

FARNHAM ASSIST

England & Wales · Charity number 1135187

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [07114978](#)

Registered 2010-03-25

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF OLDER PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED IN THE FARNHAM AREA, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO LIVE ALONE OR ARE HOUSEBOUND, BY PROVIDING ASSISTANCE, INFORMATION, TRAINING, ADVICE, BEFRIENDING AND PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL SUPPORT, THROUGH WHICH WORK THE CHARITY SHOWS GOD'S LOVE FOR THEM.

Activities: We provide a wide range of events and activities for older people in the Farnham area, particularly those living on their own.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Religious Activities, Recreation
- **Who:** Elderly/old People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THE FARNHAM AREA
- Hampshire
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£70,884	£71,853	-	-
2024-12-31	£73,688	£70,872	-	-
2023-12-31	£63,982	£66,996	-	-
2022-12-31	£57,105	£61,703	-	-
2021-12-31	£45,885	£43,916	-	-
2020-12-31	£48,072	£41,820	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALEXANDRA MAYLIN BURN		
Angela Elizabeth Arathoon		2026-03-16
DR Mary Riggs		2013-10-22
Dr Brian Stephen Capper		2021-09-28
Jennifer Anne Burnett		2024-02-28
MARGARET ANNE DANIELS		2011-05-17
Mark Robert Huband		2023-11-22
Rev Sandra Clarke		2021-07-07

Accounts



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for Voluntary Service



A Christian organisation
supporting older people

FARNHAM ASSIST

(A Company limited by guarantee)

2024 ANNUAL REPORT



Annual Report and Unaudited Accounts For the year ended 31st December 2024

Company No. 07114978
Charity Registered No. 1135187

FARNHAM ASSIST
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Report from the Chair of Trustees 2024

Farnham ASSIST has had another good year with client numbers growing again. All activities have been well attended and in some cases with waiting lists. Feedback on events have been sought and they have been very much enjoyed by our guests.

Community lunches are now serving 60+ guests at Central and 20+ at Hale. The regular activities have continued – Knit and Natter, Ladies pub lunch and Pie and Pint clubs and the much needed befriending (we now have 8-10 befrienders for 1-1 befriending) led by Yvonne.

Angela and Rodney organized a very varied and imaginative program of outings and events throughout the year – trip to Chawton House, trip to Salisbury and a very popular trip to the Museum of Army Flying and Goodworth Clatford Vineyard. The seaside trip was to Bournemouth in June taking a full coach, then a trip to the Rural life Centre followed by lunch at Tilford Mosque.

This year for the first time we held a lunch in August as it was felt that older folk may have relatives away during the summer and would appreciate something then. 47 folk attended and our thanks go to Meg, Kath and their team who organized it.

The fundraising highlight of the year was the Posh Tea at St Thomas organized again by Meg Kath Maureen and their team. Many thanks to them this raised £1,500.

Our afternoon church services at Spire Church and Farnham Baptist Church have been appreciated and well attended.

In the autumn we were sad to lose Fiona, our lunch coordinator, who moved to run the food bank, but we were pleased to have Susan who stepped in and helped us out on a temporary basis at the central lunch while we awaited the result of our funding application from Waverley for 2025.

On the trustee front we were sad to lose Brian Kurton who was stepping back from being a trustee, but have been pleased to welcome back Jenny Burnett to join the board.

I am very grateful to my fellow trustees for all their hard work, all our volunteers especially our cooks and lead volunteers Kath, Meg, Maureen, Yvonne, and Brian to name but a few, and last but certainly not least Rodney, Angela and Fiona ,who have all gone the extra mile, for their dedication and hard work – none of this would happen without them . Also thank you for the support we have had from both Mayors and town council and the churches who are wonderfully supportive.

I am now pleased to hand over the chair of trustees to my colleague Mark Huband who has relieved me of the post since the beginning of the year. I am pleased to step down after 6 years of chairmanship but will remain on the board.

Dr Mary Riggs
Chair of Trustees

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Financial Review for the year

During 2024 Farnham Assist maintained its programme of services aimed at reducing social isolation amongst its older beneficiaries or clients. Three part-time paid staff comprising a Manager, an Activities Officer and, for most of the year, a Lunch Co-Ordinator were employed in this charitable work. They were supported by unpaid co-ordinators and volunteers upon whom Farnham Assist greatly relies in order to remain financially viable.

The budget for 2024 contained a forecast income of £66.7k and expected expenditure of £72.8k so that the predicted deficit for the year was £6.1k. In the event income was higher than predicted at £73.7k largely owing to the receipt of one-off gifts and donations together with a number of smaller grants. Expenditure was £70.9k which was £1.9k less than predicted. A small surplus of £2.8k was generated which almost made up for the deficit of £3.0k reported for 2023. Hopefully, if small surpluses can be generated in future years the real value of the reserves of the charity after allowing for inflation can be preserved.

Income from gifts, donations, grants and trusts has experienced a welcome improvement for which the charity is most grateful. However, income from Friends of Farnham Assist has fallen and new members are needed who are willing to make regular charitable payments. Trustee donations made totalled £1,088, 1.5% of the total income of the charity during 2024. Income from legacies and bequests remains disappointing compared with that received by other charities generally. In recent years this has become a significant source of charitable income nationally and a leaflet is available for anybody wanting to leave a modest gift to Farnham Assist in their will. As to expenditure staffing costs, the largest item, were £36.8k almost the same as that in 2023, event costs increased to £15.4k with office and other expenses totalling £18.7k slightly higher than the figure from 2023 of £17.7k.

No payments were made to trustees for their time or expenses incurred in the course of carrying out trustee duties. However, one trustee is also a trustee of Waverley Hoppa Community Transport which was paid £1,920 for minibus and driver hire for monthly community lunches but the trustee took no part in making this arrangement, declared this interest at all trustee meetings and derived no personal benefit from it. A small programme of successful and enjoyable fundraising activities was held in 2024 and considerable effort was put into making grant applications although the burden of these fell almost entirely upon our Manager. If a volunteer could come forward to assist with research into grant making charities, trusts and/or making applications this would be of much benefit to Farnham Assist.

Waverley Borough Council through its Thriving Communities Fund has most generously agreed to grant £17k per year in each of the next three years to enable Farnham Assist to continue its successful programme of Central Farnham and Hale lunches. This is a crucial grant to the charity and its largest single source of income enabling it to maintain its impact on loneliness amongst the elderly within Farnham. The support for and encouragement of our activities from local Churches and Farnham Town Council is also invaluable as we seek to show God's love to older residents of Farnham. We are particularly grateful to our unpaid co-ordinators and volunteers without which this important work would not be possible.

Brian Capper

Treasurer

FARNHAM ASSIST

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Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST

2024 was a successful year for the Charity where we were able to deliver all our intended activities and saw a growth in many of our activities.

During the year, we were delighted to partner with Spire Church to host 4 Church services commencing with a Daffodil Service in February. These have been important opportunities for us to gather and celebrate our Christian ethos and we have welcomed 40 to 50 people at each event consisting of a short informal service and then refreshments. We are also grateful to Farnham Baptist Church for hosting our Christmas Carol Service and to our volunteer musicians, speakers, and cooks.

We established a new website and promotional video thanks to the work of some local volunteers and upgraded our office phones to ensure compliance with the national programme of digital switchover.

During 2024, we grew our programme of outings and activities which enable local people to enjoy experiences away from Farnham and they were extremely popular. We are grateful to our volunteer drivers that facilitated some of these outings enabling people to have a positive and different experience to their lives.

Our client trips and events during 2024 were as follows:

- Visit to Chawton House
- History talk and afternoon tea at Farnham Baptist Church
- Two afternoon tea and entertainment events at Frensham Heights School.
- Visit to Army Flying Museum and vineyard
- A day trip to Salisbury
- A day at the coast in Bournemouth
- A visit to the local Mosque and Rural Life Centre
- A visit to the pantomime at Aldershot

We also partnered with Jack and Alice Restaurant to establish a monthly "Jack & Alice Lunch Club" enabling 25 guests to receive a 2-course lunch at cost price although sadly this partnership ended in 2025 due to the closure of the restaurant.

Our activity groups led by our senior volunteers remain popular. During 2023, our regular groups were:

- Pie & Pint – a weekly pub lunch for men attended by around 8 to 12 people.
- Knit & Natter – a weekly group attended by around 15 people.
- Ladies Lunch – a monthly lunch for women attended by around 25 people.
- Befriending – A team of volunteers that undertake a weekly visit to the housebound with around 10 clients supported at any time.

Despite our lunch co-ordinator Fiona leaving towards the end of 2024 to become a manager at another local charity, the last year also saw growth in those attending our monthly Central and Hale community lunches and we are now getting close to maximum capacity at the Central Lunch with around 65 to 70 attending each month.

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Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST (continued)

We have around 20 to 25 regular guests at Hale. We are very grateful to the team of volunteers that support the lunches undertaking roles such as cooks, kitchen helpers, servers, welcomers, and table host. We are also pleased to welcome Susan Chan as a temporary Lunch Host pending confirmation in 2025 of ongoing funding.

Our Hale lunch has around 20 to 25 attendees each month and we have been pleased to welcome several new guests during the year. Our specific thanks go to Waverley Borough Council for the Service Level Agreement until 31 March 2025 and hire subsidy of the Memorial Hall and to Bethel Baptist Church for their hosting in Hale.

In terms of our fundraising events during the year, we hosted fundraising stalls at Farnham Duck Race, Music in the Meadow and the Hale Carnival. In addition, a "Posh Tea" was held for our supporters hosted and arranged by our trustees which raised over £1,000. We are also very grateful to the Mayor of Waverley for being one of his two fundraising charities during 2024/25 as well as being the chosen charity of the Farnham Ladies Group.

Working with partners has been an important theme for the charity and we have been pleased to link with Frensham Heights School, Bourne Wood Manor and Spire Church amongst others. We also remained an active member of the Older Peoples Network and Farnham Connects which are both important networks linking our work with others.

At the end of 2024, we had over 200 recorded clients that attended at least 1 event (or received a befriending visit) during the year. We were also extremely grateful to the support of over 70 volunteers along with our 3 part-time members of staff and our dedicated trustee Board.

Rodney Bates

Manager of Farnham ASSIST

FARNHAM ASSIST

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006), present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31st December 2024.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity name	Farnham Assist
Charity registration number	1135187
Company registration number	07114978
Registered office	7 St George's Yard Farnham Surrey GU9 7LW

The Trustees

The Trustees who served the Charity during the year and since the year-end were as follows:

Dr Mary Riggs (Chair)
Mrs Margaret Daniels
Mrs Alexandra Burn
Mr Brian Kurton (resigned 20 June 2024)
Rev Sandra Clarke
Dr Brian Capper
Mr Mark Huband
Mrs Jennifer Burnett (appointed 28 February 2024)

Company secretary Rodney Bates

Bankers CAF Bank
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Independent Examiner Mr S. P. F. Howell FCCA
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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by the Memorandum and Articles adopted and company incorporated on 3rd January 2010 as amended by special resolutions dated 2nd June 2015.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the charities Statement of Recommended Practice (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland; FRS 102) issued in October 2019.

The Charity is controlled, managed and operated by the Trustees. The Trustees are all unpaid. Trustees are appointed from interested and competent residents of Farnham and surrounding areas. New Trustees are provided with copies of the governing document and accounts as well as Charity Commission guidance for Trustees of charities.

The Trustees examine the major risks the Charity faces when considering its future plans and projects. The Charity has developed systems to monitor and control these risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the Charity.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The relief of older people who are in need in the Farnham area, particularly those who live alone or are housebound, by providing assistance, information, training, advice, befriending and physical and spiritual support, through which work the charity shows God's love for them.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and believe that they are advancing community development and culture in Farnham.

