LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1135322

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	04851054
Registered	2010-03-30
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: A THE PROMOTION OF ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND AND ITS IMMEDIATE NEIGHBOURHOOD (THE 'AREA OF BENEFIT'), AND IN PARTICULAR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, THE PROTECTION OF GOOD HEALTH, BOTH MENTAL AND PHYSICAL, AND THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AND SICKNESS INCLUDING THE NEEDS OF CARERSB OTHER EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ELSEWHERE WHICH ARE, IN THE OPINION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, BENEFICIAL TO THE COMMUNITY WITH A PREFERENCE FOR THOSE IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT

Activities: ENABLES INDIVIDUALS, COMPANIES AND PUBLIC BODIES TO GIVE TO SUPPORT CHARITY AND COMMUNITY NEEDS, BY HELPING DONORS SET UP NAMED FUNDS - EITHER FOR TIME-LIMITED GRANTMAKING, OR BY GENERATING INVESTMENT INCOME FOR "PERPETUAL" GIVING.OPERATES AN ACCESSIBLE AND MONITORED GRANT MAKING PROCESS, MAINLY TO GROUPS ACROSS LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND, BUT BEYOND IF REQUIRED.

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Animals, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND
- Leicester City
- Leicestershire
- Rutland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£702,053	£477,247	£4,804,352	6
2024-03-31	£612,183	£707,130	£4,737,296	7
2023-03-31	£1,308,088	£833,764	£4,458,800	5
2022-03-31	£714,182	£714,518	£4,169,598	5
2021-03-31	£1,992,790	£1,715,133	£3,885,902	4

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
STUART GRAHAM DAWKINS	Chair	2012-09-20
David Michael Andrews DL		2022-05-18
Dr Vijay Sharma		2017-09-19
Ian Patrick McCormack		2017-09-20
JENNIFER SUSAN HAND		2022-05-18
Kevin Michael Hudson		2024-01-31
MARK TYSON ROBINSON		2022-05-18
RICHARD JONATHAN COLTON		2018-06-27
Tracy Dolores Soraghan		2025-06-18

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1135322

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 04851054 (England and Wales)
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

FOR

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Mark J Rees LLP Chartered Accountants
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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (REGISTERED NUMBER: 04851054)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees present their annual trustees' report for the year ending 31 March 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland published in October 2019.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

1. The Community Foundation is an independently constituted and locally managed charitable company, registered in England and Wales no. 04851054 and registered charity number 1135322. The liability of each member is limited to £1. It is part of a network of 46 UK Community Foundations.

2. The Community Foundation meets its charitable aims by giving grants to charitable groups, particularly those working with local needs, by attracting and managing grant-giving funds for, individuals, families, companies and public agencies. It also reinvigorates dormant or onerous charitable trusts. It maintains a small staff to carry out this work.

RECRUITMENT, APPOINTMENT AND INDUCTION OF TRUSTEES

All Trustees also serve as Directors under the Companies Act 2006. The Community Foundation periodically publicly advertises recruitment for Trustees. All Trustees sign a declaration of fitness to serve and an annual statement of interests, undergo an induction process and intermittent training, and are expected to attend at least 75% of meetings. The full Board of Trustees meets quarterly. The Finance Panel also meet quarterly, and the Grants Panel three or four times a year. Working groups are formed for specific projects or tasks.

The charity has a President, and three Vice Presidents, not subject to re-election. Trustees, Presidents and Vice-presidents are not remunerated, though may claim reasonable travel expenses to meetings.

Quality Standards
A rigorous Quality Accreditation (QA), a formal measure of efficacy, takes place periodically, with the next due late in 2025.

Organisational Structure and Pay
The Community Foundation's permanent staff were the Chief Executive, the Finance Manager, two Grants Officers, the Grants Assistant, and the Philanthropy Executive. Freelance staff were employed for grant assessment and higher level administration. A pension contribution of 8% is given to permanent staff after a year of service. Trustee expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in note 13 and 23 to the accounts.

GDPR
Communication and data storage continued to be monitored in 2024-25.

What We Did: Activities and Performance of the Year

As in every year, the focus of our work was:

1. Fund Development: increasing financial support for local needs by attracting new, and retaining existing, private and public grant-giving funds, including legacies, and reinvigorating dormant trusts.

2. Distribution of grants from these funds to charitable, voluntary and community groups especially those working effectively with local needs

3. Rigorous financial management, tracking money in and out, reviewing the performance of investments and maintaining a lean operating budget.

4. Governance: reviews, projects and strategies to lead, support or improve operation.

1. Fund Development

The Community Foundation works to attract money to be distributed locally as grants, with or on behalf of a range of donors and funders. As usual, the Community Foundation offered two kinds of grant giving funds:

a. Endowment Funds: where the donation is invested under professional management for a charitable income drawn down quarterly for distribution. This creates enduring support for local community need.

b. Spend down Funds: where the donation is distributed to a timescale specified by the donor or funder: This creates immediate support for local needs.

Some donors choose to do both; included in the totals below. Each new donor has a Fund Agreement which instructs on their charitable aims and method of grant-giving decision-making from a choice of options. Work took place to increase profile especially with professional advisors and businesses. The Community Foundation had a second year as Charity of the Year for East Midlands Chamber with neighbouring community foundations Forever Notts and Foundation Derbyshire, attending numerous events to talk about the value of local charities and local giving. A lunch event co-hosted with the High Sheriffs of Leicestershire and Rutland brought together donors and other stakeholders. Presence at business networks and on social media was much increased.

Endowment Funds
Growing a community endowment is a key goal of Community Foundations because invested funds provide enduring charitable income for local needs. In 2024/25 the Community Foundation welcomed two funds, the Francis Caus Charity Fund, to benefit the West End of Leicester, and the Richard Pearson Endowment Fund. Some donors generously added to their existing funds. Total value of endowment funds £4,264,919 (2024: £4,276,204).

Spend Down Funds
As valuable to local communities, "spend down" funds are spent within a timescale agreed with the donor or funder. The Lucy Phillips Arts Fund was set up by her friends in memory of Lucy's life and work as an arts practitioner and supporter. The Community Foundation welcomed the Market Harborough Building Society Community Fund, benefitting the areas around branches; The Randal Foundation Fund to deliver grants locally to help meet their established aims around improving healthcare, alleviating poverty, supporting women and children at risk, prisoner rehabilitation and education; and Anchor Butter, towards community food projects. Hamilton Community Association, a closed charity benefitting local people and Abacus Flooring Ltd contributed to our Making Local Life Better fund.

Generous immediate spend additions were made to the Brucciani Fund, the Louisa Fund, the William Colton Youth Sports Fund, and Cambridge and Counties Bank Community Fund.The Community Foundation continued to support the NHS Leicestershire Partnership Trust Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health programme. Total of £434,905 in spend down funds (2024: £277,751).

Donor Support
The Community Foundation continued to support donors to meet their giving aims, reporting to them on the impact their grants made. The Making Local Life Better Fund continued to be popular with both donors and charitable groups, for any charitable need up to £3,000 anywhere in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. Others (with more than £50K to spend) were fully supported to hold a standalone application process. Still others instructed the Community Foundation to select beneficiaries on their behalf, to their aims, or selected their own beneficiaries. All donors received an annual report of their fund's activity and grants made.

2. Distribution of Grants

The Community Foundation followed the established rigorous outreach, assessment and reporting processes to ensure that donors' and funders' money reaches local needs. While supporting all kinds of philanthropic giving and public grant distribution, there was as usual a focus on "grassroots" charitable groups, too small to employ fundraisers but whose work nonetheless makes a vital contribution in communities that face challenges. Most charitable groups of all sizes continued to face increased demands on their services as well as rising costs. Donors and funders gave a range of grants to help reduce homelessness, support health, increase affordable access to sports and the arts, improve local community facilities, offer education or employment support, and train volunteers among much other work. The planned transition to a new nationally led Customer Relationship Management system encountered many problems, causing additional work and increased cost, eventually sending the Community Foundation back to the legacy system, but apart from a pause in the Making Local Life Better Fund schedule, grant giving work continued through the technical difficulties. The year was notable for the great increase in applications from local charitable groups for grants, some three or four times the previous number, a reflection both of rising costs and reduced funding opportunities elsewhere.

The Community Foundation was grateful for the support of volunteers and freelancers including David Lindley, and all those who sat voluntarily on Grants Panels and the Advisory Group. The generous sharing of time, knowledge and experience from those working and living in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland helps makes the Community Foundation's grant-giving responsive, informed and far reaching.

A total of 117 grants were made to a value of £238,991 (2024: £466,452); in addition the Community Foundation detailed and monitored 49 further grants for the NHS Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health grants programme, taking the total value of grants made to £1,430,915, and are detailed in the Grants Summary for 2024/25, available on the Community Foundation website, or available as a hard copy on request.

3. Financial Management

As in every year, the Community Foundation tracked and reported money from the wide variety of donations and additions to funds, given out as grants, reviewed the performance of investments, and maintained a careful operating budget. Further work took places to streamline processes with the new Treasurer and accounting software put in place the previous year.

The Community Foundation model is a self-sustaining one; it offers a charitable service for very competitive fees which contribute to its lean operation. A least 90% of donations goes to local need. For several reasons, including somewhat volatile markets, a dearth of new public funding programmes, and the investment in a new CRM with attendant difficulties, it was a challenge to meet operating costs. The Community Foundation remained very grateful for contributions to operating costs from private donors. .

Total income in the year, including new and renewed private funds, dormant fund transfers and public fund delivery, amounted to £702,053 (2024: £612,183).

Going Concern
The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue for the foreseeable future and therefore adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details are in the Accounting Policies, below.

Financial Review and Results for the Year
An overall surplus before losses on investments by the charitable company of £224,805 (2024: deficit of £94,947), this was made up of income from charitable activities towards the expendable funds. After the gains/(losses) on investments, the result was an overall surplus of £67,056 (2024: £278,496). This was made up of a deficit of £78,813 in unrestricted funds, a surplus of £157,154 in restricted funds and a deficit of £11,285 in endowment funds. The Community Foundation reached £4.26m (2024: £4.28m) for its endowment fund by the end of the year. The balance of reserves carried forward at the year-end was £4,804,352 (2024: £4,737,296).

Reserves Policy
At the year end, free reserves stood at unrestricted funds of £104,528 less tangible fixed assets of £384 giving a total of £104,144 (2024: £182,566). Restricted funds amounted to £434,905 (2024: £277,751).

Investment Policy
The Trustees invest endowment funds with an objective to provide a return that maintains the real (inflation adjusted) value of the capital, whilst also delivering a cash flow to meet charitable giving and contribute to the operating costs of the Community Foundation. The Trustees' attitude is categorised as "risk tolerant", opting to invest in specialist investment funds which offer a diversified investment portfolio over a long-term time horizon. For clarity, the Trustees believe that the long-term investment horizon means that their investments may include a high degree of equity-based investment. During the year, The Community Foundation used two investment managers CCLA and M&G but will consider other investment managers etc generally for larger amounts (£150,000+).

The Community Foundation offers a default allocation for the investment of endowment funds which are broadly socially responsible but can also offer some flexibility to those larger donors who take an active interest in where their funds are invested or wish to place further ethical restrictions on the investments. Any such "ethical investment" will be made on a best endeavours basis and will depend upon other factors. These may include the nature of the restriction imposed and the availability of a suitable fund or funds being accessible to the Trustees.

The Trustees' strategy is to aim to follow a total return approach, delivering a predictable return for giving through income and capital growth. The Community Foundation aims for an "income" for grant making from its endowment funds of 4% each year, comprising a mixture of investment income and capital growth. This is drawn down quarterly to minimise the impact of short-term market variability. Trustees may review this 4% aim in order to protect capital values.

The Community Foundation reviews investment performance regularly and acts where investments are not achieving the desired returns within the approved attitude to risk. Investment performance and risk is reviewed every-other finance panel meeting. Trustees receive quarterly updates on fund performance from the investment managers, and may meet with them to discuss performance, and to better understand any changes to their investment policy.

In addition to the Endowment Funds, The Foundation has invested some of its restricted and unrestricted funds. The Trustees' strategy for the investment of restricted funds is to minimise any exposure to capital loss as the capital is restricted for giving in the medium term. Again, Fund balances are regularly reviewed, and the Trustees' attitude is categorised as "very risk averse". The Trustees' strategy for the investment of unrestricted reserves is to provide a return that contributes to the operating costs of the Community Foundation, whilst, as far as possible, maintaining the value of the capital for future sustainability. For clarity, the trustees interpret, the very risk adverse, attitude to mean that investments for restricted funds, should be in the form of cash or near cash investments. The Board reviews its Investment Policy every 2 years, but the Finance Panel reviews performance more regularly. During the year, the charity received £67,180 (2024: £133,521) income from its investments and saw losses of £157,749 (2024: gains of £373,443) in the market value of investments.

