

KINSHIP CARERS

England & Wales · Charity number 1122907

Details

Other names	PADA
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	05943911
Registered	2008-02-21
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF NEED AMONG FAMILIES AFFECTED BY DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE, PARTICULARLY, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, BY THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT, ADVICE AND EDUCATION FOR THE MEMBERS OF THOSE FAMILIES WHO MAY BENEFIT FROM SUCH SERVICES.

Activities: Our project supports families raising children when their biological parents can no longer do so due to alcohol and drug misuse, bereavement, imprisonment, mental health issues etc. We support the young person and the kinship carers offering respite, one to one and group work, training courses, coffee mornings, pamper days.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE MERSEYSIDE
- Liverpool City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£168,893	£149,391	-	-
2024-03-31	£145,438	£152,930	-	-
2023-03-31	£144,148	£156,133	-	-
2022-03-31	£182,298	£166,165	-	-
2021-03-31	£155,856	£113,016	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Abbie Chantelle Louise Wells Wells		2018-11-01
Amelia Jade Thompson		2020-06-08
Anita Hanson		2025-09-02
Colette Cadwallader		2015-12-10
Councillor Kevin Pilnick		2023-12-08
HAZEL GEARING		2018-11-01
Margaret Maloney Thomas		2018-11-01
Samantha Davis-McCardle		2015-12-10

Accounts

KINSHIP CARERS

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05943911 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1122907

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**KINSHIP CARERS
CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION**

Charity Name

Kinship Carers

Registered Company Number

05943911 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity Number

1122907

Registered Office

Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
Norris Green
Liverpool
L11 2RY

Trustees/Directors

C. Cadwallader
S. Davis-McCardle
S. Lee (resigned 15 January 2025)
M. Thomas
H. Gearing
A. Wells
A.J. Thompson
K. Pilnick (appointed 12 April 2024)
S. Cunningham (resigned 12 April 2024)
E. Hennessy (resigned 12 April 2024)

Bankers

TSB Bank
PO Box 373
LS14 9GQ

Independent Examiner

Counting for Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive
Liverpool
L37 1PQ

**KINSHIP CARERS
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006 and the 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a registered company limited by guarantee incorporated in September 2006 and registered as a charity in February 2008. The governing document is the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Organisational Structure

The trustees, who are also directors, are appointed in accordance with procedures set out in the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

It is managed by an Executive Committee of trustees and meetings are held monthly and agenda items include finance, health and safety and staff reports.

Every member of the charity undertakes to contribute such amount as required (not exceeding £10) if the charity should be wound up.

Risk identification and management

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed and, where appropriate, systems and procedures have been established to mitigate

Public Benefit

When planning and programming activities for Kinship Families in Liverpool, the Trustees are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The object of the charitable company is to provide the relief of need among families affected by drug/alcohol abuse, mental health problems and bereavement, particularly, but not exclusively, by the provision of support, advice, advocacy and education for the members of those families who may benefit from such services.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Kinship Carers Liverpool continue to go from strength to strength with a great deal of recognition both locally and nationally. We can only perform and achieve as well as we do due to the continued support and funding from Big Lottery Community Fund, we are very lucky to have been funded for a further 5 years and this will enable us to raise more awareness for the project as well as additional security to move forward. We have been funded for the next 3 years by Trusthouse Charitable Foundation. They enable us to provide a comprehensive service, to raise the profile of Kinship families and to continue National Kinship Carers week in October which started in Liverpool in 2016, which has now become global, with 13 other countries adopting the same week. We also receive additional funding from HAF (Department of Education healthy food and activities funding) which allows us to provide summer and half term provisions that promote health lifestyles, which has proved to significantly help our Kinship families manage the cost-of-living crisis and the health and wellbeing of our Kin-kids.

This year we have been funded by Cobalt to create an outdoor area at the back of our building which will be a garden for our Kin-Kids to grow fruit, veg and flowers, a sensory area and a relaxing space for all our families and the community, this has been a big achievement involving Kinship Carers, Kin-Kids and volunteers.

In February our young people hosted Grandparents Plus (Kinship) DfE funded roadshow, to deliver training to Kinship Carers in the Northwest. Using their lived experiences to train and support Kinship Carers through their journey, by offering insights that can lead to better outcomes for both the young person and the kin carer.

The service continues to adapt and develop to meet the ever-changing challenges faced by Kinship families whose needs are often complex, long lasting, and traumatic. We have employed more sessional workers to offer specific areas of work including podcasts, emotional well – being, peer group support and meditation. A law clinic is operational once a month to offer free legal advice and pro-bono work. Volunteers and Social Work trainees also contribute significantly to the enhancement of the service we offer to Kinship families across the city.

Campaigning for the rights of Kinship Families continues to be a primary focus of the service. Following the launch of the UK's first Kinship Charter in March 2023 in conjunction with Liverpool City Council, the team has worked tirelessly with Social Care and other relevant services to raise awareness and continue to do so to ensure that all Kinship Carers and Kin Kids receive an equitable service, one which meets all their needs and entitlements and represents 'best practice' of the professionals involved. The longer-term aim is for the Kinship Carer Charter to be adopted nationally; we are still working towards this through our involvement nationally on key Kinship alliance groups.

**KINSHIP CARERS
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2025**

We are proud that Liverpool Kinship families continue to be a voice locally and nationally, influencing procedures, legislation, and policies. They are proactive in raising awareness by contributing to training programmes, podcasts, meeting with key legislators and educators to ensure that the rights of Kin kids and their families are fully recognised and receive the support they so rightfully deserve.

How did the team do this?

The team continue to update their training to develop their own skills and knowledge base and to ensure they can offer the best support to our Kinship families. They work in partnership with carers and year on year referrals into the project increases substantially. The service continues to grow and develop based on the needs of the families as they present.

Currently, the team provide one-to-one support, group work and peer support, health and well-being, parenting programmes and a range of educational and fun activities. In addition to this, the team contribute to the training of key professionals e.g. Social Workers.

Targets

- 100% of our Kinship Families have access to Priority One Gym passes enabling them to improve their physical and mental wellbeing.
- 100% Feel less isolated
- 97% of Kin Children had new experiences
- 100% Kin Families felt more able to get their voices heard through campaigning

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income in the year was £168,893 (2024: £145,438) of which £162,358 (2024: £130,895) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions are placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £149,391 (2024: £152,930) leaving a surplus for the year of £19,502 (2024 deficit: £7,492).

At 31 March 2025 the charitable company's reserves stood at £146,378 (2024: £126,876) of which £96,249 (2024: £77,853) represented restricted funds.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charitable company to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and three months running costs should no further funding be received. At the end of the financial year the unrestricted funds totalled £50,129 and was sufficient to cover these costs.

