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ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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COMPANY SECRETARY	Kerry Secretarial Services Limited
JOINT CHIEF EXECUTIVES	Mr J Donnelly Mr O Rahman
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The Trustees' report also represents the Directors' report as required by Company Law. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policy set out in the note to the financial statements. The annual report complies with the charity's governing document, the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statement in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 31 January 2022) the Charity SORP (FRS 102).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

In 2006, several small groups and project workers came together with a clear purpose: to tackle the inequality that blights marginalised communities. From those beginnings grew Active Communities Network.

Having due regard to public benefit, Active Communities Network is a Sport for Development charity committed to Tackling inequality through inspiring change and creating opportunities - the ACN way. We use Sport and Positive Activities to enable change in young people & communities which have been disadvantaged. The use and promotion of sport and positive activities helps to give opportunities and prospects to improve youth citizenship, social inclusion and community cohesion in the UK and overseas.

Our Vision

We are a youth and community development organisation with a simple but powerful vision: to tackle inequality, inspire change and create opportunities. What makes us different is how we bring our vision to life – the ACN Way. By providing positive activities, informal education and meaningful work, the ACN methodology helps young people develop skills, create opportunities and celebrate their successes. That's what we call progress.



Significant activities

All programmes are led by professionals based on individual needs/referral mechanisms.

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Active Communities Network 4 Pillar Structure

Pillar 1: Sports & activities

Sports, Arts, Drama, Outdoor education, Life skills, Mindfulness activities etc

Pillar 2: Building Relationships

Conversation, Sharing life experiences, Relationship development, Social action, Volunteering, Personal and social development etc

Pillar 3: Education

Formal and informal education, this begins with a conversation and relationship development, and moves on to establishing an individual needs-led approach to education. This can range from sharing experiences to studying for a PhD.

Pillar 4: Support & healing

Trauma-informed practice, Reflective practice, Alternative therapies, Aquatic therapy, Residential services, Outdoor/Nature and wellbeing retreats etc

Like any charity, Active Communities Network(ACN) we continue to work in an ever changing social, economic, and political environment, whilst ensuring our programmes and services remain sustainable and deliver the highest quality outcomes for our users. ACN have continued to adapt to the challenge post Covid 19 and continue to liaise with and worked alongside funders, partners and the community to deliver quality projects via alternative methods ensuring the needs of young people were still met.

Frontline Projects: Delivering youth, sports and positive engagement services in areas of high deprivation and youth crime, focusing on London, Manchester, and Belfast. The majority of services are delivered face to face but we have continued to offer services via digital means to participants and groups who still require such means.

Training and Citizenship: Through our learning centre we deliver personal development, vocational training and accredited courses to national standards 1 & 2, and support participants to utilise those skills through social action projects that benefit the wider community.

Workforce Development: The strength of Active Communities Network lies within its staff, whether full - time, part - time or volunteer, many of whom come from the very communities in which we work and in many cases through our own programmes. We invest in our staff through on-going training and professional development and ensure that core team members are multi-skilled. All our full - time staff are qualified in at least two of the following three vocational areas – Sports' Coaching, Youth and Community Work and/or Education and Lifelong Learning. We also offer training to like-minded organisations in the UK and Ireland, and globally via an International Development Manager.

Partnership & Consortium Programming: We have a firm belief in the value of networks and joint working. In this way we can maximise the impact of funding, avoid duplication and provide a wider range of services to our communities. Partnerships also mean specialist services can be provided within a wider supportive framework of activity to support the most vulnerable in our society. As the geographic reach of Active Communities Network has expanded, so too has our need for strong, reliable partners who share our vision and values. This applies to our delivery, funding and strategic partners across all regions and areas of our work.

Research and Evaluation: We understand that funders, partners and project staff need to ensure that programmes are practical, cost effective and achieve results. Active Communities Network has adopted an online monitoring and evaluation framework developed specifically to reflect our programmes, to provide us with evidence to demonstrate a range of outputs. To complement this evidence base, we implement independent evaluations that provide qualitative reports on outcomes, methodologies, best practice and recommendations.

Promoting a mixed Economy: Active Communities Network has adopted a 'mixed economy' approach to our work to ensure we are not overly reliant on a single funding system. Private sector partnerships, grant making trusts, statutory sector and government grants, social enterprise activity and fundraising events are all key components of our financial structure.

Public benefit

The trustees/directors have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE****Charitable activities****Volunteers**

Active Communities Network benefits greatly from the commitment and support of 779 volunteers and their contribution is gratefully acknowledged. The contributions of volunteers have been excluded from the Statement of Financial Activities as the value of their contribution to the charity cannot be reasonably quantified in financial terms. Although during this financial year the numbers for Volunteers dropped, due to the restrictions surrounding Covid 19, the commitment and support from the vast number of volunteers allowed Active Communities Network to continue with the much-needed services and frontline projects which benefit the participants and the wider community.

