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Report and financial statements

For the year ended 31 May 2022

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The Board of Trustees presents their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2022.

Reference and administrative information set out on pages 1–2 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

Objectives and activities

To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the public, particularly children and young people in the UK and abroad, with particular regard to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, including by advancing the rights and needs of children through:

- Research, education, training, awareness-raising, and increasing understanding and knowledge.
- Monitoring, promoting and advocating for children's human rights, including compliance at both national and international levels.
- The provision of specialist legal advice, support and representation, including taking legal action to prevent disadvantage, discrimination or exclusion.
- The provision of advice, support and direct advocacy to children and young people, and promoting participation.
- All other such lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of these aims.

The Board of Trustees reviews the aims, objectives and activities of the charity each year. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work over the reporting period. The Board of Trustees reports the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to those groups of people that it is set up to help. The review also helps the Board of Trustees ensure that the charity's aims, objectives and activities remain focused on its stated purposes.

The Board of Trustees has referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the Board of Trustees has considered how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

Structure, governance and management

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for ensuring that the charity meets its charitable objectives and has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity. The Board is chaired by Anthony Landes who was appointed in January 2022. The Board currently has 9 members.

The Board has a number of sub-committees which ensure that the legal obligations of the charity are met, and that the charity pursues its charitable objectives as set out in the governing documents.

Just for Kids Law currently has the following sub-committees:

- Finance & Risk (including Audit)
- Fundraising
- HR & People

Each sub-committee is chaired by a trustee and has at least one further trustee and one senior member of staff on it.

The Board of Trustees employs the CEO, Louisa McGeehan, to whom the charity's Board of Trustees delegates day-to-day management of the charity. The CEO manages a Senior Management Team consisting of the Director of Programmes and Participation, Legal Director, Director of Policy and Campaigns/Director of CRAE and Director of Finance and Resources, who in turn manage their individual teams.

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 12 May 2006 and registered as a charity on 21 November 2007.

The company was established under a memorandum of association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed according to its articles of association.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 8 to the accounts.

Appointment of Board of Trustees

Trustees are recruited to the Board by the Chair, and their appointment is agreed by the entire Board of Trustees. There is no external body that is entitled to appoint one or more of the Board of Trustees.

Trustee induction and training

Before starting in their role on the Board, trustees are provided with a detailed role description, and receive a comprehensive induction which includes:

- A full information pack containing the current governing documents; strategic and shorter-term plans; recent statutory accounts and current management accounts; recent board minutes; an organisation chart/ organogram; and general background information.
- An opportunity to visit the charity's offices and projects, meet other trustees and staff and attend a board meeting.
- A clear explanation of the trustee's expected role, responsibilities and legal obligations, input to the Board and time commitment.
- Access to Charity Commission guidance.

Related parties and relationships with other organisations

The charity has no subsidiary undertakings. However, we connect with and have relationships with organisations in a variety of ways. Through our casework we receive referrals from organisations in the voluntary and statutory sector who we will link up with as part of our direct work with young people. In the delivery of our work to achieve wider change to policy and practice we partner with many organisations to work collaboratively on our campaigning, our strategic litigation and on our work empowering young people to lead social change. Finally, we have relationships through our income generation work with funders such as trusts and foundations, and also corporates who provide us with pro bono support.

Achievements and performance

Introduction

As the year in which Just for Kids Law turned sixteen years old, the year from June 2021 to May 2022 was a significant one in which our charity moved from surviving during the pandemic, working in best way possible as a result the restrictions placed on our clients and our operations, to starting to thrive again. During this year we re-connected with clients and each other, we began using our great new office space, we recruited a new Chair to complete our leadership transition, celebrated our 16th birthday and went on to develop our new strategic plan for 2022–25.

In January 2021, the Board was delighted to appoint Anthony Landes to the substantive post of Chair of our Board following a thorough recruitment process. Alongside the breadth of his professional knowledge and experience in governance, he brings a long organisational memory and deep commitment to JfKL. We also appointed a new trustee, Janet Latinwo, who brings to our Board extensive experience of social care, education and safeguarding, especially in relation to Black and minoritised children and young people in her former role as a trustee at the charity, Africa.

In this year we also put in place arrangements for us to achieve our ambition to appoint two new trustees who have had experience of our work as clients as fully participating members of our Board. This has been planned for with great care to ensure that the experience is rewarding and meaningful for the new trustees. Current trustees, supported by our Chair, have worked with the Young Trustee Movement, Just for Kids Law Ambassadors and the staff that support them to create a recruitment process to appoint the new trustees in autumn 2022.

A new strategic plan for Just for Kids Law

A major development was the development of our new strategic plan for June 2022 to May 2025, which was adopted by the Board in April 2022.

In reviewing our strategy for the charity, our vision, mission and values remained the same:

- Just for Kids Law's vision is for all children and young people in the UK to have their legal rights and entitlements respected and promoted, and their voices heard and valued.

- We exist to work with and for children and young people to hold those with power to account and fight for wider reform.
- We do this by providing legal representation and advice, direct advocacy and support, and through strategic litigation, campaigning and equipping others to work for children's rights.
- Our values are to act with integrity, respect, courage and compassion. We put these values into practice in our relationships with the children and young people we work with, our colleagues and our partner organisations.

While reviewing our strategy, we further developed our Theory of Change in which we are aiming to demonstrate particular impact in relation to children and young people who are most at risk of having their rights and entitlements denied.

After a period of growth over recent years, expanding to develop additional complementary elements to our model to provide a more holistic service for the children and young people we work with, it is a plan which consolidates growth and integrates all the elements of Just for Kids Law's model to maximise our impact.

While our legal and advocacy casework remains at the heart of our work, achieving change for individual children and young people, the evidence from our case work informs our work to achieve strategic change and the children and young people with experience of these issues will be supported to have a voice in debates and campaign for change. In this way, we tackle the problems that children and young people are currently experiencing, while also working in a preventative way by:

- Working Government to achieve change in the policy and legislative environment through our expertise, the evidence we gather through our work and the lived experience of the children and young people we work with.
- Advising and training professionals to improve practice in youth justice for the benefit of current and future clients.
- Modelling through advocacy to enable children and young people to discover their inherent strengths and develop self-advocacy skills for life.
- Supporting groups of children and young people to have a greater knowledge of their rights and entitlements.
- Empowering children and young people to play a role in our organisation and supporting them to make plans for education, training and employment to live the lives they choose for themselves.

As a small organisation, we recognise that we can't do everything, so we have agreed a set of strategic priorities that build on our strengths and expertise to increase our impact, fill gaps not filled by others, and complement the work of others through partnership working.

Our strategic priorities for 2022–25 are:

- Creating a justice system fit for children.
- Ensuring that children and young people experiencing criminal exploitation are recognised as victims and supported.
- Preventing school exclusions and its consequences.
- Supporting care experienced children and young people to secure their housing and care entitlements.
- Enabling children and young people to achieve a secure immigration status and thrive in the UK.
- Protecting and promoting children's rights using human rights mechanisms.

It is an ambitious but achievable plan that plays to our particular strengths and knowledge in recognising the interaction between the different areas of legal and social policy that present challenges for so many of our young clients.

Strategic Plan 2018 to 2022

As a result of the pandemic, we extended our previous strategic plan for a fourth year through to 2021/22, so it is that plan we report on below, highlighting progress against the following aims:

- Secure outcomes for individual children and young people.
- Secure changes to the legal, policy and practice environment for children and young people.
- Maintain and develop a robust organisation using our strengths to maximum impact.
- Develop an organisation in which participation is central to all our activities.

Strategic Aim 1: Secure outcomes for individual children and young people

Direct work with children and young people is at the heart of Just for Kids Law's model. We continued to support our young clients to address a range of needs, relating to housing, social care, education,

finance, immigration and criminal justice issues. Some children and young people were supported on more than one case relating to their different needs in line with our holistic way of working.

Our most recent casework data shows that in the 2021–22 financial year we worked with 873 children and young people, mainly across London, on 1160 pieces of casework providing youth advocacy, legal advice and representation and youth opportunities support. Of these cases, 560 were worked on by our legal team, 344 were worked on by our programmes and participation team and 256 cases consisted of one-off advice.

We regularly survey our clients to assess the impact of our work. In the most recent survey in May 2022:

- 90% felt that their situation had improved since being supported by JfKL.
- 93% felt more confident about-facing problems since having help from JfKL.
- 87% reported knowing more about their rights and entitlements since they've been working with JfKL.

We also commissioned an independent evaluation of our casework model to help us better understand how we make a difference in the lives of the children and young people we work with. The mixed methods evaluation, which ran from May 2021 to May 2022, was based on 15 in-depth interviews with children and young people, four interviews with staff, two surveys (with 36 children and young people, and 19 staff), a review of evaluation data held by Just for Kids Law and three co-production workshops held with young people and staff to explore the findings and co-produce recommendations.

Overall, we found out how important and distinct our work is to the children and young people we work with, with client interviewees reporting being very satisfied by our work's impact on their lives. Our support was also found to be largely accessible and equitable: there were no examples of children and young people feeling they had been treated differently because of who they were which stood in contrast to their experience outside of Just for Kids Law. Highlights from the findings include:

Satisfaction with support

Children and young people reported being very satisfied with our support, which they attributed to the way they were treated by staff, who they found to be empathetic, supportive, positive, and approachable. They also noted that having multiple support options in one place was the most useful aspect of our support.

"[Caseworker] gave me respect; he wasn't pompous or anything like that. He was just literally always reassuring me. And I thought that was nice. He ... said look, we'll get to the bottom of this, and I can imagine how you felt. ... He had empathy. And I thought that took some of the stress out of it." JfKL client

Young people's outcomes

The majority of the children and young people interviewed reported progress on the issues we have been working with them on, despite our staff having to work through multiple complex issues during the pandemic. Progress meant improved life situations, such as securing more stable housing, being allowed to return to school, maintaining custody/access to a child, and avoiding prison.

Our clients felt more confident, less isolated, more stable, calmer and less worried as a result of our support, and there was also a strong sense that they better understand their rights and entitlements too. This gave them a newfound sense of power and a new ability to challenge external agencies if needed. Many children and young people said their relationships with external agencies had improved and they felt professionals listened to them more as a result of our work.

"When I was with the advocate [Just for Kids Law advocate] ... they told me I was stronger than I look. We had to go through a lot of battles, especially with my caseworker [external to Just for Kids Law]. That made me think actually I can do this. I'm strong enough to overcome this." JfKL client

Looking ahead, many children and young people felt more hopeful about their lives and future, feeling that they better understood their options moving forwards and that they would be in a better position to tackle future issues themselves.

You can [read the full report on our website](#).

Further information on the impact of our work is contained in our Impact and Learning report.