Plans for Future Periods

KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES
For the year ended 31 March 2025

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

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

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

By Order of the Board



M. Thomas

Date: 29/10/25

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF KINSHIP CARERS

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 9 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees, who are also the directors of the company for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Stephen Leonard

Date: 18-11-25

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting For Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive,
Liverpool, L37 1PQ

KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	6,535	-	6,535	14,543
Charitable activities	3	-	162,358	162,358	130,895
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	-	-	-	-
Total income		<u>6,535</u>	<u>162,358</u>	<u>168,893</u>	<u>145,438</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	6,239	143,152	149,391	152,930
Total expenditure	7	<u>6,239</u>	<u>143,152</u>	<u>149,391</u>	<u>152,930</u>
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		296	19,206	19,502	(7,492)
Transfer between funds		810	(810)	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) for the year		<u>1,106</u>	<u>18,396</u>	<u>19,502</u>	<u>(7,492)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	49,023	77,853	126,876	134,361
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>50,129</u>	<u>96,249</u>	<u>146,378</u>	<u>126,871</u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

KINSHIP CARERS
BALANCE SHEET at 31 March 2025
Registration Number: 05943911

	Note	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	-	15	15	20
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	11	51,105	96,234	147,339	128,761
		51,105	96,234	147,339	128,761
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(976)	-	(976)	(1,905)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		50,129	96,234	146,363	126,856
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		50,129	96,249	146,378	126,876
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				50,129	49,023
Restricted funds				96,249	77,853
TOTAL FUNDS				146,378	126,876

For the year ending 31 March 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


M. Thomas

29/10/25.
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity and monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Income

Incoming recognition

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2025

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Fixtures and Fittings - 25% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £750, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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 and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds - can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2025

Note	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	6,535	-	6,535	14,543
	<u>6,535</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,535</u>	<u>14,543</u>
3 Charitable activities				
Tudor Trust	-	22,000	22,000	20,000
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	10,417	10,417	25,000
HAF/Opal	-	19,700	19,700	28,500
Big Lottery Kinship Together	-	52,201	52,201	50,000
Liverpool City Council	-	500	500	700
Picton Childrens Centre	-	-	-	1,500
Grandparents Plus Support	-	-	-	5,195
Cobalt Housing	-	5,000	5,000	-
VRU	-	18,040	18,040	-
Trusthouse Grant	-	33,000	33,000	-
Community Foundations Lancashire	-	1,500	1,500	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>162,358</u>	<u>162,358</u>	<u>130,895</u>
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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For the year ended 31 March 2025

Note	2025 Unrestricted £	2025 Restricted £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	895	-	895	855
Salaries	4,911	94,007	98,918	95,278
Therapist	-	520	520	640
Payroll fee	-	656	656	506
Transport	-	4,405	4,405	6,061
Materials & activities	351	8,162	8,513	11,585
Trips	-	7,403	7,403	11,869
Telephone	-	1,333	1,333	1,183
Training	-	2,379	2,379	290
Rent	-	6,051	6,051	3,668
Room hire	-	3,575	3,575	1,720
Sundry/other costs	82	1,136	1,218	416
Donations to good causes	-	-	-	3,700
Food & refreshments	-	7,886	7,886	9,163
Postage & stationery	-	1,176	1,176	1,768
Volunteer expenses	-	-	-	100
Insurance	-	595	595	551
IT equipment & support	-	3,863	3,863	3,570
Depreciation	-	5	5	7
	<u>6,239</u>	<u>143,152</u>	<u>149,391</u>	<u>152,930</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	895	-	895	855
	<u>895</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>895</u>	<u>855</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2025

Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure £	Support & Governance Costs £	Total £
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2025	131,220	18,171	149,391
Total expenditure in 2024	140,116	12,814	152,930
Analysed as follows:	2025	2024	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Salaries	98,918	95,278	
Therapists	520	640	
Transport	4,405	6,061	
Materials, Activities & Trips	15,916	23,454	
Donations to good causes	-	3,700	
Room hire	3,575	1,720	
Food & refreshments	7,886	9,163	
Volunteer Expenses	-	100	
	131,220	140,116	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	895	855	
Payroll fee	656	506	
Telephone	1,333	1,183	
Training	2,379	290	
Rent	6,051	3,668	
Postage & stationery	1,176	1,768	
Insurance	595	551	
IT Costs	3,863	3,570	
Sundry/other costs	1,218	416	
Depreciation	5	7	
	18,171	12,814	

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For the year ended 31 March 2025

Note	2025	2024
	£	£
8 Staff Costs and Employees		
Wages and salaries	95,763	92,826
Pension	2,617	424
Social security costs	538	2,028
	<u>98,918</u>	<u>95,278</u>

No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)

The average number of employees during the year was :

	2025	2024
Charitable activities	5	5
	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

9 Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2024	-	380	380
Disposals	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>380</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2024	-	360	360
On Disposals	-	-	-
Charge for year	-	5	5
At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>365</u>	<u>365</u>
Net Book Value			
At 31 March 2025	-	15	15
At 31 March 2024	-	20	20

	2025	2024
	£	£
10 Debtors		
Prepayments & accrued income	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

	2025	2024
	£	£
11 Cash at bank and in hand		
Current Account	147,240	128,731
Petty Cash	99	30
	<u>147,339</u>	<u>128,761</u>

	2025	2024
	£	£
12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year		
Creditors	81	133
Accruals	895	1,772
	<u>976</u>	<u>1,905</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2025

Note	Balance at				Balance at
13 Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
	2024	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	49,023	6,535	(6,239)	810	50,129
	<u>49,023</u>	<u>6,535</u>	<u>(6,239)</u>	<u>810</u>	<u>50,129</u>
Restricted Funds					
Tudor Trust	1,644	-	(1,640)	(4)	-
Grandparents Plus Support	5,236	-	(4,361)	(875)	-
Cobalt Housing	-	5,000	(2,000)	-	3,000
Big Lottery Kinship Together	240	52,201	(35,106)	-	17,335
Steve Morgan Foundation	5,396	-	(5,396)	-	-
HAF/Opal	8,076	19,700	(21,441)	-	6,335
The Tudor Trust Fund	37,888	22,000	(30,873)	-	29,015
VRU	-	18,040	(617)	-	17,423
PH Holt Foundation	1,428	-	(1,425)	(3)	-
Covid 19 Response Lottery	4,171	-	(1,687)	-	2,484
Liverpool City Council	7,770	500	(8,354)	84	-
SMF	942	10,417	(11,342)	(17)	-
Garfield Weston	1,539	-	(1,531)	(8)	-
Torus	2,003	-	(2,016)	13	-
Trusthouse Grant	-	33,000	(14,826)	-	18,174
Community Foundation Lancashire	-	1,500	-	-	1,500
Picton Childrens Centre	1,500	-	(532)	-	968
SIB Group - DCLG Challenge	20	-	(5)	-	15
	<u>77,853</u>	<u>162,358</u>	<u>(143,152)</u>	<u>(810)</u>	<u>96,249</u>
Total Funds	<u>126,876</u>	<u>168,893</u>	<u>(149,391)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>146,378</u>

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2025 (2024: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

KINSHIP CARERS

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1122907

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION**

Charity Name

Kinship Carers

Registered Company Number

05943911 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity Number

1122907

Registered Office

Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
Norris Green
Liverpool
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Trustees/Directors

C. Cadwallader
S. Davis-McCardle
S. Lee
M. Thomas
H. Gearing
A. Wells
E. Kielty (resigned 5 May 2023)
A.J. Thompson
S. Cunningham (resigned 12 April 2024)
E. Hennessy (resigned 12 April 2024)
K. Pilnick (appointed 8 December 2023)

Bankers

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**KINSHIP CARERS
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2024**

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006 and the 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'.