2022-23 continued to be a challenging time for both our organisation and the wider sector as a combination of austerity measures in local authorities, uncertainty over the impact of Brexit, cuts in private sector sponsorship and the fallout after the adverse effects of the Covid-19 pandemic continues to have on the sector, participants, and the wider community. Despite this backdrop, the charity continued to adopt and promote a range of developments within the Charity in the financial year and have a strive to build upon these into and beyond 2023-24.

Principal achievements have been: -

- Appointed 2 Joint Director of Programmes across the organisation.
- Secured New and additional Funding within the Remit of Consortium Projects, such as Propel, NHS Vanguard, GLA New Deal for Young People etc
- Secured an extension for Sport England funding.
- Secured Central Government Funding – Levelling Up for Belfast Area
- Safe-Guarding subgroup well established and implemented.
- Implementation and development of the Monitoring and Evaluation Application Tool – Up Shot
- Develop and upgrades the IT Platform to the Cloud
- London expanded the Team.
- Monitored and evaluated the impact of work in Portsmouth, Decision was made to change A.C.N methodology approach to partnership/Consortium capacity building.
- Monitored and evaluated the impact of work in Manchester, and agreed to review the impact of the programmes and strategic direction later 2023/24.

FINANCIAL REVIEW**Financial position as at 31 March 2023**

The surplus for the reporting year was £43,650 (2022: (£201,540)).

Incoming resources were £2,114,591 (2022: £2,448,148).

Outgoing resources were £2,070,941 (2022: £2,246,608).

Net current assets were £786,821 (2022: £743,781).

Principal funding sources

During the year the principal source of funds came from a mixture of avenues including:

- Statutory sector grants: from Belfast City Council, Central Government, Westminster, Executive Office (NI), Department for Communities (NI), Sport England, Southwark Council, The London Mayor's Office and several local authorities, Greater London Authority etc
- Grant giving Trusts and Foundations - principally the Hyde Group, LDP, 4CT.
- National grant making bodies, primarily Big Lottery Fund and Children In Need;
- Corporate investment - principally via the LRS and Belfast Harbour Commission.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

FINANCIAL REVIEW**Reserves policy****Introduction**

The Charity Commission recognises the need for charities to hold sufficient reserves to secure their viability beyond the immediate future and to protect themselves against future uncertainties. It recommends that charities should be able to demonstrate, by reference to the charity's current position and prospects, why holding a particular level of reserves is right for the charity at the present time. Responsibility for establishing an appropriate reserves policy lies with the trustees of the charity.

The charity's reserves are allocated to two different types of fund in its financial statements:

Restricted funds

These funds relate to unspent money from grants and other incoming sources where the funder has specified what the money must be spent on, and the trustees do not have the power to use the funds for other purposes. The level of restricted funds as at the end of the year was £649,084 (2022: £650,502).

Unrestricted funds

These funds relate to unspent money from grants and other incoming sources where the funder has not specified what the money should be spent on thereby granting the trustees full control to spend on general activities which further the objectives of the charity. The level of unrestricted funds as at the end of the year was £162,846 (2022: £117,778).

Reasons for Unrestricted funds

The organisation's balance of unrestricted funds is built up for three main reasons: a) operational contingency b) innovation and change and c) upfront investment resulting in social returns and future cost synergies.

Unrestricted reserves may be needed to provide cover and security in the following specific events:

- any salary, administration, accommodation and support costs, without which the charity could not function, in the event of a loss of or reduction in funding
- any notice and redundancy costs should it be necessary to reduce core staffing levels, or if project staff cannot be redeployed when funding comes to an end
- any working capital when funding is delayed or paid in arrears
- any deficits arising on restricted funds
- any unbudgeted events such as sickness, maternity leave, recruitment to fill existing posts, unexpected replacement of capital items
- any other risks and unforeseen expenditure which may arise that are beyond the charity's control and cannot be met from existing income
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Policy and procedures

The trustees have reviewed the level of reserves needed by the charity and agreed that:

- the charity should aim to hold unrestricted reserves which are sufficient and will normally exceed six month's estimated operating costs (defined as expenses excluding any partnership payments) for the organisation during the following 12 months;
- should reserves fall below the stated level, the trustees and the chief executive will endeavour to raise additional unrestricted funds as a matter of urgency, or take steps to reduce operating costs; and
- a summary of this reserves policy and a statement regarding the current level of reserves will be included in the charity's annual report, as required by the Charity Commission's SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice).

Reserves review

The level of reserves will be reviewed annually by the trustees, and charity's financial position will be monitored by the trustees on a regular basis (unless financial circumstances require a more urgent change).