Advocacy and youth opportunities

Key developments:

Like many organisations, the end of the pandemic brought about changes in staffing with a number of long-term members of our advocacy team moving on to fresh challenges. Our recruitment was very successful, bringing a large number of applications from skilled and experienced practitioners and recruitment panels, which included some of children and young people we work with, have made some good appointments.

To meet children and young people's increasing need for support with their mental health, which was not always accessible to them, we launched a therapy pilot in partnership with The Children's Society and funded by the Permira Foundation. We worked with The Children's Society to recruit a therapist to work with JfKL and be embedded with our team to provide an in-house service, adding to our holistic offer to clients, while working under their clinical supervision arrangements. In line with the JfKL model, a youth panel contributed to the recruitment. There were initially 15 referrals from staff, resulting in 11 clients being allocated to the therapist when she began working with clients.

Building on our learning from our Impact and Learning report for 2020–21, we began to address the challenge of working with more younger clients, promoting our advocacy offer to organisations working with under 18-year olds and prioritising this age group at the new client enquiry stage. To accommodate new younger clients, a major focus of the year has been supporting clients at the upper end of our age range to conclude their work with us and disengage from our services in a positive way. Engaging NCVO to carry out an independent evaluation of our work – as detailed above – was another major focus of the year.

We further developed our advocacy model, completing a new Advocacy Manual, which summarises our advocacy model and supports consistency. It covers key stages of our advocacy support, standard resources used, information about safeguarding and case recording, supervision and wider support for Advocates, and our approach to disengagement. We also developed self-advocacy resource packs for use with longer-term advocacy clients, providing information relevant to a client and strengths-based self-advocacy tips.

We also continued to develop our use of data to support our work with children and young people by developing our Apricot case recording system. We carried out a phased re-design and improved the recording and reporting functionality.

We re-designed our external referral form to gather new client information consistently and to streamline the process. As a result of the restructure of the Central Team, we created a new role of Client Engagement and Data Officer sitting within the Programmes and Participation Team.

Advocacy highlights included:

- Supporting two young people to submit complaints against their respective Local Authorities and supported accommodation providers. One complaint is now being investigated by the Children's Commissioners office.
- Supporting a care leaver (recently 18) with obtaining a back payment from his Local Authority, amounting to £400, after they unexpectedly stopped his weekly allowance payments.
- Supporting a care experienced young person who is on universal credit in securing limited capability for work– and work-related activity status. This has resulted in him being granted a higher level of benefit and he is now receiving almost twice as much in benefits each week.
- Supporting a care experienced young person who had recently been released from prison in securing temporary hostel accommodation.
- Supporting a young person with considerable health needs resulting from injuries he sustained from a previous stabbing and being tasered by the police in securing urgent medical priority for housing.

- Supporting a young care experienced mother to secure legal support for the legal planning and pre-care proceedings process. Since securing this support she was able to engage with the process of trying to keep her child in her care.
- Supporting a care experienced young person with housing after his release from prison, persuading a housing association to allow him to succeed his late mother's tenancy and securing temporary accommodation while he waited for his allocated accommodation to be made ready.
- Advocating for a young mother with an infant daughter in overcrowded temporary accommodation to request a transfer of property when her second child arrives.
- Supporting a young care experienced mother to access legal support to appeal a decision not to accept her onto the housing register, and to understand her rights to accommodation. She moved into a larger private rented property and her solicitor made a case for her to be accepted onto the register.
- Supporting a young mother and care leaver experiencing domestic abuse to understand the process of the public law outline and care proceedings, to advocate her wishes and feelings in child protection and Public Law Outline (PLO) meetings, and to secure good quality urgent legal support for care proceedings.
- Supporting a 17-year-old looked after child in building his confidence in preparation for his substantive asylum interview with the Home Office. He was able to confidently communicate his wishes and feelings that underpinned his decision to claim asylum in the UK. He has since been granted refugee status.
- Supporting a care leaver to confidently putting her case to her local authority requesting that they pay for her Indefinite Leave to Remain application and associated costs after they failed to support her to secure her immigration entitlements before her 18th birthday when she was in care.
- Supporting a care leaver with a transfer to social housing in a different borough after she was attacked by a relative and consequentially hospitalised under Section. She has now been offered alternative accommodation through her housing association and has reported this positively impacting her outlook on life, mental health, and wellbeing.
- Supporting a young man who had been in care and custody most of his life into living independently in his own home, including via an Adult Social Care referral and accessing ASD support. We advocated for him with the Probation Service to lower his offending risk from high to medium and to receive home visits as he cannot travel due to ASD. We also encouraged and supported him into campaigning activities with JfKL and external organisations.

- Supporting an Afghani young man with contacting Red Cross to search for missing relatives and advocated for more engaged support / trauma support for him from his Leaving Care Team.
- Advocating for better support for a young woman with complex mental and physical health needs as they were closing her case due to non-engagement. The CMHT finally agreed that they will take a proactive and trauma-informed approach to her care and provide a care coordinator who will work closely with the therapist and art therapist to support her mental health needs, and to address her physical health needs.
- Supporting a young woman to move into temporary emergency accommodation as a result of her being the victim of harassment and a hate crime. She was successfully supported back into her home, where she was able to be reunited with her pets who offer emotional support. She continued to receive holistic support through JfKL advocacy and our legal team, then being referred to Youth Opportunities to re-engage with her studies.

Youth Opportunities highlights included:

- Further refining our Youth Opportunities offer to include six different forms of support for young people: one-to-one individual medium-term support, bitesize project support, information advice and guidance, monthly themed workshops, youth interview panels and work experience. This created more capacity for internal referrals, enabling us to support more clients with greater flexibility.
- Forming a partnership with Ministry of Justice and co-leading a workshop with our Engagement and Participation Manager and MoJ staff on how to create a youth-friendly workshop. Facilitated an evening workshop run by MoJ staff. As a follow-up from the workshop, one of the young people's feedback was given to the MoJ's Prisons Policy team. A member of MoJ staff contacted this young person directly to hear more about their experience leaving prison and consider what MoJ could do to improve their policies in this area.
- Supporting young people in their transition to university, offering information, advice and guidance and also sourcing pro-bono tutoring support for a young person who is independently studying towards their A-Level exams.
- Sourcing financial education and money management training in response to demand from young clients. Six young people completed the training and the accompanying workbooks and were eligible for a Level 1 Award in Personal Money Management.
- Creating a workshop on 'How to be Your Best in an Interview' including information and advice on how to answer questions well in an interview and an opportunity to answer questions in a mock interview setting with their peers.

- Preparing young people to contribute to recruitment panels, creating effective questions for interviewees and having their voices and opinions heard.
- Supporting five young people to succeed in receiving offers of employment with help setting goals, CV support, support with applications, providing information, advice and guidance and supporting a young person to get a laptop from DwP to enable their job search. One young person was supported with her UCAS application and then went on to receive offers from all the universities to which she applied to study Mental Health Nursing.
- Organising a work experience placement for a young person (aged 17) supported by our legal team. She aspired to be a criminal defence solicitor and spent a day with each JfKL team, gaining an insight into their work and completing tasks, including a visit to the Old Bailey.
- Referring two young mothers who have experienced multiple disadvantage and gender based violence to Luminary Bakery's Employability and Independence 2-year programme.
- Supporting a young person who left prison earlier this year to create a CV that reflects all the experience he has gained from working with JfKL youth campaigns, JfKL youth interview panels and participation activities, and other projects he has been referred to by advocacy. He felt very proud of this CV and said that he planned to send it out and put it on his wall.
- Supporting a young dad to have regular contact with his daughter again and, despite his nervousness, he has been learning how to play with her again after an extended period of limited and supervised contact.
- Advocating for a young man with significant mental health issues to secure a £1,000 Discretionary Housing Payment to pay off historic rent arrears.
- Supporting a vulnerable young mother and child to access a free holiday with the Family Holiday Association which raised her spirits and helped her bond with her son.

Legal advice and representation

Key developments:

Following the end of the Covid-19 pandemic, the team began to operate at full strength again and re-built caseloads to usual levels. We welcomed a new group of trainee solicitors and the team was boosted by a full-time Education Solicitor working on school exclusions and building a productive partnership with pro bono lawyers at Allen & Overy to boost our capacity.

In September 2021 the crime team was devastated to hear of the death of an 18-year-old client in a random shooting incident that was witnessed by his brother, also a Just for Kids Law client. This

had a significant impact on all members of the team – as well as offering support to his family, we provided additional psychological support for the team.

In our crime work we had to navigate the impact of the recent judgement in the case of Brecani, which has led to a sea change in relation to the prosecution of children who have been deemed victims of Modern Slavery/Child Criminal Exploitation. In this case the Court of Appeal has said that the assessment made by the Home Office through the National Referral Mechanism is not admissible at trial, which could have devastating effects when trying to raise this defence on behalf of children who have been subjected to child criminal exploitation. Prior to this judgement the JfKL Crime Team were able to ensure that proceedings were discontinued in every case of a child or young person who had been deemed a victim of child criminal exploitation or modern slavery.

Once again, our legal work achieved specialist quality mark accreditation and we have worked to increase our legal aid billing. Through the London Legal Support Trust we have been granted the opportunity to employ a Billing Coordinator. The role is funded by them and is a shared post between three organisations. It is hoped that through assisting organisations with billing the role becomes self-sustaining and increases the income generated through legal aid work.

Crime highlights included:

- Successfully arguing that the Crown should not prosecute a number of children and young people deemed victims of child criminal exploitation. One client gave evidence about the harrowing experiences he had had whilst being forced to carry drugs in his anus and sell cocaine and heroine from a crack house. The client showed the jury his scars from a recent stabbing, at which point the Prosecutor decided to review the matter and offered no evidence.
- Representing an 18-year-old student, of good character, who had been accused of common assault following an altercation between his mum and their neighbours, who had a history of racist abuse against the family. After proceedings (protracted by Covid19 and evidential issues), our client was acquitted following a trial in September 2021, 15 anxious months after the incident. He is now getting on with his degree and in the meantime his mum also moved away from the address which has greatly improved the family's wellbeing.
- Representing a 13-year-old who was living in London when he was arrested for possession with intent to supply Class A drugs in Cambridge. He was charged and taken to court the following day when he was advised by his then solicitors to plead guilty before an Adult Magistrates' Court. His case was remitted to London for sentencing, at which point we were instructed and took steps to remedy the situation. Sentencing was put on hold and the client's guilty pleas vacated. Unfortunately, the judgment in the case of Brecani was handed down in the meantime, and despite robust representations, the Crown initially decided to continue with the prosecution. We instructed a psychologist, an intermediary and an expert in Child Criminal Exploitation to assess our client, putting further pressure on the Crown to review, and they eventually discontinued the proceedings against him. He was moved out of

London as a result of this matter, and is said to be thriving where he lives now.