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It is managed by an Executive Committee of trustees and meetings are held monthly and agenda items include finance, health and safety and staff reports.

Every member of the charity undertakes to contribute such amount as required (not exceeding £10) if the charity should be wound up.

Risk identification and management

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed and, where appropriate, systems and procedures have been established to mitigate

Public Benefit

When planning and programming activities for Kinship Families in Liverpool, the Trustees are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The object of the charitable company is to provide the relief of need among families affected by drug/alcohol abuse, mental health problems and bereavement, particularly, but not exclusively, by the provision of support, advice, advocacy and education for the members of those families who may benefit from such services.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Kinship Carers Liverpool continue to go from strength to strength with a great deal of recognition both locally and nationally. We can only perform and achieve as well as we do due to the continued support and funding from Big Lottery Community Fund, Steve Morgan Foundation and The Tudor Trust. They enable us to provide a comprehensive service, to raise the profile of Kinship families and to continue with the national Kinship Carers week in October which started in Liverpool in 2016 and has now rolled out across the UK. We also receive additional funding from HAF which allows us to provide lunches to promote healthy eating and activities and has proved to significantly help our Kinship families manage the cost-of-living crisis.

The service continues to adapt and develop to meet the ever-changing challenges faced by Kinship families whose needs are often complex, long lasting, and traumatic. We have employed more sessional workers to offer specific areas of work including podcasts, emotional well – being, peer group support and meditation. A law clinic is operational once a month to offer free legal advice and pro-bono work. Volunteers and Social Work trainees also contribute significantly to the enhancement of the service we offer to Kinship families across the city.

Campaigning for the rights of Kinship Families continues to be a primary focus of the service. Following the launch of the UK's first Kinship Charter in March 2023 in conjunction with Liverpool City Council, the team has worked tirelessly with Social Care and other relevant services to raise awareness and to ensure that all Kinship Carers and Kin Kids receive an equitable service, one which meets all their needs and entitlements and represents 'best practice' of the professionals involved. The longer-term aim is for the Kinship Carer Charter to be adopted nationally; we are still working towards this through our involvement nationally on key Kinship alliance groups.

We are proud that Liverpool Kinship families continue to be a voice locally and nationally, influencing procedures, legislation, and policies. They are proactive in raising awareness by contributing to training programmes, podcasts, meeting with key legislators and educators to ensure that the rights of Kin kids and their families are fully recognised and receive the support they so rightfully deserve.

How did the team do this?

The team continue to update their training to develop their own skills and knowledge base and to ensure they can offer the best support to our Kinship families. They work in partnership with carers and year on year referrals into the project increases substantially. The service continues to grow and develop based on the needs of the families as they present.

Currently, the team provide one-to-one support, group work and peer support, health and well-being, parenting programmes and a range of educational and fun activities. In addition to this, the team contribute to the training of key professionals e.g. Social Workers.

Targets

- 100% of our Kinship Families have access to Priority One Gym passes enabling them to improve their physical and mental wellbeing.
- 100% Feel less isolated
- 95% of Kin Children had new experiences
- 100% Kin Families felt more able to get their voices heard through campaigning

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income in the year was £145,438 (2023: £144,148) of which £130,895 (2023: £133,100) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions are placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £152,930 (2023: £156,133) leaving a deficit for the year of £7,492 (2023 deficit: £11,985).

At 31 March 2024 the charitable company's reserves stood at £126,876 (2023:£134,368) of which £77,853 (2023:£97,728) represented restricted funds.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charitable company to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and three months running costs should no further funding be received. At the end of the financial year the unrestricted funds totalled £49,023 and was sufficient to cover these costs.

Plans for Future Periods

We continue to work in partnership with other agencies to ensure maximum resources and support for all Kinship Families and will always consult, involve and often take the lead from our families to ensure their issues and needs are recognised and resolved. We aim to provide a bespoke parenting course for all new carers, allowing our established carers to take an active role in this and pass on their experiences of what works and what does not. Technology will play a big part in our future plans; this is how our young people and a lot of our carers communicate and we welcome new projects that this will open up for us.

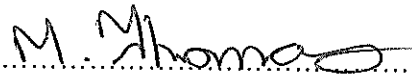
KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES
For the year ended 31 March 2024

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

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

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

By Order of the Board

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M. Thomas

Date: 27-11-24.....

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF KINSHIP CARERS

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 set out on pages 9 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees, who are also the directors of the company for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: S. Leonard

Date: 27-11-24

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting For Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive,
Liverpool, L37 1PQ

KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the year ended 31 March 2024

		2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
	Note				
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	14,543	-	14,543	10,048
Charitable activities	3	-	130,895	130,895	134,100
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	-	-	-	-
Total income		14,543	130,895	145,438	144,148
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	7,379	145,551	152,930	156,133
Total expenditure	7	7,379	145,551	152,930	156,133
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		7,164	(14,656)	(7,492)	(11,985)
Transfer between funds		219	(219)	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) for the year		7,383	(14,875)	(7,492)	(11,985)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	41,640	92,728	134,368	146,353
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		49,023	77,853	126,876	134,368

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

KINSHIP CARERS
BALANCE SHEET at 31 March 2024
Registration Number: 05943911

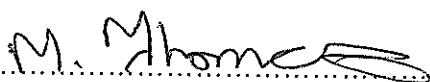
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FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	-	20	20	27
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	11	49,878	78,883	128,761	138,830
		49,878	78,883	128,761	138,830
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(855)	(1,050)	(1,905)	(4,489)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		49,023	77,833	126,856	134,341
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		49,023	77,853	126,876	134,368
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	13			49,023	41,640
Restricted funds				77,853	92,728
TOTAL FUNDS					
				126,876	134,368

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

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


M. Thomas

27-11-24
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity and monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Income

Incoming recognition

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Fixtures and Fittings - 25% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £750, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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 and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds - can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

KINSHIP CARERS
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For the year ended 31 March 2024

Note	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	14,543	-	14,543	10,048
	<u>14,543</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,543</u>	<u>10,048</u>
	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
3 Charitable activities				
Tudor Trust	-	20,000	20,000	20,000
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	25,000	25,000	25,000
HAF/Opal	-	28,500	28,500	32,000
Big Lottery Kinship Together	-	50,000	50,000	25,000
Picton Childrens Centre	-	1,500	1,500	-
Liverpool City Council	-	700	700	-
Grandparents Plus Support	-	5,195	5,195	-
Big Lottery Community Fund	-	-	-	25,000
Cash for kids	-	-	-	3,600
Torus	-	-	-	2,500
Other small grants	-	-	-	1,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>130,895</u>	<u>130,895</u>	<u>134,100</u>
	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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For the year ended 31 March 2024