The Trustees consider the overall position of the Charity is satisfactory and foresee that funds will be available to meet obligations in the future.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Simon Howell FCCA, of TC Group has been re-appointed as Independent Examiner for the ensuing year.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES *(continued)*

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

- select suitable accounting practices and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association as amended. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 25th June
2025 by

7 St George's Yard
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Dr Brian Capper
Treasurer

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FARNHAM ASSIST**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 10 to 17.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

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



Simon Howell FCCA, of TC Group
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Dated: 22/7 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	24,983	30,850	55,833	48,368
Charitable Activities	3	11,896	1,678	13,574	11,478
Other trading activities	4	3,033	-	3,033	3,630
Investments	5	1,248	-	1,248	506
TOTAL INCOME		41,160	32,528	73,688	63,982
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	6	(111)	-	(111)	(605)
Charitable activities	7	(41,472)	(29,289)	(70,761)	(66,391)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		(41,583)	(29,289)	(70,872)	(66,996)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(423)	3,239	2,816	(3,014)
Transfer between funds		86	(86)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(337)	3,153	2,816	(3,014)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		30,023	11,471	41,494	44,508
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		29,686	14,624	44,310	41,494

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 11 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

FARNHAM ASSIST

BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	2,145	2,250
Cash at bank and in hand		43,070	40,149
		<u>45,215</u>	<u>42,399</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(905)</u>	<u>(905)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>44,310</u>	<u>41,494</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>44,310</u>	<u>41,494</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>44,310</u>	<u>41,494</u>
FUNDS			
Restricted funds	14	14,624	11,471
Unrestricted income funds	14	29,686	30,023
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>44,310</u>	<u>41,494</u>

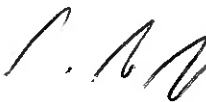
For the year ending 31st December 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

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

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the directors on 25th June 2025 and are signed on their behalf by:


Dr Brian Capper
Trustee

The notes on pages 11 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The charitable company constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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

Funds structure

Unrestricted funds are those which are not subject to any special restrictions and they can be used as the Trustees decide. Designated funds are part of unrestricted fund and are amounts the Trustees have set aside to cover particular expenditure.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors as how they may be used. See note 11 of the financial statements for further details.

Income

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, there is sufficient certainty of receipt and so it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income can be measured reliably.

Donated assets and services are included at their estimated open market valuation. No income is recognised where there is no financial cost borne by a third party.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis, inclusive of irrecoverable VAT. Expenditure which is identified as relating to restricted projects are allocated directly to those activities. Expenditure which relate to the general running of the charity are allocated against unrestricted funds.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gifts & Donations	11,739	8,714
Friends of ASSIST	8,290	10,933
Bequest and legacies	349	500
Grants	32,106	26,863
Gift Aid	3,349	1,358
	<u>55,833</u>	<u>48,368</u>

Income from donations and legacies was £55,833 (2023 - £48,368) of which £30,850 (2023 - £26,863) was attributable to restricted and £24,983 (2023 - £21,505) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Lunch income	8,269	7,907
Event income	5,305	3,571
	<u>13,574</u>	<u>11,478</u>

Income from charitable activities was £13,574 (2023 - £11,478) of which £1,678 (2023 - £1,137) was attributable to restricted and £11,896 (2023 - £10,341) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

4. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023
	£	£
Fundraising events	3,033	3,630

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023
	£	£
Bank interest	1,248	506

6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023
	£	£
Event costs	111	605

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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank charges	60	58
Telephone/communications	984	679
Energy	456	468
Gifts given	88	-
Insurance	1,248	1,155
Office expenses	718	596
Office rent and rates	8,345	8,103
Event costs	5,225	3,713
Lunch costs	9,981	8,110
Postage, printing and stationery	1,829	1,557
Governance (note 8)	1,527	1,508
Repairs and renewals	978	835
Room Hire	150	100
Travel costs	1,619	2,089
Volunteer and staff costs	170	552
Wages and social security costs	37,383	36,868
Total	<u>70,761</u>	<u>66,391</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £70,761 (2023 - £66,391) of which £29,289 (2023 - £26,904) was attributable to restricted and £41,472 (2023 - £39,487) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

8. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Meeting expenses	38	6
Professional fees	13	26
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,476	1,476
	<u>1,527</u>	<u>1,508</u>

9. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Charity was paid or was payable to any Trustees or to any person or persons known to be connected with any of them.

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions during the year (2023 – nil).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

11. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	36,817	36,338
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	566	530
	<u>37,383</u>	<u>36,868</u>
Staff numbers		
Average monthly number of contracted staff	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000 (2023 – none).

12. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	1,145	1,250
Prepayments	1,000	1,000
	<u>2,145</u>	<u>2,250</u>

13. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	5	5
Accruals	900	900
	<u>905</u>	<u>905</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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14. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Jan 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2024 £
General Funds	30,023	41,160	(41,583)	86	29,686

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN UNRESTRICTED FUNDS – Previous year

	Balance at 1 Jan 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2023 £
General Funds	34,133	35,982	(40,092)	-	30,023

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Jan 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2024 £
Thriving Communities					
Commissioning fund	4,930	15,420	(15,917)	-	4,433
Staffing costs fund	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Core fund	4,196	15,430	(9,349)	(86)	10,191
Client outings fund	208	-	(208)	-	-
Lunches fund	137	1,678	(1,815)	-	-
	11,471	32,528	(29,289)	(86)	14,624

The Restricted funds are available for future expenditure in relation to specific activities and projects that the charitable company will undertake.

The Thriving Communities Commissioning fund represents funds received from Waverley Borough Council for providing 22 lunches to older members of the community in Hale and Farnham for the period January – March 2025.

The Staffing costs fund represented funds received from The Allen Lane Foundation and was to cover salary costs for the period January - December 2024.

The Core fund represents funds received from the Community Foundation for Surrey, Surrey County Council, Albert Hunt Trust and Garfield Weston and is to cover staffing, office rental and volunteer costs for the period January – December 2025.

The Client outings funds represents funds received from Voluntary Action South West Surrey and was to cover trip costs for the period January – December 2024.

The Lunches funds represents funds received from Farnham Town Council, Bizgive and Farnham Institute and is to cover lunch costs for the period January – December 2024.

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14. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS (continued)

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS – Previous year

	Balance at 1 Jan 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2023 £
Thriving Communities Commissioning fund	6,132	14,550	(15,752)	-	4,930
Activities and Volunteers co- ordinators fund	2,083	-	(2,083)	-	-
Staffing costs fund	2,000	2,000	(2,000)	-	2,000
Core fund	160	9,713	(5,677)	-	4,196
Client outings fund	-	600	(392)	-	208
Lunches fund	-	1,137	(1,000)	-	137
	10,375	28,000	(26,904)	-	11,471

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted Funds	2024 Total reserves
	£	£	£
Cash at bank	14,624	28,446	43,070
Current assets	-	2,145	2,145
Current liabilities	-	(905)	(905)
	14,624	29,686	44,310

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS – Previous year

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted Funds	2023 Total reserves
	£	£	£
Cash at bank	11,471	28,678	40,149
Current assets	-	2,250	2,250
Current liabilities	-	(905)	(905)
	11,471	30,023	41,494

Accounts



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FARNHAM ASSIST

(A Company limited by guarantee)

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



Annual Report and Unaudited Accounts For the year ended 31st December 2023

Company No. 07114978
Charity Registered No. 1135187

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Report from the Chair of Trustees 2023

With covid restrictions having ended we were back to fully functioning this year, so it was possible to get into full swing from the beginning of the year. Client numbers have grown, and activities have all been well attended in some cases with waiting lists.

Apart from all the regular activities such as community lunches, Pie and Pint, Ladies pub lunch, and Knit and Natter, there were outings to Brooklands Museum, a day trip to Chichester, a summer quiz, the seaside outing to Littlehampton, local outing to Milestones Museum Basingstoke, and an October trip to a Garden Centre in Bordon, a tea and nature talk at St Marks Hale in November, and a trip to the Pantomime at the Princes Hall Aldershot.

We also held 4 Church Services in the year, all well attended and increasingly so and well appreciated.

We held a well-attended fund-raising quiz in November and had stalls at the Bourne Show and Hale Carnival and serving refreshment at Music in the Meadow. However, most of our income has come from the service level agreement with Waverley Borough Council who give us money to help with providing the lunches, and Rodney's very hard work with applying for grants has paid off. We are however very grateful to Rushmoor Oddfellows Male Voice choir who made us their nominated charity for their Christmas concert and the Hedgehogs who sponsored our Christmas lunches. Also, to our Mayor Alan Earwaker who made us one of his charities 2 years in a row.

We have also enjoyed a close link with the Gostrey Centre, Bourne Wood Manor Nursing Home and with Frensham Heights School who very kindly hosted a tea party for our guests in November and have brought helpers and instrumentalists from amongst their students to our Central Lunches.

As for trustees, we were pleased to welcome Mark Huband onto our team during the year, and I thank all our trustees for their time and commitment this year.

I must end by thanking our very dedicated staff who have been outstanding in putting client needs first and working really hard. So, thanks to Rodney, to Angela and to Fiona. And finally our large team of willing volunteers without whom our charity could not function.

Dr Mary Riggs
Chair of Trustees

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Financial Review for the year

At the beginning of the year the rate of inflation (Consumer Price Index) of 10.1% was a significant challenge to the finances of the charity as it increased the cost of, in particular, staff and food, but also other inputs such as office costs. However, by the end of the year the rate had ameliorated to 4% holding out the prospect of limiting cost increases in the future. In 2023, Farnham Assist continued to rebuild its programme of services aimed at reducing the social isolation of its older beneficiaries or clients following the COVID-19 pandemic. To facilitate this, three part-time paid staff comprising a Manager, an Activities Officer and a Lunch Co-Ordinator were retained. These were supported by unpaid co-ordinators and volunteers upon whom Farnham Assist greatly relies in order to remain financially viable.

The budget for 2023 contained a forecast income of £64.0k and expected expenditure of £69.8k so that the predicted deficit for the year was £5.8k. Clearly, following a deficit of £4.6k in 2022, this would constitute a further deterioration in the financial position of the charity with another decrease in the level of unrestricted reserve funds. In the event, income was the forecast amount of £64.0k but expenditure was only £67.0k leading to a deficit of £3.0k, an improvement of £2.8k compared with the predicted deficit of £5.8k. Whilst this outcome is welcome, the continued depletion of reserves year on year is not sustainable. Hopefully, with further falls in inflation, future deficits can be minimised or, perhaps, small surpluses can even be generated.

Income from gifts, donations and legacies including regular donations from Friends of Farnham Assist together with gift aid reclaimed came to £21.5k, grants received totalled £26.9k, fundraising generated £3.6k and charitable activities, mostly lunch receipts, added £11.5k. Reserves were invested in a three month bond which can be rolled over if desired enabling a higher rate of interest to be earned and interest received rose to £0.5k. Trustee donations made during the year totalled £2.8k (excluding gift aid), constituting just over 4% of the total income of the charity during 2023. As to expenditure, staffing costs were £36.9k kept down by employment allowances, event costs £12.4k with office and other expenses totalling £17.7k. No payments were made to trustees for their time or expenses incurred in the course of carrying out trustee duties. However, one trustee is also a trustee of Waverley Hoppa Community Transport which was paid £1.8k for minibus and driver hire for monthly community lunches but the trustee took no part in making this arrangement, declared this interest at all trustee meetings and derived no personal benefit from it.