4. Governance

The Board of Trustees met quarterly to oversee progress and direction, and review policies. Other than the appointment of the new Treasurer in the previous year, the Board remained stable. It was also very active. As well as the usual schedule of quarterly Board meeting, reviewing progress, policies and procedures, the Finance Panel and the Grants Panel met regularly. Several trustees made active introductions to new potential fundholders and donors, gave speeches at events, and supported the staff team through the challenges of the CRM transition. There was increased contact with the national body UK Community Foundations, for national intelligence that could assist local developments.

Plans for 2025-26
The Community Foundation will continue its core work to maintain and grow levels of philanthropic financial support for impactful grant-giving, to strengthen local communities, enabling donors and potential donors to "see" local need, and for charitable groups to understand the nature of private giving. A new strategic plan will be created to take the Community Foundation to 2029, in a changing, demanding climate for most charities. Fund development will be central to this. Plans include the support of "shared" funds for those who can't or don't want to set up a named, self-directed living or legacy grant-giving fund but do want to support local charities. One of these will be a development of the longstanding Women in Philanthropy Fund; another to work with neighbouring community foundations on a straightforward and affordable model for businesses, the majority of which are SMEs in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. It is likely to remain challenging for small local charities to attract support for their vital work in a highly competitive fundraising landscape, where much giving goes to national charities, and costs are unlikely to fall substantially. The Community Foundation will continue to seek any available public funds in addition to private philanthropic funds to distribute local communities. The issue of covering operational costs with increasing demand on funds will be central.

The Community Foundation will review the level of administration required of charities to make an application, as well build understanding of their work, local challenges, and the impact they make, to share with and encourage donors and funders. A major piece of work will to be to return to the much-needed transition to a new Customer Relationship Management system, either via the original plan of using the new system built by UK Community Foundations, once its early problems are resolved, or using a different model. The Community Foundation will continue to support the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire's workstream for the Kings Award for Voluntary Service, and to engage with UKCF and other Community Foundations at staff and Chair level, to make sure national knowledge and developments can be used locally. New trustee recruitment will be considered, as will training.

Public Benefit
The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in reviewing existing work and planning future activities. The Community Foundation works to support the diverse communities of Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland by attracting and distributing private philanthropic, company and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant charitable trusts. Funds are distributed to local charitable groups working to reduce local need and improve local quality of life, and considerable work takes place to ensure access to funds is equitable as well as impactful. Consistent work has been undertaken to attract and support family, individual and company donors to engage with local needs, and the charitable and voluntary groups working to meet those needs. Considered initiatives, networks, social and traditional media have reached to potential donors and to charitable groups. The Community Foundation continued to maintain intelligence about the local area, and grant spend was monitored. The Community Foundation continued to work in as cost-effective manner as possible, with the large majority (usually 90% or over) of all funds managed are channelled into local giving.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
Governing document
The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
Registered Company number
04851054 (England and Wales)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Registered Charity number
1135322

Registered office
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Trustees
Mr D Andrews
Mr R J Colton
Mr S Dawkins
Miss J Flack (resigned 18.6.2025)
Ms J Hand
Mr K Hudson
Mr I McCormack
Mr M Robinson
Dr V Sharma
Ms T Soraghan (appointed 18.6.2025)

Auditors
Mark J Rees LLP Chartered Accountants
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Granville Hall
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Patron
Her Grace, The Duchess of Rutland

President
Lord Lieutenant of Rutland, Dr L Howard OBE, JP

Vice Presidents
Mr I McAlpine OBE
Ms S Morgan QPM
Mr R Moore FRICS

Chair
Mr S Dawkins

Company secretary
Ms K Green

Chief Executive Officer
Ms K Green

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees (who are also the directors of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation for the purposes of company law) 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). Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:
-select suitable accounting policies 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 charitable company will continue in operation.

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

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

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

AUDITORS

The auditors, Mark J Rees LLP Chartered Accountants, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 November 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr S Dawkins - Trustee

Opinion
We have audited the financial statements of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:
- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006
In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:
- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

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

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with ISA's (UK).

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the charity and industry in which it operates through our general commercial experience. We determined that the following laws and regulations were most significant: FRS 102, Companies Act 2006 and Charities SORP (FRS 102).

We enquired of management concerning the charities policies and procedures relating to:

- the identification and compliance with laws and regulations.

- the detection and response to the risks of fraud.

- the internal controls inherent within the charity to mitigate fraud risk and non-compliance to laws and regulations.

We enquired of management, whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or whether they had any knowledge of actual, suspected or alleged fraud.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential areas of fraud to all audit team members. We remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

We have determined that the principal risk areas where material irregularities could occur were related to posting manual journal entries to manipulate financial performance, income recognition and significant one-off or unusual transactions.

Our audit procedures were designed to respond in particular to these identified risks (including non compliance with laws and regulations and fraud).

Our audit procedures included but were not limited to:

- A review of a sample of fund agreements from both income streams to ensure income has been accurately recorded and to confirm amounts are recognised in the correct period.

- Identifying and testing journal entries, on a sample basis, to review for potential management bias or manipulation of income recognition.

We did not identify any matters during the course of our work that indicated non-compliance with laws and regulations or relating to fraud.

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Use of our report

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

Mr P Bott FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Mark J Rees LLP Chartered Accountants
and Statutory Auditors
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25 November 2025

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	**2025 Total funds £**	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies	2	**38,477**	**247,762**	**164,256**	**450,495**	201,484
Charitable activities	4					
Grants		**26,812**	**67,500**	**-**	**94,312**	269,028
Charitable activities		**85,065**	**-**	**-**	**85,065**	-
Investment income	3	**4,027**	**63,153**	**-**	**67,180**	133,521
Other income	5	**5,000**	**-**	**-**	**5,000**	8,150
Total		**159,381**	**378,415**	**164,256**	**702,052**	612,183
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising funds	6	**116,793**	**-**	**-**	**116,793**	73,661
Charitable activities	7					
Grants		**-**	**238,991**	**-**	**238,991**	466,452
Charitable activities		**121,364**	**97**	**2**	**121,463**	167,017
Total		**238,157**	**239,088**	**2**	**477,247**	707,130
Net gains/(losses) on investments		**(2,082)**	**-**	**(155,667)**	**(157,749)**	373,443
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		**(80,858)**	**139,327**	**8,587**	**67,056**	278,496
Transfers between funds	21	**2,045**	**17,827**	**(19,872)**	**-**	-
Net movement in funds		**(78,813)**	**157,154**	**(11,285)**	**67,056**	278,496
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		**183,341**	**277,751**	**4,276,204**	**4,737,296**	4,458,800
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**104,528**	**434,905**	**4,264,919**	**4,804,352**	4,737,296

The notes form part of these financial statements

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (REGISTERED NUMBER: 04851054)

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	**2025 Total funds £**	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	16	**384**	**-**	**-**	**384**	775
Investments	17	**40,255**	**63,970**	**4,264,766**	**4,368,991**	4,333,830
		40,639	**63,970**	**4,264,766**	**4,369,375**	4,334,605
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	18	**27,338**	**51,782**	**153**	**79,273**	10,385
Investments	19	**50,000**	**-**	**-**	**50,000**	-
Cash at bank		**-**	**319,153**	**-**	**319,153**	414,516
		77,338	**370,935**	**153**	**448,426**	424,901
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	20	**(13,449)**	**-**	**-**	**(13,449)**	(22,210)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**63,889**	**370,935**	**153**	**434,977**	402,691
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**104,528**	**434,905**	**4,264,919**	**4,804,352**	4,737,296
NET ASSETS		**104,528**	**434,905**	**4,264,919**	**4,804,352**	4,737,296
FUNDS	21					
Unrestricted funds					**104,528**	183,341
Restricted funds					**434,905**	277,751
Endowment funds					**4,264,919**	4,276,204
TOTAL FUNDS					**4,804,352**	4,737,296

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22 November 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr S Dawkins - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	**(83,886)**	(514,836)
Net cash used in operating activities		**(83,886)**	(514,836)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		**-**	(636)
Purchase of fixed asset investments		**(215,517)**	(337,122)
Sale of fixed asset investments		**22,606**	16,892
Deposit into current asset investments		**(50,000)**	-
Interest received		**67,180**	133,521
Net cash used in investing activities		**(175,731)**	(187,345)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Income attributable to endowment		**164,256**	324,245
Expenditure attributable to endowment		**(2)**	(954)
Net cash provided by financing activities		**164,254**	323,291
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		**(95,363)**	(378,890)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		**414,516**	793,406
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		**319,153**	414,516

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NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	**67,056**	278,496
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	**392**	779
Losses/(gain) on investments	**157,749**	(373,443)
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	**-**	118
Interest received	**(67,180)**	(133,521)
Income attributable to endowment	**(164,256)**	(324,245)
Expenditure attributable to endowment	**2**	954
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	**(68,888)**	41,370
Decrease in creditors	**(8,761)**	(5,344)
Net cash used in operations	**(83,886)**	(514,836)

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.4.24	Cash flow	**At 31.3.25**
	£	£	**£**
Net cash			
Cash at bank	**414,516**	**(95,363)**	**319,153**
	414,516	**(95,363)**	**319,153**
Liquid resources			
Deposits included in cash	**-**	**-**	**-**
Current asset investments	**-**	**50,000**	**50,000**
	-	**50,000**	**50,000**
Total	**414,516**	**(45,363)**	**369,153**

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation is a public benefit entity, incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3, Wycliffe Street, Leicester, LE1 5LR.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

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

Income
Income is recognised in the period in which the charitable company is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure
All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources and budgets available. Salaries have been allocated on a time basis.

Grants payable comprises all tranches for which the conditions for payment have been met during the year. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and of maintaining its quality accreditation to UK Community Foundation standards endorsed by the Charity Commission.

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

Fixtures and fittings	-	15% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	33% on cost

Taxation
The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted general funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific funds. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors, usually as personally named Funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries nominated by individual donors. Any capital gains or losses and income arising on the investments form part of the fund. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Going concern
After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Investments
Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Realised gains and losses
All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired after the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Value added tax
Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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

Debtors
Basic financial assets, including debtors and other debtors, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of future receipts discounted at market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

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

Financial instruments
The trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value apart from bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations	**450,495**	201,484

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit account interest	**461**	1,160
Dividends from investments	**66,719**	132,361
	67,180	133,521

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

		2025	2024
	Activity	£	£
Grants	Grants	**94,312**	269,028
Fees deducted by charity	Charitable activities	**85,065**	-
		179,377	269,028

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

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other expendable funds	**60,000**	143,951
Endowment funds	**-**	125,077
Unrestricted fund	**34,312**	-
	94,312	269,028

5. OTHER INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
HMRC Employment Allowance	**5,000**	5,000
Recharges	**-**	3,000
Compensation	**-**	150
	5,000	8,150

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6. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs	**115,942**	71,786
Events & Hospitality	**851**	1,875
	116,793	73,661

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 8)	Grant funding of activities (see note 9)	Support costs (see note 10)	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Grants	**-**	**238,991**	**-**	**238,991**
Charitable activities	**75,209**	**-**	**46,254**	**121,463**
	75,209	**238,991**	**46,254**	**360,454**

8. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs	**41,135**	62,574
Offices, premises and IT	**31,065**	29,613
Travel expenses	**1,323**	359
Professional fees	**1,294**	306
Depreciation	**392**	779
	75,209	93,631

9. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants	**238,991**	466,452

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other Expendable Funds	**238,991**	466,452

For the year ended 31 March 2024, an amount of £70,974 was originally allocated to the Leicestershire Fund. However, as the Leicestershire Fund has since been consolidated into Other Expendable Funds, the comparative figures have been presented under Other Expendable Funds and are not shown separately.