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FUTURE PLANS

Key plans for the development of the charity in 2023-24 include:

- The 'A.C.N Way' being presented and rolled out across the 3 sectors.
- New A.C.N Branding and Logo for the Organisation
- New Website developed and launched mid 2023
- Review of all aspects of Active Communities Network to ensure fit for purpose within the localities.
- Continue to source additional funding relevant to the needs of the participants and focusing on the remit of the Strategic Plan for the charity.
- Extensive effort to Network and Lobby to help combat and tackle inequalities.
- Development and monitoring of Safeguarding Subgroup
- Plan to implement Personnel Subgroup
- Continuation of Finance and Risk Subgroup
- Further growth of our Partnership and Consortium approach
- Further growth of corporate partnerships and workforce development
- Development of our partnerships introducing a localised approach to grow our network.
- Development of a Social Enterprise/CIC in Belfast
- Explore opportunities for new and innovative Funding tailored to Needs and Pathways for participants and the wide communities
- Explore, Evaluate and reflect on the work in all Areas to ensure that work across the A.C.N network is reflective. and relevant to the localised issues and needs.
- Secure Resources in targeted areas of work
- Develop PR Strategy for Brand and Publicity

This will enable the charity to continue to be at the forefront of the Sport and Social development sector(s), whilst continuing to deliver high quality services to the young people and communities with which we work.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Active Communities Network incorporated on 6 February 2007 and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, originally adopted by special resolution dated 24 January 2007. The Memorandum and Articles of Association have since been amended and the latest governing document has been adopted by special resolution dated 8 September 2009.

Charity status

ACN is a company limited by guarantee without share capital, as defined by the Companies Act 2006. and is a registered charitable company with the Charity Commission.

ACN was registered as a charity, dated 15 October 2007, with the Charity Commission.

Membership

The company has no share capital, but in the event of the company winding up, the members have undertaken to contribute a sum not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company. Trustees are not members as individuals and therefore do not hold guarantees.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Board of Trustees can appoint new trustees by Ordinary Resolution. New trustees are appointed who have a knowledge and experience of the sport, youth / community development and education sectors in both the UK and overseas or have a specialist knowledge base that can aid the charity in achieving its goals and meeting its responsibilities.

Organisational structure

The charity is managed by regular trustees' meetings.

On a day-to-day basis the business is managed by the joint Chief Executive Officers, responsible for the wider strategy and performance of the charity and its obligations.

The joint Chief Executive Officers manage a senior staff team comprised of 2 Directors of Programmes across London, Belfast, and Manchester responsible for the performance, sustainability and growth of regional and national initiatives, a Director of HR and Finance responsible for the financial wellbeing and planning of the charity and its staffing support structures alongside Operations and Compliance Manager, responsible for the governance of the charity. Local project delivery is managed by relevant managers and co-ordinators who oversee delivery staff.

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Induction and training of new trustees

New trustees are provided with a one-to-one briefing of the charity's objectives and procedures and their own responsibilities as a trustee. Adapted Skills Matrix to highlight and promote opportunities within specific skills set and experience.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

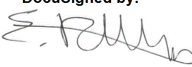
Risks and risk management are discussed at Risk and Finance sub board meetings quarterly, with the joint Chief Executive Officers and senior staff team flagging new risks with trustees as they occur. These are also ratified and discussed at Board meetings as and when required.

Reappointment of Auditors

The auditors, Cox Costello & Horne, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Report of the trustees, approved by order of the board of trustees as the company directors on 13 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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Mr E J Hepworth - Trustee

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED

**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

The trustees (who are also the directors of Active Communities Network Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

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 charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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.

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Active Communities Network Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

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

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

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

We designed procedures in line with our responsibilities outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that the charity operates in, and identified the key laws and regulations that:

- had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. These included the Charity's constitution, tax legislation and Companies Act 2006; and
- do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the charity's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty. These included the Charity Commission for England and Wales (Charity Commission) regulations, Health and Safety Act, employment law, pensions legislation, Charities Act, fundraising regulations and Child safeguarding.

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our: general commercial and sector experience; through verbal and written communications with those charged with governance and other management, and via inspection of the company's regulatory and legal correspondence.

We discussed with those charged with governance and other management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations.

We communicated identified laws and regulations to our team and remained alert to any indicators of non-compliance throughout the audit, we also specifically considered where and how fraud may occur within the company.

The potential effect of these laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably.

Firstly, the company is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements, including: the company's constitution, relevant financial reporting standards; company law; tax legislation and distributable profits legislation and we assess the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

International Auditing Standards (UK) limit the required procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations, and no procedures over and above those already noted are required. These limited procedures did not identify any actual or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations that could have a material impact on the financial statements.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED

In relation to fraud, we performed the following specific procedures in addition to those already noted:

- Challenging assumptions made by management in its significant accounting estimates;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular any entries posted with unusual nominal ledger account combinations, journal entries crediting cash or any revenue account, and journal entries posted by senior management;
- Performing analytical procedures to identify unexpected movements in account balances which may be indicative of fraud;
- Ensuring that testing undertaken on both the performance statement and the Balance Sheet] includes a number of items selected on a random basis;

These procedures did not identify any actual or suspected fraudulent irregularity that could have a material impact on the financial statements.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with International Auditing Standards UK). For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the procedures that we are required to undertake would identify it. In addition, as with any audit, there remains a high risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these might involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentation, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance with laws and regulations or fraud and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations or every incidence of fraud.