A modest programme of successful and enjoyable fundraising activities was held in 2023 and considerable effort was put into making grant applications although the burden of these fell almost entirely upon our Manager. Waverley Borough Council Thriving Communities Fund grant is in the final year of a three-year period and will currently end on 31st March 2025. This funding is discretionary, so it is susceptible to both central and local government spending cuts. The nature and level of such funding going forward and the ability of Farnham Assist to make a successful application for a grant will be critical as regards the maintenance of Farnham Assist's programme of activities specifically the Central Farnham and Hale lunches. Despite the fact that many charitable organisations are increasingly relying upon legacies, income from this source remains disappointingly low. However, a leaflet encouraging bequests to Farnham Assist is available to promote this appropriately and sensitively. The Friends of Farnham Assist have, for many years, generously supported our work but the number and level of such donations is diminishing as cost-of-living pressures increase and Friends find it necessary to review their charitable giving. An event was held in 2023 for the first time encouraging small donations from better off clients and this was reasonably successful.

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Financial review for the year *(continued)*

As mentioned in the Financial Review for 2022 there are operational and client benefits from maintaining an office and it is the current intention of Farnham Assist to maintain a small office even though closing it would reduce costs significantly. The charity is also committed to maintaining current staff levels as far as possible. However, every effort is made to reduce costs in all categories both large and small wherever possible.

Farnham Assist is most grateful for the restricted grants received from Waverley Borough Council, Surrey Community Foundation (Pargiter Trust and Elder Companionship Fund), Allen Lane Foundation, Woodroffe Trust, Shanly Foundation, Voluntary Action South West Surrey (Sparks Fund), Farnham Town Council, Farnham Hedgehogs and Churches Together in Farnham together with unrestricted donations from numerous individuals, Churches and other charitable trusts and organisations. The support for and encouragement of our activities from local Churches and Farnham Town Council is invaluable as we seek to show God's love to older residents of Farnham. We are particularly grateful to our unpaid co-ordinators and volunteers without which this important work would not be possible.



Dr Brian Capper

Treasurer

FARNHAM ASSIST
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Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST

2023 was a successful year for the Charity where we were able to deliver all our intended activities and saw a growth in many of our activities.

During the year, we were delighted to partner with Spire Church to host 5 Church services commencing with a Daffodil Service in February. These have been important opportunities for us to gather and celebrate our Christian ethos and we have welcomed 40 to 50 people at each event consisting of a short informal service and then refreshments. We are also grateful to Farnham Baptist Church for hosting our Christmas Carol Service, to Farnham Town Council who kindly funded our events through their Community Fund and to our volunteer musicians, speakers, and cooks.

During 2023, we grew our programme of outings and activities which enable local people to enjoy experiences away from Farnham and they were extremely popular. Our trips over the year varied from a large coach with disability lift to Littlehampton (in partnership with Bourne Wood) to a small group that we took to a local horse sanctuary. We are grateful to our volunteer drivers that facilitated some of these outings enabling people to have a positive and different experience to their lives.

Our client trips and events during 2023 were as follows: -

- Visit to Brooklands Museum
- Visit to Chichester
- Visit to Mane Chance Horse Sanctuary
- A royal themed quiz at Farnham Baptist Church
- Visit to Milestones Museum in Basingstoke
- Visit to a garden centre in Bordon
- A nature tea and talk at St John's Church in Hale
- Afternoon tea and entertainment at Frensham Heights School
- Visit to the Aldershot pantomime

Our activity groups led by our senior volunteers remain popular. During 2023, our regular groups were: -

- Pie & Pint – a weekly pub lunch for men attended by around 8 to 12 people.
- Knit & Natter – a weekly group attended by around 15 people.
- Ladies Lunch – a monthly lunch for women attended by around 25 people.
- Befriending – A team of volunteers that undertake a weekly visit to the housebound with around 10 clients supported at any time.

The last year also saw growth in those attending our monthly Central and Hale community lunches and we are now getting close to maximum capacity at the Central Lunch with around 65 to 70 attending each month. We are very grateful to the team of volunteers that support the lunches undertaking roles such as cooks, kitchen helpers, servers, welcomers, and table hosts. Our Hale lunch has around 20 to 25 attendees each month and we have been pleased to welcome several new guests during the year. Our specific thanks go to Waverley Borough Council for the Service Level Agreement until 31 March 2025 and hire subsidy of the Memorial Hall and to Bethel Baptist Church for their hosting in Hale.

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Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST *(continued)*

In terms of our fundraising events during the year, we hosted fundraising stalls at Farnham Duck Race, Music in the Meadow, Bourne Show and Hale Carnival. In addition, a "Posh Tea" was held for our supporters hosted and arranged by our trustees which raised over £1000, and an Annual Quiz night raised over £500. We are also very grateful to the Mayor of Farnham for being one of his two fundraising charities which raised £2500. In addition, we were honoured to be chosen as the charity for the Rushmoor Male Voice Choir Christmas Concert.

Working with partners has been an important theme for the charity and we have been pleased to link with Frensham Heights School, Bourne Wood Manor, Spire Church amongst others. We also remained an active member of the Older Peoples Network and Farnham Connects which are both important networks linking our work with others.

At the end of 2023, we had over 200 recorded clients that attended at least 1 event (or received a befriending visit) during the year. We were also extremely grateful to the support of over 71 volunteers along with our 3 part-time members of staff and our dedicated trustee Board.



Rodney Bates

Manager of Farnham ASSIST

FARNHAM ASSIST

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The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006), present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31st December 2023.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity name	Farnham Assist
Charity registration number	1135187
Company registration number	07114978
Registered office	7 St George's Yard Farnham Surrey GU9 7LW

The Trustees

The Trustees who served the Charity during the year and since the year-end were as follows:

Dr Mary Riggs (Chair)
Mrs Margaret Daniels
Mrs Alexandra Burn
Mr Brian Kurton
Rev Sandra Clarke
Dr Brian Capper
Mr Mark Huband (appointed 22 November 2023)
Mrs Jennifer Burnett (appointed 28 February 2024)

Company secretary Rodney Bates

Bankers CAF Bank
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FARNHAM ASSIST

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by the Memorandum and Articles adopted and company incorporated on 3rd January 2010 as amended by special resolutions dated 2nd June 2015.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the charities Statement of Recommended Practice (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland; FRS 102) issued in October 2019.

The Charity is controlled, managed and operated by the Trustees. The Trustees are all unpaid. Trustees are appointed from interested and competent residents of Farnham and surrounding areas. New Trustees are provided with copies of the governing document and accounts as well as Charity Commission guidance for Trustees of charities.

The Trustees examine the major risks the Charity faces when considering its future plans and projects. The Charity has developed systems to monitor and control these risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the Charity.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The relief of older people who are in need in the Farnham area, particularly those who live alone or are housebound, by providing assistance, information, training, advice, befriending and physical and spiritual support, through which work the charity shows God's love for them.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and believe that they are advancing community development and culture in Farnham.

The Trustees consider the overall position of the Charity is satisfactory and foresee that funds will be available to meet obligations in the future.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Simon Howell FCCA, of TC Group has been re-appointed as Independent Examiner for the ensuing year.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES *(continued)*

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

- select suitable accounting practices and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association as amended. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 6TH JUNE
2024 by



Dr Brian Capper
Treasurer

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FARNHAM ASSIST**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 10 to 17.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

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



Simon Howell FCCA, of TC Group
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Dated: 26/06 2024

FARNHAM ASSIST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	21,505	26,863	48,368	44,317
Charitable Activities	3	10,341	1,137	11,478	10,358
Other trading activities	4	3,630	-	3,630	2,319
Investments	5	506	-	506	111
TOTAL INCOME		35,982	28,000	63,982	57,105
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	6	(605)	-	(605)	(377)
Charitable activities	7	(39,487)	(26,904)	(66,391)	(61,326)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		(40,092)	(26,904)	(66,996)	(61,703)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(4,110)	1,096	(3,014)	(4,598)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(4,110)	1,096	(3,014)	(4,598)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		34,133	10,375	44,508	49,106
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		30,023	11,471	41,494	44,508

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	2,250	2,172
Cash at bank and in hand		40,149	43,241
		<u>42,399</u>	<u>45,413</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(905)</u>	<u>(905)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		41,494	44,508
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>41,494</u>	<u>44,508</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>41,494</u>	<u>44,508</u>
FUNDS			
Restricted funds	14	11,471	10,375
Unrestricted income funds	14	30,023	34,133
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>41,494</u>	<u>44,508</u>

For the year ending 31st December 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 financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the directors on 6TH JUNE 2024 and are signed on their behalf by:



Dr Brian Capper
Trustee

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The charitable company constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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

Funds structure

Unrestricted funds are those which are not subject to any special restrictions and they can be used as the Trustees decide. Designated funds are part of unrestricted fund and are amounts the Trustees have set aside to cover particular expenditure.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors as how they may be used. See note 11 of the financial statements for further details.

Income

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, there is sufficient certainty of receipt and so it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income can be measured reliably.

Donated assets and services are included at their estimated open market valuation. No income is recognised where there is no financial cost borne by a third party.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis, inclusive of irrecoverable VAT. Expenditure which is identified as relating to restricted projects are allocated directly to those activities. Expenditure which relate to the general running of the charity are allocated against unrestricted funds.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Gifts & Donations	8,714	8,146
Friends of ASSIST	10,933	12,360
Bequest and legacies	500	1,116
Grants	26,863	21,550
Gift Aid	1,358	1,145
	<u>48,368</u>	<u>44,317</u>

Income from donations and legacies was £48,368 (2022 - £44,317) of which £26,863 (2022 - £21,550) was attributable to restricted and £21,505 (2022 - £22,767) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Lunch income	7,907	7,386
Event income	3,571	2,972
	<u>11,478</u>	<u>10,358</u>

Income from charitable activities was £11,478 (2022 - £10,358) of which £1,137 (2022 - £nil) was attributable to restricted and £10,341 (2022 - £10,358) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

4. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022
	£	£
Fundraising events	<u>3,630</u>	<u>2,319</u>

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022
	£	£
Bank interest	<u>506</u>	<u>111</u>

6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022
	£	£
Event costs	<u>605</u>	<u>307</u>

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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank charges	58	79
Telephone/communications	679	556
Energy	468	746
Gifts given	-	36
Insurance	1,155	1,108
Office expenses	596	1,173
Office rent and rates	8,103	8,163
Event costs	3,713	2,910
Lunch costs	8,110	4,664
Postage, printing and stationery	1,557	1,972
Governance (note 8)	1,508	1,546
Repairs and renewals	835	782
Room Hire	100	175
Travel costs	2,089	2,024
Volunteer and staff costs	552	661
Wages and social security costs	36,868	34,731
Total	<u>66,391</u>	<u>61,326</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £66,391 (2022 - £61,326) of which £26,904 (2022 - £21,175) was attributable to restricted and £39,487 (2021 - £40,151) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

8. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Meeting expenses	6	57
Professional fees	26	13
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,476	1,476
	<u>1,508</u>	<u>1,546</u>

9. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Charity was paid or was payable to any Trustees or to any person or persons known to be connected with any of them.

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions during the year (2022 – nil).

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11. STAFF COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages and salaries	36,338	34,252
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	530	479
	<u>36,868</u>	<u>34,731</u>
Staff numbers		
Average monthly number of contracted staff	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000 (2022 – none).

12. DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	1,250	1,172
Prepayments	1,000	1,000
	<u>2,250</u>	<u>2,172</u>

13. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	5	5
Accruals	900	900
	<u>905</u>	<u>905</u>

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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14. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Jan 2023	Incoming resources	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Funds	34,133	35,982	(40,092)	-	30,023

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN UNRESTRICTED FUNDS – Previous year

	Balance at 1 Jan 2022	Incoming resources	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General Funds	49,106	35,555	(40,528)	(10,000)	34,133

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Jan 2023	Incoming resources	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Thriving Communities Commissioning fund	6,132	14,550	(15,752)	-	4,930
Activities and Volunteers co- ordinators fund	2,083	-	(2,083)	-	-
Staffing costs fund	2,000	2,000	(2,000)	-	2,000
Core fund	160	9,713	(5,677)	-	4,196
Client outings fund	-	600	(392)	-	208
Lunches fund	-	1,137	(1,000)	-	137
	10,375	28,000	(26,904)	-	11,471

The Restricted funds are available for future expenditure in relation to specific activities and projects that the charitable company will undertake.

The Thriving Communities Commissioning fund represents funds received from Waverley Borough Council for providing 22 lunches to older members of the community in Hale and Farnham for the period January – March 2024.

The Activities and Volunteers co-ordinators fund represents funds received from The Pargiter Trust Fund and covered salary costs for the period January – May 2023.

The Staffing costs fund represents funds received from The Allen Lane Foundation and is to cover salary costs for the period January - December 2024.

The Core fund represents funds received from the Community Foundation for Surrey, the Shanley Foundation, Woodroffe Benton and Farnham Town Council and is to cover staffing, office rental and volunteer costs for the period January – December 2024.

The Client outings funds represents funds received from Voluntary Action South West Surrey and is to cover trip costs for the period January – December 2024.

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14. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS *(continued)*

The Lunches funds represents funds received from Farnham Hedgehogs and Farnham Churches Together and is to cover lunch costs for the period January – December 2023. The balance carried forward will cover costs for the period January – December 2024.

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS – Previous year

	Balance at 1 Jan 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 Dec 2022 £
Thriving Communities Commissioning fund	-	14,550	(8,418)	-	6,132
Activities and Volunteers co- ordinators fund	-	5,000	(2,917)	-	2,083
Staffing costs fund	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
Core fund	-	-	(9,840)	10,000	160
	-	21,550	(21,175)	10,000	10,375

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Total reserves £
Cash at bank	11,471	28,678	40,149
Current assets	-	2,250	2,250
Current liabilities	-	(905)	(905)
	11,471	30,023	41,494

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS – Previous year

	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	2022 Total reserves £
Cash at bank	10,375	32,866	43,241
Current assets	-	2,172	2,172
Current liabilities	-	(905)	(905)
	10,375	34,133	44,508

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Annual Report and Unaudited Accounts For the year ended 31st December 2022

Company No. 07114978
Charity Registered No. 1135187

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Report from the Chair of Trustees 2022

The year started with some Covid restrictions lifted only at the end of February but the team was keen to restart the regular activities as soon as possible to relieve the loneliness from which our older people had suffered during the previous 2 years.

We were able to continue the popular monthly community lunches with gradually easing of restrictions and these remain very popular events with ever-increasing numbers attending at both venues.

Our staff had planned new activities trips to Aldershot Military Museum and to Winchester, a summer trip to the seaside, always popular, and a Jubilee tea to name but a few as well as our weekly and monthly pub lunches and knit and natter. One to one befriending is also very well used.

We held a very fruitful "Vision Day" in May with our 3 staff, lead volunteers and trustees. This was a very positive time and lead to a good business plan for the next 3-5 years. Monthly church services have been replaced by 3-4 bigger church events at key times of the year and seem very popular. A 20th Anniversary service was held in October as it was too hot on the planned day in July and was well received.

I am pleased to say that there were no staff or trustee changes through the year and it remains for me to thank all 3 of our very dedicated and hard-working staff, Rodney, Angela and Fiona for their commitment to Farnham ASSIST.

In addition, I would like to thank all our trustees and volunteers for their commitment throughout the year without whom our charity would not survive.

Dr Mary Riggs
Chair of Trustees

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Financial Review for the year

At the beginning of the year, the United Kingdom was still affected by the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic and the last of the legal restrictions were not lifted until 24th February 2022. However, Farnham Assist had started in 2021 to rebuild its programme of services to reach out to its clients or beneficiaries of its work who had particularly suffered from the social isolation which characterised the pandemic. Progress in this regard depended primarily upon our three part-time paid staff comprising a Manager, an Activities Officer and a Lunch Co-Ordinator supported by unpaid co-ordinators and volunteers.

The budget for 2022 contained a forecast income of £58.7k and expected expenditure of £66.7k so that the predicted deficit for the year was £8.0k. Clearly, the financial position of the charity was expected to deteriorate markedly with a serious erosion of unrestricted funds of £30.3k equivalent to approximately six months of routine expenditure. In the event income was £57.1k, reasonably close to that forecast, but expenditure was only £61.7k leading to a deficit of £4.6k, an improvement of £3.4k on the predicted deficit of £8.0k.

Income from gifts, donations and legacies including regular donations from Friends of Farnham Assist together with gift aid reclaimed came to £22.8k, grants received totalled £21.6k, fundraising generated £2.3k and charitable activities, mostly lunch receipts, added £10.4k. Trustee donations made totalled £1,560, 2.7% of the total income of the charity during 2022. As to expenditure staffing costs were £37.6k, event costs £7.6k with office and other expenses totalling £16.5k. No payments were made to trustees for their time or expenses incurred in the course of carrying out trustee duties. However, £34.50 was paid to a trustee for food purchased in the capacity of a volunteer cook. One trustee is also a trustee of Waverley Hoppa Community Transport which was paid £1,760 for minibus and driver hire for monthly community lunches but the trustee took no part in making this arrangement, declared this interest at all trustee meetings and derived no personal benefit from it.

Whilst the financial outcome for 2022 was substantially better than predicted a continued depletion of reserves is not sustainable in the longer term. During the year consideration was given to closing the office and adopting remote working, a widespread trend which became apparent during the Covid-19 pandemic. This might save in the region of £10k per annum. However, it was concluded that this was not appropriate for Farnham Assist at this time as some clients value the social benefits of dropping into the office to talk with staff or meet other clients. Additionally, staff work as a closely knit team and this synergy is facilitated by the office working environment. Reduction in paid staffing levels is also not an option as this would materially reduce the effectiveness of the charity in organising charitable activities. Naturally every opportunity has been taken to control and minimise all categories of day to day expenditure but this has proved challenging in the face of inflation running at over 10%.

It has become apparent that the principal way forward in establishing financial stability is to secure further grant income. To this end a volunteer or trustee board member is needed to support the Manager in making grant applications and a search is ongoing for a person with relevant skills. Farnham Assist is a relatively cost-effective organisation because it relies substantially upon a small army of enthusiastic and committed unpaid volunteers. This means that only an additional £10k of income per annum, a comparatively small amount, would be sufficient to make ends meet and provide a small incremental increase in reserves to compensate for the effects on the real value of these caused by inflation.

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Financial review for the year *(continued)*

Regarding other means of enhancing income many charitable organisations are increasingly relying upon legacies as a source of income. A leaflet encouraging bequests to Farnham Assist is available to promote this appropriately and sensitively. However, this is a long term initiative rather than a short term solution to present financial needs. The Friends of Farnham Assist have, for many years, generously supported our work and during the year a review of communication with members of the scheme was undertaken with the aim of enhancing this source of funding by increasing the number of participants and level of donations.

Farnham Assist is most grateful for the grants received from Waverley Borough Council, the Pargiter Trust via Surrey Community Fund, Farnham Hedgehogs and the Allen Lane Foundation together with donations from numerous individuals, Churches and other charitable trusts and organisations. The support for and encouragement of our activities from local Churches and Farnham Town Council is invaluable as we seek to show God's love to older residents of Farnham. We particularly appreciate the work of our unpaid co-ordinators and volunteers without whom this important work would not be possible.

Dr Brian Capper

Treasurer

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Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST

This was a year where the Charity was able to fully resume and grow our activities after the previous disruption of the pandemic. The first part of the year involved regular reviews of our Covid procedures until we were able to fully relax all areas in accordance with Government guidance. I am pleased to say that a full staff team was also in place throughout the year and together we took the operational lead in helping the charity to provide social activities for older people throughout Farnham.

This was a particularly important year for the Charity as we celebrated our 20th year. The highlight was our special anniversary service that took place in early October where we were joined by the Mayors of Guildford and Waverley, our patron (Rt. Revd. Dr Christopher Herbert) our volunteers, wider supporters and clients. We had tried to hold the event earlier in the year but had to cancel the original date on the unusual grounds of extreme heat. Remarkably, this was the only cancellation of an activity since the charity was allowed to resume our face-to-face activities. In April, we were also one of the organisations in Farnham that planted a "Jubilee tree" in recognition of the Queens Platinum Jubilee at the invitation of Farnham Town Council.



It is important to highlight and thank our lead volunteers for many of the activities that took place over the year. These faithful servants take the practical lead of our weekly groups thus enabling the staff team to focus on our larger or one off activities. Our groups and activities that took place during 2022 were as follows:-

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Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST *(continued)*

Community Lunches

In 2022, we hosted 22 community lunches with 11 at Bethel Baptist Church and 11 at the Memorial Hall in Farnham. These are kindly supported by Waverley Borough Council as part of a 3-year funding agreement which continues until March 2025. The average attendance at the Memorial Lunches has grown to around 65 to 70 guests each month with around 18 to 25 guests usually attending at Hale. It is important to highlight the importance of these lunches as for some, it is the only occasion each month where they will share a meal with others. The cost is deliberately kept low at £7 for a two-course roast meal to ensure there are no financial barriers.

We are kindly supported in providing this service through a fantastic team of volunteers who give up their time to cook, prepare food, welcome people, set up tables, drivers and being table hosts. In addition to our regular volunteers, we have been grateful for the support given by staff and students at Frensham Heights School through serving and providing entertainment on occasions. We would also like to thank Waverley Hoppa Community Transport and their drivers for coming in on a Sunday and ensuring that those with mobility challenges that are often our most isolated can get to the lunches. I would also like to publicly thank Fiona as our Lunch Co-ordinator in pulling together the volunteer teams, supporting our guests and for ensuring many personal touches which all go together to make a successful event.



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Regular Activity Groups

We have continued our three main activity groups throughout 2022 namely Pie & Pint, Knit & Natter and our Ladies Pub Lunch.

- Pie & Pint is our group for men to gather and enjoy a pub lunch in different Farnham venues three times a month. This has a regular attendance of around 8 to 12 people.
- Knit & Natter is a weekly group organised in partnership with Gostreys Day Centre. This group meets at the Memorial Hall and is currently full with around 15 people attending each week.
- Our Ladies Pub Lunch met each month at the Woodlarks in Bordon. Whilst numbers within this group has reduced since the pandemic, there have still been around 20 to 25 guests for most months.

Outings

One of the areas that we were particularly keen to restart were our programme of outings. During 2022, we operated 4 trips which enabled people to leave the Farnham area and gain new knowledge or social experience. The trips that operated during 2022 were as follows:-

- Visit to Aldershot Military Museum followed by a pub lunch – around 12 attended
- Day trip to Winchester including a tour of the Cathedral and lunch – around 16 attended
- A day at the seaside at Worthing including lunch – around 40 people attended
- A visit to St. Michael's Abbey at Farnborough followed by a pub lunch in Cove – 11 clients attended with support from a driver from Farnham Lions.

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The day at the seaside was particularly notable because of the partnership established with Bournewood Day Centre. This enabled a team of 10 clients and staff from the home to join around 30 of us from Farnham Assist. Our thanks also go to Farnham Institute who kindly funded lunch at a local pub for all those that attended. I would also wish to publicly thank Angela as our Activities Officer who arranged these outings liaising with transport providers and venues to ensure a great experience for all. This will be expanded in 2023 with 6 outings planned including to several new venues requested by clients.