- Defending two young people against applications for Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBOs). Both were opposed and eventually refused by the court/abandoned by the Crown. If granted, the CBOs would put these young vulnerable boys at risk of further criminalisation. Instead, they are being supervised by their respective YOS/probation services as part of their sentences and receive the support they need.
- Representing a 17-year-old looked after child charged with burglary. In light of the client's vulnerabilities, including his diagnosis of ADHD, conduct disorder and substance misuse, legal representations were made asking the Crown to review the case and divert it for an out of court disposal. A youth caution was issued to the client and the court proceedings discontinued.
- Assisting a 16-year-old boy, who is a looked after child with history of being exploited, in relation to number of breaches of his recently imposed youth rehabilitation order. These matters were particularly challenging as the Youth Offending Team was seeking to increase his sentence at every hearing in an apparent attempt to safeguard him as well prevent him from breaching or committing further offences. We argued successfully that his current order should continue, and solutions sought outside of the criminal justice system to safeguard him.
- Succeeding in having a drug possession case against a 16-year-old client discontinued on the basis of the exploitation he suffered as a victim of Modern Slavery.
- Ensuring proceedings were discontinued against a 17-year-old client who had been deemed a victim of child criminal exploitation having been found in a vehicle with a man known to be involved in a county lines drug operation in possession of a large quantity of drugs.
- Representing a 15-year-old girl who had been arrested for stealing pyjamas, who said she was going to shower at her friend's house and had no clean clothes to change into. Her life had taken a downward spiral following the sudden death of her father three years earlier. Following a series of periods missing from home, concerns were raised that she was being sexually exploited. She is now living in a residential care home where she is stable and happy and receiving a high level of support. Her local Youth Offending Team agreed to deal with the matter by way of an out-of-court intervention and the court proceedings were discontinued.

Youth Justice Legal Centre Advice Line highlights included:

- Responding to enquiries relating to children who are thought to be the victims of child criminal exploitation. Many of these enquiries came from the professionals supporting and representing these child victims. This is a fast evolving and increasingly restrictive area of law and it is clear that whilst there are huge numbers of children in the youth justice system

affected by exploitation, practitioners still lack the confidence and experience to deal with these cases.

- Assisting children to push for an informal out-of-court disposal rather than a charge or more formal diversionary measure made up the majority of cases taken on. It is increasingly apparent that there are huge inconsistencies in the guidance in this area and the way in which different police forces, Youth Justice Teams and prosecutors interpret it.
- Receiving increased numbers of enquiries from Youth Justice Teams. We believe this to be partly due to our specialist training provision and is, in part, a consequence of our increasingly strong relationship with the Youth Justice Board.

Strategic Litigation highlights included:

- Working with the Information Commissioner, who upheld our complaint that the Metropolitan police failed to respond to our complaint about the police arresting and investigated a 9-year-old for a criminal matter, despite being under the age of criminal responsibility. We are now hoping to progress this matter with the police to remove all the data they hold about him.
- Succeeding in the case of our client who was detained overnight at the police station following Waltham Forest Local Authority failing to provide secure accommodation. The Court of Appeal found that the lack of secure accommodation puts Waltham Forest (and by analogy all London Boroughs) in breach of their statutory duties to children.
- Overturning a decision to bar a client from working with children based on a reprimand from when he was 12 years old.
- Supporting children in relation to age assessment cases – one of which ended up in a successful outcome with the local authority moving our child into appropriate accommodation from the Home Office hotel and giving him a social worker. He is now happy to go to college.

Housing highlights included:

- Supporting a severely disabled client who was living in unsuitable temporary accommodation affected by damp and severe mould growth.
- Successfully securing a suitable placement for a homeless client under Section in hospital following written representations to the local authority.
- Establishing priority need to secure interim accommodation for a number of clients who were homeless by persuading local authorities to accept their duties to the young people concerned.

- Securing temporary accommodation for a 21-year-old care leaver who suffers from mental health difficulties.
- Halting an eviction from temporary accommodation by the local authority for a young pregnant mother with a five-year-old son.

Education highlights included:

- Representing a child client who found herself in the glare of the media spotlight as 'Child Q' in a Hackney Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review. The case highlighted racism in education leading to the child experiencing an horrendous situation as a result of 'adultification' of her as Black child and failures to safeguard her by her school and the police.
- Persuading an Independent Review Panel (IRP) to quash a decision to permanently exclude a child for creating a social media account joking about school staff, which led to the Governing Body reinstating the child on reconsideration (which is a rare outcome).
- Overturning the decision of a Governing Body to permanently exclusion a 13 year-old child with autism who was clearly excluded due to the school being unable to meet her needs – the Governing Body was persuaded to consider the impact of the multiple lockdowns on the young person and meeting the child's needs.
- Supporting a young person through a delayed IRP hearing and issuing pre-action to challenge the decision to uphold the exclusion.
- Obtaining permission for a judicial review of a permanent exclusion of a young person in relation to 'sexting'. The young person was excluded prior to the pandemic two years ago and the family (with our support) has been fighting for two years against the unreasonableness of an exclusion.
- Providing training to over 100 SENDIAS (Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support) professionals to support them to feel more empowered to challenge school exclusions.
- Supporting a 21 year old young person with learning difficulties with a SEND Tribunal hearing to appeal the decision to cease support.
- Supporting two children to challenge their exclusions process via Judicial review. In one case the governing body upheld the exclusion on reconsideration and in the other case the Independent Review Panel upheld the exclusion. Both cases involve allegations of sexual conduct and both challenges include arguments that practices were discriminatory.
- Supporting a child regarding issues around implementation or lack of implementation of their education health and care plans and unlawful exclusions as well as schools not taking

into account the impact of Covid.

- Supporting a young person and their parents to make a complaint against a school regarding the young person being placed in isolation indefinitely. The client was sent to isolation for 'talking back' to a teacher, who had commented on the state of her afro hair. The complaint resulted in the school changing their policy in relation to isolation rooms. The young person was taken out of isolation, the family was provided with an apology and the school agreed that staff will have unconscious bias training.
- Supporting a young person in challenging a fixed term exclusion that related to his behaviour, which was clearly linked to his SEND (Special Educational Needs Disability) and continuing to support the young person in finalising his EHCP (Education Health Care Plan).

Community Care highlights included:

- Representing a 17-year-old child who was referred to us by a family friend as she had been removed from the family home by her father and had no choice but to sleep in a park near to her sixth form college. She had been having difficulty paying for food and had lost over a stone in weight during this period. We argued that the Local Authority were unlawfully failing to accommodate her under Section 20 Children Act 1989 and she was provided with a placement with a family and with maintenance to enable her to travel to college.
- Succeeding in persuading a local authority that they should urgently accommodate a homeless 17-year-old under section 20 Children Act 1989. The young person was close to her 18th birthday so we then argued that she should be accepted as a care leaver.
- Successfully arguing that an 18-year-old young person should be treated as a Former Relevant Child and receive accommodation and support from the local authority until she is 25 years old.
- Supporting a young person to finally move to permanent accommodation after waiting 7 years as a care leaver.
- Successfully supporting a care leaver aged 22 to challenge the Leaving Care Team's decision to close his case due to his immigration status.
- Successfully obtaining compensation for young person who the local authority failed to support when she was homeless at 17 years old.
- Supporting a young person to receive compensation following a complaint in relation to their retrospective care leaver status.
- Supporting a young person with a complaint to the local government Ombudsman about their treatment by a local authority.

Immigration highlights included:

- Settling a case with the Home Office subsequent to issuing Judicial Review proceedings. The Home Office agreed to register the client as British within 3 months of the consent order being sealed by the Court.
- Assisting four young people to become registered as British Citizens and another to be recognised as settled under the EU Settlement Scheme.
- Assisting a young person who was granted indefinite leave to remain following an application outside the rules which cited failures by the local authority.
- Successfully obtaining funding for DNA tests and an independent social worker's report in support of a young person's family reunion application.
- Supporting a young person to be conclusively recognised as a victim of human trafficking, after a 3-year delay. We applied for discretionary leave on the basis of their rights under the Trafficking Convention.
- Securing funding for a psychiatric report for a young person appealing a decision to refuse entry clearance for his family members in Kenya.
- Assisting two 20-year-old clients in obtaining updated Application Registration Cards as the Home Office had issued them in the names and details of the identity under which they had been trafficked into the UK. We also successfully obtained a positive conclusive grounds decision for their trafficking case and made further representations to the Home Office in support of their asylum claims.
- Successfully obtaining Exceptional Case Funding for a complex nationality matter for a 17 year-old.
- Assisting a 22-year-old vulnerable client with making a Further Submissions claim in light of the situation in Afghanistan.

Strategic Aim 2: Secure changes to the legal, policy and practice environment for children and young people

It is not just the children and young people we work with directly who benefit from the impact of our work: we create wider change that benefits children and young people across the UK, taking the evidence from our direct casework as a starting point. While our casework itself is holistic, we are increasingly working in a holistic way across the whole organisation through thematic groups bringing policy, practice and participation staff together to tackle the key issues faced by the

children and young people we work with. We do this through strategic litigation, policy work, campaigning, rights monitoring and equipping others to work to protect and promote children's rights.

Our work in this area includes the Children's Rights Alliance for England (CRAE) and our Youth Justice Legal Centre (YJLC).

Child Rights Highlights included:

- Co-chairing with the Department for Education (DfE) the UNCRC Action Group and holding thematic sessions with other Government departments to assess progress against the UN Committee's previous recommendations and prepare for the next examination. These included mental health, school exclusions and behaviour and youth justice. They were well-attended by all the leading children's charities, as well as specialists from charities in the relevant area. We also ran training sessions on children's rights for new civil servant 'Fast Stream' graduates for the fourth year in a row with DfE and UNICEF UK.
- Working with the DfE to survey children, via members of CRAE, to find out about children's awareness of the UNCRC and which child rights issues are important to them. The results will be used for roundtable discussions next year with children and will be set out in an annex to the UK State Party Report which will be submitted to the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child next year.
- Receiving a pledge from Children and Families Minister, Will Quince, committing to creating a child rights action plan to take forward the recommendations coming out of the next CRC examination (the Government didn't do this for the last reporting cycle and this has been one of our key calls).
- Preparing for our civil society alternative report and commenting on the UK Government's State Party report.
- Submitting evidence to the Government's consultation on the Human Rights Act (HRA) to replace it with a "Modern Bill of Rights". The proposals will undermine and weaken the Act in a number of areas. We were really pleased that 15 organisations endorsed our submission, including The Children's Society, Children England and Mind. We also co-ordinated a joint letter to the Secretary of State for Justice with our sister children's rights alliances across the UK.
- Attending a roundtable with the new Chair of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child and raising key child rights issues in England. We also held two events on CRC incorporation as part of the Rights of the Child UK (ROCK) Coalition.