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

Use of our report

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

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Date: 13 December 2023

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME FROM					
Donations	2	7,100	-	7,100	600
Charitable activities					
Active communities	3	163,515	1,942,838	2,106,353	2,447,509
Deposit Account interest		<u>1,138</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,138</u>	<u>39</u>
Total		171,753	1,942,838	2,114,591	2,448,148
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Active communities	4	<u>126,685</u>	<u>1,944,256</u>	<u>2,070,941</u>	<u>2,246,608</u>
Total		<u>126,685</u>	<u>1,944,256</u>	<u>2,070,941</u>	<u>2,246,608</u>
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE		45,068	(1,418)	43,650	201,540
Net movement in funds		45,068	(1,418)	43,650	201,540
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>117,778</u>	<u>650,502</u>	<u>768,280</u>	<u>566,740</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>162,846</u></u>	<u><u>649,084</u></u>	<u><u>811,930</u></u>	<u><u>768,280</u></u>

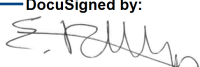
The notes form part of these financial statements

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	10	25,109	24,499
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	194,995	517,601
Cash at bank		<u>1,124,165</u>	<u>879,231</u>
		1,319,160	1,396,832
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(532,339)</u>	<u>(653,051)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>786,821</u>	<u>743,781</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		811,930	768,280
NET ASSETS		<u>811,930</u>	<u>768,280</u>
FUNDS	15		
Unrestricted funds		162,846	117,778
Restricted funds		<u>649,084</u>	<u>650,502</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>811,930</u>	<u>768,280</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 13 December 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

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 Mr E J Hepworth – Trustee

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 06086438 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1121216 (England and Wales)

The notes form part of these financial statements

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	17	<u>252,983</u>	<u>107,731</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>252,983</u>	<u>107,731</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(9,187)	(11,254)
Interest received		<u>1,138</u>	<u>39</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(8,049)</u>	<u>(11,215)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		<u>244,934</u>	<u>96,516</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>879,231</u>	<u>782,715</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u>1,124,165</u>	<u>879,231</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statement in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 31 January 2022) (Charity SORP (FRS 102)). The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Active Communities Network Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

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

Preparation of the financial statements on a going concern basis

The financial statements are drawn up on the going concern basis which assumes Active Communities Network will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Board of Trustees have given due consideration to the working capital and cash flow requirements of Active Communities Network. The Board of Trustees consider Active Communities Network's current and forecast cash resources to be sufficient to cover the working capital requirements of the charity for at least 12 months from the date of signing the financial statements.

Having made their assessment the Trustees consider that there is no material uncertainty regarding the going concern status of the charity.

Income**Income Recognition**

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity is legally entitled to it, receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and Grants

Donation and grants which have the characteristics of a gift are recognised immediately on receipt. This is unless there are time constraints imposed by the donor or conditions or terms are imposed which must be met prior to entitlement passing which are not wholly within the control of the charity.

Grants which have the characteristics of a gift which have restrictions on their usage to certain activities or purposes within the charity are treated as restricted income.

These incoming resources are recognised as donations.

Contractual Income and Grants with performance related conditions are recognised as performance conditions are met (i.e., as related goods and services are provided).

These income resources are recognised as income from charitable activities.

Interest receivable 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.

Unrestricted charitable donations are recognised in the financial statements when the charitable donation has been received, or if, before receipt, there is sufficient evidence to provide the necessary certainty that the donation will be received, and the value of the incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Volunteers and Donated Services, Facilities and Goods

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the Charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the Charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the general volunteer time of the Charity is not recognised in the main body of the financial statement, but detail is contained in the Trustees' Report.

On receipt, donated professional services, donated facilities and goods are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the Charity which is the amount the Charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued****Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. A further analysis of this expenditure is given in the notes to the financial statements.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

- Cost of raising funds comprises the costs of commercial trading and their associated support costs.
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of the charity's services undertaken to further the purpose of the charity and their associated support costs.
- Other expenditure represents those items not falling into any other heading.

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 and administration personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the Charity's programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated as expenditure on charitable activities. The basis on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 5.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

All tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. The cost of a tangible fixed asset initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Assets are reviewed for impairment if circumstances indicate their carrying value may exceed their net realisable value and value in use.