Church Services

Following the pandemic, we reviewed our previous monthly activity of Silver Service that had provided a short church service and refreshment. As a result, we moved to an intended quarterly service in 2022 which enabled us to focus our efforts in this area. During 2022, we hosted the following (our July event was cancelled):-

- An Easter Service at Spire Church with around 45 people attending
- The 20th Anniversary Service which also celebrated older people and was held at St. Andrew's Church in Farnham. This was attended by around 60 people.
- A Christmas Carol Service at Farnham Baptist Church with around 45 people attending.

The intention for 2023 would be to enhance this through a new partnership initiative with Spire Church with five services planned to take place.

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Befriending

Farnham Assist has continued to have a regular team of befrienders faithfully visiting clients that are unable to access our wider activities. This enabled around 10 clients to receive a weekly contact each week usually via a home visit. There has been some change in the team during the year due to clients passing away or moving or the changing personal circumstances of the volunteer. There was a need for operational reasons to temporarily put the scheme on hold during the latter part of the year but we have now resumed again in 2023.

One off events and activities

We were delighted to work together with Gostreys Day Centre in May 2022 in order to provide a Jubilee Tea for older people in Farnham. This event was extremely well attended with around 80 guests including clients from both of our charities. The Mayor of Farnham kindly attended, and the event included a history talk of Farnham, music and of course a wonderful afternoon tea.



We also provided an afternoon of Beetle Drive in the summer which was attended by around 18 people. We did pilot some very short walks during 2022 but these had a low take up so will not be continued into 2023. As a charity, we are quite happy to try new ideas and initiatives recognising that not everything will always be successful.

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We also undertook several fundraising activities during the year. This included a refreshment stall at the July Farmers Market, a charity stall at the Farnham Duck Race, a refreshment stall at Music in the Meadow in September and a Quiz Night in November. We were also grateful that the Mayor of Farnham kindly and exceptionally agreed that Farnham Assist would be one of his charities for a second Mayoral year.

In addition, we were delighted to receive funding from other community groups and fundraisers during the year including our local Freemasons and a group of our clients that raised several hundred pounds through walking a marathon through regular laps around Gostrey Meadow.



We also ensured that clients received a Christmas goodie bag from us including a Christmas card and small treat. This is important because many of our clients would not have wider families or friends to share Christmas or presents. Whilst the Churches Together Christmas Day lunch did not take place, we were able to refer several clients to an alternative event held in Aldershot.

Wider Governance

In the summer of 2022, the charity held a vision day for our trustees, lead volunteers and staff team. This enabled all of us to reflect on our strengths and areas that we wished to develop over the coming three years. This has resulted in a new business plan covering 2023 to 2025 with progress reviewed at every trustee meeting.

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Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST *(continued)*

As a Charity, we have taken the opportunity to review a number of areas behind the scenes. This has involved a full review of our safeguarding procedures and arrangements as well as our data protection. We have also had an office clear out and gifted several items to other charities and groups that may be in more need than ourselves.

More importantly, we also undertook our annual survey of clients and volunteers. This showed that we are greatly valued but also helped to shape our programme for 2023 with new activities and initiatives planned.

Partnership working

Farnham ASSIST has played a full part in working together with other partners across Farnham. During 2022, the charity was one of the members of the Loneliness Taskforce that is aiming to address isolation across Farnham. The Manager was also one of the rota chairs for Farnham Connects (the multi-agency network) and both staff and trustees attended several Civic events during the year representing the charity. We also attended the Churches Together in Farnham AGM and intend to progress closer working with Churches going forward.

To conclude the report, here is a summary of our key numbers during 2022:-

- Number of Clients as of 31st December 2022 - 202
- Number of volunteers as of 31st December 2022 - 82
- Number of paid staff hours per week – 45 (3 part time staff)
- Number of community Lunches held – 22
- Number of one off events held - 12
- Number of regular activities held (our weekly/monthly groups but not befriending) - 76

Summary

This has been a busy and successful year for the charity where we have been able to rebuild after the pandemic and refocus our efforts towards the way ahead.

Rodney Bates

Manager of Farnham ASSIST

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The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006), present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31st December 2022.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity name	Farnham Assist
Charity registration number	1135187
Company registration number	07114978
Registered office	7 St George's Yard Farnham Surrey GU9 7LW

The Trustees

The Trustees who served the Charity during the year and since the year-end were as follows:

Dr Mary Riggs (Chair)
Mrs Margaret Daniels
Mrs Alexandra Burn
Mr Brian Kurton
Rev Sandra Clarke
Dr Brian Capper

Company secretary Rodney Bates

Bankers CAF Bank
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Independent Examiner Mr S. P. F. Howell FCCA
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by the Memorandum and Articles adopted and company incorporated on 3rd January 2010 as amended by special resolutions dated 2nd June 2015.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the charities Statement of Recommended Practice (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland; FRS 102) issued in October 2019.

The Charity is controlled, managed and operated by the Trustees. The Trustees are all unpaid. Trustees are appointed from interested and competent residents of Farnham and surrounding areas. New Trustees are provided with copies of the governing document and accounts as well as Charity Commission guidance for Trustees of charities.

The Trustees examine the major risks the Charity faces when considering its future plans and projects. The Charity has developed systems to monitor and control these risks to mitigate any impact they may have on the Charity.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The relief of older people who are in need in the Farnham area, particularly those who live alone or are housebound, by providing assistance, information, training, advice, befriending and physical and spiritual support, through which work the charity shows God's love for them.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and believe that they are advancing community development and culture in Farnham.

The Trustees consider the overall position of the Charity is satisfactory and foresee that funds will be available to meet obligations in the future.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Simon Howell FCCA, of TC Group has been re-appointed as Independent Examiner for the ensuing year.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period.

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES *(continued)*

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

- select suitable accounting practices and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association as amended. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 5/6/23
2023 by



Dr Brian Capper
Treasurer

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FARNHAM ASSIST**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on pages 15 to 22.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

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

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

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

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

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

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



Simon Howell FCCA, of TC Group
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Dated: 21/06 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	22,767	21,550	44,317	39,390
Charitable Activities	3	10,358	-	10,358	4,142
Other trading activities	4	2,319	-	2,319	2,333
Investments	5	111	-	111	20
TOTAL INCOME		35,555	21,550	57,105	45,885
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	6	(377)	-	(377)	(565)
Charitable activities	7	(40,151)	(21,175)	(61,326)	(43,351)
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		(40,528)	(21,175)	(61,703)	(43,916)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(4,973)	375	(4,598)	1,969
Transfer between funds		(10,000)	10,000	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(14,973)	10,375	(4,598)	1,969
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		49,106	-	49,106	47,137
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		34,133	10,375	44,508	49,106

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The notes on pages 17 to 22 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	2,172	2,965
Cash at bank and in hand		43,241	47,045
		45,413	50,010
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(905)	(904)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		44,508	49,106
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		44,508	49,106
NET ASSETS		44,508	49,106
FUNDS			
Restricted funds	14	10,375	-
Unrestricted income funds	14	34,133	49,106
TOTAL FUNDS		44,508	49,106

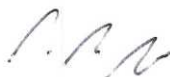
For the year ending 31st December 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

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

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the directors on 5/6/23 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:



Dr Brian Capper
Trustee

The notes on pages 17 to 22 form part of these financial statements.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The charitable company constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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

Funds structure

Unrestricted funds are those which are not subject to any special restrictions and they can be used as the Trustees decide. Designated funds are part of unrestricted fund and are amounts the Trustees have set aside to cover particular expenditure.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors as how they may be used. See note 11 of the financial statements for further details.

Income

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, there is sufficient certainty of receipt and so it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income can be measured reliably.

Donated assets and services are included at their estimated open market valuation. No income is recognised where there is no financial cost borne by a third party.

Investment income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis, inclusive of irrecoverable VAT. Expenditure which is identified as relating to restricted projects are allocated directly to those activities. Expenditure which relate to the general running of the charity are allocated against unrestricted funds.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

FARNHAM ASSIST

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gifts & Donations	8,146	7,666
Friends of ASSIST	12,360	11,436
Bequest and legacies	1,116	65
Grants	21,550	19,450
Gift Aid	1,145	773
	<u>44,317</u>	<u>39,390</u>

Income from donations and legacies was £44,317 (2021 - £39,390) of which £21,550 (2021 - £nil) was attributable to restricted and £22,767 (2021 - £39,390) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Unrestricted funds 2021
	£	£
Lunch income	7,386	3,570
Event income	2,972	572
	<u>10,358</u>	<u>4,142</u>

4. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Unrestricted funds 2021
	£	£
Fundraising events	2,319	2,333

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Unrestricted funds 2021
	£	£
Bank interest	111	20

6. RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds 2022	Unrestricted funds 2021
	£	£
Event costs	377	565

FARNHAM ASSIST

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank charges	79	112
Telephone/communications	556	963
Energy	746	452
Gifts given	36	54
Insurance	1,108	881
Office expenses	1,173	1,560
Office rent and rates	8,163	7,893
Event costs	2,910	946
Lunch costs	4,664	2,081
Postage, printing and stationery	1,972	1,070
Governance (note 8)	1,546	1,479
Repairs and renewals	782	-
Room Hire	175	-
Travel costs	2,024	200
Volunteer and staff costs	661	85
Wages and social security costs	34,731	25,575
Total	<u>61,326</u>	<u>43,351</u>

Expenditure on charitable activities was £61,326 (2021 - £43,351) of which £21,175 (2021 - £nil) was attributable to restricted and £40,151 (2021 - £43,351) was attributable to unrestricted funds.

8. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Meeting expenses	57	4
Professional fees	13	-
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,476	1,475
	<u>1,546</u>	<u>1,479</u>

9. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION

No remuneration directly or indirectly out of the funds of the Charity was paid or was payable to any Trustees or to any person or persons known to be connected with any of them.

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions during the year (2021 – nil).

FARNHAM ASSIST

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

11. STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	34,252	25,121
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	479	454
	<u>34,731</u>	<u>25,575</u>
Staff numbers		
Average monthly number of contracted staff	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>

There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000 (2021 – none).

12. DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other debtors	1,172	1,965
Prepayments	1,000	1,000
	<u>2,172</u>	<u>2,965</u>

13. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other creditors	5	4
Accruals	900	900
	<u>905</u>	<u>904</u>

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

14. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Jan 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2022 £
General Funds	49,106	35,555	(40,528)	(10,000)	34,133

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN UNRESTRICTED FUNDS – Previous year

	Balance at 1 Jan 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2021 £
General Funds	47,137	45,885	(43,916)	-	49,106

ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Jan 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance at 31 Dec 2022 £
Thriving Communities Commissioning fund	-	14,550	(8,418)	-	6,132
Activities and Volunteers co- ordinators fund	-	5,000	(2,917)	-	2,083
Staffing costs fund	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
Core fund	-	-	(9,840)	10,000	160
	-	21,550	(21,175)	10,000	10,375

The Restricted funds are available for future expenditure in relation to specific activities and projects that the charitable company will undertake.

The Thriving Communities Commissioning fund represents funds received from Waverley Borough Council for providing 22 lunches to older members of the community in Hale and Farnham for the period April 2022 – March 2023.

The Activities and Volunteers co-ordinators fund represents funds received from The Pargiter Trust Fund and is to cover salary costs for the period June 2022 – May 2023.

The Staffing costs fund represents funds received from The Allen Lane Foundation and is to cover salary costs for the period January - December 2023.