- Succeeding in including many of the issues we raised in the civil society submission on the International Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination. Our submissions included racial disproportionality in police use of force and school exclusions.
- Giving a presentation on the State of Children's Rights in England at the annual conference of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health and writing a paper for the British Academy on taking a child rights approach to policy making.
- Influencing the Care Review to carry out a Child Rights Impact Assessment on the case for change and resulting recommendations.

School exclusions highlights included:

- Working with the Centre for Social Justice as the Secretariat for the APPG on Exclusions to feed into their new Inquiry on the exclusions process, which came about as a result of our influencing. We also advised them on how to effectively involve children and young people in the inquiry.
- Responding to the long-awaited Government consultation on the statutory guidance on exclusions and behaviour. We co-ordinated our responses with the Centre for Social Justice, the Equality and Human Rights Commission, the Children and Young Peoples Mental Health Coalition, and the Special Education Needs Consortium. We also facilitated a discussion between the DfE and the School Exclusion Campaigners where they had the opportunity to share their views on the guidance.
- Working with the young people in our school exclusions steering group on the exclusions policy context to inform the development of their own campaign and how they feed into the policy influencing opportunities coming up. The DfE also agreed to hold a session with the young people in the school exclusions campaign.
- Co-ordinating our influencing work on exclusions with several organisations including The Difference, The Centre for Justice Innovation, Chance UK, the School Inclusion Project, Alliance for Inclusive Education, and Tackling Child Exploitation programme.
- Making the links between school exclusion and child criminal exploitation in presentations to the Traveller Movement's Annual Conference and a Government Events Conference on child criminal exploitation.

Housing and social care highlights included:

Care Review

- Contributing to the Independent Care Review, highlighting many of our priority issues on housing and social care. Our submission included input from across JfKL including young people, advocates and the legal team and highlighted issues including a lack of focus on children's rights and homelessness amongst care experienced young people. We were pleased to see this omission recognised and worked with the Care Review team to enable them to speak to care leavers who experienced homelessness. We also remained an active member of the Care Review sub-group of the Alliance for children in care and care leavers.

Homeless 16 and 17-year-olds being accommodated as looked-after children

- Developing and publishing guidance with Homeless Link for front-line organisations to better support homeless 16 and 17-year-olds, The guidance received extremely positive feedback from frontline organisations, many of whom also attended a capacity building event we held in partnership with Homeless Link.
- Continuing to highlight the findings of our report Not in Care Not Counted in Parliament, submitting to the Education Select Committee's inquiry on children's homes and sending a briefing to Peers for a debate on unregulated accommodation. We are part of the steering group for the Keep Caring for children up to 18 campaign which is campaigning for all unregulated accommodation to be banned for children under 18.
- Joining with London Councils and the GLA to sit on their new Youth Homelessness subgroup due to our expertise around care experienced homeless young people alongside New Horizon Youth Centre, Centrepont and Homeless Link as part of a recent initiative to end rough sleeping in London.

Policing and Youth Justice highlights included:

- Raising key issues with Ministers and the Opposition relating to the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill including children turning 18 in the criminal justice system, child criminal exploitation, the use of video links in criminal justice proceedings and remand. We also supported the Alliance for Youth Justice on a broader set of amendments to the Bill.
- Briefing Peers on the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill (PCSC Bill) resulting in Conservative Peer, Baroness Sater, raising this issue through an amendment at Lords Committee. We also contributed to the Public Accounts Committee inquiry on 'reducing the backlog in criminal courts' raising the impact of delays for those who are nearly 18.
- Meeting with the Ministry of Justice Race and Ethnic Disparities team about key priorities in this area and contributing to a Youth Justice Board (YJB) stakeholder group focussing on

reducing racial disproportionality in the youth justice system and feeding into the development of a new race disparity protocol.

- Collaborating with the Institute for Crime and Justice Policy Research at Birkbeck on research into the skills which criminal solicitors have / need to represent children effectively in the criminal courts.
- Working with the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) to improve the skills and competencies of criminal lawyers representing children and assisting them with the production of information for lawyers on issues they should be aware of when representing children from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic groups.
- Working with the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) to discuss their youth justice training for prosecutors. The CPS were open to contributions from YJLC to their courses and materials. We also contributed to training for Metropolitan Police detention custody officers as part of their professional development.
- Welcoming the publication of The Independent Review of Legal Aid, chaired by Sir Christopher Bellamy QC, which recommended priority is given to increasing fees payable for Youth Court work as well as a training and accreditation scheme to be put in place. Although the Government's response fell short of making accreditation a formal condition of lawyers receiving any increased fees at this stage, they did recognise the significant amount of work that has been done by the sector to increase appropriate training. Specific reference is made to YJLC in their response: *'...For example, we are aware that the Youth Justice Legal Centre runs training courses with good uptake among newly qualified practitioners. We encourage the sector to identify leads to further develop standard, formal training which all practitioners are encouraged to undertake.'*
- Providing legal updates on relevant case law and guidance to assist lawyers representing children in the criminal justice system. These are uploaded on to the YJLC website and are disseminated through our regular mail-outs to subscribers.
- Producing YJLC guides in collaboration with the Children's Rights Group at Doughty Street Chambers. Several high-profile speakers took part in the launches including the judicial lead for youth justice in England and Wales.
- Making a short film with the BAFTA nominated animator and director Renaldho Pelle, to illustrate the need for better representation of children in criminal proceedings.
- Forming an expert advisory group to come together and explore ways of improving outcomes for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic children and young people in the criminal justice system by improving the quality of legal representation. We also held discussions with a group of lawyers specialising in representing children who have been victims of child criminal exploitation in response to a concerning new landmark ruling – *R v Breckani*. This

case threatens to reduce the chances of successfully defending a child facing criminal charges on the basis that they were being exploited at the time. In response we developed a toolkit on instructing experts to support lawyers representing children in these circumstances.

- Developing a joint briefing for Parliamentarians with The Children's Society and ECPAT UK as part of our work on the Nationality and Borders Bill. This highlighted proposals to exclude numerous children from the right to be investigated by the National Referral Mechanism, which will affect the ability of these children to defend charges which arose out of actions they took as a direct consequence of their exploitation.
- Delivering an annual pupil barrister training course online, training more than 65 pupil barristers and providing training on youth justice issues for Youth Offending Teams.
- Contributing to the National Taser Stakeholder Advisory Group meeting discussing the National Police Chief's Council's (NPCC) review on racial disproportionately in the use of tasers. We also gave feedback to the Independent Office of Police Conduct (IOPC) on its Taser Review and we are pleased that many of our recommendations have been included. We also worked with the IOPC on how to make complaints about police conduct more accessible to children and young people.
- Holding a round table with key stakeholders including the police and local authorities to prevent the overnight detention of children and young people in police custody and the disproportionate impact this has on those from Black and Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities.

Strategic Aim 3: Maintain and develop a robust organisation using our strengths to maximum impact

Our direct work with children and young people is supported by our small central team. This 'behind the scenes' work – finance, fundraising, operations support, recruitment and employment and communications – is essential to achieving our other strategic aims.

Highlights included:

- Surviving the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on our operations and bringing our teams back together and thriving in our new office space. This included close monitoring of health and safety for staff working throughout the pandemic and finding new ways of working for staff returning to work in a hybrid model afterwards. Following the appointment of our new Chair we brought staff, trustees and ambassadors together to celebrate our 16th Birthday.
- Restructuring our central team that supports our frontline operations within the same budget to create a new post of HR and Resources manager – a much needed specialist skills

set in the organisation to reduce pressure of the leadership team. As part of this we created a new post of Client Engagement and Data Officer, to work directly with clients, improve our referral and intake processes and to support the continual improvements we are making to the way we record and use data for service improvements.

- Supporting staff wellbeing with an additional 'wellbeing day' around the August bank holiday, a weekly wellbeing hour to spend as they choose and a package of online applications and individual telephone support for those who may need it. We also continued to provide reflective practice and clinical supervision to support staff working directly with children and young people.
- Completing our work on equality, diversity and inclusion, supported by an external consultancy, DoltNowNow, in a year-long focussed piece of work involving trustees, two independent members with relevant experience, two members of the JfKL senior management team, staff representatives of each directorate and a staff trade union representative. This resulted in a new equality, diversity and inclusion policy and action plan being agreed by our Board of Trustees in April 2022. All staff and trustees were provided with training and our next steps are to work together with our staff to implement our action plan over the period of our new strategic plan from 2022–25.
- Setting ourselves ambitious targets to achieve a staff profile that better reflects our client group as part of our work on equality, diversity and inclusion. We have set ourselves a 3-year target of achieving a staff group that is 60% from Black and minoritised communities, rising to 75% by 2030. We also aim to have a staff group that is 20% from LGBT+ communities with 15% having a disability within 3 years. Allied to our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion policy, we also worked on an organisational position on lived experience, learning that this was a defining characteristic of JfKL – 70% of staff who responded to a survey reported having experience of one or more of the adverse childhood experiences that our clients have often experienced.
- Working with Trustees and staff to revise our theory of change and set a new organisational strategic plan from 2022–25, as detailed in the introduction to this report. This process involved a detailed review of our activities and priorities as an organisation to enable us to continue to work in our unique model, filling gaps in support needed by our clients and collaborating with others as good partners. This will enable us to unlock the benefits of our multi-disciplinary teams working together around a set of outcomes – achieving change for individual children and young people and, through our insights from this, bringing about broader systemic change.

Reviewing our fundraising strategy to ensure our organisation is attractive to potential funders, and diversifying our income streams to enable us to be sustainable over the period of the next strategic plan.

- Improving our web presence and building our social media presence as well as running an effective press office service for journalists interested in reporting on our work. We used our

communications channels to share information and updates on successes internally and externally we supported the dissemination of policy reports and good practice guides to our stakeholders.

Over the year we have benefited from the generosity of our funders and supporters who enabled us to support our staff and the children and young people we worked with during a difficult time. We are deeply grateful for all their support and understanding in enabling us to achieve the work outlined in this report.