Note	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	855	-	855	815
Salaries	-	95,278	95,278	90,452
Sessional staff	-	-	-	1,071
Therapist	-	640	640	760
Payroll fee	-	506	506	514
Transport	-	6,061	6,061	8,145
Materials & activities	2,724	8,861	11,585	6,040
Trips	-	11,869	11,869	18,752
Telephone	-	1,183	1,183	1,366
Training	-	290	290	383
Rent	-	3,668	3,668	3,389
Room hire	-	1,720	1,720	3,332
Sundry/other costs	-	416	416	349
Donations to good causes	3,700	-	3,700	3,898
Food & refreshments	100	9,063	9,163	8,922
Postage & stationery	-	1,768	1,768	2,109
Volunteer expenses	-	100	100	130
Insurance	-	551	551	523
IT equipment & support	-	3,570	3,570	5,173
Depreciation	-	7	7	10
	<u>7,379</u>	<u>145,551</u>	<u>152,930</u>	<u>156,133</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	855	-	855	815
	<u>855</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>855</u>	<u>815</u>

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Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
	£	£	£
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2024	140,116	12,814	152,930
Total expenditure in 2023	141,502	14,631	156,133
Analysed as follows:	2024	2023	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Salaries	95,278	90,452	
Sessional staff	-	1,071	
Therapists	640	760	
Transport	6,061	8,145	
Materials, Activities & Trips	23,454	24,792	
Donations to good causes	3,700	3,898	
Room hire	1,720	3,332	
Food & refreshments	9,163	8,922	
Volunteer Expenses	100	130	
	140,116	141,502	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	855	815	
Payroll fee	506	514	
Telephone	1,183	1,366	
Training	290	383	
Rent	3,668	3,389	
Postage & stationery	1,768	2,109	
Insurance	551	523	
IT Costs	3,570	5,173	
Sundry/other costs	416	349	
Depreciation	7	10	
	12,814	14,631	

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Note	2024	2023
8 Staff Costs and Employees	£	£
Wages and salaries	92,826	88,125
Pension	424	359
Social security costs	2,028	1,968
	<u>95,278</u>	<u>90,452</u>
No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)		
The average number of employees during the year was :	2024	2023
Charitable activities	5	5
	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
9 Fixed Assets	Fixtures & Fittings	
Cost	Unrestricted	Restricted
	£	£
At 1 April 2023	-	380
Disposals	-	-
Additions	-	-
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>380</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	-	353
On Disposals	-	-
Charge for year	-	7
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>360</u>
Net Book Value		
At 31 March 2024	-	20
At 31 March 2023	-	27
10 Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments & accrued income	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
11 Cash at bank and in hand	2024	2023
	£	£
Current Account	128,731	138,623
Petty Cash	30	207
	<u>128,761</u>	<u>138,830</u>
12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors	133	102
Accruals	1,772	4,387
	<u>1,905</u>	<u>4,489</u>

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Note	Balance at				Balance at
13 Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
	2023	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	41,640	14,543	(7,379)	219	49,023
	<u>41,640</u>	<u>14,543</u>	<u>(7,379)</u>	<u>219</u>	<u>49,023</u>
Restricted Funds					
Big Lottery Community Fund	292	-	-	(292)	-
Tudor Trust	7,900	-	(6,256)	-	1,644
Grandparents Plus Support	1,772	5,195	(1,731)	-	5,236
Big Lottery Kinship Together	7,767	50,000	(57,527)	-	240
Steve Morgan Foundation	5,672	-	(276)	-	5,396
HAF/Opal	6,584	28,500	(27,008)	-	8,076
The Tudor Trust Fund	25,669	20,000	(7,781)	-	37,888
PH Holt Foundation	5,932	-	(4,504)	-	1,428
Covid 19 Response Lottery	7,346	-	(3,175)	-	4,171
Merseyside Play Action Council	430	-	(503)	73	-
Liverpool City Council	10,193	700	(3,123)	-	7,770
SMF	3,621	25,000	(27,679)	-	942
Garfield Weston	7,023	-	(5,484)	-	1,539
Torus	2,500	-	(497)	-	2,003
Picton Childrens Centre	-	1,500	-	-	1,500
SIB Group - DCLG Challenge	27	-	(7)	-	20
	<u>92,728</u>	<u>130,895</u>	<u>(145,551)</u>	<u>(219)</u>	<u>77,853</u>
Total Funds	<u>134,368</u>	<u>145,438</u>	<u>(152,930)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>126,876</u>

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2024 (2023: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

KINSHIP CARERS

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

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The object of the charitable company is to provide the relief of need among families affected by drug/alcohol abuse, mental health problems and bereavement, particularly, but not exclusively, by the provision of support, advice, advocacy and education for the members of those families who may benefit from such services.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Kinship Carers Liverpool are going from strength to strength with a great deal of recognition both locally and nationally. We can only perform and achieve as well as we do due to the continued support and funding from Big Lottery Community Fund, Steve Morgan Foundation, The Tudor Trust, PH Holt, and Garfield Weston. They enable us to provide a comprehensive service, raise the profile of Kinship families and most particular with our national Kinship Carers week in October. We also receive additional funding from HAF which allows us to provide lunches which promotes healthy eating and healthy activities, this also helps our Kinship families towards the cost-of-living crisis.

The service continues to adapt and develop to meet the ever-changing challenges faced by Kinship families whose needs are often complex, long lasting and distressing. We have employed more sessional workers to offer specific areas of work including podcasts, emotional well – being, peer group support and meditation. A law clinic is operational once a month to offer legal advice and pro-bono work and an intern placement from LJMU was successful in evaluating some aspects of the service. Volunteers and Social Work trainees also contribute significantly to the enhancement of a service to Kinship families across the city.

Campaigning for the rights of Kinship Families continues to be a primary focus of the service, demonstrated by the launch of the UK's first Kinship Charter in March 2023. In conjunction with Liverpool City Council, the main purpose of the charter is to work collaboratively with Social Care and other relevant services to ensure that all Kinship Carers and Kin Kids receive an equitable service one which meets all their needs and entitlements. The longer-term aim is for the Kinship Carer Charter to be adopted nationally.

Liverpool Kinship families continue to be a voice locally and nationally, influencing procedures, legislation, and policies. They are proactive in raising awareness by contributing to training programmes, meeting with key legislators and educators to ensure the rights of Kin kids and their families are fully recognised and fairly acted upon.

How did the team do this?

Our staff continually update their training to offer the best support to our families. Staff have a very close relationship with carers and the project is seen as a partnership which is continuing to grow in numbers and in experience. We will continue to grow and develop what we know works i.e., one-to-one support, group work and peer support. We are always eager to listen and take on new ways of working.

Targets

- 100% of our Kinship Families have access to Priority One Gym passes enabling them to improve their physical and mental wellbeing.
- 100% Feel less isolated
- 95% of Kin Children had new experiences
- 100% Kin Families felt more able to get their voices heard through campaigning

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income in the year was £144,148 (2022: £182,298) of which £133,100 (2022: £179,103) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions are placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £156,133 (2022: £166,165) leaving a deficit for the year of £11,985 (2022 surplus: £16,133).

At 31 March 2023 the charitable company's reserves stood at £134,368 (2022:£146,353) of which £97,728 (2022:£114,920) represented restricted funds.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charitable company to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and three months running costs should no further funding be received. At the end of the financial year the unrestricted funds totalled £41,640 and was sufficient to cover these costs.