The Core fund represents funds received from the Community Foundation for Surrey and is to cover staffing, office rental and volunteer costs for the period January – December 2022. The funding was received in November 2021 and should have been shown as a Restricted fund in the previous year – this has been transferred from Unrestricted to Restricted funds in the current year.

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15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted Funds	2022 Total reserves
	£	£	£
Cash at bank	10,375	32,866	43,241
Current assets	-	2,172	2,172
Current liabilities	-	(905)	(905)
	10,375	34,133	44,508

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS – Previous year

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted Funds	2021 Total reserves
	£	£	£
Cash at bank	-	47,045	47,045
Current assets	-	2,965	2,965
Current liabilities	-	(904)	(904)
	-	49,106	49,106

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A Christian organisation
supporting older people

FARNHAM ASSIST 2021 ANNUAL REPORT



Photo taken at 2021 Christmas Lunch for Pie & Pint

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2021

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ASSIST Chairman's Report 2021

Rodney Bates as sole employee of ASSIST began 2021 with a challenge. He had just taken over from June Trantom as manager and with nearly a year of no possibility of any communal activities due to covid, he had the task of getting it all working again.

The main challenges were to continue and develop the regular contact with clients and volunteers whilst keeping everyone safe, and to prepare for reopening of events in an ordered way following government regulations at all times.

The older folk continued to receive letters and "goodie bags" of interesting edible items on a monthly basis and weekly phone calls from volunteers.

Volunteers were contacted by regular zoom meetings to obtain their views and keep in contact.

Rodney also linked in to the Farnham connect group for sharing ideas and news. A slow opening of events was possible from April/May starting with small outdoor events progressing very slowly to the monthly lunches which began in September. Culminating in the special celebration Christmas lunches at both sites in December.

We recruited a new Activities Officer, Angela Weston who started in June and a Lunch Co-ordinator, Fiona Brooks who started in November.

We have had changes of Trustees. Chris Packwood moved away and Ken Wickenden retired. We have been pleased to welcome Rev. Sandy Clarke and Dr. Brian Capper to the board.

I would like to thank all those who have supported us financially through the year including Friends of ASSIST, Pargiter Trust, Waverley Borough Council, and our Mayor, Councillor Alan Earwaker, for making us one of his Mayor's charities, and all the other folk and organisations who have supported us. Without your help we could not function.

I am especially grateful to Rodney who has worked tirelessly through the year over and above his remit, to my fellow trustees especially Brian Kurton who picked up the treasurer post at short notice. It has been a very busy year for us all.

This has been a very challenging time but I feel that with Gods help, we have now renewed our strength and are able to offer our older folk a very good service.

Mary Riggs

Financial Review for the Year ending December 31st 2021

For many organisations and charities, 2021 was a difficult year and we were no exception to that situation. For several months, the UK was in lockdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic and this particularly affected the clients of Farnham ASSIST, many of whom saw no-one for weeks at a time. As we went through the year, we were developing plans to carefully reopen our services and, from a financial perspective, we were very grateful that our income streams were largely maintained.

However, we knew that once our various services were restarted, we would need more resource than one part time manager. Equally, we did not want to commit the charity to ongoing costs, so we were able to bring in two part time staff on short term renewable contracts the cost of which was covered by Third Party funding. At the end of the year, there was a small 4% increase in our Net Assets, thanks to careful budgeting and the generous giving of our supporters. As a result, the Board feel the charity is in a good place, with the necessary resources, both financial and staffing, to face the challenges of 2022. We periodically review our reserves policy and the reserves currently stand at £20,175. The next major review of the policy is scheduled for Midsummer 2022. In accordance with charity good practice, we can report that the total amount of trustee donations made during 2021 was £1,130.

Like many small to medium sized charities, we use CAFBank as our main banker. Historically, CAFBank have had a special arrangement whereby their customers can use the facilities of HSBC to pay in funds, with no extra bank charges incurred. Sadly, the Farnham branch was converted to a “digital only” branch last year and only notes and cheques can be paid in, which gave us problems, as many clients pay us in cash for their lunches etc. The bank has subsequently decided to close the branch completely in the near future. As the nearest suitable branch is in Guildford (giving us several security and cost issues), we decided to open an account with Nat West which would be used for that purpose. Monies can then be transferred to our CAFBank account monthly.

I would like to record our thanks for the ongoing support that we receive from Waverley Borough Council, and the faithfulness and generosity of our Friends of ASSIST, the Town Mayor, our supporters, our donors, our wonderful volunteers and staff. We will continue to work together with

local Churches, Charitable Trusts, and other organisations as we strive to show God's love to the older people in the Farnham area.

The Board would also like to extend its grateful thanks to Ken Wickenden, who was Treasurer of the charity from 2010 until September 23rd, 2021. His skills and advice over many years were invaluable. I took on the role of Treasurer on a holding basis from September 24th and I am pleased to announce that, subject to approval at the AGM, Dr Brian Capper will be taking over the role on a permanent basis from that date.

Brian Kurton
Treasurer
June 2022

Report from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST 2021

This was a transitional year for the Charity where the first six months meant that the Charity had to adapt to the national circumstances of the pandemic. During this time, we gave alternative provision and support by keeping contact with our clients through several activity bags that they could enjoy at home. Whilst this did not replace the human contact and friendship that we usually provide and sadly we did hear stories about the loneliness experienced during these challenging times, we were also encouraged by positive feedback received that we had made them feel valued. One of our many Easter delivery boxes are below and around 150 clients received goodie bags during this time. One of the joys during this period was personally delivering a goodie bag to our oldest client (104) and witnessing her delight at receiving this.



Our staff team and roles have also changed and I was pleased to welcome Angela Weston as our Activities Officer in June and Fiona Brooks as our Lunch Co-ordinator in November. Both are great assets to the charity and along with the support of our trustees and volunteers meant that we were able to establish a phased return of activities as restrictions began to loosen. This started with partnering with Farnham Maltings to provide "Doorstep Duets" where our clients could enjoy a short socially distanced performance and refreshments as a way of bringing people together after 15 months apart. The Falkner Court event is below.



Our regular groups of Pie and Pint, Ladies Lunch and Knit & Natter also began to return over the summer although after review, we decided not to restart Understanding Computers. Our befriending scheme which continued remotely throughout the pandemic also began to meet people in gardens and then eventually back in homes. As a charity, we had to constantly review and update all of our Covid procedures and vaccine policy to ensure safety for all.

Our community lunches did return on a phased basis only from September until our Lunch Co-ordinator was recruited but then returned to monthly events in Hale and in the Town Centre from December. The Christmas Party at the Memorial Hall was enjoyed as below...



Turning to Praise & Worship in care homes and Silver Service, neither of these activities restarted in 2021. Covid restrictions in both care homes and Churches and reduced staff time and volunteers for this area meant that neither of these activities were practical. However, we were (just) able to hold a Carol Service at Christmas which was enjoyed by those able to attend and where one of our clients powerfully shared the positive impact of our service to them. We were also not able to restart outings although these have now resumed in 2022 along with 4 planned Church Services.

In terms of numbers within the charity, we maintained very good client numbers at around 180 and despite a full volunteer audit after the pandemic, we had 99 registered volunteers at the end of the year. I would like to publicly thank all who served in any capacity whether in governance, washing up, cooking, serving, driving, befriending, activity leads or at any of our other events. In addition, we were pleased to welcome students from Frensham Heights School and their teacher who helped to serve and act as table hosts. Both the clients and the students really enjoyed the intergenerational mixing and we hope to encourage more of this.

Turning to fundraising, our model has been to receive income through a mixture of regular giving, gifts & donations, grants and fundraising events. Whilst the latter was impacted to some degree, we were still able to hold events in the second half of the year including a Community Quiz Night and a Flower Demonstration as pictured below.



We were also blessed to receive many generous gifts and donations during the year from individuals and organisations. In addition, I would also like to thank Waverley Borough Council, the Pargiter Trust, Cala Homes and Surrey Community Foundation for their grants during the year that all helped to ensure that our services and activities could continue. Finally, I would like to thank the Mayor of Farnham, Cllr Alan Earwaker, who kindly chose us to be one of his two Mayoral charities in May 2021 raising both funds and awareness of our work.

During 2021, Farnham ASSIST also played a wider role within a Loneliness Task Group that was established within Farnham during the pandemic and this work has continued into 2022.

Finally, as we draw the memories of 2021 to a close, it is a time to jointly celebrate the journey that took place. Along with every charity working in the pandemic, 2021 was a mixture of both challenge and delight but where the lives of many were positively impacted and a firm foundation given for 2022.

Rodney Bates
Manager of Farnham ASSIST



A cheque presentation kindly donated by Walkfest in July 2021



Christmas Party 2021 with some impromptu carol singing...

**ANNUAL REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

FARNHAM ASSIST

COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Registered Company Number 07114978

Registered Charity Number 1135187

Independent Examiners Ltd
2 Broadbridge Business Centre
Delling Lane
Bosham
West Sussex
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FARNHAM ASSIST

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FARNHAM ASSIST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1135187
COMPANY NUMBER	07114978
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st January 2021
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31st December 2021
DIRECTORS AT 31ST DEC 2021	Dr Mary Riggs (Chair) - appointed 10.10.13 Mrs Alexandra Burn-appointed 3.1.10 Mrs Margaret Daniels - appointed 19.7.11 Mr Brian Kurton - appointed 21.12.20 Rev Sandra Clarke - appointed 7.7.21 Dr Brian Capper - appointed 28.9.21 Mr Kenneth Wickenden - resigned 23.9.21 Mr Christopher Packwood - resigned 31.7.21
COMPANY SECRETARY	Rodney Bates
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Charitable Company limited by guarantee. Memorandum and Articles adopted and company incorporated on 3rd January 2010 as amended by special resolutions dated 2nd June 2015
CHARITABLE OBJECTS	The relief of older people who are in need in the Farnham area, particularly those who live alone or are housebound, by providing assistance, information, training, advice, befriending and physical and spiritual support, through which work the charity shows God's love for them.
REGISTERED OFFICE	7 St George's Yard Farnham Surrey GU9 7LW
PRIMARY BANKERS	CAF Bank Ltd ME19 4JQ
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	K Gomes Independent Examiners Ltd 2 Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham West Sussex PO18 8NF

FARNHAM ASSIST
DIRECTORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

The Directors present their report together with the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31st December 2021. A more detailed report is available on the Charity Commission web site by accessing the annual report and financial statements for year ended 31st December 2021 under Charity Registration No. 1135187.

Statement of Directors' responsibilities:

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company during that period. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- (i) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- (ii) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- (iii) prepare financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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 statements 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. In preparing this report the directors have taken advantage of special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 2021, and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Date : 26th MAY 2022

Signed on behalf of the Board :



Name : BRIAN KURTON
TREASURER

FARNHAM ASSIST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and Legacies	2 (a)	39,390	-	39,390	44,600
Income from Charitable Activities	2 (b)	4,142	-	4,142	1,914
Activities for Generating Funds	2 (c)	2,333	-	2,333	1,536
Investment Income	2 (d)	20	-	20	22
TOTAL INCOME		45,885	-	45,885	48,072
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	3a	565	-	565	2,043
Charitable Activities	3b	43,351	-	43,351	39,777
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		43,916	-	43,916	41,820
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		1,969	-	1,969	6,252
Total Funds Brought Forward		47,137	-	47,137	40,885
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		49,106	-	49,106	47,137

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

FARNHAM ASSIST
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31-Dec 2021 Total £	31-Dec 2020 Total £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets		-	-	-	-
Current Assets					
Debtors	7	2,965	-	2,965	3,186
Cash at bank and in hand	6	47,045	-	47,045	44,856
Total Current Assets		50,010	-	50,010	48,042
Creditors:					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	904	-	904	905
NET CURRENT ASSETS		49,106	-	49,106	47,137
NET ASSETS		49,106	-	49,106	47,137
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		49,106	-	49,106	47,137
Restricted Funds	4	-	-	-	-
Total Funds		49,106	-	49,106	47,137

For the year ending 31st December 2021 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

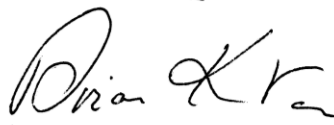
The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Directors on : 26th MAY 2022

Signed on their behalf by :
Name :


BRIAN KURTON
TREASURER

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

1.1 Basis of Preparation

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)). Advantage has been taken of the exemption under FRS 102 1A for smaller charities not to prepare a statement of cash flows.