Strategic Aim 4: Develop an organisation in which participation is central to all our activities

Participation and youth campaigning highlights included:

- Developing a Participation Resource Bank and a range of other tools to support staff when involving young people in participation/ influencing opportunities.
- Continuing our rolling Ambassadors programme for children and young people with experience of being clients of JfKL to contribute to our organisation according to the priorities they themselves set. In their monthly meetings they considered options for organisational influence that also offered personal developmental opportunities including reviewing client legal letters, contributing to development of our new strategic plan, supporting our work experience offer, and contributing to a film promoting JfKL to future clients. Particular efforts were made to engage more children under 18 years of age in this work.
- Supporting a young person to join a meeting with Vicky Ford (previously Children's Minister) and Eddie Hughes (previously Homeless and Rough Sleeping Minister) with three other young people to speak on the issues they faced with accommodation as a care leaver. She spoke with determination, hope and gravitas and said *"the experience was empowering"*.
- Developing our support for youth campaigning with a skilled member of staff supporting youth campaigns on school exclusions and supporting young care leavers to campaign on housing and homelessness issues.
- Empowering children and young people with experience of school exclusion to come together and gain skills to campaign for change. The group contributed to a range of influencing activities including a podcast with The Children's Society Disrupting Exploitation Team, making a film in partnership with Each Other, carrying out interviews with My London News. The campaigners' approach included creating awareness of the disproportionate exclusion of children from Black and minoritised background and pressing for a more solution-focused approach to managing behaviour in school. A group attended a parliamentary debate on the Timpson review on school exclusions, enabling them to learn

about the political context from JfKL's policy team and prepare to engage in opportunities to influence the DfE consultation on school exclusion and the APPG enquiry into school exclusions and behavioural policy. The group submitted their own response to the Government consultation, alongside that of our policy team.

- Supporting school exclusion campaigners to facilitate an awareness session for students at the London East Alternative Provision. The campaigners designed the session with three main aims; to inform, inspire and motivate the young people who are currently experiencing exclusion. It was attended by 40 young people who they were engaged throughout, asking insightful questions to the campaigners, and sharing their own experiences. Two campaigners delivered a second session to a smaller cohort of 5 young people who, due to their increased vulnerabilities, were separated from the rest of the school. The feedback was positive and staff asked the campaigners to return to the PRU for more awareness sessions and to be kept updated on the campaign. The campaigners really enjoyed this experience, commenting that this made them feel like they were creating real change with these individual young people.
- Supporting a group of young care leavers to share their insights with the Independent Care Review and promote the need to consider the housing needs of care experienced young people within this. They met directly with a member of the Care Review team, sharing their experiences of the social care system, highlighting failings and their impact on them. One young person wrote a blog on their experience of engaging with Government officials on their experience in the social care system which was published during Care Leaver's Week.
- Enabling six young people to complete a 12-week training programme on campaigns and journalism in partnership with Headliners UK. The young people all completed OCN level 2 in journalism and recorded, edited and published a podcast each on an area of social justice they feel passionate about.
- Establishing a new Trustee Recruitment Working Group to lead work to ensure two new Trustees who have been JfKL clients are recruited to the Board and can meaningfully contribute as full Board Members. This was led by existing young trustees and included Ambassadors – together they considered the barriers to becoming an effective trustee and how they could be overcome.

Financial review

The charity has been consolidating over the past year resulting in a slightly reduced turnover. In the year to 31 May 2022 there was a decrease in both income and expenditure. Income decreased by 25% to £1,935,351 and expenditure decreased by 7% to £2,182,319. Overall, there was a net decrease in funds of £246,968. The charity's policy on reserves is detailed below and the Board considers that it is prudent to set aside a minimum unrestricted amount of £500,000. At the end of the reporting period the charity holds £1,019,026 total funds, of which £288,774 is restricted and not available for general purpose. These restricted funds are committed for project

expenditure within the next year. After making allowance for these restricted funds, the amount of unrestricted reserves is £730,252

The principal funding sources of the charity during the reporting period are trusts and foundations, with this source making up 84% of the total income. Just for Kids Law receives funding from a wide variety of trusts and foundations and would like to thank them for their support. A full list of funders can be found at the end of the financial statements. During the year the legal aid contract contributed £167,820 of the total income.

The budget agreed for 2022/2023 has been set with a target income of £2,030,000 and planned expenditure of £2,192,000, we are continuing to build our funding pipeline to close the gap between the income and expenditure.

Reserves policy and going concern

Just for Kids Law needs reserves to:

- Meet contractual liabilities should the organisation have to close. This includes any contractual pay owed to staff paid from unrestricted funds, redundancy pay for all staff, amounts due to creditors and commitments under any leases.
- Meet unexpected costs such as the unexpected need to move and essential staff-cover in the case of illness.
- Provide working capital when funding is paid in arrears, to help manage any cashflow issues.
- From time to time, funding has certain restrictions which mean that by law it must be held in a restricted reserve until it is spent in line with the funding agreement.

The Board considers that overall, it would be prudent to set aside an amount of £500,000 that is made up of the following items:

- Four and a half month's salary costs of any staff whose salary is not paid for from restricted funding: £349,000.
- Redundancy costs for all staff: £51,000.
- Six months of rent not covered by restricted funding plus any other contractual obligations: £70,000.
- An allowance of £20,000 for unforeseen circumstances (e.g., key staff being ill, an unexpected office move).
- An allowance of £10,000 for cashflow issues arising from our legal aid contracts.

The Board of Trustees will consider current costs of closure and examine the level of reserves each year when setting the following years' budget.

At the end of 21/22 the unrestricted reserves are £730,252. The forecast outturn of our deficit budget for 22/23 of £162,000 would further reduce our reserves to approximately £ 570,000 a figure much closer to our target figure of £500,000.

Principle risks and uncertainties

The Board has undertaken its own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. We have invested more resources in fundraising and have updated our fundraising strategy. Our new Strategic Plan should help us to develop relationships with new Trusts and Foundations. We are also looking at diversifying our income streams with the development of a pilot membership scheme by the Youth Justice Legal Centre. Internal risks are minimised through a series of procedures including on safeguarding, lone working, financial management, staff engagement and data protection.

The Board has produced a Risk Register which is regularly reviewed by the Finance & Risk Sub-Committee and discussed at the Board Meeting every six months. The Risk Register identifies a number of key risks and mitigating actions including:

- Financial risk (difficulty to cover central organisational costs; lack of capacity to raise funds; loss of relationships with key donors; cash flow issues).
Mitigations: Review of pipeline including confidence levels every two weeks by CEO and SMT,
Refreshed strategy and detailed pipeline in place with prospects of success rated,
Identifying new potential funders, diversifying sources of income, trialling pilot for YJLC to become a source of income
- HR risks (staff burnout; non-compliance with HR and other employment legislation; loss of key staff).
Mitigations: Line managers monitor staff hours worked and outputs of work, TOIL policy introduced and to be kept under review, SMART Clinic Confidential employee support line in place for all staff including counselling, physio etc, Greater visibility of staff and their workloads by staff working together with colleagues in the office now the pandemic restrictions have lifted, Clinical supervision/reflective practice offered to frontline staff
- Organisational risks (inadequate security of IT systems and data; failure to achieve key/strategic objectives due to lack of funding and/or the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic).
Mitigations: Director of Finance & Resources regular meeting with IT provider, Cyber essentials being worked towards, Quarterly finance reviews by all Directors including Legal Aid WIP review meetings, Identifying new potential funders, diversifying sources of income
- Safeguarding risks (failure to adequately safeguard vulnerable children and young people the organisation works with and manage incidents/allegations).
Mitigations: Annual safeguarding training being delivered by independent provider for all

Staff.

Additional related training being delivered to client facing staff, Updated safeguarding policy and process in place, New safeguarding structure implemented

- Reputational risks (under-delivery of funded work compared to donor expectations of time required; inadequate and/or inappropriate response to negative media coverage). Mitigations: JFKL has strong internal expertise in Communications, All sensitive communication / media issues discussed amongst SMT and if necessary, escalated to Board members. Communications officer actively monitors all platforms, Director of Campaigns and Policy having clear oversight and accountability for all campaigning work

Plans for the Future

Our turnover has grown over the last five years, and we are now in a period of consolidating our financial position and stabilising our turnover. We will use our new Strategic Plan to demonstrate the level of income that is achievable post pandemic and plan to diversify our income streams over the next few years.

The charity has used unrestricted reserves in the last year; and it is likely that the charity will do so again in the 22/23 financial year, these reductions have been agreed by the Board and will not continue into future financial years.

Fundraising Disclosures

Just for Kids Law's funding is from four primary sources: grants from trusts and foundations, legal aid contracts, high net worth donations and support from corporates. We do not employ any professional fundraisers or commercial participators to carry out fundraising activities directly with the public. We also do not have any fundraising carried out by third parties. We therefore do not subscribe to any fundraising schemes or codes. We also do not directly involve vulnerable people in our fundraising activities. We have not received any complaints about our fundraising activity.

Remuneration policy for key management personnel

Just for Kids Law reviewed and revised its remuneration policy for all staff in 2019/2020. The policy includes the following key elements:

- Salary ranges are completely transparent.
- The policy applies equally to fixed term and permanent staff.
- Salary increments are awarded through either annual inflationary cost of living increases subject to affordability, a discretionary organisational bonus scheme subject to affordability, progression within a salary range based on length in post, taking on additional responsibilities or acting up into a role.

Funds held as custodian trustee

No funds are being held on behalf of others.

Statement of responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees (who are also directors of Just for Kids Law for the purposes of company law) is responsible for preparing the Board of Trustees' annual 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 Board of 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 these financial statements, the Board of Trustees is 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 and statements of recommended practice 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 charity will continue in operation.

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

In so far as the Board of Trustees is aware:

- There is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware.
- The Board of Trustees has taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make itself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

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

Members of the charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 May 2022 was 9 (2021 – 9). Trustees are members of the charity, but this entitles them only to voting rights. The Board of Trustees has no beneficial interest in the charity.

Auditor

Sayer Vincent LLP was re-appointed as the charitable company's auditor during the year and has expressed its willingness to continue in that capacity.

The annual report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies' subject to the small companies' regime.

The Board of Trustees' annual report has been approved by the Board of Trustees on **3 November 2022** and signed on their behalf by

Anthony Landes
Chair of the Board of Trustees

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Just for Kids Law (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 May 2022 which comprise the statement of financial activities, balance sheet, statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 May 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice
- 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 Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the 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 Just for Kids Law's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other Information

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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 trustees' annual report, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- The trustees' annual report, 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 trustees' annual report. We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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 directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' annual report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities set out in the trustees' annual report, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of

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company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Capability of the audit in detecting irregularities

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- We enquired of management and the finance and risk committee, which included obtaining and reviewing supporting documentation, concerning the charity's policies and procedures relating to:
 - Identifying, evaluating, and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - Detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected, or alleged fraud;
 - The internal controls established to mitigate risks related to fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- We inspected the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.
- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the charity operates in, focusing on those laws and regulations that had a material effect on the

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financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on the operations of the charity from our professional and sector experience.