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10. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Charitable activities	**35,675**	**10,579**	**46,254**

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	2025 Charitable activities	2024 Total activities
	£	£
Wages	**35,675**	**64,230**
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	**-**	**118**
Auditors' remuneration	**8,970**	**7,500**
Insurance	**1,609**	**1,538**
	46,254	**73,386**

11. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	**391**	780
Deficit on disposal of fixed assets	**-**	118

12. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fees payable to the charity's auditors for the audit of the charity's financial statements	**8,970**	7,500

13. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

14. STAFF COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Salaries and wages	**154,254**	160,929
Contract worker fees	**13,191**	11,388
Social security costs	**13,824**	13,794
Pension costs	**11,483**	12,479
	192,752	198,590

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

	2025	2024
Full and part time employees	**6**	7
Contract workers	**2**	2
	8	9

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Pension contributions are made by the charity to the employees' own personal pensions. At the year end £902 (2024: £1,285) was owed to the individual pension schemes. Contributions are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period in which they relate. The charge for the year was £11,483 (2024: £12,479).

The remuneration and benefits received by key personnel during the year were £91,154 (2024: £42,309).

15. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - 31 MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	64,646	67,288	69,550	201,484
Charitable activities				
Grants	-	143,951	125,077	269,028
Investment income	3,903	-	129,618	133,521
Other income	8,150	-	-	8,150
Total	76,699	211,239	324,245	612,183
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	73,661	-	-	73,661
Charitable activities				
Grants	-	466,452	-	466,452
Charitable activities	165,526	537	954	167,017

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15. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - 31 MARCH 2024 - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Total	239,187	466,989	954	707,130
Net gains on investments	609	-	372,834	373,443
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(161,879)	(255,750)	696,125	278,496
Transfers between funds	100,271	45,571	(145,842)	-
Net movement in funds	(61,608)	(210,179)	550,283	278,496
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	244,949	487,930	3,725,921	4,458,800
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	183,341	277,751	4,276,204	4,737,296

16. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	**712**	**8,613**	**9,325**
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	**634**	**7,916**	**8,550**
Charge for year	**11**	**380**	**391**
At 31 March 2025	**645**	**8,296**	**8,941**
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	**67**	**317**	**384**
At 31 March 2024	78	697	775

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17. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £	Cash and settlements pending £	Totals £
MARKET VALUE			
At 1 April 2024	**4,333,830**	**-**	**4,333,830**
Additions	**113,692**	**101,825**	**215,517**
Disposals	**(22,605)**	**-**	**(22,605)**
Revaluations	**(157,751)**	**-**	**(157,751)**
At 31 March 2025	**4,267,166**	**101,825**	**4,368,991**
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	**4,267,166**	**101,825**	**4,368,991**
At 31 March 2024	4,333,830	-	4,333,830

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Cost or valuation at 31 March 2025 is represented by:

	Listed investments £	**Cash and settlements pending £**	**Totals £**
Valuation in 2025	**4,267,166**	**-**	**4,267,166**
Cost	**-**	**101,825**	**101,825**
	4,267,166	**101,825**	**4,368,991**

Listed investments represented by:	
UK Fixed Interest Investments	73,898
Property	300,955
Investment Trusts	3,892,313
	4,267,166

The historical cost as at 31 March 2025 was £3,146,222 (2024: £2,763,868).

All investments held are to provide an investment return.

The market information relating to the past performance of investments is not necessarily an indication to their future performance. The value of investments or income from them may go down as well as up. The value of investments may rise or fall due to the volatility of world markets, interest rates and capital values or, for investments held in overseas markets, due to changes in the exchange rate in the currency in which the investments are denominated.

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17. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

Included above are investments with holdings greater than 5% of total market value as follows:

COIF Charities Global Equity Fund	62.65%
M&G Charifund	18.09%
COIF Charities Ethical Investment Fund	10.16%
COIF Charities Property Fund	7.05%

18. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	**65,708**	-
Other debtors	**6,630**	25
Prepayments and accrued income	**6,935**	10,360
	79,273	10,385

19. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other	**50,000**	-

Other investments consists of a fixed term deposit account held with a building society which matures more than 3 months from the reporting date.

20. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	**2,881**	-
Other creditors	**1,598**	1,830
Accruals and deferred income	**8,970**	9,276
Deferred grant income	**-**	11,104
	13,449	22,210

21. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	**183,341**	**(80,858)**	**2,045**	**104,528**
Restricted funds				
Leicestershire Fund	**31,854**	**-**	**(31,854)**	**-**
Women in Philanthropy	**18,482**	**-**	**(18,482)**	**-**
Other Expendable Funds	**227,415**	**139,327**	**68,163**	**434,905**
	277,751	**139,327**	**17,827**	**434,905**
Endowment funds				
Total endowment funds	**4,276,204**	**8,587**	**(19,872)**	**4,264,919**
TOTAL FUNDS	**4,737,296**	**67,056**	**-**	**4,804,352**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	**159,381**	**(238,157)**	**(2,082)**	**(80,858)**
Restricted funds				
Other Expendable Funds	**378,415**	**(239,088)**	**-**	**139,327**
Endowment funds				
Total endowment funds	**164,256**	**(2)**	**(155,667)**	**8,587**
TOTAL FUNDS	**702,052**	**(477,247)**	**(157,749)**	**67,056**

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21. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	244,949	(161,879)	100,271	183,341
Restricted funds				
Leicestershire Fund	101,159	(70,973)	1,668	31,854
Women in Philanthropy	9,926	7,320	1,236	18,482
Other Expendable Funds	376,845	(192,097)	42,667	227,415
	487,930	(255,750)	45,571	277,751
Endowment funds				
Total endowment funds	3,725,921	696,125	(145,842)	4,276,204
TOTAL FUNDS	4,458,800	278,496	-	4,737,296

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	76,699	(239,187)	609	(161,879)
Restricted funds				
Leicestershire Fund	1	(70,974)	-	(70,973)
Women in Philanthropy	7,846	(526)	-	7,320
Other Expendable Funds	203,392	(395,489)	-	(192,097)
	211,239	(466,989)	-	(255,750)
Endowment funds				
Total endowment funds	324,245	(954)	372,834	696,125
TOTAL FUNDS	612,183	(707,130)	373,443	278,496

In the current year, the restricted funds that were disclosed separately in the prior year have been included within 'Other expendable funds' as they are no longer considered material or necessary for individual disclosure. This change has been reflected as a transfer purely for presentational purposes and does not represent an actual transfer of funds or a change in the purpose for which the funds are held.

Comparative figures have not been restated and continue to show these funds separately for consistency with the prior year's presentation.

21. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Other expendable funds are donations or grants held for specific purposes as agreed with the donor or funder. These funds are spent according to the terms of the agreement, typically through grants that are paid out once the conditions set by the donor are met, and within the agreed timescale.

22. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

23. ENDOWMENT FUNDS

	As at 1.4.24	Net income/ (expenditure)	Net gains/ (losses)	Transfers	As at 31.3.25
Apex Fund	56,939	-	(3,114)	-	53,825
Barbara Keene Fund	5,459	-	278	-	5,737
Ben Lazarus DMU Fund	63,639	-	(3,252)	(10,236)	50,151
Bill and Jean Richmond Foundation	171,191	-	(10,142)	-	161,049
Bobby Dhanjal Foundation	29,171	46,530	(3,115)	-	72,586
Byrch's Charity Fund	86,092	-	(4,617)	-	81,475
City of Leicester Education Fund	249,279	-	(13,608)	-	235,671
Desor Foundation	1,555	-	(84)	-	1,471
Efficient Charitable Portfolio	16,016	-	(706)	(30)	15,280
Francis Caus Charity Fund	-	85,300	-	-	85,300
Gilmour Family Fund	196,527	-	(9,535)	-	186,992
Hanwill Fund	82,207	-	3,809	-	86,016
High Sheriff of Rutland's Fund	7,107	126	(387)	-	6,846
Hill Osborne Fund	53,628	-	2,277	-	55,905
Hive Foundation in memory of Grant Wilkinson	4,881	-	(190)	-	4,691
Hope Fund	2,309	-	(36)	-	2,273
Huntley & Palmers Fund	120,139	-	(6,090)	(2,500)	111,549
Ian & Caroline McAlpine Community Fund	213,639	-	(5,646)	-	207,993
Jamie Lewis Fund	21,073	-	(359)	(2,163)	18,551
John Salmon Fund	157,280	-	6,746	-	164,026
LABA Fund Charitable Foundation	38,256	-	(1,649)	-	36,607
Leicester Learning Fund	272,580	-	(10,066)	-	262,514
Leicestershire Fund	33,599	-	1,803	-	35,402
Leicestershire Educational Trust Fund	343,356	-	(15,691)	(824)	326,841
Leicestershire's High Sheriff Fund	22,997	9,266	7,136	2,936	42,335
Leicestershire Police Chief Constable's Charitable Trust	38,511	-	(2,095)	-	36,416
Lord Lieutenant's Fund for Leicestershire & Rutland	12,927	-	(235)	-	12,692
Louisa Fund	3,115	3,150	(405)	3,151	9,011
LRCF Endowment Fund	217,750	-	(5,133)	-	212,617
LLR Mental Health, Wellbeing & Learning Disability Social Enterprise Fund	3,119	-	(81)	-	3,038
Lucy Phillips Art Fund	4,739	-	(123)	-	4,616
Market Overton Charity Fund	15,881	-	(866)	-	15,015
Meggitt Trust Fund	105,991	-	4,501	-	110,492
Mukti Foundation	5,436	-	(287)	-	5,149
Neil Murphy Animal Welfare Fund	31,242	-	(1,534)	-	29,708
Oaktree Fund	66,174	-	(3,630)	-	62,544
On the Edge	228,111	-	(8,336)	(10,206)	209,569
Precision FM Foundation	8,424	-	(438)		7,986
R & S Bruccianni Fund	85,455	5000	(4,405)	-	86,050
Rebecca Winand Fund	85,637	142	(12,987)	-	72,792
Richard Bonney Literacy Fund	11,382	1,234	(532)	-	12,084
Richard Pearson Fund	-	9,500	(339)	-	9,161

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23. ENDOWMENT FUNDS - continued

Richi Rootz Foundation	3,109	-	(170)	-	2,939
Rutland and Melton Training Fund	609,827	-	(33,270)	-	576,557
Sheila Collard Fund	7,854	-	(234)	-	7,620
Sir Tim Brooks Fund	157,422	-	(2,591)	-	154,831
Surviving Winter Fund	5,664	-	288	-	5,952
Sycamore Fund	18,466	-	(1,008)	-	17,458
William Colton Youth Sports Fund	158,975	-	(9,085)	-	149,890
Women in Philanthropy	142,074	4,004	(6,433)	-	139,645
	4,276,204	**164,252**	**(155,667)**	**(19,871)**	**4,264,918**

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors, usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries or themes nominated by individual donors. The endowment fund was invested in shares and fixed interest investments.

The LRCF Endowment Fund included donations from the Everard Foundation and other anonymous donors in addition to assets owned by the charity.

The transfers were made out of the endowment fund during the year to restricted funds for grant giving.

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1135322

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 04851054 (England and Wales)
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

FOR

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees present their annual trustees' report for the year ending 31 March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland published in October 2019.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

1. The Community Foundation is an independently constituted and locally managed charitable company, registered in England and Wales no. 04851054 and registered charity number 1135322. The liability of each member is limited to £1. It is part of a network of 46 UK Community Foundations.

2. The Community Foundation meets its charitable aims by giving grants to charitable groups particularly those working with local needs, by attracting and managing philanthropic grant-giving funds for companies, individuals and families, as well as public agencies. It also reinvigorates dormant charitable funds. It maintains a small number of staff to carry out this work.

RECRUITMENT, APPOINTMENT AND INDUCTION OF TRUSTEES

All Trustees also serve as Directors under the Companies Act 2006. The Community Foundation periodically publicly advertises its recruitment for Trustees, to ensure diversity of background and experience. All Trustees sign a declaration of fitness to serve and an annual statement of interests, undergo an induction process and intermittent training, and are expected to attend at least 75% of meetings. The full Board of Trustees meets quarterly. The Finance Panel also meet quarterly, and the Grants Panel three or four times a year. Working groups are formed for specific projects such as events, recruitment or fund development.

The charity has a President, and three Vice Presidents, not subject to re-election. The Countess of Gainsborough resigned in May 2023. Trustees, Presidents and Vice-presidents are not remunerated, though may claim reasonable travel expenses to meetings.

Quality Standards
A rigorous Quality Accreditation (QA), a formal measure of efficacy takes place every three years. Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation achieved full accreditation in 2007, in 2010, in 2013, in 2017, and in 2021.