Plans for Future Periods

We continue to work in partnership with other agencies to ensure maximum resources and support for all Kinship Families and will always consult, involve and often take the lead from our families to ensure their issues and needs are recognised and resolved. We aim to provide a bespoke parenting course for all new carers, allowing our established carers to take an active role in this and pass on their experiences of what works and what does not. Technology will play a big part in our future plans; this is how our young people and a lot of our carers communicate and we welcome new projects that this will open up for us.

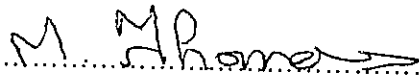
KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

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

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

By Order of the Board


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M. Thomas

Date: 30-6-23
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF KINSHIP CARERS

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 9 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees, who are also the directors of the company for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *S. Leonard*

Date: *30-6-23*

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting For Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive,
Liverpool, L37 1PQ

KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	10,048	-	10,048	2,213
Charitable activities	3	1,000	133,100	134,100	180,085
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	-	-	-	-
Total income		11,048	133,100	144,148	182,298
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	815	155,318	156,133	166,165
Total expenditure	7	815	155,318	156,133	166,165
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		10,233	(22,218)	(11,985)	16,133
Transfer between funds		(26)	26	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) for the year		10,207	(22,192)	(11,985)	16,133
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	31,433	114,920	146,353	130,220
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		41,640	92,728	134,368	146,353

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

KINSHIP CARERS
BALANCE SHEET at 31 March 2023
Registration Number: 05943911

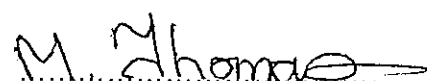
	Note	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	-	27	27	37
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	11	42,455	96,375	138,830	147,128
		42,455	96,375	138,830	147,128
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(815)	(3,674)	(4,489)	(812)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		41,640	92,701	134,341	146,316
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		41,640	92,728	134,368	146,353
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				41,640	31,433
Restricted funds				92,728	114,920
TOTAL FUNDS				134,368	146,353

For the year ending 31 March 2023 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


M. Thomas

30-6-23
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 31 March 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity and monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Income

Incoming recognition

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Fixtures and Fittings - 25% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £750, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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 and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds - can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Note	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	10,048	-	10,048	2,213
	<u>10,048</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,048</u>	<u>2,213</u>
3 Charitable activities				
Tudor Trust	-	20,000	20,000	20,000
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	25,000	25,000	12,500
HAF/Opal	-	32,000	32,000	35,320
Big Lottery Community Fund	-	25,000	25,000	25,000
Cash for kids	-	3,600	3,600	-
Big Lottery Kinship Together	-	25,000	25,000	-
Torus	-	2,500	2,500	-
Other small grants	1,000	-	1,000	982
PH Holt Foundation	-	-	-	10,000
Merseyside Play Action Council	-	-	-	1,000
Liverpool City Council	-	-	-	40,000
SMF	-	-	-	14,583
Big Help	-	-	-	700
Garfield Weston	-	-	-	20,000
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>133,100</u>	<u>134,100</u>	<u>180,085</u>
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Note	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	815	-	815	775
Salaries	-	90,452	90,452	79,426
Sessional staff salaries	-	1,071	1,071	1,621
Therapist	-	760	760	240
Payroll fee	-	514	514	531
Transport	-	8,145	8,145	4,403
Materials & activities	-	6,040	6,040	14,840
Trips	-	18,752	18,752	5,059
Telephone	-	1,366	1,366	1,276
Training	-	383	383	579
Rent	-	3,389	3,389	3,334
Room hire	-	3,332	3,332	1,365
Consultancy/Legal & prof	-	-	-	880
Sundry/other costs	-	349	349	280
Donations to good causes	-	3,898	3,898	31,655
Food & refreshments	-	8,922	8,922	11,119
Postage & stationery	-	2,109	2,109	1,188
Volunteer expenses	-	130	130	235
Insurance	-	523	523	468
Recruitment	-	-	-	235
IT equipment & support	-	5,173	5,173	6,643
Depreciation	-	10	10	13
	<u>815</u>	<u>155,318</u>	<u>156,133</u>	<u>166,165</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	<u>815</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>815</u>	<u>775</u>
	<u>815</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>815</u>	<u>775</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure £	Support & Governance Costs £	Total £
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2023	141,502	14,631	156,133
Total expenditure in 2022	149,963	16,202	166,165
Analysed as follows:	2023	2022	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Salaries	90,452	79,426	
Sessional staff salaries	1,071	1,621	
Therapists	760	240	
Transport	8,145	4,403	
Materials, Activities & Trips	24,792	19,899	
Donations to good causes	3,898	31,655	
Room hire	3,332	1,365	
Food & refreshments	8,922	11,119	
Volunteer Expenses	130	235	
	141,502	149,963	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	815	775	
Payroll fee	514	531	
Telephone	1,366	1,276	
Training	383	579	
Rent	3,389	3,334	
Consultancy/Legal & prof	-	880	
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Insurance	523	468	
IT Costs	5,173	6,643	
Recruitment	-	235	
Sundry/other costs	349	280	
Depreciation	10	13	
	14,631	16,202	

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Note		2023	2022
8 Staff Costs and Employees		£	£
Wages and salaries		88,125	78,796
Pension		359	227
Social security costs		1,968	2,024
		90,452	81,047
No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)			
The average number of employees during the year was :		2023	2022
Charitable activities		5	4
		5	4
9 Fixed Assets			
	Fixtures & Fittings		
Cost	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
At 1 April 2022	-	380	380
Disposals	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	-	380	380
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2022	-	343	343
On Disposals	-	-	-
Charge for year	-	10	10
At 31 March 2023	-	353	353
Net Book Value			
At 31 March 2023	-	27	27
At 31 March 2022	-	37	37
10 Debtors		2023	2022
		£	£
Prepayments & accrued income		-	-
		-	-
11 Cash at bank and in hand		2023	2022
		£	£
Current Account		138,623	146,787
Petty Cash		207	341
		138,830	147,128
12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year		2023	2022
		£	£
Creditors		102	37
Accruals		4,387	775
		4,489	812

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2023

Note	Balance at				Balance at
13 Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
	2022	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	31,433	11,048	(815)	(26)	41,640
	<u>31,433</u>	<u>11,048</u>	<u>(815)</u>	<u>(26)</u>	<u>41,640</u>
Restricted Funds					
Big Lottery Community Fund	6,657	25,000	(31,365)	-	292
Tudor Trust	18,510	-	(10,610)	-	7,900
Grandparents Plus Support	6,201	-	(4,429)	-	1,772
Big Lottery Kinship Together	6,931	25,000	(24,164)	-	7,767
Steve Morgan Foundation	5,672	-	-	-	5,672
HAF/Opal	2,250	32,000	(27,666)	-	6,584
The Tudor Trust Fund	16,324	20,000	(10,655)	-	25,669
PH Holt Foundation	9,922	-	(3,990)	-	5,932
Covid 19 Response Lottery	11,091	-	(3,745)	-	7,346
Merseyside Play Action Council	1,628	-	(1,198)	-	430
Liverpool City Council	10,493	-	(300)	-	10,193
Big Help	228	-	(256)	28	-
SMF	5,237	25,000	(26,616)	-	3,621
Garfield Weston	13,739	-	(6,716)	-	7,023
Torus	-	2,500	-	-	2,500
Cash for kids	-	3,600	(3,598)	(2)	-
SIB Group - DCLG Challenge	37	-	(10)	-	27
	<u>114,920</u>	<u>133,100</u>	<u>(155,318)</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>92,728</u>
Total Funds	<u>146,353</u>	<u>144,148</u>	<u>(156,133)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>134,368</u>