- We communicated applicable laws and regulations throughout the audit team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.
- We reviewed any reports made to regulators.
- We reviewed the financial statement disclosures and tested these to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- We performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments, assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias and tested significant transactions that are unusual or those outside the normal course of business.

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

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's 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 auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Noelia Serrano (Senior statutory auditor)

11 November 2022

for and on behalf of Sayer Vincent LLP, Statutory Auditor
Invicta House, 108–114 Golden Lane, LONDON, EC1Y 0TL

Statement of financial activities (incorporating an income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 May 2022

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 Total £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	715,181	–	715,181	744,014	–	744,014
Charitable activities							
Legal	3	177,820	310,364	488,184	382,769	369,740	752,509
Programmes	3	–	468,848	468,848	–	672,243	672,243
Policy	3	–	223,356	223,356	–	355,407	355,407
Other	4	39,745	–	39,745	50,309	–	50,309
Investments	5	37	–	37	316	–	316
Total income		932,783	1,002,568	1,935,351	1,177,408	1,397,390	2,574,798
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	6	59,313	–	59,313	73,521	–	73,521
Charitable activities							
Legal	6	601,822	325,140	926,962	719,533	380,576	1,100,109
Programmes	6	237,217	578,500	815,717	239,638	507,458	747,096
Policy	6	157,459	222,868	380,327	133,304	283,658	416,962
Total expenditure		1,055,811	1,126,508	2,182,319	1,165,996	1,171,693	2,337,689
Net income for the year	7	(123,028)	(123,940)	(246,968)	11,412	225,697	237,109
Transfer between funds		–	–	–	108,276	(108,276)	–
Net movement in funds		(123,028)	(123,940)	(246,968)	119,688	117,421	237,109
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		853,280	412,714	1,265,994	733,592	295,293	1,028,885
Total funds carried forward		730,252	288,774	1,019,026	853,280	412,714	1,265,994

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those stated above. Movements in funds are disclosed in Note 17a.

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Balance sheet

Company no. 5815338

As at 31 May 2022

	Note	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Fixed assets:					
Tangible assets	12		97,125		113,880
			97,125		113,880
Current assets:					
Work in progress		178,966		143,813	
Debtors	13	84,246		137,858	
Cash at bank and in hand		860,351		1,226,979	
		1,123,563		1,508,650	
Liabilities:					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	201,662		356,536	
Net current assets			921,901		1,152,114
Total net assets			1,019,026		1,265,994
The funds of the charity:	17				
Restricted income funds			288,774		412,714
Unrestricted income funds:					
General funds		730,252		853,280	
Total unrestricted funds			730,252		853,280
Total charity funds			1,019,026		1,265,994

Approved by the trustees on 3 November 2022 and signed on their behalf by

Anthony Landes
Chair of Board of Trustees

Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 May 2022

Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net (expenditure)/ income for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	(246,968)		237,109	
Depreciation charges	16,755		15,823	
Dividends and interest	(37)		(316)	
Decrease/ (Increase) in debtors	53,612		(93,275)	
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	(154,874)		40,064	
Decrease/ (Increase) in work in progress	(35,153)		81,800	
Net cash (used in)/ provided by operating activities	(366,665)		281,205	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Dividends and interest	37		316	
Purchase of fixed assets	–		(129,703)	
Net cash provided by/ (used in) investing activities		37		(129,387)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	(366,628)		151,818	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	1,226,979		1,075,161	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	860,351		1,226,979	

1 Accounting policies

a) Statutory information

Just for Kids Law is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The registered office address and principal place of business is Unit 2 Crystal Wharf, 36 Graham Street, London, N1 8GJ.

b) Basis of preparation

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

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy or note.

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 amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

c) Public benefit entity

The charitable company meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

d) Going concern

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

e) Income

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

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

Income is recognised on casework earned and due ("work in progress" or "WIP") according to the time booked on the matter multiplied by the relevant legal aid or interpartes rate. Appropriate provision is made for irrecoverable WIP.

Income received in advance of the provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

f) Donations of gifts, services and facilities

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item or received the service, any conditions associated with the donation 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), volunteer time is not recognised so refer to the trustees' annual report for more information about their contribution.

On receipt, donated gifts, professional services and donated facilities 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.

g) 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.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

h) Fund accounting

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for the charitable purposes.

i) Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

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 measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Costs of raising funds relate to the costs incurred by the charitable company in inducing third parties to make voluntary contributions to it, as well as the cost of any activities with a fundraising purpose.
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of delivering services undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

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

j) Allocation of support costs

Resources expended are allocated to the particular activity where the cost relates directly to that activity. However, the cost of overall direction and administration of each activity, comprising the salary and overhead costs of the central function, is apportioned on the following basis which are an estimate, based on staff time, of the amount attributable to each activity.

Where information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is provided to potential beneficiaries, the costs associated with this publicity are allocated to charitable expenditure.

Where such information about the aims, objectives and projects of the charity is also provided to potential donors, activity costs are apportioned between fundraising and charitable activities on the basis of area of literature occupied by each activity.

• Raising Funds	2%
• Legal	41%
• Programmes	42%
• Policy	15%

Governance costs are re-allocated to each of the activities on the following basis which is an estimate, based percentage of expenditure, of the amount attributable to each activity.

• Raising funds	3%
• Legal	41%
• Programmes	41%
• Policy	15%

Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the charity. These costs are associated with constitutional and statutory requirements and include any costs associated with the strategic management of the charity's activities.

k) Operating leases

Rental charges are charged on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

l) Tangible fixed assets

Items of equipment are capitalised where the purchase price exceeds £1,000. Depreciation costs are allocated to activities on the basis of the use of the related assets in those activities. Assets are reviewed for impairment if circumstances indicate their carrying value may exceed their net realisable value and value in use.

Where fixed assets have been revalued, any excess between the revalued amount and the historic cost of the asset will be shown as a revaluation reserve in the balance sheet.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of each asset to its estimated residual value over its expected useful life. The depreciation rates in use are as follows:

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|--------------------------|---------|
| ● Leasehold Improvements | 3 years |
| ● Fixtures and fittings | 5 years |

m) Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

n) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

o) 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 provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

p) Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value.

q) Pensions

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charitable company in an independently administered fund. The charitable company has no liability under the scheme other than for the payment of those contributions.

r) Work in progress

Legal work in progress is valued at the net realisable value. Provision is made when necessary for irrecoverable amounts of work in progress.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 Total £
Donations	87,588	–	87,588	81,064	–	81,064
AB Charitable Trust	20,000	–	20,000	20,000	–	20,000
Aurum Charitable Trust	–	–	–	50,000	–	50,000
Bernard Lewis Family Charitable	30,000	–	30,000	30,000	–	30,000
The Blgrave Trust	50,000	–	50,000	50,000	–	50,000
Brooks Foundation	5,000	–	5,000	10,000	–	10,000
Batchworth Trust	–	–	–	10,000	–	10,000
Childhood Trust	5,193	–	5,193	11,250	–	11,250
Esmée Fairbairn Core Grant	120,000	–	120,000	65,000	–	65,000
Esmée Fairbairn Additional Grant	–	–	–	60,000	–	60,000
Family Foundation	75,000	–	75,000	80,000	–	80,000
John Ellerman	50,000	–	50,000	–	–	–
London Community Response	50,000	–	50,000	–	–	–
Paul Hamlyn Foundation	130,000	–	130,000	165,000	–	165,000
Small Trusts	12,400	–	12,400	17,700	–	17,700
Stewarts Foundation	45,000	–	45,000	39,000	–	39,000
Segelman Trust	25,000	–	25,000	35,000	–	35,000
Taurus Foundation	10,000	–	10,000	20,000	–	20,000
Trust for London	–	–	–	–	–	–
	715,181	–	715,181	744,014	–	744,014

Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 May 2022

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations	10,000	-	10,000	15,094	-	15,094
Allen & Overy Foundation	-	15,000	15,000	-	-	-
Baring Foundation	-	-	-	-	19,017	19,017
City Bridge Trust (casework)	-	35,000	35,000	-	45,000	45,000
Comic Relief (Safer Places)	-	44,553	44,553	-	43,442	43,442
Community Justice	-	-	-	-	28,500	28,500
Goldsmiths	-	17,000	17,000	-	17,000	17,000
Legal Education Foundation (including Justice First)	-	81,105	81,105	-	72,738	72,738
Mercers' Company	-	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
National Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	-	14,550	14,550
Oak Foundation	-	20,923	20,923	-	20,318	20,318
Persula	-	-	-	-	10,293	10,293
Porticus	-	-	-	-	7,408	7,408
Trust for London	-	50,000	50,000	-	24,500	24,500
Development (Other)	-	46,783	46,783	-	61,974	61,974
Case work and LAA	167,820	-	167,820	367,675	-	367,675
Sub-total for Legal	177,820	310,364	488,184	382,769	369,740	752,509
Act for Change	-	-	-	-	69,294	69,294
BBC Children in Need	-	43,625	43,625	-	42,609	42,609
BBC Children in Need (Small grant)	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Esmée Fairbairn Foundation	-	375	375	-	44,700	44,700
Garden Court Chambers	-	4,000	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
John Lyons	-	6,065	6,065	-	33,000	33,000
KPMG Foundation	-	-	-	-	25,000	25,000
National Lottery	-	165,794	165,794	-	181,514	181,514
Oak Foundation	-	67,263	67,263	-	90,426	90,426
On Our Radar	-	-	-	-	2,800	2,800
Permira Equinox (TCS)	-	75,000	75,000	-	-	-
Permira Foundation	-	-	-	-	53,600	53,600
The Listening Fund	-	-	-	-	150	150
The Pilgrim Trust	-	10,000	10,000	-	15,000	15,000
Trust For London (Good Homes)	-	25,842	25,842	-	-	-
Hardship fund	-	-	-	-	6,250	6,250
Development (Other)	-	70,884	70,884	-	93,900	93,900
Sub-total for Programmes	-	468,848	468,848	-	672,243	672,243

3 Income from charitable activities (continued)

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 Total £
Donations	–	5,703	5,703	–	4,400	4,400
Act for Change	–	–	–	–	12,113	12,113
Baring Foundation	–	–	–	–	6,639	6,639
Barrow Cadbury	–	–	–	–	1,940	1,940
Barrow Cadbury (BAME)	–	29,250	29,250	–	29,250	29,250
Comic Relief policy	–	–	–	–	6,500	6,500
Dawes Trust	–	59,000	59,000	–	60,000	60,000
EHRC	–	–	–	–	24,822	24,822
Esmée Fairbairn Foundation	–	375	375	–	20,750	20,750
Howard League	–	–	–	–	10,000	10,000
Joseph Rowntree Foundation	–	29,344	29,344	–	29,546	29,546
KPMG	–	–	–	–	25,000	25,000
Oak Foundation	–	31,425	31,425	–	30,510	30,510
Paul Hastings	–	–	–	–	25,000	25,000
Persula	–	–	–	–	3,419	3,419
Porticus	–	20,000	20,000	–	12,592	12,592
Small Trusts	–	–	–	–	6,000	6,000
The Bromley Trust	–	15,000	15,000	–	15,000	15,000
Trust for London (Good Homes)	–	9,158	9,158	–	–	–
Development (Other)	–	24,101	24,101	–	31,926	31,926
Sub-total for Policy	–	223,356	223,356	–	355,407	355,407
Total income from charitable activities	177,820	1,002,568	1,180,388	382,769	1,397,390	1,780,159