Organisational Structure and Pay
The Community Foundation's permanent staff at the start of the year were a Chief Executive, a Finance Manager, a Grants Manager and a Grants Co-ordinator. The Grants Manager left in the year and the staff structure was altered to employ two Grants Officers, with a temporary Grants Administrator and Temporary Grants Impact Assistant, whose salaries were covered by the remainder of two generous donations for young trainee roles given by donors RAMEF and SEGRO. Freelance staff were employed for grants assessments at busy times. A pension contribution of 8% is given to permanent staff after a year of service and flexible working arrangements and relevant training are available to all staff. Details of Trustees' expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in note 13 to the accounts.

GDPR
Communication and data storage continued to be monitored in 2023-24.

What We Did: Activities and Performance of the Year

As in every year, the focus of our work was:

1. Fund Development: increasing financial support for local needs by attracting new, and retaining existing, donor and public grant-giving funds, including legacies, and reinvigorating dormant trusts.

2. Distribution of grants from these funds to charitable, voluntary and community groups especially those working effectively with local needs

3. Rigorous financial management, tracking money in and out, reviewing the performance of investments and maintaining a lean operating budget.

4. Governance: reviews, projects and strategies to lead, support or improve operation.

1. Fund Development

The Community Foundation works to attract money that may otherwise not be given locally, from a range of donors and funders. As usual, the Community Foundation attracted and managed two kinds of funds:

a. Endowment Funds: where the donation is invested under professional management for a charitable income drawn down quarterly for distribution.

b. Spend down Funds: where the donation is distributed to a timescale specified by the donor or funder.

Some donors choose to do both, included in the totals below. Each new donor has a Fund Agreement which clearly instructs on their charitable aims and preferred method of grant-giving decision-making from a choice of options. This remains the instruction to the Community Foundation unless reviewed by the donor.

Endowment Funds
Growing a community endowment is a key goal of Community Foundations because invested funds provide a valuable, enduring, annual charitable income for local needs. In 2023/24 the Community Foundation welcomed the Leicestershire High Sheriff's Fund, the Leicestershire County Council Education Fund (made up of a number of dormant educational trusts) and the Empingham Trust, a closed charity. Some donors generously added to their existing funds. Total value of endowment funds £4,276,204 (2022/23: £3,725,921).

Spend Down Funds
Valuable, "spend down" funds are spent within a timescale agreed with the donor or funder. The Community Foundation was pleased to work with the NHS in Leicestershire and Rutland again, re-funding charitable groups working to prevent mental ill health under the Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health Grants Fund. The Condor Fund (a private legacy fund with a spend down element) and IM Properties Hinckley Park Community Fund were welcomed in the year. The Community Foundation felt the loss of national public programmes, often brokered by UKCF, and delivering much-needed immediate support locally; reasons for the loss may include a likely election and the continued impact of Covid on public spending.

Generous additions to existing funds were made to the Brucciani Fund, Hinckley and Rugby Building Society, Cambridge and Counties Bank, the Louisa Fund, and The William Colton Youth Sport Fund, among others, a total of £277,751 in spend down funds. (2022/23: £487,930)

Donor Support
It is part of the Community Foundation's work to continue to support donors and their funds, delivering grants that meet their giving aims and reporting to them on impact. All donors received an annual report as usual.

The Making Local Life Better Fund continued to be popular with both charitable groups and donors: applications are open to groups three or four times a year, for any charitable need up to £3,000, and assessed applications are presented, with geographical area and type of need, for donors to select, or for the staff to match to their aims, if donors prefer. Other donors, with more than £50K and specific aims, were fully supported to hold a standalone application process with specific criteria and a decision-making panel.

New Fund Development
A new post, the Philanthropy Executive, was created and recruited to develop profile particularly among professional advisors, for their clients who would like to explore charitable giving, especially locally, with the ultimate aim that a percentage will decide to set up a philanthropic grant-giving fund, either as a legacy or while living. The website was frequently updated, and social media presence greatly improved. All Community Foundation trustees and staff continued to talk to networks about the importance of local charities for a strong social and economic local fabric and the great value of philanthropic donor support via the Community Foundation platform. The Chair of the Trustees, Stuart Dawkins was elected President of the East Midlands Chamber of Commerce for 2024 for a second term and chose as his three charities the East Midlands Community Foundations: Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation, Foundation Derbyshire, and Nottinghamshire Community Foundation.

2. Distribution of Grants

The Community Foundation follows rigorous outreach, assessment and reporting processes to ensure that donors' and funders' money reaches local needs. A dedicated phone number remained available to applicants and the Grants team attended events to meet groups throughout the city and counties, to ensure as many charitable groups as possible access Community Foundation grants. An independent Foundation Practice Rating scored the Community Foundation highly on accessibility and transparency.

The Community Foundation supports philanthropic giving generally, but the focus remained on giving to smaller "grassroots" charitable groups, who may be too small to employ fundraisers or PR experts, but whose work nonetheless makes a vital contribution to local challenges. Most charitable groups still faced increased demands on their services as well as rising costs. The NHS Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health Fund was very welcome again to re-fund charitable groups meeting this significant need. Key private donors gave great range of grants to help reduce homelessness, support health, increase affordable access to sports and the arts, improve local community facilities and train volunteers among much other work.

The Community Foundation was grateful for the support of volunteers and freelancers including David Lindley, Ellen Alcock, all those who sat voluntarily on Grants Panels and the Advisory Group, and many others. The generous sharing of time, knowledge and experience of those supporters, working and living in communities across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, makes the Community Foundation's grant-giving stronger.

A total of 126 grants were made to a value of £466,452; in addition the CF delivered and monitored 28 further grants for the NHS Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health grants programme, taking the total value of grants made to £1,198,960, and are details in the Grants Summary for 2023/24, available on the Community Foundation website, or available as a hard copy on request.

3. Financial Management

As in every year, the Community Foundation tracked and reported the large amounts of money from a wide variety of donations and subsequently given out as grants, reviewed the performance of investments, and maintained a careful operating budget. The accounting software was changed in the year and has helped to streamline work to a degree. The longstanding Treasurer Trevor Shaw stood down, and after a recruitment campaign, Kevin Hudson was appointed as the new Treasurer.

The Community Foundation model is an ultimately self-sustaining one, yet slow to achieve. The contribution to overheads requested from funders and donors contributes to a lean operation. It is small, so that at least 90% of donations goes to local need. For a variety of reasons, including somewhat volatile markets, the dearth of new public programmes, and investment in new staff, it was a challenge to meet operating costs. The Community Foundation remained very grateful for contributions to operating costs from private donors.

Total income in the year, including new and renewed private funds, dormant fund transfers and public fund delivery, amounted to £612,183 (2022/23: £1,308,088)

Going Concern
The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue for the foreseeable future and therefore adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details are in the Accounting Policies, below.

Financial Review and Results for the Year
An overall deficit before losses on investments by the charitable company of £94,947 (2023: surplus of £474,324), this was made up of income from charitable activities towards the expendable funds. After the gains/(losses) on investments, the result was an overall surplus of £278,496 (2023: £289,202). This was made up of a deficit of £61,608 in unrestricted funds, a deficit of £210,179 in restricted funds and a surplus of £550,283 in endowment funds. The Community Foundation reached £4.3m (2023: £3.7m) for its endowment fund by the end of the year. The balance of reserves carried forward at the year-end was £4,737,296 (2023: £4,458,800).

Reserves Policy
At the year end, free reserves stood at unrestricted funds of £183,341 less fixed assets of £775 giving a total of £182,566 (2023: £243,912). Restricted funds amounted to £277,751 (2023: £487,930).

Investment Policy
The Trustees invest endowment funds with an objective to provide a return that maintains the real (inflation adjusted) value of the capital, whilst also delivering a cash flow to meet charitable giving and contribute to the operating costs of the Community Foundation. The Trustees' attitude is categorised as "risk tolerant", opting to invest in specialist investment funds which offer a diversified investment portfolio over a long-term time horizon. For clarity, the Trustees believe that the long-term investment horizon means that their investments may include a high degree of equity-based investment.

The Community Foundation currently uses two investment managers CCLA and M&G but will consider other investment managers etc generally for larger amounts (£150,000+). The Community Foundation offers a default allocation for the investment of endowment funds which are broadly socially responsible but can also offer some flexibility to those larger donors who take an active interest in where their funds are invested or wish to place further ethical restrictions on the investments. Any such "ethical investment" will be made on a best endeavours basis and will depend upon other factors. These may include the nature of the restriction imposed and the availability of a suitable fund or funds being accessible to the Trustees.

The Trustees' strategy is to aim to follow a total return approach, delivering a predictable return for giving through income and capital growth. The Community Foundation aims for an "income" for grant making from its endowment funds of 4% each year, comprising a mixture of investment income and capital growth. This is drawn down quarterly to minimise the impact of short-term market variability. Trustees may review this 4% aim in order to protect capital values. The Community Foundation reviews investment performance regularly and acts where investments are not achieving the desired returns within the approved attitude to risk. Investment performance and risk is reviewed every-other finance panel meeting. Trustees receive quarterly updates on fund performance from the investment managers, and may meet with them to discuss performance, and to better understand any changes to their investment policy.

In addition to the Endowment Funds, The Foundation has invested some of its restricted and unrestricted funds. The Trustees' strategy for the investment of restricted funds is to minimise any exposure to capital loss as the capital is restricted for giving in the medium term. Again, Fund balances are regularly reviewed, and the Trustees' attitude is categorised as "very risk averse". The Trustees' strategy for the investment of unrestricted reserves is to provide a return that contributes to the operating costs of the Community Foundation, whilst, as far as possible, maintaining the value of the capital for future sustainability. For clarity, the trustees interpret the “very risk adverse attitude” to mean that investments for restricted funds should be in the form of cash or near cash investments.

The Board reviews its Investment Policy every 2 years, but the Finance Panel reviews performance more regularly. During the year, the charity received £133,521 (2023: £121,744) income from its investments and saw gains of £373,444 (2023: loss of £185,122) in the market value of investments.

4. Governance

The Board of Trustees met quarterly to oversee progress and direction, and review policies. Other than the new Treasurer, the Board remained stable. It was also active. The Finance Panel and the Grants Panel also met regularly. Grants Panel trustees began to develop visits to charitable groups to offer support and understand challenges. A working group of trustees supported the recruitment of the new Philanthropy Executive post.

Plans for 2024-25

Aims continue to be to maintain and grow levels of philanthropic financial support for impactful grant-giving, to strengthen our local communities and reduce need. It is likely to remain challenging for small local charities and voluntary groups to attract support for their vital work in a highly competitive fundraising landscape, and that costs and demands will not fall substantially. The Community Foundation will continue to seek public funds in addition to private philanthropic funds to help local communities, but given this difficult year for such funds, will also explore other areas for income.

In addition to the usual workload of encouraging, supporting, assessing, delivering, and tracking grants, the Making Local Life Better Fund will continue to be developed and new donors will be encouraged to consider being part of this effective way of seeing and meeting current local needs. The Foundation will continue to review the level of administration required of groups as well as build an understanding of their work, local challenges, and the impact they make, and to develop data capture and reporting for private donors, public funders, and its own practice. A transition to a new CRM database is expected in the year: this is a major investment to support grant giving, donor support and reporting. The Community Foundation will continue to support the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire's workstream for the Kings Award for Voluntary Service, and to engage with UKCF and other Community Foundations at staff and Chair level, to make sure national knowledge can be used locally. New trustee recruitment will be considered, as will training. These developments will be captured in a new business plan for 2024-27.

Public Benefit
The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in reviewing existing work and planning future activities. The Community Foundation works to support the diverse communities of Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland by attracting and distributing private philanthropic, company and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant charitable trusts. Funds are distributed to local charitable groups working to reduce local need and improve local quality of life, and considerable work takes place to ensure access to funds is equitable as well as impactful. Consistent work has been undertaken to attract and support family, individual and company donors to engage with local needs, and the charitable and voluntary groups working to meet those needs. Considered initiatives, networks, social and traditional media have reached to potential donors and to charitable groups. The Community Foundation continued to maintain intelligence about the local area, and grant spend was monitored. The Community Foundation continued to work in as cost-effective manner as possible, with the large majority (usually 90% or over) of all funds managed channelled into local giving.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
Governing document
The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
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Registered Charity number
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Mr S Dawkins
Miss J Flack
Ms J Hand
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Mr I McCormack
Mr M Robinson
Dr V Sharma
Mr R Clarke (resigned 27.9.2023)
Mr R Ravat (resigned 13.6.2023)
Mr T Shaw (resigned 27.9.2023)

Patron
Her Grace, The Duchess of Rutland

President
Lord Lieutenant of Rutland, Dr L Howard OBE, JP

Vice Presidents
The Countess of Gainsborough LVO DL (Resigned in May 2023)
Mr I McAlpine OBE
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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
The trustees (who are also the directors of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

AUDITORS
The auditors, Mark J Rees LLP Chartered Accountants, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr S Dawkins - Trustee

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Opinion
We have audited the financial statements of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:
- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006
In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:
- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception
In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:
- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Trustees.