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

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

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2023 (2022: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

KINSHIP CARERS

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05943911 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1122907

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**KINSHIP CARERS
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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**KINSHIP CARERS
CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION**

Charity Name

Kinship Carers

Registered Company Number

05943911 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity Number

1122907

Registered Office

Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
Norris Green
Liverpool
L11 2RY

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**KINSHIP CARERS
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2022**

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006 and the 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a registered company limited by guarantee incorporated in September 2006 and registered as a charity in February 2008. The governing document is the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Organisational Structure

The trustees, who are also directors, are appointed in accordance with procedures set out in the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is managed by an Executive Committee of trustees and meetings are held monthly and agenda items include finance, health and safety and staff reports.

Every member of the charity undertakes to contribute such amount as required (not exceeding £10) if the charity should be wound up.

Risk identification and management

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed and, where appropriate, systems and procedures have been established to mitigate

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income in the year was £182,298 (2021: £155,856) of which £180,085 (2021: £154,347) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions are placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £166,165 (2021: £113,016) leaving a surplus for the year of £16,133 (2021 surplus: £42,840).

At 31 March 2022 the charitable company's reserves stood at £146,353 (2021: £130,220) of which £114,920 (2021: £103,239) represented restricted funds.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charitable company to maintain unrestricted funds, which are free reserves, at a level to cover redundancy provisions and three months running costs should no further funding be received. At the end of the financial year the unrestricted funds totalled £31,433 and was sufficient to cover these costs.

Plans for Future Periods

We continue to work in partnership with other agencies to ensure maximum resources and support for all Kinship Families and will always consult, involve and often take the lead from our families to ensure their issues and needs are recognised and resolved. We aim to provide a bespoke parenting course for all new carers, allowing our established carers to take an active role in this and pass on their experiences of what works and what does not. Technology will play a big part in our future plans; this is how our young people and a lot of our carers communicate and we welcome new projects that this will open up for us.

KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES
For the year ended 31 March 2022

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of its income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

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

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

By Order of the Board



M. Thomas

Date: 15-9-22

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF KINSHIP CARERS

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 set out on pages 9 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees, who are also the directors of the company for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 15-9-22

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting For Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive,
Liverpool, L37 1PQ

**KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the year ended 31 March 2022**

	Note	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	2,213	-	2,213	1,509
Charitable activities	3	982	179,103	180,085	154,347
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	-	-	-	-
Total Income		3,195	179,103	182,298	155,856
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	130	166,035	166,165	113,016
Total expenditure	7	130	166,035	166,165	113,016
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		3,065	13,068	16,133	42,840
Transfer between funds		1,387	(1,387)	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) for the year		4,452	11,681	16,133	42,840
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	26,981	103,239	130,220	87,380
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		31,433	114,920	146,353	130,220

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

**KINSHIP CARERS
BALANCE SHEET**
At 31 March 2022 Registration Number: 05943911

	Note	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	-	37	37	50
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	-	-	468
Cash at bank and in hand	11	31,433	115,695	147,128	132,974
		<u>31,433</u>	<u>115,695</u>	<u>147,128</u>	<u>133,442</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	-	(812)	(812)	(3,272)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>31,433</u>	<u>114,883</u>	<u>146,316</u>	<u>130,170</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>31,433</u>	<u>114,920</u>	<u>146,353</u>	<u>130,220</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				31,433	26,981
Restricted funds				114,920	103,239
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>146,353</u>	<u>130,220</u>

For the year ending 31 March 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


M. Thomas

15/9/22
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity and monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Income

Incoming recognition

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Fixtures and Fittings - 25% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £750, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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 and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds - can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2022

Note	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	2,213	-	2,213	1,509
	<u>2,213</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,213</u>	<u>1,509</u>
	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
3 Charitable activities				
Tudor Trust	-	20,000	20,000	16,000
Steve Morgan C19 SMF GRANT	-	-	-	5,000
Grandparents Plus Support	-	-	-	10,000
Riverside Credit Union	-	-	-	1,000
Community Foundation	-	-	-	4,800
PH Holt Foundation	-	10,000	10,000	1,880
Merseyside Play Action Council	-	1,000	1,000	1,000
Liverpool City Council	-	40,000	40,000	3,000
Big Lottery Fund Kinship Together	-	25,000	25,000	66,667
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	12,500	12,500	30,000
HAF/Opal	-	35,320	35,320	-
SMF	-	14,583	14,583	-
Big Help	-	700	700	-
Covid 19 Response Lottery	-	-	-	15,000
Garfield Weston	-	20,000	20,000	-
Other small grants	982	-	982	-
	<u>982</u>	<u>179,103</u>	<u>180,085</u>	<u>154,347</u>
	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2022

Note	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	-	775	775	750
Salaries	-	79,426	79,426	80,114
Sessional staff salaries	-	1,621	1,621	621
Therapist	-	240	240	-
Payroll fee	-	531	531	506
Transport	-	4,403	4,403	906
Materials & activities	26	14,814	14,840	6,758
Trips	-	5,059	5,059	2,657
Telephone	-	1,276	1,276	1,306
Training	-	579	579	1,064
Rent	-	3,334	3,334	3,334
Room hire	-	1,365	1,365	-
Consultancy/Legal & prof	-	880	880	2,463
Sundry/other costs	104	176	280	1,750
Donations to good causes	-	31,655	31,655	2,800
Food & refreshments	-	11,119	11,119	2,724
Postage & stationery	-	1,188	1,188	245
Volunteer expenses	-	235	235	-
Insurance	-	468	468	436
Recruitment	-	235	235	-
IT Costs	-	6,643	6,643	4,565
Depreciation	-	13	13	17
	<u>130</u>	<u>166,035</u>	<u>166,165</u>	<u>113,016</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	-	775	775	750
	<u>-</u>	<u>775</u>	<u>775</u>	<u>750</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2022

Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure £	Support & Governance Costs £	Total £
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2022	149,963	16,202	166,165
Total expenditure in 2021	96,580	16,436	113,016
Analysed as follows:	2022	2021	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Salaries	79,426	80,114	
Sessional staff salaries	1,621	621	
Therapists	240	-	
Transport	4,403	906	
Materials, Activities & Trips	19,899	9,415	
Donations to good causes	31,655	2,800	
Room hire	1,365	-	
Food & refreshments	11,119	2,724	
Volunteer Expenses	235	-	
	149,963	96,580	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	775	750	
Payroll fee	531	506	
Telephone	1,276	1,306	
Training	579	1,064	
Rent	3,334	3,334	
Consultancy/Legal & prof	880	2,463	
Postage & stationery	1,188	245	
Insurance	468	436	
IT Costs	6,643	4,565	
Recruitment	235	-	
Sundry/other costs	280	1,750	
Depreciation	13	17	
	16,202	16,436	