Taxation

The charity is an institution which is established for charitable purposes within the meaning of the Charities Act 2011 and as such is a charity within the meaning of Para 1 of Schedule 6 to the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Sections 478-488 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 (formerly enacted in Section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988) or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes. The charity receives no similar exemption in respect of Value Added Tax. For this reason, the charity is generally unable to recover input VAT it incurs on goods and services purchased.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or governing document.

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charity's objectives. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have created a fund for a specific purpose.

Transfers are made from unrestricted to restricted funds to cover any overspends on restricted projects in the previous year where cost will not be met by the funder. Transfers between restricted funds and from restricted to unrestricted funds are made with the permission of the funder.

Further details of each fund are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued****Operating leases**

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

Pension costs

The charitable company operates a group personal pension plan (GPPP). Employees contract directly with the pension company and have their own plan in their own name within the GPPP. Contributions by the charity and employees are determined by the scheme rules. The charity acts as agent in collecting and paying over employee pension contributions. Once the contributions have been paid, the charity as employer has no further obligations. From 1 April 2015, under the Pensions Act 2008, the charity must put certain staff into a pension scheme and contribute towards it. This is called automatic enrolment and the GPPP is compliant in this regard. Contributions charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in respect of pension costs is the total of contributions payable in the year. Differences between contributions payable in the year and contributions actually paid are shown as either accruals or prepayments in the balance sheet.

Contributions outstanding at the reporting date amounted to £3,594 (2022: £4,195).

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and short-term cash deposits.

Provisions

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.

Financial Instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments including trade and other debtors and trade creditors. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

Judgement and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

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

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

2. DONATIONS

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Donations	<u>7,100</u>	<u>600</u>

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	31.3.23	31.3.22
Activity	£	£
Services Active communities	160,026	21,866
Grants Active communities	8,989	146,995
Grants Big Lottery - BLF Goals	166,769	23,220
Grants BLF Portsmouth	-	30,000
Grants BLF - Tameside	-	67,460
Grants Children In Need	43,437	33,812
Grants Comic Relief - UTS	-	68,401
Grants Dept of Economy - Young Women	28,564	-
Grants Dept for Economy - Job Scheme	-	30,333
Grants BCC Play	41,002	140,692
Grants BCC On The Right Track	34,108	7,644
Grants East & North Manchester - HAF	37,358	50,968
Grants Blagrove Trust- Leigh Park	-	400
Grants CRF	254,284	256,290
Grants GLA Hyde - Girlhood Active	15,000	-
Grants GLA Hyde - Ambition Plus	20,001	20,000
Grants GLA / Millwall - Breaking Barriers	30,914	45,237
Grants GLA New Deal for Young People	242,499	-
Grants GLA - Podcast Southwark	-	34,250
Grants Harbour Commission Belfast	24,998	-
Grants Jigsaw - Ambition	9,720	27,766
Grants OPCC - Pompey	-	26,700
Grants Other Grants	6,733	-
Grants PCC - Universal SSYP Youth Provision	104,117	231,102
Grants Police Crime Commissioner	-	43,000
Grants Positive Futures – Youth Netic	3,000	14,400
Grants Energise Me	3,710	6,685
Grants Keeping Children and Young People Safe	-	51,522
Grants Laureus	-	40,000
Grants Laureus HQ	-	24,999
Grants Lambeth Ambition	-	25,082
Grants Lambert Girls YLF	-	14,700
Grants LDP East Manchester	20,625	-
Grants LB of Southwark - Youth Service Commissioning Programme	-	28,803
Grants MCC -1000 Days	3,575	37,041
Grants MOPAC / Southwark - VRU After School	-	40,000
Grants NHS Vanguard	78,000	-
Grants NL Arts Meets Sport	122,498	-
Grants European Social Fund	201,923	176,382
Grants Inclusion 19/20	2,176	50,000
Grants Southwark - Commission	9,999	-
Grants Sport England - Active Radio	-	19,052
Grants Sport England - Return to Play	-	9,200
Grants Sport England - BB Leaders	-	89,601
Grants VRU - Myends	350,001	404,311
Grants Young Manchester -Keeping Children and Young People Safe	15,702	37,500
Grants Young Manchester - East	43,750	42,220
Grants Young Manchester - North	22,875	29,875
	<u>2,106,353</u>	<u>2,447,509</u>

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Belfast City Council	34,107	154,176
Big Lottery Fund	166,769	132,680
Comic Relief	-	68,401
Laureus	-	40,000
Northern Ireland Office	431,430	306,290
Police & Crime Commissioner Hampshire	-	69,701
Southwark Commission	9,999	-
Sport England	-	117,852
Other grants	14,595	107,697
Other Northern Ireland	20,294	55,332
Energise Me	-	6,685
Local Authority	69,380	206,172
Local Government	652,929	525,538
Young Manchester	82,327	81,897
Portsmouth City Council: Universal Youth Provision	104,117	231,102
European Social Fund	201,923	176,382
Trust Grants	73,782	107,060
Government Grants	84,675	36,039
	<u>1,946,327</u>	<u>2,423,004</u>