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

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

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with ISA's (UK).

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the charity and industry in which it operates through our general commercial experience. We determined that the following laws and regulations were most significant: FRS 102, Companies Act 2006 and Charities SORP (FRS 102).

We enquired of management concerning the charities policies and procedures relating to:

- the identification and compliance with laws and regulations.

- the detection and response to the risks of fraud.

- the internal controls inherent within the charity to mitigate fraud risk and non-compliance to laws and regulations.

We enquired of management, whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or whether they had any knowledge of actual, suspected or alleged fraud.

We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential areas of fraud to all audit team members. We remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

We have determined that the principal risk areas where material irregularities could occur were related to posting manual journal entries to manipulate financial performance, income recognition and significant one-off or unusual transactions.

Our audit procedures were designed to respond in particular to these identified risks (including non compliance with laws and regulations and fraud).

Our audit procedures included but were not limited to:

- A review of a sample of fund agreements from both income streams to ensure income has been accurately recorded and to confirm amounts are recognised in the correct period.

- Identifying and testing journal entries, on a sample basis, to review for potential management bias or manipulation of income recognition.

We did not identify any matters during the course of our work that indicated non-compliance with laws and regulations or relating to fraud.

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

Use of our report

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

Mr P Bott FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
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Date: 15 January 2024

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	**2024 Total funds**	2023 Total funds as restated
		£	£	£	**£**	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies	2	**64,646**	**67,288**	**69,550**	**201,484**	475,114
Charitable activities	4					
Grants		**-**	**143,951**	**125,077**	**269,028**	700,941
Investment income	3	**3,903**	**-**	**129,618**	**133,521**	121,744
Other income	5	**8,150**	**-**	**-**	**8,150**	10,289
Total		**76,699**	**211,239**	**324,245**	**612,183**	1,308,088
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising funds	6	**73,661**	**-**	**-**	**73,661**	51,635
Charitable activities	7	**165,526**	**466,989**	**954**	**633,469**	782,129
Total		**239,187**	**466,989**	**954**	**707,130**	833,764
Net gains/(losses) on investments		**609**	**-**	**372,834**	**373,443**	(185,122)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		**(161,879)**	**(255,750)**	**696,125**	**278,496**	289,202
Transfers between funds	21	**100,271**	**45,571**	**(145,842)**	**-**	-
Net movement in funds		**(61,608)**	**(210,179)**	**550,283**	**278,496**	289,202
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward						
As previously reported		**150,566**	**611,092**	**3,697,142**	**4,458,800**	4,169,598
Prior year adjustment	16	**94,383**	**(123,162)**	**28,779**	-	-
		244,949	**487,930**	**3,725,921**	**4,458,800**	4,169,598
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**183,341**	**277,751**	**4,276,204**	**4,737,296**	4,458,800

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	**2024 Total funds**	2023 Total funds as restated
		£	£	£	**£**	£
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	17	**775**	**-**	**-**	**775**	1,037
Investments	18	**75,743**	**-**	**4,258,087**	**4,333,830**	3,640,156
		76,518	**-**	**4,258,087**	**4,334,605**	3,641,193
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	19	**7,850**	**-**	**2,535**	**10,385**	51,755
Cash at bank		**121,183**	**277,751**	**15,582**	**414,516**	793,406
		129,033	**277,751**	**18,117**	**424,901**	845,161
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	20	**(22,210)**	**-**	**-**	**(22,210)**	(27,554)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**106,823**	**277,751**	**18,117**	**402,691**	817,607
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**183,341**	**277,751**	**4,276,204**	**4,737,296**	4,458,800
NET ASSETS		**183,341**	**277,751**	**4,276,204**	**4,737,296**	4,458,800
FUNDS	21					
Unrestricted funds					**183,341**	244,949
Restricted funds					**277,751**	487,930
Endowment funds					**4,276,204**	3,725,921
TOTAL FUNDS					**4,737,296**	4,458,800

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BALANCE SHEET - continued
31 MARCH 2024

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr S Dawkins - Trustee

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 as restated £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	**(514,836)**	(96,779)
Net cash used in operating activities		**(514,836)**	(96,779)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		**(636)**	(118)
Purchase of fixed asset investments		**(337,122)**	(186,688)
Sale of fixed asset investments		**16,892**	11,094
Interest received		**133,521**	121,744
Net cash used in investing activities		**(187,345)**	(53,968)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Income attributable to endowment		**324,245**	451,318
Expenditure attributable to endowment		**(954)**	-
Net cash provided by financing activities		**323,291**	451,318
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		**(378,890)**	300,571
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		**793,406**	492,835
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		**414,516**	793,406

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	**278,496**	289,202
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	**779**	868
(Gain)/losses on investments	**(373,443)**	185,122
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	**118**	-
Interest received	**(133,521)**	(121,744)
Income attributable to endowment	**(324,245)**	(451,318)
Expenditure attributable to endowment	**954**	-
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	**41,370**	(6,879)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	**(5,344)**	7,970
Net cash used in operations	**(514,836)**	(96,779)

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.4.23	Cash flow	**At 31.3.24**
	£	£	**£**
Net cash			
Cash at bank	**793,406**	**(378,890)**	**414,516**
	793,406	**(378,890)**	**414,516**
Total	**793,406**	**(378,890)**	**414,516**

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation is a public benefit entity, incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3 Wycliffe Street, Leicester, LE1 5LR.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

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

Income
Income is recognised in the period in which the charitable company is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure
All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources and budgets available. Salaries have been allocated on a time basis.

Grants payable comprises all tranches for which the conditions for payment have been met during the year. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and of maintaining its quality accreditation to UK Community Foundation standards endorsed by the Charity Commission.

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

Fixtures and fittings	-	15% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	33% on cost

Taxation
The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted general funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific funds. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting
The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors, usually as personally named Funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries nominated by individual donors. Any capital gains or losses and income arising on the investments form part of the fund. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Going concern
After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Investments
Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Realised gains and losses
All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired after the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Value added tax
Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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

Debtors
Basic financial assets, including debtors and other debtors, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of future receipts discounted at market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

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

Financial instruments
The trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value apart from bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Donations	**201,484**	475,114

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Deposit account interest	**1,160**	247
Dividends from investments	**132,361**	121,497
	133,521	121,744

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Grants	**269,028**	700,941

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

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Other expendable funds	**143,951**	421,475
Endowment funds	**125,077**	140,625
Unrestricted fund	**-**	138,841
	269,028	700,941

5. OTHER INCOME

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
HMRC Employment Allowance	**5,000**	4,000
Grant return (Unrestricted)	**-**	100
Grant return (Restricted)	**-**	6,189
Recharges	**3,000**	-
Compensation	**150**	-
	8,150	10,289

6. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Staff costs	**71,786**	49,572
Events & Hospitality	**1,875**	1,679
Offices, premises and IT	**-**	384
	73,661	51,635

7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 8)	Grant funding of activities (see note 9)	Support costs (see note 10)	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Charitable Activities	**93,631**	**466,452**	**73,386**	**633,469**

8. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Staff costs	**62,574**	62,548
Offices, premises and IT	**29,613**	25,547
Travel expenses	**359**	641
Professional fees	**306**	13
Depreciation	**779**	868
	93,631	89,617

9. GRANTS PAYABLE

The total grants paid to charitable organisations during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Grants paid	**466,452**	628,504

In addition, LRCF were responsible for arranging grants for the NHS Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health programme. These grants were given directly from the NHS and totalled £732,508, taking the total value of grants made by LRCF to £1,198,960.

10. SUPPORT COSTS

	Other	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Charitable Activities			
	64,348	**9,038**	**73,386**

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	2024 Charitable Activities	2023 as restated Charitable Activities
	£	£
Wages	**64,230**	**52,608**
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	**118**	**-**
Auditors' remuneration	**7,500**	**11,400**
Insurance	**1,538**	**-**
	73,386	**64,008**

11. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	**780**	868
Deficit on disposal of fixed assets	**118**	-

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12. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Fees payable to the charity's auditors for the audit of the charity's financial statements	**7,500**	11,400

13. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

14. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Salaries and wages	**160,929**	125,804
Contract worker fees	**11,388**	16,283
Social security costs	**13,794**	12,308
Pension costs	**12,479**	10,333
	198,590	164,728

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

	2024	2023 as restated
Full and part time employees	**7**	5
Contract workers	**2**	2
	9	7

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Pension contributions are made by the charity to the employees' own personal pensions. At the year end £1,285 was owed to the individual pension schemes (2023: £955).

The remuneration and benefits received by key personnel during the year were £42,309 (2023: £44,385).

15. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - 31 MARCH 2023

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds as restated
	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	220	283,881	191,013	475,114
Charitable activities				
Grants	138,841	421,475	140,625	700,941
Investment income	2,064	-	119,680	121,744
Other income	4,100	6,189	-	10,289
Total	145,225	711,545	451,318	1,308,088
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	51,251	384	-	51,635
Charitable activities				
Charitable Activities	119,778	662,351	-	782,129
Total	171,029	662,735	-	833,764
Net gains/(losses) on investments	(5,820)	-	(179,302)	(185,122)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(31,624)	48,810	272,016	289,202
Transfers between funds	58,812	70,701	(129,513)	-
Net movement in funds	27,188	119,511	142,503	289,202
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	123,378	491,581	3,554,639	4,169,598
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	150,566	611,092	3,697,142	4,458,800

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16. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

It was noted that there were a number of errors in the fund allocations as at 31 March 2023. A prior year adjustment has therefore been included in these accounts to correct the fund allocations for the misallocations in the prior year. There is no effect to the prior year Statement of Financial Activities, nor the total funds held as at 31 March 2023.

17. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2023	**830**	**7,977**	**8,807**
Additions	**-**	**636**	**636**
Disposals	**(118)**	**-**	**(118)**
At 31 March 2024	**712**	**8,613**	**9,325**
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2023	**619**	**7,151**	**7,770**
Charge for year	**15**	**765**	**780**
At 31 March 2024	**634**	**7,916**	**8,550**
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2024	**78**	**697**	**775**
At 31 March 2023	211	826	1,037

18. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2023	**3,640,156**
Additions	**337,122**
Disposals	**(16,892)**
Revaluations	**373,444**
At 31 March 2024	**4,333,830**
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2024	**4,333,830**
At 31 March 2023	3,640,156

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

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18. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

Cost or valuation at 31 March 2024 is represented by:

	Listed investments £
Valuation in 2024	**4,333,830**

Investments represented by:	
UK Fixed Interest Investments	**75,747**
Property	**281,888**
Investment Trusts	**3,976,195**
	4,333,830

The historical cost as at 31 March 2024 was £2,763,868 (2023: £2,431,895).

All investments held are to provide an investment return and are listed investments.

The market information relating to the past performance of investments is not necessarily an indication to their future performance. The value of investments or income from them may go down as well as up. The value of investments may rise or fall due to the volatility of world markets, interest rates and capital values or, for investments held in overseas markets, due to changes in the exchange rate in the currency in which the investments are denominated.