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2022

Note

8 Staff Costs and Employees

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	78,796	78,636
Pension	227	209
Social security costs	2,024	1,890
	<u>81,047</u>	<u>80,735</u>

No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)

The average number of employees during the year was :

	2022	2021
Charitable activities	4	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

9 Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings		
Cost	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
At 1 April 2021	-	380	380
Disposals	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2021	-	330	330
On Disposals	-	-	-
Charge for year	-	13	13
At 31 March 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>343</u>
Net Book Value			
At 31 March 2022	-	37	37
At 31 March 2021	-	50	50

10 Debtors

Prepayments & accrued income

2022	2021
£	£
-	468
<u>-</u>	<u>468</u>

11 Cash at bank and in hand

Current Account

Petty Cash

2022	2021
£	£
146,787	132,889
341	85
<u>147,128</u>	<u>132,974</u>

12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year

Creditors

Accruals

2022	2021
£	£
37	26
775	3,246
<u>812</u>	<u>3,272</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2022

Note	Balance at				Balance at
13 Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
	2021	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	26,981	3,195	(130)	1,387	31,433
	<u>26,981</u>	<u>3,195</u>	<u>(130)</u>	<u>1,387</u>	<u>31,433</u>
Restricted Funds					
Tudor Trust	23,939	-	(5,429)	-	18,510
Big Lottery Kinship Together	46,244	-	(37,863)	(1,450)	6,931
Big Lottery	-	25,000	(18,343)	-	6,657
Steve Morgan Foundation	6,618	12,500	(13,446)	-	5,672
Steve Morgan Covid 19 Fund	787	-	(848)	61	-
Norris Green Community Alliance	335	-	(334)	(1)	-
Grandparents Plus Support	8,965	-	(2,764)	-	6,201
Liverpool City Council	45	40,000	(29,552)	-	10,493
Riverside Credit Union	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-
Community Foundation	825	-	(828)	3	-
PH Holt Foundation	699	10,000	(777)	-	9,922
Covid 19 Response Lottery	12,732	-	(1,641)	-	11,091
Merseyside Play Action Council	1,000	1,000	(372)	-	1,628
HAF/Opal	-	35,320	(33,070)	-	2,250
The Tudor Trust Fund	-	20,000	(3,676)	-	16,324
SMF	-	14,583	(9,346)	-	5,237
Big Help	-	700	(472)	-	228
Garfield Weston	-	20,000	(6,261)	-	13,739
SIB Group - DCLG Challenge	50	-	(13)	-	37
	<u>103,239</u>	<u>179,103</u>	<u>(166,035)</u>	<u>(1,387)</u>	<u>114,920</u>
Total Funds	<u>130,220</u>	<u>182,298</u>	<u>(166,165)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>146,353</u>

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2022 (2021: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.

Accounts

KINSHIP CARERS

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05943911 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1122907

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

**KINSHIP CARERS
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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**KINSHIP CARERS
CHARITY & COMPANY INFORMATION**

Charity Name

Kinship Carers

Registered Company Number

05943911 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity Number

1122907

Registered Office

Ellergreen Community Centre
Ellergreen Road
Norris Green
Liverpool
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Trustees/Directors

L. Stopforth (resigned 8 June 2020)
P. Roberts (resigned 8 June 2020)
C. Cadwallader
C. Wilde (resigned 30 October 2020)
S. Davis-McCardle
S. Lee
M. Thomas
H. Gearing
A. Wells
E. Kielty (appointed 8 June 2020)
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Bankers

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**KINSHIP CARERS
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
For the year ended 31 March 2021**

The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006 and the 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The organisation is a registered company limited by guarantee incorporated in September 2006 and registered as a charity in February 2008. The governing document is the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Organisational Structure

The trustees, who are also directors, are appointed in accordance with procedures set out in the company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

It is managed by an Executive Committee of trustees and meetings are held monthly and agenda items include finance, health and safety and staff reports.

Every member of the charity undertakes to contribute such amount as required (not exceeding £10) if the charity should be wound up.

Risk identification and management

The trustees have conducted a review of the major risks to which the charitable company is exposed and, where appropriate, systems and procedures have been established to mitigate

Public Benefit

When planning and programming activities for Kinship Families in Liverpool, the Trustees are mindful of the Charity Commissions guidelines on Public Benefit.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The object of the charitable company is to provide the relief of need among families affected by drug/alcohol abuse, mental health problems and bereavement, particularly, but not exclusively, by the provision of support, advice, advocacy and education for the members of those families who may benefit from such services.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Kinship Carers Liverpool are going from strength to strength, with a great deal more recognition not just locally but nationally. We can only perform and achieve as well as we do due to the continued support and funding from Big Lottery, Steve Morgan Foundation and Tudor Trust. They enable us to continue to raise awareness, particularly with our National Kinship Carers Week in October,

This year we have had additional financial support from our 3 main funders, also from PH Holt Foundation, Community Foundation, Merseyside Play Action Council and donations to enable us to support our families with additional resources to cope with COVID 19. We quickly adapted our work to virtual delivery via zoom, peer support via WhatsApp and one to one support through doorstep visits and telephone conversations, this also enabled us to continue with coffee mornings and intergenerational projects. We had a growing project, growing fruit and veg and the families cooked and ate what they had grown, we still had some outdoor summer activities.

In lockdown we were still able to achieve our targets

- 100% Kinship Carers felt supported by peers.
- 95% Of peer mentors felt more confident to support peers.
- 95% Less stressed due to pamper techniques shared online.
- 90% learnt new computer and technological skills.

How did the team do this:

Our staff continually update their training in order to offer the best support to our families. Staff have very close relationships with carers and the project is seen as a partnership which is continuing to grow in numbers and in experience. We have learnt the benefits of online delivery, not only for our carers but for ourselves being able to take part in training and meetings that we would not normally be able to take part in because of their location. Going forward we will continue to use the new technology we have been using, along side face to face activities. We will continue to grow and develop what we know works i.e., one-to one support, group work and most importantly peer support. We are always eager to listen and take on new ways of working.

**KINSHIP CARERS
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2021**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total income in the year was £155,856 (2020: £124,519) of which £154,347 (2020: £113,867) related to funding for projects upon which restrictions are placed.

Total expenditure in the year was £113,016 (2020: £112,683) leaving a surplus for the year of £42,840 (2020 surplus: £11,836).

