455	-	-

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Note 18: Donated facilities and services

Volunteers

At March 2022 the charity had 75 volunteers (2021: 44) typically contributing, on average, 3 hours per week each.

Volunteers undertake a variety of roles including counsellors, hypnotherapists, group work facilitators and administration.

We are incredibly grateful for the time given by our volunteers.