Included above are investments with holdings greater than 5% of total market value as follows:

COIF Charities Global Equity Fund	**63.90%**
M&G Charifund	**17.08%**
COIF Charities Ethical Investment Fund	**10.47%**
COIF Charities Property Fund	**6.50%**

19. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Other debtors	**25**	-
Prepayments and accrued income	**10,360**	51,755
	10,385	51,755

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20. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023 as restated
	£	£
Other creditors	**1,830**	1,525
Accruals and deferred income	**9,276**	13,793
Deferred grant income	**11,104**	12,236
	22,210	27,554

21. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23	Prior year adjustment	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.24
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	**150,566**	**94,383**	**(161,879)**	**100,271**	**183,341**
Restricted funds					
Leicestershire Fund	**131,119**	**(29,960)**	**(70,973)**	**1,668**	**31,854**
Women in Philanthropy	**12,439**	**(2,513)**	**7,320**	**1,236**	**18,482**
LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support	**3,723**	**(3,723)**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Other Expendable Funds	**463,811**	**(86,966)**	**(192,097)**	**42,667**	**227,415**
	611,092	**(123,162)**	**(255,750)**	**45,571**	**277,751**
Endowment funds					
Total endowment funds	**3,697,142**	**28,779**	**696,125**	**(145,842)**	**4,276,204**
TOTAL FUNDS	**4,458,800**	**-**	**278,496**	**-**	**4,737,296**

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21. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	**76,699**	**(239,187)**	**609**	**(161,879)**
Restricted funds				
Leicestershire Fund	**-**	**(70,973)**	**-**	**(70,973)**
Women in Philanthropy	**7,846**	**(526)**	**-**	**7,320**
Other Expendable Funds	**203,392**	**(395,489)**	**-**	**(192,097)**
	211,238	**(466,988)**	**-**	**(255,750)**
Endowment funds				
Total endowment funds	**324,245**	**(954)**	**372,834**	**696,125**
TOTAL FUNDS	**612,182**	**(707,129)**	**373,443**	**278,496**

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	123,378	(31,624)	58,812	150,566
Restricted funds				
Comic Relief (Large Grants)	1,812	(1,812)	-	-
Leicestershire Fund	17,270	112,137	1,712	131,119
Women in Philanthropy	13,164	(4,042)	3,317	12,439
Building a Stronger Britain Together	(645)	-	645	-
UKCF - Tampon Tax	9,857	(9,857)	-	-
LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support	4,723	(1,000)	-	3,723
Other Expendable Funds	445,400	(46,616)	65,027	463,811
	491,581	48,810	70,701	611,092
Endowment funds				
Total endowment funds	3,554,639	272,016	(129,513)	3,697,142
TOTAL FUNDS	4,169,598	289,202	-	4,458,800

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21. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	145,225	(171,029)	(5,820)	(31,624)
Restricted funds				
Comic Relief (Large Grants)	-	(1,812)	-	(1,812)
Leicestershire Fund	150,000	(37,863)	-	112,137
Women in Philanthropy	11,512	(15,554)	-	(4,042)
UKCF - Tampon Tax	-	(9,857)	-	(9,857)
LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support	-	(1,000)	-	(1,000)
Other Expendable Funds	550,033	(596,649)	-	(46,616)
	711,545	(662,735)	-	48,810
Endowment funds				
Total endowment funds	451,318	-	(179,302)	272,016
TOTAL FUNDS	1,308,088	(833,764)	(185,122)	289,202

Leicestershire Fund - grants distributed on behalf of a local charitable trust to support small groups and projects across Leicestershire and Rutland, supplemented by income transferred from a corresponding named endowment fund in accordance with the charity's total return policy.

Women in Philanthropy - the Foundation continued to support this membership fund (launched in March 2014) where funds raised are split between expendable and endowment funds to generate funds for immediate giving and charitable income in perpetuity). The WiP steering group continued to take an active leadership role in the support of charitable groups, and began a process to review the operation of the fund, which to date has run four or more events every year, less feasible for both groups and audiences post-Covid.

22. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Mr S Dawkins is a non-executive director of the East Midland Chamber of Commerce, to which the Community Foundation pays a standard annual member subscription.

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23. ENDOWMENT FUNDS

	As at 1.4.23	Prior year adjustment	Net income	Gains/ Losses	Transfers	As at 31.3.24
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Apex Works Fund	50,287	-	1,446	6,652	(1,446)	56,939
Arts Fund	4,299	71	175	370	(175)	4,739
Barbara Keene	5,631	15	384	(121)	(450)	5,459
Ben Lazarus DMU Fund	56,213	(55)	1,609	7,481	(1,609)	63,639
Bill and Jean Richmond Foundation	156,727	-	4,013	14,464	(4,013)	171,191
Bobby Dhanjal Foundation	25,934	70	766	3,167	(766)	29,171
Byrch Trust	76,144	-	2,222	9,948	(2,222)	86,092
Children on the Edge	206,893	81	7,429	21,584	(7,876)	228,110
City of Leicester Education Fund	236,042	-	6,497	28,811	(22,070)	249,279
Desor Foundation	1,375	-	40	180	(40)	1,555
Efficient Charitable Portfolio	14,016	359	426	1,598	(383)	16,016
Gilmour Fund	140,625	37,499	3,177	18,403	(3,177)	196,527
Hanwill	83,726	159	5,265	(1,658)	(5,284)	82,207
High Sheriff of Rutland's Fund	4,547	1,735	182	825	(182)	7,107
Hill Osborne	54,014	90	3,148	(991)	(2,633)	53,628
Hive Foundation in memory of Grant Wilkinson	4,423	-	147	458	(147)	4,881
Hope Fund	1,945	211	63	148	(58)	2,309
Huntley & Palmers Fund	104,748	-	5,624	12,891	(3,124)	120,139
Ian & Caroline McAlpine	196,876	112	7,521	16,651	(7,521)	213,639
Jamie Lewis Fund	19,584	15	821	1,476	(823)	21,073
John Salmon	161,998	(1,781)	9,325	(2,937)	(9,325)	157,280
LABA Fund	20,451	10	16,389	2,122	(715)	38,256

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23. ENDOWMENT FUNDS - continued

	As at 1.4.23	Prior year adjustment	Net income	Gains/ Losses	Transfers	As at 31.3.24
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Leicester Learning Fund	252,005	-	8,370	20,575	(8,370)	272,580
Leicestershire Fund	34,393	-	2,492	(785)	(2,502)	33,599
Leicestershire Education Fund	176,864	-	130,962	40,590	(5,060)	343,356
Leicestershire High Sheriff Fund	-	-	32,030	(8,626)	(407)	22,997
Leicestershire Police Chief Constable's Charitable Trust	34,031	-	963	4,480	(963)	38,511
Lord Lieutenant's Fund for Leicestershire & Rutland	12,179	(14)	436	803	(477)	12,927
Louisa Fund	3,950	(1,800)	552	516	(104)	3,114
LRCF	200,881	17	7,929	16,867	(7,945)	217,750
Market Overton Parochial Fund	14,031	-	403	1,850	(403)	15,881
Meggitt Trust Fund	106,755	178	6,221	(1,960)	(5,203)	105,991
Mental Health, Wellbeing & Learning Disability Social Enterprise Fund	2,871	-	110	239	(102)	3,119
Mukti Foundation	4,813	-	143	623	(143)	5,436
Neil Murphy Animal Welfare Fund	27,785	-	861	3,457	(861)	31,242
Precision Facilities Management Fund	7,527	-	204	897	(204)	8,424
R & S Bruccianni Fund	67,169	-	12,003	8,286	(2,003)	85,455
Rebecca Winand Fund	67,978	133	2,047	17,380	(1,902)	85,636
Richard Bonney Fund	12,730	(3,489)	1,332	1,033	(224)	11,382
Richi Rootz Foundation	2,746	-	79	363	(79)	3,109
Rutland and Melton Training Fund	538,768	-	15,520	71,059	(15,520)	609,827
Sheila Collard	7,215	-	282	661	(304)	7,854
Sir Tim Brooks	153,411	(6,282)	6,340	10,307	(6,354)	157,422
Surviving Winter Fund	5,845	13	399	(126)	(467)	5,664
Sycamore Fund	19,152	(1,499)	483	2,131	(1,802)	18,466
The Oaktree Fund	58,415	-	1,677	7,759	(1,677)	66,174
William Colton Youth Sports Fund	139,590	1,017	4,103	19,456	(5,192)	158,975
Women in Philanthropy	119,540	1,914	10,683	13,474	(3,537)	142,074
	3,697,142	**28,779**	**323,291**	**372,834**	**(145,842)**	**4,276,204**

23. ENDOWMENT FUNDS - continued

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors, usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries or themes nominated by individual donors. The endowment fund was invested in shares and fixed interest investments.

The LRCF Endowment Fund included donations from the Everard Foundation and other anonymous donors in addition to assets owned by the charity.

The following transfers were made out of the endowment fund during the year:

- Unless specifically requested to do otherwise by the donor, a quarterly income was drawn down from each fund in accordance with the charity's investment policy and transferred to restricted funds for giving. Such transfers totalled £74,437.

- A total of £71,404 from donations received in the year from existing funds, was transferred to unrestricted funds as a contribution to operating costs, as stipulated by donors in the fund agreements.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1135322

Accounts

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

PATRON:	Her Grace, The Duchess of Rutland
PRESIDENT:	Lord Lieutenant of Rutland, Dr Sir L Howard OBE, JP
VICE PRESIDENTS:	The Countess of Gainsborough LVO DL Mr I McAlpine OBE Ms S Morgan QPM Mr R Moore LLP FRICS The Right Reverend M Snow, Bishop of Leicester (resigned September 2022)
CHAIR:	Mr S Dawkins
HONORARY TREASURER:	Mr T Shaw
COMPANY SECRETARY:	Ms K Green
DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES:	Mr D Andrews (appointed 18 May 2022) Mr R Clarke Mr R J Colton Mr S Dawkins Miss J Flack Ms J Hand (appointed 18 May 2022) Mr I McCormack Mr R Ravat (resigned 13 June 2023) Mr M Robinson (appointed 18 May 2022) Dr V Sharma Mr T Shaw
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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
ANNUAL TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees present their annual trustees' report for the year ending 31 March 2023, prepared to meet the requirements for the report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Ireland published in October 2019.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

1. The Community Foundation is a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales no. 04851054 and registered charity number is 1135322. The liability of each member is limited to £1.

2. The Community Foundation realises its aims by giving grants to charitable groups, especially those working with local needs, and by attracting and managing philanthropic grant-giving funds with or for local companies, individuals, families, as well as public agencies. It also reinvigorates dormant charitable funds.

3. The Community Foundation is an independently constituted and locally managed charitable company. It is part of a network of 46 UK Community Foundations, and a subscribed member of UKCF.

RECRUITMENT, APPOINTMENT AND INDUCTION OF TRUSTEES

All Trustees also serve as Directors under the Companies Act 2006. Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting or co-opted within the year and voted in at the AGM. The Community Foundation publicly advertises its recruitment for Trustees, to ensure diversity of background and experience. All Trustees sign a declaration of fitness to serve and an annual statement of interests, undergo an induction process and intermittent training, and are expected to attend at least 75% of meetings. The full Board of Trustees meets quarterly. The Finance Panel and the Grants Panel also meet quarterly. Working groups are formed for specific projects such as events, recruitment, fund development, or policy alterations.

The charity has an active President, and three Vice Presidents, not subject to re-election. Trustees, Presidents and Vice-presidents are not remunerated, though may claim reasonable travel expenses to meetings.

Quality Standards
A rigorous Quality Accreditation (QA), a formal measure of efficacy, assessed by a professional independent body, takes place every three years. Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation achieved full accreditation in 2007, in 2010, in 2013, in 2017, and in 2021.

Risk Management
The Trustees regularly review major risks and to mitigate the potential impact of these.

Organisational Structure and Pay
The Community Foundation's permanent staff in the year were a Chief Executive, a Finance Manager, a Grants Manager and a Grants Co-ordinator. Freelance staff were employed for support work such as administration, grants assessments or communications. A pension contribution of 8% is given to permanent staff after a year of service and flexible working arrangements and relevant training are available to all staff. Details of Trustees expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in note 13 to the accounts.

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GDPR
Communication and data storage continued to be subject to ongoing checks during 2022-23.

What We Did: Activities and Performance of the Year

As in every year, the focus of our work was:

1. Fund Development: increasing financial support for local needs by attracting new, and retaining existing, donor and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant trusts.

2. Distribution of grants: with notably increased numbers of applications for support from charitable groups working with local needs.

3. Rigorous financial management, tracking money in and out, reviewing the performance of investments and maintaining a lean operating budget.

4. Governance: reviews, projects and strategies to lead, support or improve operation.

1. Fund Development

As usual, the Community Foundation attracted and managed two kinds of grant-giving funds:

a. Endowment Funds: where the donation is invested under professional management for a charitable income drawn down quarterly for distribution.
b. Spend down Funds: where the donation is distributed to a timescale specified by the donor or funder.

Some donors choose to invest a percentage of their donation (s) and spend down a percentage; included in the totals below. Each new donor completes a Fund Agreement which clearly instructs on their charitable aims and preferred method of decision-making from a choice of options. This remains the instruction to the Community Foundation unless or until reviewed with the donor.

Endowment Funds
Growing a community endowment is a key goal of Community Foundations because invested funds provide a valuable local asset; a stable, enduring, annual charitable income for local needs. In 2022/23 the Community Foundation welcomed the Gilmour Family Fund. Several donors generously added to their existing invested and/or spend down funds, some citing their awareness of the impact of cost of living rises on local people. Total value of endowment funds £3,697,142 (2021/2022 £3,554,639).