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS**

	Direct Costs £	Support costs (see note 5) £	Totals £
Active communities	<u>1,742,572</u>	<u>328,369</u>	<u>2,070,941</u>
Direct Costs			
		31.03.23 £	31.03.22 £
Wages		642,266	768,826
Social security		62,530	61,127
Pensions		18,954	18,462
Food		39,185	25,399
Coaching		23,127	25,935
Venues		38,736	54,158
Transport		34,060	17,644
Licences		4,842	3,725
Research		2,070	27,390
Contracted Services inc Forward Funding		687,505	713,320
Post, packaging and stationery		7	4,550
Premises expenses		5,843	9,138
Print and design		9,997	5,985
Telephone		14,049	11,864
Youth work services		69,481	89,392
Training services		69,594	75,195
Events		19,541	6,710
Sundries		785	-
	<u>1,742,572</u>	<u>1,918,820</u>	

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Governance Costs £	Totals £
Active communities	<u>322,964</u>	<u>5,405</u>	<u>328,369</u>
Management			
		2023 £	2022 £
Wages		97,455	75,000
Social security		2,280	8,519
Pensions		968	2,250
Other operating leases - premises		89,740	87,432
Insurance		10,673	8,872
Subscriptions		4,516	4,920
Telephone		-	3,472
Postage and stationery		4,235	6,028
Fundraising and publicity		123	2,859
Sundries		1,748	2,233
Travelling and subsistence		-	763
Professional fees		66,853	72,851
Repairs, maintenance and computer support		33,595	32,190
Training		-	500
Bank charges		(107)	799
Bad debts		2,308	-
Website costs		-	3,000
Depreciation of fixtures and fittings		238	270
Depreciation of computer equipment		8,339	10,016
		<u>322,964</u>	<u>321,974</u>

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****Governance costs**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	553	-
Auditors' remuneration	3,300	3,300
Auditors' remuneration - other services	1,552	2,514
	<u>5,405</u>	<u>5,814</u>

6. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	8,577	10,286
Other operating leases	89,740	87,432
Auditors' remuneration	3,300	3,300
Auditors' remuneration - other services	<u>1,552</u>	<u>2,514</u>

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

During the year, total travel and subsistence expenses incurred by the Trustees amounted to £553 (2022: £nil).

8. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Wages and salaries	739,721	843,826
Social security costs	64,810	69,646
Other pension costs	<u>19,922</u>	<u>20,712</u>
	<u>824,453</u>	<u>934,184</u>

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
Charitable activities	56	49
Governance	2	2
Finance	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>59</u>	<u>52</u>

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
£60,000 - £70,000	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

Key Management Remuneration

The key management personnel of the charity, comprise the Board of Trustees, two joint Chief Executive officers, Finance and HR Director, head of Programmes and Compliance Manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £336,415 (2022: £358,367).

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	600	-	600
Charitable activities			
Active communities	60,340	2,387,169	2,447,509
Investment income	39	-	39
Total	60,979	2,387,169	2,448,148
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Active communities	355,952	1,890,656	2,246,608
Total	355,952	1,890,656	2,246,608
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(294,973)	496,513	201,540
Transfers between funds	322,276	(322,276)	-
Net movement in funds	27,303	174,237	201,540
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	90,475	476,265	566,740
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	117,778	650,502	768,280

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	4,602	79,113	83,715
Additions	-	9,187	9,187
At 31 March 2023	4,602	88,300	92,902
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	2,807	56,409	59,216
Charge for year	238	8,339	8,577
At 31 March 2023	2,807	64,986	67,793
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	1,795	23,314	25,109
At 31 March 2022	1,795	22,704	24,499

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trade debtors	86,506	441,912
Other debtors	7,308	5,127
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>101,181</u>	<u>70,562</u>
	<u>194,995</u>	<u>517,601</u>

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Trade creditors	158,202	104,895
Social security and other taxes	16,624	26,312
Other creditors	3,610	5,565
Accruals and deferred income	<u>353,903</u>	<u>516,279</u>
	<u>532,339</u>	<u>653,051</u>

Included in accruals and deferred income is deferred income of £195,953 (2022: £205,292). See note 18.