4 Income from other activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 Total £
Events and sponsorships	39,745	–	39,745	40,353	–	40,353
HMRC JRS	–	–	–	9,956	–	9,956
	39,745	–	39,745	50,309	–	50,309

5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 Total £
Bank interest receivable	37	–	37	316	–	316
	37	–	37	316	–	316

6a Analysis of expenditure (current year)

	Charitable activities							
	Raising funds £	Legal £	Programmes £	Policy £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Staff costs (Note 8)	43,936	462,460	414,595	216,491	–	317,619	1,455,101	1,382,567
Other staff costs	–	3,569	303	–	–	100,697	104,569	123,968
Client support	–	1,384	3,406	375	–	433	5,598	4,679
Consultancy	–	21,810	–	12,754	–	36,474	71,038	63,272
Insurance	–	–	–	–	–	7,864	7,864	4,323
Promotion	–	–	–	–	–	6,372	6,372	5,716
Legal fees	–	–	–	–	–	125	125	125
Audit and accountancy	–	–	–	–	12,250	–	12,250	8,120
Governance	–	–	–	–	1,764	–	1,764	–
Premises costs	–	–	–	–	–	111,053	111,053	184,378
Office costs	–	18,274	2,227	80	–	85,255	105,836	82,508
Other costs	–	8,105	–	16,480	–	7,254	31,839	28,284
Subscriptions	–	1,004	–	–	–	5,293	6,297	6,885
LAA Costs	–	95,126	–	–	–	–	95,126	263,867
VAT	–	–	–	–	–	49,640	49,640	75,426
Project Costs	–	–	72,268	18,819	–	10,005	101,092	87,749
Depreciation	–	–	–	–	–	16,755	16,755	15,823
	43,936	611,732	492,799	264,999	14,014	754,839	2,182,319	2,337,690
Support costs	15,097	309,484	317,032	113,226	–	(754,839)	–	–
Governance costs	280	5,746	5,886	2,102	(14,014)	–	–	–
Total expenditure 2022	59,313	926,962	815,717	380,327	–	–	2,182,319	–
Total expenditure 2021	73,521	1,100,109	747,096	416,962	–	–	2,337,690	

6b Analysis of expenditure (Prior year)

	Charitable activities						
	Raising funds £	Legal £	Programmes £	Policy £	Governance costs £	Support costs £	2021 Total £
Staff costs (Note 8)	54,399	430,615	365,456	213,655	–	318,442	1,382,567
Other staff costs	–	3,485	496	–	–	119,987	123,968
Client support	–	194	4,485	–	–	–	4,679
Consultancy	–	28,304	–	12,172	–	22,796	63,272
Insurance	–	2,053	–	–	–	2,270	4,323
Promotion	2,151	–	–	–	–	3,565	5,716
Legal fees	–	–	–	–	–	125	125
Audit and accountancy	–	–	–	–	8,120	–	8,120
Premises costs	–	–	–	–	–	184,378	184,378
Office costs	–	21,513	2,346	4,781	–	53,868	82,508
Other costs	–	1,393	–	26,262	–	629	28,284
Subscriptions	–	776	–	–	–	6,109	6,885
LAA Costs	–	263,867	–	–	–	–	263,867
VAT	–	–	–	–	–	75,426	75,426
Project Costs	–	–	17,918	32,808	–	37,023	87,749
Depreciation	–	–	–	–	–	15,823	15,823
	56,550	752,200	390,701	289,678	8,120	840,441	2,337,690
Support costs	16,809	344,580	352,985	126,066	–	(840,440)	–
Governance costs	162	3,329	3,410	1,218	(8,120)	–	–
Total expenditure 2021	73,521	1,100,109	747,096	416,962	–	–	2,337,690

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7 Net expenditure for the year

This is stated after charging / (crediting):

	2022 £	2021 £
Depreciation	16,755	15,823
Auditor's remuneration (excluding VAT):		
Audit	9,800	8,120
Other services	-	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

8 Analysis of staff costs, trustee remuneration and expenses, and the cost of key management personnel

Staff costs were as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Salaries and wages	1,270,123	1,212,541
Redundancy and termination costs	3,400	1,630
Social security costs	131,467	121,161
Employer's contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	50,111	47,236
	<u>1,455,101</u>	<u>1,382,567</u>

The following number of employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs and employer's national insurance) during the year between:

	2022 No.	2021 No.
£60,000 – £69,999	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>

The total employee benefits (including pension contributions and employer's national insurance) of the key management personnel were £321,083 (2021: £282,432).

The charity trustees were neither paid nor received any other benefits from employment with the charity in the year (2021: £nil). No charity trustee received payment for professional or other services supplied to the charity (2021: £nil).

During the year, no travel expenses were reimbursed as trustee expenses (2021: £nil).

9 Staff numbers

The average number of employees (head count based on number of staff employed) during the year was 40 (2021: 38).

Staff are split across the activities of the charitable company as follows (average head count):

	2022 No.	2021 No.
Raising funds	1.0	2.0
Legal	12.0	12.0
Programmes	12.0	11.0
Policy	7.0	6.0
Support	8.0	7.0
	<u>40.0</u>	<u>38.0</u>

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10 Related party transactions

Trustee Maureen Cole-Burns' husband is a trustee of Trust for London, which gave grants to Just for Kids Law totalling £85,000 (2021: £24,500). These were restricted and can be seen in notes 2 and 3 of the financial statements. Maureen Cole-Burns resigned as a trustee in July 2022.

Trustee Sufina Ahmad is the Director of the John Ellerman Foundation which gave Just for Kids Law a grant of £50,000.

Trustee Peter Gibbs who is the Managing Director of Permira which gave to Just for Kids Law a grant of £75,000.

Honorary Founder Shauneed Lambe is a Trustee of the Barings Foundation, which gave a grant to Just for Kids Law of £0 (2021: £25,656). This was restricted and can be seen in notes 2 and 3 of the financial statements.

During the year, trustees in aggregate donated unrestricted funds of £357 (2021: £nil).

11 Taxation

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold Improvements £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At the start of the year	93,723	20,157	113,880
Additions in year	–	–	–
Disposals in year	–	–	–
At the end of the year	93,723	20,157	113,880
Depreciation			
At the start of the year	11,715	4,108	15,823
Charge for the year	11,715	5,040	16,755
Eliminated on disposal	–	–	–
At the end of the year	23,430	9,148	32,578
Net book value			
At the end of the year	82,008	15,117	97,125
At the start of the year	93,723	20,157	113,880

All of the above assets are used for charitable purposes.

13 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	39,922	54,990
Other debtors	35,565	29,228
Accrued income	8,759	53,640
	84,246	137,858

All of the charity's financial instruments, both assets and liabilities, are measured at amortised cost. The carrying values of these are shown above and also in note 14 below.

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14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	58,443	86,377
Taxation and social security	42,444	31,595
Other creditors	84,204	101,493
Deferred income	16,571	137,071
	201,662	356,536

15 Deferred income

Deferred income comprises the deferment of grant income received in the year which must be recognised in following years as per the terms of the specific grants.

	2022 £	2021 £
Balance at the beginning of the year	137,071	165,550
Amount released to income in the year	(137,071)	(165,550)
Amount deferred in the year	16,571	137,071
Balance at the end of the year	16,571	137,071

16a Analysis of net assets between funds (current year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	97,125	–	97,125
Net current assets	633,127	288,774	921,901
Net assets at 31 May 2022	730,252	288,774	1,019,026

16b Analysis of net assets between funds (prior year)

	General unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	113,880	–	113,880
Net current assets	739,400	412,714	1,152,114
Net assets at 31 May 2021	853,280	412,714	1,265,994

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17a Movements in funds (current year)

	At 1 June 2021 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 May 2022 £
Restricted funds:					
Legal					
Allen & Overy Foundation	–	15,000	(15,000)	–	–
Baring Foundation (Custody Time Limits)	5,003	–	(3,750)	–	1,253
City Bridge Trust (casework)	–	35,000	(35,000)	–	–
Comic Relief (Safe Place to Be)	5,705	44,553	(45,094)	–	5,164
Goldsmiths Company Charity	–	17,000	(17,000)	–	–
Legal Education Foundation (including Justice First)	9,718	81,105	(85,291)	–	5,532
Mercers' Company	5,000	–	(5,000)	–	–
Oak Foundation	3,107	20,923	(24,030)	–	–
Trust for London	2,634	50,000	(50,375)	–	2,259
Development (other)	2,436	46,783	(44,600)	–	4,619
	33,603	310,364	(325,140)	–	18,827
Programmes					
Act for Change Fund	37,568	–	(31,068)	–	6,500
BBC Children in Need (Main Grant)	6,510	43,625	(47,451)	–	2,684
BBC Children in Need (Small Grant)	5,888	–	(5,888)	–	–
Esmée Fairbairn Foundation	26,010	375	(26,385)	–	–
Garden Court Chambers	5,286	4,000	(2,640)	–	6,646
John Lyon's Charity	29,482	6,065	(35,547)	–	–
KPMG Foundation	25,000	–	(25,000)	–	–
National Lottery Community Fund	59,109	165,794	(154,468)	–	70,435
Oak Foundation	34,884	67,263	(85,344)	–	16,803
Permira Equinox (TCS)	–	75,000	(31,622)	–	43,378
Permira Foundation	28,099	–	(28,099)	–	–
The Pilgrim Trust	–	10,000	(10,000)	–	–
Trust For London (Good Homes)	–	25,842	(25,842)	–	–
Education funds and one-off grants	912	–	–	–	912
Hardship fund	11,414	–	(1,571)	–	9,843
Development (other)	3,691	70,884	(67,575)	–	7,000
	273,853	468,848	(578,500)	–	164,201

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17a Movements in funds (current year) (continued)

	At 1 June 2021 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 May 2022 £
Policy					
Donations	4,400	5,703	–	–	10,103
Act for Change Fund	6,512	–	(6,512)	–	–
Barrow Cadbury Trust	840	–	(840)	–	–
Barrow Cadbury Trust (BAME)	8,640	29,250	(32,672)	–	5,218
Comic Relief (Change It!)	3,284	–	–	–	3,284
Dawes Trust	46,966	59,000	(45,888)	–	60,078
Esmee Fairbairn Foundation	896	375	(1,271)	–	–
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust	2,141	29,344	(31,485)	–	–
KPMG Foundation	6,143	–	(6,067)	–	76
Oak Foundation	7,255	31,425	(24,782)	–	13,897
Paul Hastings	16,927	–	(9,296)	–	7,631
Porticus	–	20,000	(18,435)	–	1,565
The Bromley Trust	–	15,000	(15,000)	–	–
Trust for London (Good Homes)	–	9,158	(7,644)	–	1,514
Development (other)	1,255	24,101	(22,976)	–	2,380
	105,258	223,356	(222,868)	–	105,746
Total restricted funds	412,714	1,002,568	(1,126,508)	–	288,774
	At 1 June 2021 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 May 2022 £
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	853,280	932,783	(1,055,811)	–	730,252
Total funds	1,265,994	1,935,351	(2,182,319)	–	1,019,026

The narrative to explain the purpose of each fund is given at the foot of the following note.