Spend Down Funds
As valuable for urgent issues facing local communities, "spend down" funds are not invested, but spent within a timescale determined by the donor or funder. The Community Foundation was pleased to be chosen to work with the NHS in Leicestershire and Rutland again, delivering £504,536 (2021/22: £1,272,047) for the Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health Grants Fund to charitable groups working to prevent mental ill health and supporting people recovering from mental ill health. The Fund allowed time for evaluation and for training such as Mental Health First Aid, and opportunities for groups to connect with each other.

Also welcomed were a new environment fund set up by Reaching People, the Hinckley Park Community Fund, another welcome fund from IM Properties and generous additions to existing funds from the Haramead Trust, the Brucciani Fund, the John Salmon Fund, Hinckley and Rugby Building Society, Cambridge and Counties Bank, among others, a total of £694,256 in spend down funds. (2021/22 : £503,763).

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Legacies
The Community Foundation continued to work with solicitors and individuals to set up grant-giving funds as part of an individual's or family's legacy.

Dormant and Inactive Trusts
The Foundation continued to work with UKCF and the Charity Commission to identify charities and trusts that have become onerous or inactive, transferring assets and distributing them in the spirit of the original intent.

Donor Connection
Donors direct their funds, to the degree they wish. Some donors make decisions as often as quarterly, others – often funders and public agencies – give more money less frequently with a panel to support them, if wished. Some prefer the Community Foundation to give on their behalf, to aims stated in their Fund Agreement. All donors received as usual an annual report.

In response to donors' interest in current needs and to increased numbers of applications from local charitable groups in the challenging climate, the Community Foundation trialled a system of sharing quarterly a brief, well-presented summary of all assessed applications to the Making Local Life Better Fund, open to groups year round for any charitable need up to £3,000, presented with geographical area and type of local need, so that donors could select which to fund. This has proved popular with both groups and donors, and we will continue to refine the system.

Promoting the importance of supporting local need, and the Community Foundation's Service
The Community Foundation trustees and staff continued to talk about the Community Foundation; the importance of local charities for a strong social and economic local fabric and the great value of philanthropic donors' support for this, at events and meetings.

The Chair of the Trustees, Stuart Dawkins was elected President of the East Midlands Chamber of Commerce for 2023 and chose as his three charities the three East Midlands Community Foundations: Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation, Foundation Derbyshire, and Nottinghamshire Community Foundation.

Grants staff attended funding fairs and voluntary sector events to ensure as many groups as possible know that the Community Foundation makes grants. The website was kept up to date as a first point of contact for all.

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2. Distribution of Grants

The Community Foundation follows rigorous outreach, assessment and reporting processes to ensure that money goes where needed and donor interests balance with local needs. A dedicated phone number remained available to applicants and the Grants team attended events to meet groups throughout the city and counties to share available funds and how to access them. The year was notable for another increase in applications, with corresponding increased work assessing, and matching as many as possible to available funds. Many groups are facing increased demands on their services as well as rising costs.

Towards the end of the year, Community Foundation staff took a day out from the usual workload to review and streamline areas of the grants process, in the ongoing work to balance donor aims with local needs, and to balance rigour in checking key areas of groups' operation (safeguarding, financial management and so on) while not burdening groups already under pressure with unnecessarily onerous administration. This work resulted in several improvements in processes.

New trustees formed a formal Grants Panel and also began personal visits to funded groups able to host them, to review the challenges they face as well as how the grants are spent.

The Community Foundation was grateful for the support of volunteers and freelancers including David Lindley, Darren Cotton, Liz Daw, Ellen Alcock, those who sat voluntarily on Grants Panel and the Advisory Group, and many others. The generous sharing of time, knowledge and experience of those supporters, working and living in communities across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, makes the Community Foundation's grant-giving better informed, further reaching and more impactful.

A total of 167 grants were made to a value of £628,504; in addition the Community Foundation managed 23 further grants for the NHS Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health Fund, taking the total value to £1,143,380. The full 2022-23 Grants Summary is on the Community Foundation website, or available as a hard copy on request.

3. Financial Management

As in every year, the Community Foundation tracked and reported all money in as donations and subsequently out as grants, reviewed the performance of investments, and maintained a careful operating budget. A review and tender process took place to update the software that supports financial operations and help streamline the administrative workload of tracking all funds in and out; and this will be carried out in 2023/24.

The Community Foundation model is an ultimately self-sustaining one. The contribution to overheads requested from funders and donors is small, so that 90% or more of any donation goes to local need but also contributes to a stable if lean operation. It is a challenge to meet operating costs given increased compliance and related administration cost. This year the majority was earned from grants programmes delivered, but the Community Foundation was very grateful for contributions to operating costs from private donors.

Total income in the year, including new and renewed private funds, dormant fund transfers and public fund delivery, amounted to £1,308,088 (2021-22 £714,182).

Going Concern
The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue for the foreseeable future and therefore adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details are in the Accounting Policies, below.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review and Results for the Year

An overall surplus before gains on investments by the charitable company of £474,324 (2022: deficit of £336), this was made up of income from charitable activities towards the expendable funds. After the gains/(losses) on investments and transfers between funds, the result was an overall surplus of £289,202 (2022: £283,696). This was made up of a surplus of £27,188 in unrestricted funds, a surplus of £119,511 in restricted funds and a surplus of £142,503 in endowment funds. The Community Foundation reached £3.69m (2022: £3.55m) for its endowment fund by the end of the year, which will generate approximately £92k to be distributed by the Community Foundation for local needs each year. The balance of reserves carried forward at the year-end was £4,458,800 (2022: £4,169,598).

Reserves Policy

At the year end, free reserves stood at unrestricted funds of £150,566 less fixed assets of £1,037 giving a total of £149,529 (2022: £121,591). Restricted funds amounted to £611,092 (2022: £491,581).

Investment Policy

The Trustees invest endowment funds with an objective to provide a return that maintains the real (inflation adjusted) value of the capital, whilst also delivering a cash flow to meet charitable giving and contribute to the operating costs of the Community Foundation. The Trustees' attitude is categorised as "risk tolerant," opting to invest in specialist investment funds which offer a diversified investment portfolio over a long-term time horizon. The Community Foundation offers a default allocation for the investment of endowment funds but can also offer some flexibility to those donors who take an active interest in where their funds are invested or wish to place further ethical restrictions on the investments.

This is drawn down quarterly to minimise the impact of short-term market variability. Trustees may review this 4% aim to protect capital values. The Community Foundation reviews investment performance regularly and acts where investments are not achieving the desired returns within the approved attitude to risk.

In addition to the Endowment Funds, the Community Foundation invested some of its restricted and unrestricted funds. The Trustees' strategy for the investment of restricted funds is to minimise any exposure to capital loss as the capital is restricted for giving in the medium term. Fund balances are regularly reviewed, and the Trustees' attitude is categorised as "moderately risk averse." The Trustees' strategy for the investment of unrestricted reserves is to provide a return that contributes to the operating costs of the Community Foundation, whilst maintaining the value of the capital for future sustainability. Trustees receive quarterly updates on Fund performance from the investment managers and meet with them to discuss performance.

In the year trustees and staff requested a meeting with CCLA to review the social responsibility of investments under management and were satisfied with the report.

During the year, the charity received £121,744 (2022: £117,578) income from its investments and saw losses of £185,122 (2022: gains of £284,032) in the market value of investments.

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4. Governance

The Community Foundation updated its a Five Year Financial Forecast, taking the charity through to 2027/28. Staff and Board together completed a series of training and development sessions around values with a session on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion. Governance policies including Equity, Diversity and Inclusion were reviewed at Board meetings.

Trustees remained actively involved, meeting quarterly to oversee progress and direction. The Finance Panel and the newly formed Grants Panel also met regularly, with the Grants Panel trustees beginning to set up in person visits to funded groups to offer support and understand challenges better. A working group to review and plan for future Fund Development met several times.

Plans for 2023-24
Our core aims will not change: the priority for the Community Foundation will be to maintain and grow levels of financial support via thoughtful and informed grant-giving, to strengthen our local communities. The continued impact of rising costs means the Community Foundation will need to work hard to help mitigate effects on local communities. It is increasingly challenging for small local charities and voluntary groups to attract support in a highly competitive fundraising landscape: the work they do is vital, but many are unable to afford dedicated fundraising teams and the Community Foundation exists to support them.

Fund Development
Following a careful review of finances, the Community Foundation will recruit a Philanthropy Executive. This is a new post in response to increased applications from groups trying to continue service delivery in a challenging economic climate, and also, and in response to some evidence that professional advisors can find it difficult to offer philanthropy advice to clients across a range of issues. The role will enable a renewed focus on developing a fuller communications strategy.

The Community Foundation will continue to seek public funds to work alongside private philanthropic funds to help local communities challenging times. Dormant assets and trust will also be a focus.

Grants
The new practice of sending a well-presented list of current assessed needs to donor quarterly from applications made to the year round Making Local Life Better Fund will continue to be developed and refined, and new donors will be encouraged to consider being part of this effective way of seeing and meeting current local needs.

In addition to the usual workload of encouraging, supporting, assessing, delivering, and tracking grants across Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland, the Foundation will continue to review the level of administration required of groups. They will review its panel and Advisory Group structures and the support offered to these. It will continue to increase contact with funded groups (at application, midpoint, and completion) to build understanding of their work, local challenges, and the impact they make, and to develop data capture and reporting for private donors, public funders, and its own practice, to inform on key local needs. It will continue to support the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire's workstream for the Kings Award for Voluntary Service.

Finance
Resource has been set aside to improve the software that supports financial operation in order to streamline the workload of managing and tracking in detail the many funds the Community Foundation manages.

Governance
Regular Trustee meetings and trustee and staff training will continue, along with regular review of supporting policies. New trustee recruitment will be considered, as there is the capacity for more active trustees.

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Public Benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in reviewing existing work and planning future activities. The Community Foundation works to support the diverse communities of Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland by attracting and distributing private philanthropic, company and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant charitable trusts. Funds are distributed to local charitable groups working to reduce local need and improve local quality of life, and considerable work takes place to ensure access to funds is equitable and far reaching as well as impactful.

Consistent work has been undertaken to attract and support family, individual and company donors to engage with local needs, and the charitable and voluntary groups working to meet those needs. Considered initiatives, networks, social and traditional media have reached to potential donors and to charitable groups. The Community Foundation continued to maintain intelligence about the local area, and grant spend was monitored. Staff are available to assist donors and charitable groups, and the Community Foundation continued to work in as cost-effective manner as possible, with the large majority (usually 90% or over) of all funds managed are channelled into local giving.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees (who are also the directors of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation for the purposes of company law) 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).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

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

Approval
This report was approved by the Trustees on 27/9/23 and signed on their behalf.



Mr S Dawkins
Chair of Trustees

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance sheet, the Cash flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

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

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

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

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (CONTINUED)

Other information (continued)
If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006
In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception
In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

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

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

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

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

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (CONTINUED)

Auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)
The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the charitable company and determined that the most significant which are directly relevant to specific assertions in the financial statements are those related to the financial reporting frameworks (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011) and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the jurisdiction in which the charitable company operates. We enquired of management, whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or whether they had any knowledge of actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
- We assessed the susceptibility of the entity's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur;
- Our testing considered unusual or unexpected journal entries on a sample basis;
- We evaluated the assumptions and judgements used by management within significant accounting estimates and assessing if these indicate evidence of management bias;
- We tested significant transactions, in particular the evaluation of the business rationale for any which appear unusual or outside the charitable company's normal course of business;
- We assessed the appropriateness of the collective competence and capabilities of the engagement team by understanding the practical experience with audit engagements of a similar nature and complexity, plus ensuring the team had appropriate and relevant training of the financial reporting framework and the relevant tax compliance regulations specific to the entity;
- We reviewed the financial statements and tested the disclosures against supporting documentation;
- We communicated relevant matters to all members of the audit team to ensure they understood the risks specific to the entity and the audit procedures planned to mitigate these.