13. LEASING AGREEMENTS

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

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Within one year	<u>7,309</u>	<u>8,000</u>

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
Fixed assets	25,109	-	25,109	24,499
Current assets	423,000	896,160	1,319,160	1,418,527
Current liabilities	<u>(285,263)</u>	<u>(247,076)</u>	<u>(532,339)</u>	<u>(674,746)</u>
	<u>162,846</u>	<u>649,084</u>	<u>811,930</u>	<u>768,280</u>

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General	117,778	45,068	162,846
	<u>117,778</u>	<u>45,068</u>	<u>162,846</u>
Restricted funds			
Active Communities	5,025	(5,025)	-
Belfast City Council	36,338	(36,338)	-
Energise Me	4,773	(4,773)	-
European Social Fund	42,404	(42,404)	-
Government	43,612	(9,642)	33,970
Local Authority	115,986	(69,821)	46,165
Local Government	186,396	305,483	491,879
Police Crime Commissioner	2,000	(2,000)	-
Social Investment Fund	-	10,000	10,000
The National Lottery Community Fund	101,319	(61,319)	40,000
Trust Grants	112,649	(85,579)	27,070
	<u>650,502</u>	<u>(1,418)</u>	<u>649,084</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>768,280</u>	<u>43,650</u>	<u>811,930</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General	171,753	(126,685)	45,068
	<u>171,753</u>	<u>(126,685)</u>	<u>45,068</u>
Restricted funds			
Active Communities	-	(5,025)	(5,025)
Belfast City Council	-	(36,338)	(36,338)
Energise Me	-	(4,773)	(4,773)
European Social Fund	-	(42,404)	(42,404)
Government	334,460	(344,102)	(9,642)
Local Authority	157,207	(227,028)	(69,821)
Local Government	1,175,622	(870,139)	305,483
Police Crime Commissioner	-	(2,000)	(2,000)
Social Investment Fund	10,000	-	10,000
The National Lottery Community Fund	166,769	(228,088)	(61,319)
Trust Grants	98,780	(184,359)	(85,579)
	<u>1,942,838</u>	<u>(1,944,256)</u>	<u>(1,418)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,114,591</u>	<u>(2,070,941)</u>	<u>43,650</u>

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK LIMITED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued****Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General	<u>90,475</u>	<u>(294,973)</u>	<u>322,276</u>	<u>117,778</u>
	90,475	(294,973)	322,276	117,778
Restricted funds				
Active Communities	-	10,025	(5,000)	5,025
Belfast City Council	-	24,457	11,881	36,338
Energise Me	-	4,773	-	4,773
European Social Fund	-	42,404	-	42,404
Executive Office	-	2,472	(2,472)	-
Government	-	43,674	(62)	43,612
Laureus	46,163	(41,278)	(4,885)	-
Local Authority	-	128,361	(12,375)	115,986
Local Government	-	181,773	4,623	186,396
National Governing Body	-	(4,374)	4,374	-
Police Crime Commissioner	-	283	1,717	2,000
Sport England	15,156	8,225	(23,381)	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	9,780	91,539	101,319
Trust Grants	-	85,938	26,711	112,649
LB of Southwark - Youth Service	25,443	-	(25,443)	-
Commissioning Programme				
NI - BLF GOALS	52,263	-	(52,263)	-
OPCC - Pompey	341	-	(341)	-
BLF Portsmouth	36,038	-	(36,038)	-
Young Manchester - EAST	16,079	-	(16,079)	-
Young Manchester - NORTH	11,692	-	(11,692)	-
BLF - Birmingham	28,878	-	(28,878)	-
BLF - Tameside	24,913	-	(24,913)	-
NI - BCC On The Right Track	1,115	-	(1,115)	-
Portsmouth City Council: Universal Youth Provision	42,819	-	(42,819)	-
Lambeth Girls YLF	14,011	-	(14,011)	-
Keeping Children and Young People Safe	20,340	-	(20,340)	-
Youth Netic	14,877	-	(14,877)	-
Blagrove Trust- Leigh Park	21,137	-	(21,137)	-
OPCC- CL/CCE Theatre project	4,250	-	(4,250)	-
L - GLA - Podcast Southwark	45,563	-	(45,563)	-
M - Children In Need	5,238	-	(5,238)	-
L - GLA - Podcast Southwark	10,276	-	(10,276)	-
L - Southwark Council - Virtual Pathways	340	-	(340)	-
H - Breakthrough - Portsmouth UAM's	22,976	-	(22,976)	-
L - GLA / Millwall - Breaking Barriers	<u>16,357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(16,357)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>476,265</u>	<u>496,513</u>	<u>(322,276)</u>	<u>650,502</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>566,740</u>	<u>201,540</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>768,280</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General	<u>60,979</u>	<u>(355,952)</u>	<u>(294,973)</u>
	60,979	(355,952)	(294,973)
Restricted funds			
Active Communities	26,520	(16,495)	10,025
Belfast City Council	148,336	(123,879)	24,457
Energise Me	6,685	(1,912)	4,773
European Social Fund	176,382	(133,978)	42,404
Executive Office	50,000	(47,528)	2,472
Government	265,490	(221,816)	43,674
Laureus	40,000	(81,278)	(41,278)
Local Authority	454,295	(325,934)	128,361
Local Government	736,620	(554,847)	181,773
National Governing Body	-	(4,374)	(4,374)
Police Crime Commissioner	69,701	(69,418)	283
Sport England	-	8,225	8,225
The National Lottery Community Fund	202,680	(192,900)	9,780
Trust Grants	<u>210,460</u>	<u>(124,522)</u>	<u>85,938</u>
	<u>2,387,169</u>	<u>(1,890,656)</u>	<u>496,513</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>2,448,148</u></u>	<u><u>(2,246,608)</u></u>	<u><u>201,540</u></u>