1.2 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity has entitlement to the funds, certainty of receipt and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donated assets and services are included at their estimated open market valuation. No income is recognised where there is no financial cost borne by a third party.

1.3 Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is included when incurred. Costs which are identified as relating to restricted projects are allocated directly to those activities. Costs which relate to the general running of the charity are allocated against unrestricted funds, and within the statement of financial activities these expenses are shown as costs of raising funds and charitable activities - which include support costs and governance costs (relating to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements).

1.5 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

1.6 Funds

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors as to how they may be used.

Unrestricted funds are those which are not subject to any special restrictions and they can be used as the Trustees decide. Designated funds are part of unrestricted funds and are amounts the Trustees have set aside to cover particular expenditure.

1.7 Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

1.8 Changes in Accounting policies and previous accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (variation rules and methods of accounting) since last year, and no changes to the previous accounts.

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
a) Donations and Legacies				
Gifts & Donations	38,617	-	38,617	39,794
Gift Aid	773	-	773	4,806
	39,390	-	39,390	44,600
b) Charitable Activities				
Fundraising Activities	4,142	-	4,142	1,914
	4,142	-	4,142	1,914
c) Activities for Generating Funds				
Events Income	2,333	-	2,333	1,536
	2,333	-	2,333	1,536
d) Investment Income				
Interest	20	-	20	22
	20	-	20	22

3. EXPENDITURE ON:

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
a) Raising Funds				
Event Costs	565	-	565	2,043
	565	-	565	2,043

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

b) Charitable Activities

Bank Charges		112	-	112	60
Telephone/Communications		963	-	963	1,123
Energy		452	-	452	662
Gifts Given		54	-	54	275
Insurance		881	-	881	1,019
Office Expenses		1,944	-	1,944	1,404
Office Rent and Rates		7,893	-	7,893	7,122
Event costs		946	-	946	-
Lunch costs		1,769	-	1,769	610
Postage, printing and stationery		1,070	-	1,070	467
Professional Fees		1,476	-	1,476	1,917
Repairs and Renewals		-	-	-	387
Room Hire		-	-	-	379
Travel costs		200	-	200	-
Volunteer and Staff Costs		17	-	17	204
Wages and Social Security Costs	5	25,575	-	25,575	24,148
		43,351	-	43,351	39,777

4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The charity has no restricted funds at present.

5. STAFF COSTS

	Total 31-Dec-21 £	Total 31-Dec-20 £
Total staff costs were:		
Wages and Salaries	25,121	24,042
Pension Costs	454	106
	25,575	24,148

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the period. The average full time equivalent number of staff employed by the charity during the period was:

	Total 31-Dec-21 No.	Total 31-Dec-20 No.
Support	1	1
	1	1

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

6. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Total 31-Dec-21	Total 31-Dec-20
	£	£	£	£
Scottish Widows	20,194	-	20,194	20,175
NatWest	2,205	-	2,205	0
Gold Account	16,773	-	16,773	6,072
Cash Account	7,823	-	7,823	18,571
Petty Cash	50	-	50	38
	47,045	-	47,045	44,856

7. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

Gift Aid Recoverable	1,965	-	1,965	2,186
Prepayments	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
	2,965	-	2,965	3,186

8. CREDITORS ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

NEST Pension	4	-	4	5
Accruals	0	-	0	0
Independent Examiners Fees	900	-	900	900
	904	-	904	905

9. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

No payments were made to trustees or any other person connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

10. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

11. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the Directors of Farnham Assist on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 set out on pages 4 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required and Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the governing document or constitution of the Charity for the conducting of an audit. As a consequence, the trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for an independent examination, It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the organisation 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.

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 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
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Signed:



Dated: 8.6.22

**ANNUAL REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

FARNHAM ASSIST

COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Registered Company Number 07114978

Registered Charity Number 1135187

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1135187
COMPANY NUMBER	07114978
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st January 2021
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31st December 2021
DIRECTORS AT 31ST DEC 2021	Dr Mary Riggs (Chair) - appointed 10.10.13 Mrs Alexandra Burn-appointed 3.1.10 Mrs Margaret Daniels - appointed 19.7.11 Mr Brian Kurton - appointed 21.12.20 Rev Sandra Clarke - appointed 7.7.21 Dr Brian Capper - appointed 28.9.21 Mr Kenneth Wickenden - resigned 23.9.21 Mr Christopher Packwood - resigned 31.7.21
COMPANY SECRETARY	Rodney Bates
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Charitable Company limited by guarantee. Memorandum and Articles adopted and company incorporated on 3rd January 2010 as amended by special resolutions dated 2nd June 2015
CHARITABLE OBJECTS	The relief of older people who are in need in the Farnham area, particularly those who live alone or are housebound, by providing assistance, information, training, advice, befriending and physical and spiritual support, through which work the charity shows God's love for them.
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FARNHAM ASSIST
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

The Directors present their report together with the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31st December 2021. A more detailed report is available on the Charity Commission web site by accessing the annual report and financial statements for year ended 31st December 2021 under Charity Registration No. 1135187.

Statement of Directors' responsibilities:

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company during that period. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

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I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 2021, and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Date : 26th MAY 2022

Signed on behalf of the Board :



Name : BRIAN KURTON
TREASURER

FARNHAM ASSIST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and Legacies	2 (a)	39,390	-	39,390	44,600
Income from Charitable Activities	2 (b)	4,142	-	4,142	1,914
Activities for Generating Funds	2 (c)	2,333	-	2,333	1,536
Investment Income	2 (d)	20	-	20	22
TOTAL INCOME		45,885	-	45,885	48,072
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	3a	565	-	565	2,043
Charitable Activities	3b	43,351	-	43,351	39,777
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		43,916	-	43,916	41,820
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		1,969	-	1,969	6,252
Total Funds Brought Forward		47,137	-	47,137	40,885
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		49,106	-	49,106	47,137

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

FARNHAM ASSIST
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31-Dec 2021 Total £	31-Dec 2020 Total £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets		-	-	-	-
Current Assets					
Debtors	7	2,965	-	2,965	3,186
Cash at bank and in hand	6	47,045	-	47,045	44,856
Total Current Assets		50,010	-	50,010	48,042
Creditors:					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	904	-	904	905
NET CURRENT ASSETS		49,106	-	49,106	47,137
NET ASSETS		49,106	-	49,106	47,137
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		49,106	-	49,106	47,137
Restricted Funds	4	-	-	-	-
Total Funds		49,106	-	49,106	47,137

For the year ending 31st December 2021 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

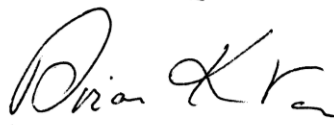
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The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Directors on : 26th MAY 2022

Signed on their behalf by :
Name :


BRIAN KURTON
TREASURER

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

1.1 Basis of Preparation

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)). Advantage has been taken of the exemption under FRS 102 1A for smaller charities not to prepare a statement of cash flows.

1.2 Income

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity has entitlement to the funds, certainty of receipt and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donated assets and services are included at their estimated open market valuation. No income is recognised where there is no financial cost borne by a third party.

1.3 Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is included when incurred. Costs which are identified as relating to restricted projects are allocated directly to those activities. Costs which relate to the general running of the charity are allocated against unrestricted funds, and within the statement of financial activities these expenses are shown as costs of raising funds and charitable activities - which include support costs and governance costs (relating to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements).

1.5 Liability recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

1.6 Funds

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by donors as to how they may be used.

Unrestricted funds are those which are not subject to any special restrictions and they can be used as the Trustees decide. Designated funds are part of unrestricted funds and are amounts the Trustees have set aside to cover particular expenditure.

1.7 Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

1.8 Changes in Accounting policies and previous accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (variation rules and methods of accounting) since last year, and no changes to the previous accounts.

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
a) Donations and Legacies				
Gifts & Donations	38,617	-	38,617	39,794
Gift Aid	773	-	773	4,806
	39,390	-	39,390	44,600
b) Charitable Activities				
Fundraising Activities	4,142	-	4,142	1,914
	4,142	-	4,142	1,914
c) Activities for Generating Funds				
Events Income	2,333	-	2,333	1,536
	2,333	-	2,333	1,536
d) Investment Income				
Interest	20	-	20	22
	20	-	20	22

3. EXPENDITURE ON:

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	TOTAL 2020 £
a) Raising Funds				
Event Costs	565	-	565	2,043
	565	-	565	2,043

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

b) Charitable Activities

Bank Charges		112	-	112	60
Telephone/Communications		963	-	963	1,123
Energy		452	-	452	662
Gifts Given		54	-	54	275
Insurance		881	-	881	1,019
Office Expenses		1,944	-	1,944	1,404
Office Rent and Rates		7,893	-	7,893	7,122
Event costs		946	-	946	-
Lunch costs		1,769	-	1,769	610
Postage, printing and stationery		1,070	-	1,070	467
Professional Fees		1,476	-	1,476	1,917
Repairs and Renewals		-	-	-	387
Room Hire		-	-	-	379
Travel costs		200	-	200	-
Volunteer and Staff Costs		17	-	17	204
Wages and Social Security Costs	5	25,575	-	25,575	24,148
		43,351	-	43,351	39,777

4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The charity has no restricted funds at present.

5. STAFF COSTS

	Total 31-Dec-21 £	Total 31-Dec-20 £
Total staff costs were:		
Wages and Salaries	25,121	24,042
Pension Costs	454	106
	25,575	24,148

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the period. The average full time equivalent number of staff employed by the charity during the period was:

	Total 31-Dec-21 No.	Total 31-Dec-20 No.
Support	1	1
	1	1

FARNHAM ASSIST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

6. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Total 31-Dec-21	Total 31-Dec-20
	£	£	£	£
Scottish Widows	20,194	-	20,194	20,175
NatWest	2,205	-	2,205	0
Gold Account	16,773	-	16,773	6,072
Cash Account	7,823	-	7,823	18,571
Petty Cash	50	-	50	38
	47,045	-	47,045	44,856

7. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

Gift Aid Recoverable	1,965	-	1,965	2,186
Prepayments	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
	2,965	-	2,965	3,186

8. CREDITORS ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

NEST Pension	4	-	4	5
Accruals	0	-	0	0
Independent Examiners Fees	900	-	900	900
	904	-	904	905

9. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

No payments were made to trustees or any other person connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

10. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

11. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the Directors of Farnham Assist on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 set out on pages 4 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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Dated: 8.6.22

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FARNHAM ASSIST ANNUAL REPORT 2020



Photo taken from a short service of blessing in December 2020 attended by the Mayor of Farnham just before volunteers delivered Christmas goodie bags to 150 clients.

Chairman's Report for 2020

2020 was a very challenging year for Farnham Assist as all our planned activities were cancelled due to the lockdown.

As a board we had 2 main aims:-

1 To maintain contact and provide the maximum support we could to all our clients, especially those who were living alone.