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By Order of the Board



M. Thomas

Date: 14/7/21

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- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and

b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Stephen Leonard

Date: 21-7-21

Name: Stephen Leonard BA, FCCA
Counting For Communities Ltd
16 Holmwood Drive,
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KINSHIP CARERS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
For the year ended 31 March 2021

	Note	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming & endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	1,509	-	1,509	10,652
Charitable activities	3	-	154,347	154,347	113,867
Other trading activities	4	-	-	-	-
Investments	5	-	-	-	-
Total income		1,509	154,347	155,856	124,519
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	6	1,150	111,866	113,016	112,683
Total expenditure	7	1,150	111,866	113,016	112,683
Net income / (expenditure) for the year before transfers		359	42,481	42,840	11,836
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) for the year		359	42,481	42,840	11,836
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward	13	26,622	60,758	87,380	75,544
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		26,981	103,239	130,220	87,380

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the net movement in funds for the above two financial years. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

KINSHIP CARERS
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 March 2021 Registration Number: 05943911

	Note	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	-	50	50	67
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	-	468	468	833
Cash at bank and in hand	11	27,731	105,243	132,974	87,218
		<u>27,731</u>	<u>105,711</u>	133,442	88,051
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(750)	(2,522)	(3,272)	(738)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>26,981</u>	<u>103,189</u>	130,170	87,313
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>26,981</u>	<u>103,239</u>	130,220	87,380
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	13			26,981	26,622
Restricted funds				103,239	60,758
TOTAL FUNDS				130,220	87,380

For the year ending 31 March 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:


M. Thomas

14/7/21
Date

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities' applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102, the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity and monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Income

Incoming recognition

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy

Incoming Resources with Related Expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resource.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure and Liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure.

Governance Costs

These include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Grants and Performance Conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specific service or output.

Grants payable without Performance Conditions

These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life. The following rates and methods are used:

Fixtures and Fittings - 25% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £250, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the company's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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 and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities and is not registered for VAT. As a registered charity the company benefits from rates relief.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds - can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds - can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2021

Note	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
2 Donations and legacies				
Donations	1,509	-	1,509	10,652
	<u>1,509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,509</u>	<u>10,652</u>
	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
3 Charitable activities				
Tudor Trust	-	16,000	16,000	14,000
Steve Morgan C19 SMF GRANT	-	5,000	5,000	-
Grandparents Plus Support	-	10,000	10,000	-
Riverside Credit Union	-	1,000	1,000	-
Community Foundation	-	4,800	4,800	-
PH Holt Foundation	-	1,880	1,880	-
Covid 19 Response Lottery	-	15,000	15,000	-
Merseyside Play Action Council	-	1,000	1,000	-
Liverpool City Council	-	3,000	3,000	-
Big Lottery Fund Kinship Together	-	66,667	66,667	66,667
Steve Morgan Foundation	-	30,000	30,000	32,500
Norris Green Community Alliance	-	-	-	700
	<u>-</u>	<u>154,347</u>	<u>154,347</u>	<u>113,867</u>
	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
4 Other trading activities				
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
5 Investments				
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2021

Note	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
6 Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Governance Costs - see below	750	-	750	700
Salaries	-	80,114	80,114	79,459
Sessional staff salaries	-	621	621	2,531
Therapist	-	-	-	760
Payroll fee	-	506	506	537
Transport	-	906	906	2,984
Materials & activities	-	6,758	6,758	4,059
Trips	-	2,657	2,657	7,496
Telephone	-	1,306	1,306	1,414
Training	-	1,064	1,064	292
Rent	-	3,334	3,334	3,333
Room hire	-	-	-	2,011
Consultancy/Legal & prof	-	2,463	2,463	13
Sundry/other costs	400	4,150	4,550	64
Food & refreshments	-	2,724	2,724	1,363
Postage & stationery	-	245	245	298
Insurance	-	436	436	437
IT Costs	-	4,565	4,565	4,884
Depreciation	-	17	17	48
	<u>1,150</u>	<u>111,866</u>	<u>113,016</u>	<u>112,683</u>
Included in Governance costs				
Independent examiner's fees	-	725	725	700
	<u>-</u>	<u>725</u>	<u>725</u>	<u>700</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2021

Note	Direct Charitable Expenditure	Support & Governance Costs	Total
	£	£	£
7 Analysis of expenditure			
Total expenditure in 2021	93,780	19,236	113,016
Total expenditure in 2020	100,663	12,020	112,683
Analysed as follows:	2021	2020	
Direct Charitable Expenditure	£	£	
Salaries	80,114	79,459	
Sessional staff salaries	621	2,531	
Therapists	-	760	
Transport	906	2,984	
Materials, Activities & Trips	9,415	11,555	
Room hire	-	2,011	
Food & refreshments	2,724	1,363	
	93,780	100,663	
Support & Governance Costs			
Governance Costs - see above	750	700	
Payroll fee	506	537	
Telephone	1,306	1,414	
Training	1,064	292	
Rent	3,334	3,333	
Consultancy/Legal & prof	2,463	13	
Postage & stationery	245	298	
Insurance	436	437	
IT Costs	4,565	4,884	
Sundry/other costs	4,550	64	
Depreciation	17	48	
	19,236	12,020	

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2021

Note

8 Staff Costs and Employees

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	78,636	78,972
Pension	209	179
Social security costs	1,890	2,839
	<u>80,735</u>	<u>81,990</u>

No employee earned £60,000 or more during the year (nor the previous year)

The average number of employees during the year was :

	2021	2020
Charitable activities	4	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

9 Fixed Assets

	Fixtures & Fittings		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Cost	£	£	£
At 1 April 2020	1,336	380	1,716
Disposals	(1,336)	-	(1,336)
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>380</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2020	1,336	313	1,649
On Disposals	(1,336)	-	(1,336)
Charge for year	-	17	17
At 31 March 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>330</u>	<u>330</u>
Net Book Value			
At 31 March 2021	-	50	50
At 31 March 2020	-	67	67

10 Debtors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Prepayments & accrued income	468	833
	<u>468</u>	<u>833</u>

11 Cash at bank and in hand

	2021	2020
	£	£
Current Account	132,889	87,169
Petty Cash	85	49
	<u>132,974</u>	<u>87,218</u>

12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Creditors	26	38
Accruals	3,246	700
	<u>3,272</u>	<u>738</u>

KINSHIP CARERS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
For the year ended 31 March 2021

Note	Balance at				Balance at
13 Movement in Funds	31 March	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	31 March
	2020	Resources	Expended	In / (Out)	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	26,622	1,509	(1,150)	-	26,981
	<u>26,622</u>	<u>1,509</u>	<u>(1,150)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,981</u>
Restricted Funds					
Tudor Trust	14,805	16,000	(6,866)	-	23,939
Big Lottery Fund					
Kinship Together	39,437	66,667	(59,860)	-	46,244
Steve Morgan Foundation	6,519	30,000	(29,901)	-	6,618
Steve Morgan Covid 19 Fund	(405)	5,000	(3,808)	-	787
Norris Green Community Alliance	335	-	-	-	335
Grandparents Plus Support	-	10,000	(1,035)	-	8,965
Liverpool City Council	-	3,000	(2,955)	-	45
Riverside Credit Union	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Community Foundation	-	4,800	(3,975)	-	825
PH Holt Foundation	-	1,880	(1,181)	-	699
Covid 19 Response Lottery	-	15,000	(2,268)	-	12,732
Merseyside Play Action Council	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
SIB Group - DCLG Challenge	67	-	(17)	-	50
	<u>60,758</u>	<u>154,347</u>	<u>(111,866)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>103,239</u>
Total Funds	<u>87,380</u>	<u>155,856</u>	<u>(113,016)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>130,220</u>

14 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020

15 Trustees' Expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020

16 Capital Commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 March 2021 (2020: None) either contracted for or authorised by the directors but not contracted for.