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Purposes of restricted funds:

ESF Programme - GOALS Plus:

This Project is part funded through the Northern Ireland European Social Fund Programme 2014 - 2020 and the Department for the Economy. GOALS + programme is a 4-year programme designed to support young people into education, training and employment. The programme will offer a package of mentoring, accredited training and support to aid participants on a progression pathway based upon their needs, interests and relevant further training, education or employment opportunities.

The National Lottery Community Fund

GOALS Active Communities Network has developed a GOALS programme which targets young people living across North and West Belfast that are confronted with barriers when it comes to learning and employment, specifically looking at those aged 12-21.

Belfast City Council – PLAY

"Playing Our Part in the City" is funded under the PEACE IV Programme for the delivery of the Belfast PEACE IV Local Action Plan, under the Children and Young People theme. The PEACE IV programme is managed by the Special EU Programmes Body (SEUPB) and is designed to support peace and reconciliation in Northern Ireland and the border region.

Southwark MOPAC

Partnership Grant fund working in Southwark delivering grass root sporting and youth activities in area with high youth violence, anti -social behaviour and gang activities. Aim to reduce youth violence, promote citizenship and offer positive pathways for participants.

PCC

Universal Youth Provision- local authority funding delivery universal youth provision in Portsmouth in targeted area working in partnership with Portsmouth city council and other local youth agencies.

Lambeth Council

Youth work services in Brixton and Tulse Hill supporting Urban Stars London.

Laureus Urban Academy

UK and Ireland training programme for young people and youth/sport organisations across the UK.

The aim of the fund is to:

- Deliver grass roots sporting projects in areas blighted by poverty, anti-social behaviour and gang activity to reduce crime, promote citizenship and offer alternative pathways for participants.
- Develop a training curriculum for project participants, volunteers and coaches across the sport for development sector, and implement a national and international roll out.
- Implement a research project to identify best practice and make recommendations on how sport can tackle youth crime, anti-social behaviour and gang membership.

Sport England

Grant fund to enhance volunteering opportunity for young people engaging in sporting activities, develop new skills through training and allocated volunteering in Lambeth, Southwark, Lewisham, Tower Hamlets and Brent.

VRU My Ends funded aims to reduce youth violence using positive activities and community action. Activities delivered in North Southwark. October 2020 to March 2023 - Extended to September 2024.

NHS Vanguard - Targeted provision delivered In Southwark. Young people referred using a community matrix system. Using mentoring, family support and sports to engage young people in weekly activities and match with a ACN Key worker - 10yrs to 21yrs. Aims to reduce risk of crime and anti-social behaviour.

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GLA New Deal for Young People, mentoring programme delivered in North Lambeth and Southwark aimed at providing young people access to mentoring and workforce development in mentoring training. 10yrs to 21yrs.

NL Arts meets Sports volunteering programme aimed at engaging young people in volunteering opportunities and increasing young people exposure to the arts sector and opportunity to engage in arts-based projects. 13yrs to 25yrs from Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham.

Purposes of unrestricted funds

To enable the charity to continue utilising sports, cultural and educational activities to broaden horizons, raise aspirations and offer pathways to achievement for participants within local communities.

Transfers between funds

During the year restricted funds with the permission of the donors was dissolved into the general fund.

16. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Other than Key management Compensation disclose in note 8, there were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

17. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	43,650	201,540
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	8,577	10,566
Interest received	(1,138)	(39)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	322,606	(386,932)
Increase in creditors	(120,712)	282,596
Net cash provided by operations	<u>252,983</u>	<u>107,731</u>

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	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Balance as at 1 st April	205,292	170,641
Amount Released to Income during the Year	(205,292)	(170,641)
Amount deferred in the Year	<u>195,953</u>	<u>205,292</u>
Balance as at 31 st March	<u>195,953</u>	<u>205,292</u>

Deferred income represents funding received from the relevant funders are Sport England Community Funds £133,459 (2022: £nil), PCC- Universal SSYP Youth Provision £nil (2022: £41,667), NHS- Vanguard £nil (2022: £78,000), GLA New Deal for Young People £62,494 (2022:60,625) and Harbour Commission £nil (2022: £25,000). Deferred income comprises funds that relate to projects or programmes to be expended during the 2023-2024 financial year.