2 To stay financially viable as a charity so that our work could go on as soon as the pandemic permitted.

I am pleased to report that both these aims were achieved by the dedication commitment and imagination of our manager, June Trantom, helped by our team of volunteers who pulled out all the stops.

Contact was maintained with clients by regular phone calls and deliveries of regular food gifts and imaginative “goodie bags” allowing doorstep contact and backed up by regular telephone contact coordinated by June.

Assist has stayed financially viable despite a lack of fundraising events by tough decisions. One member of staff had independently found another job which in retrospect was a blessing, but a second member had unfortunately to be furloughed and then made redundant. In addition, June offered to reduce her own hours to half time, to save us money. Our thanks go out to June and to all our supporters who have continued their regular financial support at this difficult time.

Finally, we are pleased to have recruited a new Manager, Rodney Bates to replace June on her retirement on 31.12.20 and welcomed him in November.

It was a really busy year for our trustees and I am grateful to all my colleagues for the time and effort given to keep our charity on the road.

Mary Riggs

FARNHAM ASSIST

Financial Review for the Year ending 30th December 2020

Despite a challenging year when most activities were necessarily placed on hold due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the Charity secured sufficient financing by way of grants and donations to ensure that it would be in a position to recommence activities once conditions allowed. During the accounting period the Charity's staff was reduced to one person, due to a combination of one member of staff leaving to obtain alternative employment and another being made redundant due to lack of activities. The remaining member of staff, its Manager, took retirement in December having voluntarily accepted a 50% pay cut for most of the year. Her successor was therefore enabled to take over the operations of the Charity with wholly adequate funding with which to continue operations.

The Annual Report and Statement of Financial Activities for the period clearly demonstrate that the Charity had sufficient funds at its disposal to maintain the level of activities that it clientele might expect in the coming year.

The Charity's Reserves Policy - last updated and agreed by the Board of Trustees on 1st December 2020 - explains that an adequate level of reserves will help secure its viability beyond the immediate future and provide reliable services over the longer term. The main reasons why reserves need to be held are:

- to fund working capital
- to fund unexpected expenditure, for example when projects overrun or unplanned events occur
- to fund shortfalls in income, when income does not reach expected levels

The Charity's current day-to-day activities generally do not incur high costs, due in part to the high involvement of volunteers and also many events are self-funding. The Charity's main liabilities are staff costs and premises costs. In a worst case scenario where the charity had to be wound up, staff would be made redundant and given three month's notice, However, with the new Manager having only just started employment (and any new members who might be employed in the coming year) no redundancy payments would be applicable within two years. It is the Charity's policy to have regular break clauses in its lease agreements, and indeed the current notice period is just three months. In the event of financial difficulties the Charity would potentially face having to find a maximum of £2,135 to cover rent and services, business rates, heat, light and insurance. Even taking a very pessimistic view, the total liability is unlikely to be greater than £20,000. Therefore, reserves at their current level of £20,174.71 are quite sufficient. This year, our independent examiner has advised that we should record our total trustee donations during 2020 which were £1720.00.

The Charity's reference and administrative details are contained in Page 2 of the Report and Financial Statements, approved by the Board on 23rd June 2021.

Date..... Signed on behalf of the Board.....

(Kenneth Wickenden, Treasurer and Director)

FARNHAM ASSIST

A summary of 2020 from the Manager of Farnham ASSIST

As with all charities, this was a challenging year where lots of well-made plans had to be hastily changed. More importantly, the pandemic meant that the popular programme of activities and events and the simple act of gathering together with friends and families would simply not happen for most of the year.

The first two months of the year involved the usual busy programme of lunches, pub visits and groups as people gathered throughout the winter. Unfortunately, these had to be stopped abruptly at the start of the pandemic and could not resume until 2021.

However, Farnham ASSIST with the wider family of volunteers and supporters adapted quickly into this changing world and continued to build relationships and contacts in new and innovative ways. Clients received regular phone calls, cream teas were delivered and some clients received practical help with their medication or shopping. The Charity was a key part of the wider community response to the pandemic within Farnham and this close and partnership working remains today.

Whilst some charities had to hibernate for many months, the need for Farnham ASSIST was shown to be even greater. Many people across wider society experienced loneliness and isolation for the first time. We know from conversations from our clients that these were hard times but punctuated with moments of joy. The value of a kind word, a smile, a thoughtful phone call or encouraging card pushed through a letterbox was priceless. We were particularly pleased that around 20 of our clients were able to receive a Christmas Day meal lovingly cooked and delivered by kind families across Farnham and arranged by our friends at Right at Home.

As Farnham ASSIST is a wider family, it is important to note that a number of clients have sadly passed away during 2020. Whilst we mourn their loss, we were also uplifted when hearing from their families and friends at the fun and enjoyment they experienced with us during those twilight years.

Finally, a report on 2020 could not end without acknowledging the hard work and dedication of my predecessor, June Trantom, who retired on 31st December after several years as the Manager. Recognition and acknowledgement should also be given to Alison and Susie who left the charity during 2020 and to David who retired from his role as Trustee. We wish all of them well in their future endeavours and thank them for their time and commitment serving our older community in Farnham. We have all made a difference.

Rodney Bates

Manager of Farnham ASSIST

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COMPANY SECRETARY	Rodney Bates (appointed 16th November 2020) June Trantom (resigned 31st December 2020)
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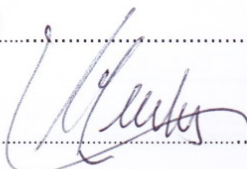
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Date 23RD JUNE 2021

Signed on behalf of the Board 

Kenneth Wickenden (Treasurer and Director)

FARNHAM ASSIST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and Legacies		44,600		44,600	42,876
Activities for Generating Funds		1,914		1,914	10,739
Income from Charitable Activities		1,536		1,536	9,386
Investment Income Bank Interest		22		22	29
TOTAL INCOME		48,072	0	48,072	63,030
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	2a	2,653	0	2,653	10,447
Charitable Activities	2b	39,167	0	39,167	57,290
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		41,820	0	41,820	67,737
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		6,252	0	6,252	-4,707
Total Funds Brought Forward		40,885	0	40,885	45,592
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		47,137	0	47,137	40,885

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

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FARNHAM ASSIST
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31-Dec 2020 Total £	31-Dec 2019 Total £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets		0	0	0	0
Current Assets					
Debtors	6	3,186	0	3,186	9,591
Cash at bank and in hand	5	44,856	0	44,856	32,602
Total Current Assets		48,042	0	48,042	42,193
Creditors:					
amounts falling due within one year	7	905	0	905	732
NET CURRENT ASSETS		47,137	0	47,137	41,461
NET ASSETS		47,137	0	47,137	41,461

Funds of the Charity

General Funds		47,137	0	47,137	40,885
Restricted Funds	3	0	0	0	0

Total Funds		47,137	0	47,137	40,885
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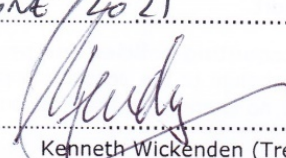
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These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Directors on 23 RD JUNE 2021

Signed on their behalf by 
Kenneth Wickenden (Treasurer and Director)

FARNHAM ASSIST
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

2. EXPENDITURE ON:

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Raising Funds					
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		2,653	0	2,653	10,447

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PPS		467		467	2,157
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Bank Charges		60		60	60
Professional Fees		1,917		1,917	1,024
		39,167	0	39,167	57,290

3. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The charity has no restricted funds at present.

4. STAFF COSTS

	Total 31-Dec 2020 £	Total 31-Dec 2019 £
Total staff costs were:		
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FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

FARNHAM ASSIST

COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Registered Company Number 07114978

Registered Charity Number 1135187

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FARNHAM ASSIST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1135187
COMPANY NUMBER	07114978
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st January 2020
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31st December 2020
DIRECTORS AT 31ST DEC 2020	Dr Mary Riggs (Chair) Christopher Packwood (Vice Chair) Kenneth Wickenden (Treasurer) Alexandra Burn Margaret Daniels David Ashby (resigned 24th February 2020)
COMPANY SECRETARY	Rodney Bates (appointed 16th November 2020) June Trantom (resigned 31st December 2020)
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Charitable Company limited by guarantee. Memorandum and Articles adopted and company incorporated on 3rd January 2010 as amended by special resolutions dated 2nd June 2015
CHARITABLE OBJECTS	The relief of older people who are in need in the Farnham area, particularly those who live alone or are housebound. By providing assistance, information, training, advice, befriending and physical and spiritual support, through which work the charity shows God's love for them.
REGISTERED OFFICE	7 St George's Yard Farnham Surrey GU9 7LW
PRIMARY BANKERS	CAF Bank Ltd ME19 4JQ
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	P B Robinson MAAT FCIE Independent Examiners Ltd 2 Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham West Sussex PO18 8NF

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

The Directors present their report together with the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31st December 2020. A more detailed report is available on the Charity Commission web site by accessing the annual report and financial statements for year ended 31st December 2020 under Charity Registration No. 1135187.

Statement of Director's responsibilities:

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company during that period. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- (i) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- (ii) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- (iii) prepare financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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 statements 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. In preparing this report the directors have taken advantage of special provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31st December 2020, and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Date 23RD JUNE 2021

Signed on behalf of the Board 

Kenneth Wickenden (Treasurer and Director)

FARNHAM ASSIST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and Legacies		44,600		44,600	42,876
Activities for Generating Funds		1,914		1,914	10,739
Income from Charitable Activities		1,536		1,536	9,386
Investment Income					
Bank Interest		22		22	29
TOTAL INCOME		48,072	0	48,072	63,030
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising Funds	2a	2,653	0	2,653	10,447
Charitable Activities	2b	39,167	0	39,167	57,290
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		41,820	0	41,820	67,737
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		6,252	0	6,252	-4,707
Total Funds Brought Forward		40,885	0	40,885	45,592
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		47,137	0	47,137	40,885

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

FARNHAM ASSIST
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31-Dec 2020 Total £	31-Dec 2019 Total £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets		0	0	0	0
Current Assets					
Debtors	6	3,186	0	3,186	9,591
Cash at bank and in hand	5	44,856	0	44,856	32,602
Total Current Assets		48,042	0	48,042	42,193
Creditors:					
amounts falling due within one year	7	905	0	905	732
NET CURRENT ASSETS		47,137	0	47,137	41,461
NET ASSETS		47,137	0	47,137	41,461
Funds of the Charity					
General Funds		47,137	0	47,137	40,885
Restricted Funds	3	0	0	0	0
Total Funds		47,137	0	47,137	40,885

For the year ending 31st December 2020 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Directors on 23 RD JUNE 2021 and

Signed on their behalf by  Kenneth Wickenden (Treasurer and Director)

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	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	Total 31-Dec 2020	Total 31-Dec 2019
	£	£	£	£
Scottish Widows	20,175		20,175	20,158
CAF Bank				
Gold Account	6,072		6,072	12,270
Cash Account	18,571		18,571	136
Petty Cash	38		38	38
	44,856	0	44,856	32,602

6. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

Gift Aid Recoverable	2,186		2,186	8,591
Prepayments	1,000		1,000	1,000
	3,186	0	3,186	9,591

7. CREDITORS ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Social Security			0	329
NEST Pension	5		5	38
Accruals			0	365
Independent Examiners Fees	900		900	0
	905	0	905	732

8. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

No payments were made to trustees or any other person connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

9. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

10. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the Directors of Farnham Assist on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020 set out on pages 4 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not requirements of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the governing document or constitution of the Charity for the conducting of an audit. As a consequence, the trustees have elected that the financial statements be subject to independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for an independent examination, It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the organisation 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.

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 trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act); and
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Dated: 22nd July 2021