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17b Movements in funds (prior year)

	At 1 June 2020 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 May 2021 £
Restricted funds:					
Legal					
Baring Foundation (Custody Time Limits)	–	19,017	(14,014)	–	5,003
City Bridge Trust (casework)	–	45,000	(45,000)	–	–
Comic Relief (Safe Place to Be)	4,853	43,442	(42,590)	–	5,705
Community Justice Fund	–	28,500	(28,500)	–	–
Goldsmiths Company Charity	–	17,000	(17,000)	–	–
Legal Education Foundation (including Justice First)	1,570	72,738	(64,590)	–	9,718
Mercers' Company	–	5,000	–	–	5,000
National Lottery Community Fund	–	14,550	(14,550)	–	–
Oak Foundation	3,276	20,318	(20,487)	–	3,107
Persula	–	10,293	(10,293)	–	–
Porticus	–	7,408	(7,408)	–	–
The Big Give	14,583	–	(14,583)	–	–
Trust for London	23,560	24,500	(45,426)	–	2,634
Development (other)	22,997	61,974	(56,135)	(26,400)	2,436
	70,839	369,740	(380,576)	(26,400)	33,603
Programmes					
Act for Change	–	69,294	(31,726)	–	37,568
BBC Children in Need (Main grant)	1,078	42,609	(37,177)	–	6,510
BBC Children in Need (Small Grants)	–	10,000	(4,112)	–	5,888
Clifford Chance	7,100	–	(7,100)	–	–
Esmée Fairbairn Foundation	19,217	44,700	(37,907)	–	26,010
Garden Court Chambers	2,841	4,000	(1,555)	–	5,286
Henry Smith Foundation	7,488	–	(7,488)	–	–
John Lyons Charity	17,855	33,000	(21,373)	–	29,482
KPMG Foundation	–	25,000	–	–	25,000
National Lottery Community Fund	36,915	181,514	(159,320)	–	59,109
Oak Foundation	7,914	90,426	(63,456)	–	34,884
On our Radar	–	2,800	(2,800)	–	–
Premira Foundation	–	53,600	(25,501)	–	28,099
The Listening Fund	3,320	150	(3,470)	–	–
The Pilgrim Trust	–	15,000	(15,000)	–	–
Trust For London COVID19 Hardship	2,450	–	(2,450)	–	–
Education funds and one-off grants	1,659	–	(747)	–	912
Hardship fund	6,386	6,250	(1,222)	–	11,414
Donations	13,276	–	–	(13,276)	–
Development (other)	34,845	93,900	(85,054)	(40,000)	3,691
	162,344	672,243	(507,458)	(53,276)	273,853

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17b Movements in funds (prior year) (continued)

	At 1 June 2020	Income & gains	Expenditure & losses	Transfers	At 31 May 2021
Policy					
Donations	-	4,400	-	-	4,400
Act for Change	-	12,113	(5,601)	-	6,512
Baring Foundation	4,700	-	(4,700)	-	-
Baring Foundation (Custody Time)	-	6,639	(6,639)	-	-
Baring Social Impact Fund	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-
Barrow Cadbury Trust	-	1,940	(1,100)	-	840
Barrow Cadbury Trust (BAME)	-	29,250	(20,610)	-	8,640
Comic Relief (Change it)	284	6,500	(3,500)	-	3,284
Dawes Trust	-	60,000	(13,034)	-	46,966
EHRC	-	24,822	(24,822)	-	-
Esmee Fairbairn Foundation	7,703	20,750	(27,557)	-	896
Howard League	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust	-	29,546	(27,405)	-	2,141
KPMG Foundation	-	25,000	(18,857)	-	6,143
Oak Foundation	7,058	30,510	(30,313)	-	7,255
Paul Hastings	3,000	25,000	(11,073)	-	16,927
Persula Foundation	-	3,419	(3,419)	-	-
Porticus	-	12,592	(12,592)	-	-
Second Growth	7,518	-	(7,518)	-	-
Small Trusts	-	6,000	(6,000)	-	-
The Bromley Trust	15,000	15,000	(15,000)	(15,000)	-
Development (other)	11,847	31,926	(28,918)	(13,600)	1,255
	62,110	355,407	(283,659)	(28,600)	105,258
Total restricted funds	295,293	1,397,390	(1,171,693)	(108,276)	412,714
	At 1 June 2020 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 May 2021 £
Unrestricted funds:					
Total designated funds	250,000	-	-	(250,000)	-
General funds	483,592	1,177,408	(1,165,996)	358,276	853,280
Total unrestricted funds	733,592	1,177,408	(1,165,996)	108,276	853,280
Total funds	1,028,885	2,574,798	(2,337,689)	-	1,265,994

Purposes of restricted funds

Legal

Allen & Overy – Funding to support our school exclusions work.

Baring Foundation – Funding to support our casework.

City Bridge Trust – Funding to carry out strategic litigation relating to changes to regulations for custody time limits. Funding to support our casework.

Comic Relief (Safe Place to Be) – Funding for a housing solicitor.

Goldsmiths Company Charity – Funding to support our casework.

Legal Education Foundation (including Justice First) – Funding to support the Justice First Fellowship trainee solicitor.

Mercers' Company – Funding towards our school exclusions casework

Oak Foundation – Funding for reforming housing and support for children and young people through participation.

Trust For London – Funding for our immigration work.

Programmes

Act for Change Fund – Funding towards our work on school exclusion.

BBC Children in Need (Main Grants) – Funding for youth advocacy, for clients who are under 18.

BBC Children in Need (small grant) – Funding towards our Young Ambassadors

Esmée Fairbairn Foundation – Funding towards care leavers advocacy.

Garden Court Chambers – contribution towards our youth engagement and participation work.

John Lyon's Charity – Funding towards the youth advocacy project.

KPMG Foundation – Funding for an advocacy manager.

National Lottery Community Fund – Funding for our youth advocacy including our trainee programme.

Oak Foundation – Funding for reforming housing and support for children and young people through participation.

Permira Equinox (TCS) – Funding for a pilot in-house therapy service for JfKL clients whose mental health needs were not met through statutory services for children and young people.

Permira Foundation – Funding towards and advocacy manager

The Pilgrim Trust – Funding for our young parents advocate.

Trust for London Funding to support our campaigning work on housing.

Hardship Funds – are given as small one-off grants where there is an immediate need.

Purposes of restricted funds (continued)

Policy

Donations – Funds contributing to our central costs.

Act for Change Fund – Funding towards our work on school exclusion.

Barrow Cadbury Trust – Funding to develop reform proposals to assist children turning 18 in the criminal justice system.

Barrow Cadbury Trust (BAME) – Funding to improve legal representation for BAME young people.

Comic Relief (Change It!) – Funding towards Just For Kids Law child-led campaign Change It!, and towards advocacy and education community care, focused on West London.

Dawes Trust – Funding to improve legal representation for children and young people.

Esmée Fairbairn Foundation – Funding for policy work to influence the outcomes for care leavers.

Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust – Funding for our policy research and campaigning on BAME young people and the police.

KPMG Foundation – Funding for policy work relating to COVID-19.

Oak Foundation – Funding for reforming housing and support for children and young people through participation.

Paul Hastings – Funding to create new and updating practitioner guides.

Porticus – Funding for our policy and legal work on school exclusion.

The Bromley Trust – Funding towards child rights policy, and public affairs work.

Trust for London – Funding to support care experienced children with experience of homelessness to campaign for change.

Development (other)

AB Charitable Trust – Funding towards core operational costs.

Bernard Lewis Family Charitable Trust– Funding towards our core costs

Brooks Foundation (Core) – Funding towards core operational costs.

Childhood Trust– Funding towards core operational costs

Esmée Fairbairn Foundation (Core Grant) – Funding towards core operational costs.

Family Foundation – Funding towards core operational costs.

Paul Hamlyn Foundation (Growth Fund) – Core funding to support strategic and operational growth of organisation.

London Community Response Fund – Funding to support recovery following the Covid 19 pandemic.

Philip King Charitable Trust– Funding to support the employment of a Financial Director.

Stewarts Foundation– Funding towards our core costs supporting our Youth Opportunities Work

The Blagrove Trust – Funding towards core operational costs.

The John Ellerman Foundation – Funding towards core operational costs.

The Mark Leonard Trust – Funding towards core operational costs.

The Segelman Trust – Funding towards core operational costs.

The Taurus Foundation – Funding towards core operational costs.

Paul Hastings – Funding to create new and updating practitioner guides.

Persula Foundation – Funding for our school exclusions work and youth justice advice line.

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The breakdown of development funds for 2021/22 was as follows:

	At 1 June 2021 £	Income & gains £	Expenditure & losses £	Transfers £	At 31 May 2022 £
Blagrove Trust (Wellbeing grant)	–	400	(400)	–	–
Comic Relief (Recovery fund)	5,000	–	(5,000)	–	–
Drapers Charitable Trust	–	30,000	(30,000)	–	–
Mark Leonard Trust	–	50,000	(49,972)	–	28
Permira Foundation	–	7,500	(7,500)	–	–
Philip King	–	20,000	(20,007)	–	(7)
Legal Education Foundation	1,952	21,891	(20,063)	–	3,780
Esmée Fairbairn Resilience	430	–	(430)	–	–
Paul Hamlyn	–	10,000	(1,778)	–	8,222
London Legal Support Trust	–	1,977	–	–	1,977
	7,382	141,768	(135,150)	–	14,000

18 Operating lease commitments

The charity's total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases is as follows for each of the following periods

	2022 £	2021 £
Less than one year	84,204	79,303
One to five years	78,000	78,000
	162,204	157,303

19 Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to £10.