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

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (CONTINUED)

Use of our report

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



Mrs L G Parkes FCA FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
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Dated: 11th October 2023

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income and endowments from						
Donations and legacies	2	220	283,881	191,013	475,114	150,627
Investment income	3	2,064	-	119,680	121,744	117,578
Charitable activities	4	138,841	421,475	140,625	700,941	431,130
Other	5	4,100	6,189	-	10,289	14,847
Total income and endowments		145,225	711,545	451,318	1,308,088	714,182
Expenditure on						
Raising funds	6	51,251	384	-	51,635	46,361
Charitable activities	7	119,778	662,351	-	782,129	668,157
Total expenditure		171,029	662,735	-	833,764	714,518
Net gains/(losses) on investments	15	(5,820)	-	(179,302)	(185,122)	284,032
Net income/(expenditure)		(31,624)	48,810	272,016	289,202	283,696
Transfers between funds	21	58,812	70,701	(129,513)	-	-
Net movements of funds		27,188	119,511	142,503	289,202	283,696
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		123,378	491,581	3,554,639	4,169,598	3,885,902
Total funds carried forward		150,566	611,092	3,697,142	4,458,800	4,169,598

The statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 17 to 29 form part of these financial statements.

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	14		1,037		1,787
Investments	15		3,640,156		3,649,684
			3,641,193		3,651,471
Current Assets					
Debtors	16	51,755		44,876	
Cash at bank and in hand		793,406		492,835	
		845,161		537,711	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(27,554)		(19,584)	
Net Current Assets			817,607		518,127
			4,458,800		4,169,598
Total Assets less Current Liabilities			4,458,800		4,169,598
Funds					
Unrestricted funds	19		150,566		123,378
Restricted funds	20		611,092		491,581
Endowment fund	21		3,697,142		3,554,639
Total Funds			4,458,800		4,169,598

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 27/9/23 and signed on their behalf, by:

Mr S Dawkins – Trustee
Company No. 04851054

The notes on pages 17 to 29 form part of these financial statements.

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Cash flow from operating activities	As below	354,539	(191,727)
Cash flow from investing activities			
Interest and dividends		121,744	117,578
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(118)	(1,923)
Payments to acquire investments		(186,688)	(75,840)
Proceeds from sale of investments		11,094	152,150
Net cash flow from investing activities		(53,968)	191,965
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		300,571	238
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2022		492,835	492,597
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2023		793,406	492,835
Cash and cash equivalents consists of:			
Cash at bank and in hand		793,406	492,835
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2023		793,406	492,835

Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Net income for year	289,202	283,696
Deduct income from investment activities	(121,744)	(117,578)
Add losses/(gains) on investments	185,122	(284,032)
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	868	962
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(6,879)	(43,551)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	7,970	(31,224)
Net cash flow from operating activities	354,539	(191,727)

The notes on pages 17 to 29 form part of these financial statements.

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Basis of preparation of financial statements
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation is a private company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3 Wycliffe Street, Leicester, LE1 5LR.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006.

The Community Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Company Status
The company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees names on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

Income
Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Resources Expended
All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources and budgets available. Salaries have been allocated on a time basis.

Grants payable comprises all tranches for which the conditions for payment have been met during the year. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and of maintaining its quality accreditation to UK Community foundation standards endorsed by the Charity Commission.

Going Concern
After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets costing more than £100 are capitalised and included at cost of acquisition.

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

Computer Equipment	33 1/3% on Cost
Office Furniture	15% Written Down Value

Investments
Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Realised gains and losses
All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value on their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year-end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the statement of financial statements.

Funds
Unrestricted general funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific funds. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors. Usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries nominated by individual donors. Any capital gains or losses and income arising on the investments form part of the fund. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Value added tax
Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the SOFA.

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

Debtors
Basic financial assets, including trade debtors and other debtors, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

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

Financial instruments
The trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Pensions
The pension costs charged in the year represents the amount of the employers' contributions payable to personal pension schemes of the employees.

Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement
Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Critical accounting estimates and assumptions: The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations (including gift aid receivable)	475,114	150,627
	475,114	150,627

Of total income from donations and legacies £220 (2022: £54,526) was unrestricted, £283,881 (2022: £70,178) was restricted and £191,013 (2022: £25,923) was endowment.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Bank interest received	247	112
Dividends from listed investments	121,497	117,466
	121,744	117,578

Of total income from investments £2,064 (2022: £1,726) was unrestricted, £Nil (2022: £Nil) was restricted and £119,680 (2022: £115,852) was endowment.

4. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Grants received	**2023**	**2022**
Restricted Funds:	£	£
Other Expendable Funds	421,475	344,721
Unrestricted	138,841	34,338
Endowment Funds	140,625	52,071
Total of grants received	700,941	431,130

Other incoming resources

	2023	**2022**
	£	£
HMRC Employment Allowance	4,000	4,000
Grant return (unresticted funds)	100	-

5. OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES

	2023	**2022**
	£	£
HMRC Employment Allowance	4,000	4,000
Grant return (unresticted funds)	100	-
Grant return (restricted funds)	6,189	10,847
	10,289	14,847

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2023

6. RESOURCES EXPENDED ON RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	49,572	-	-	49,572	46,081	-	-	46,081
Events & hospitality	1,679	-	-	1,679	-	-	-	-
Advertising and promotion	-	-	-	-	-	139	-	139
Office, premises and IT	-	384	-	384	-	141	-	141
	51,251	384	-	51,635	46,081	280	-	46,361

7. RESOURCES EXPENDED ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2023	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants (see note 10)	-	628,504	-	628,504	250	529,123	-	529,373
Project expenses	-	-	-	-	-	250	-	250
Staff costs	28,821	33,727	-	62,548	22,332	39,364	-	61,696
Office, premises and IT	25,427	120	-	25,547	17,723	114	-	17,837
Travel expenses	641	-	-	641	79	-	-	79
Professional fees	13	-	-	13	919	-	-	919
Depreciation	868	-	-	868	962	-	-	962
Support costs (see note 8)	64,008	-	-	64,008	57,041	-	-	57,041
	119,778	662,351	-	782,129	99,306	568,851	-	668,157

8. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Staff costs	52,608	50,736
Trustees expenses	-	1,012
Audit and accountancy	11,400	5,293
	64,008	57,041

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2023

9. RESOURCES EXPENDED BY FUND
(Total of Note 6 and Note 7)

	Unrestricted Funds	Comic Relief Local Communities	Leicestershire Fund	LLR Coronavirus Fund	Women in Philanthropy	Tampon Tax	Other Expendable Funds	Totals 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants	-	-	37,863	1,000	15,000	-	574,641	628,504
Staff costs	132,387	1,812	-	-	445	9,857	21,613	166,114
Events & hospitality	1,679	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,679
Office premises and IT	25,427	-	-	-	109	-	395	25,931
Travel expenses	641	-	-	-	-	-	-	641
Depreciation	868	-	-	-	-	-	-	868
Goverance & compliance	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Audit & accountancy	10,014	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,014
	171,029	1,812	37,863	1,000	15,554	9,857	596,649	833,764

10. GRANTS TO ORGANISATIONS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Leicestershire Fund	37,863	9,100
LLR Coronavirus Fund	1,000	26,273
Women in Philanthropy	15,000	11,539
NET Covid 19 Fund	-	20,314
Other Expendable Funds	574,641	461,897
Unrestricted Funds	-	250
	628,504	529,373

11. STAFF COSTS

Total staff numbers and costs	2023 £	2022 £
Salaries and wages	127,190	126,514
Contract worker fees	16,283	9,123
Social security costs	12,308	10,582
Pension costs	10,333	12,294
	166,114	158,513

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Full and part-time employees	5	5
Contract workers	2	1

Pension contributions are made by the charity to the employees' own personal pensions. At the year end £Nil was owed to the individual pension schemes (2022: £Nil).

The remuneration and benefits received by key personnel during the year were £44,385 (2022: £35,337).

No employees received total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) of more than £60,000.

12. AUDITORS REMUNERATION

The amount paid for the audit was £9,300 (2022: £3,990) and £2,100 (2022: £1,303) for other accountancy services.

13. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

The trustees are not remunerated for their work as Trustees of the charity. From time to time, members of the Board or persons connected with them enter into transactions with the charity in the normal course of business of both parties. Such transactions are conducted on an arm's length basis, on normal commercial terms, and are in accordance with the specific provisions of clause 6 of the Memorandum of Association. There were no related party transactions in the current or previous year, other than that the Chair Stuart Dawkins was elected President of the Chamber of Commerce in 2023, and the Community Foundation is paid up member of the Chamber of Commerce at an annual cost of £408, plus occasional costs of Chamber events attended by staff.

Travel expenses paid to nil trustees (2022: nil) during the year amounted to £Nil (2022: £Nil).

14. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer Equipment £	Office Furniture £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2022	7,977	712	8,689
Additions	-	118	118
At 31 March 2023	7,977	830	8,807
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2022	6,300	602	6,902
Charge for the year	851	17	868
At 31 March 2023	7,151	619	7,770
Net book value			
At 31 March 2023	826	211	1,037
At 31 March 2022	1,677	110	1,787

15. INVESTMENTS

	£
Market value at 1 April 2022	3,649,684
Additions	186,688
Disposal proceeds	(11,094)
Net investment gains/(losses)	(185,122)
Market value at 31 March 2023	3,640,156
Historical cost at 31 March 2023	2,431,895
Investments are represented by:	
UK fixed interest investments	75,133
Property	248,923
Investment trusts	3,316,100
	3,640,156

All investments held are to provide an investment return and are listed investments.

The market information relating to the past performance of investments is not necessarily an indication to their future performance. The value of investments of income from them may go down as well as up. The value of investments may rise or fall due to the volatility of world markets, interest rates and capital values or, for investments held in overseas markets, due to changes in the exchange rate in currency in which the investments are denominated.

Included above are investments with holdings greater than 5% of total market value as follows:

COIF Charities Global Equity Fund	58.71%
M&G Charifund	20.72%
COIF Charities Ethical Investment Fund	11.88%
COIF Charities Property Fund	6.84%

16. DEBTORS

	2023 £	2022 £
Accrued income	51,755	44,876
	51,755	44,876

17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,525	354
Accruals	13,793	6,181
Deferred grant income (see note 18)	12,236	13,049
	27,554	19,584

18. DEFERRED GRANT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deferred grant income brought forward	13,049	41,666
Amount released to income	(813)	(41,666)
Amount deferred in year	-	13,049
	12,236	13,049

19. FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Fund	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,037	-	-	1,037
Investments	40,946	-	3,599,210	3,640,156
Net current assets	108,583	611,092	97,932	817,607
	150,566	611,092	3,697,142	4,458,800

20. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure (note 9)	Transfers	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Comic Relief (Large Grants)	1,812	-	(1,812)	-	-
Leicestershire Fund	17,270	150,000	(37,863)	1,712	131,119
Women in Philanthropy	13,164	11,512	(15,554)	3,317	12,439
Building a Stronger Britain Together	(645)	-	-	645	-
UKCF - Tampon Tax	9,857	-	(9,857)	-	-
LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support	4,723	-	(1,000)	-	3,723
Other Expendable Funds	445,400	550,033	(596,649)	65,027	463,811
	491,581	711,545	(662,735)	70,701	611,092

Comic Relief Large Grants Programme – Leicester was invited in 2016 to join the network of cities across the UK, in which Community Foundations solicit applications from flagship local projects for Comic Relief to select recipients for two-year grants of £30k. This ended in 2018.

Leicestershire Fund – an ongoing grant programme set up on behalf of a local charitable trust to support small groups and projects across Leicestershire. The fund is supplemented by income transferred from a corresponding named endowment fund in accordance with the charity's total return policy. This amounted to £1,712 during the reporting year.

Women in Philanthropy – the Foundation continued to support this membership fund (launched in March 2014) which uses the linked fund model (where funds raised are split between expendable and endowment funds to generate funds for immediate giving and an income in perpetuity). The WiP steering group continued to take an active leadership role in the selection and support of charitable groups, and in event management and profile building.

Brought forward funds included donations and grants towards the set-up costs of the scheme. In addition to members' donations, restricted income included sponsorship of recruitment and members' events, print and publicity. Income of £3,317 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.

UKCF – Tampon Tax – The funding for this national grant programme, managed by the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport have been generated from VAT on sanitary products. The Community Foundation as a delivery partner with UKCF made awards to grass roots projects that improve the lives of disadvantaged women and girls.

LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support - Community Foundations were selected to deliver (expendable) National Emergencies Trust and central government funds to charitable groups working with individuals and communities struggling in the pandemic, including for food, mental health, and debt advice.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2023

21. ENDOWMENT FUND

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Gains/(losses) on investments	Transfers	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Arts Fund	4,555	172	-	(251)	(177)	4,299
Apex Works Fund	52,876	1,456	-	(2,588)	(1,456)	50,288
Richard Bonney Fund	11,583	1,700	-	(353)	(200)	12,730
Sir Timothy Brooks Fund	162,353	6,244	-	(8,713)	(6,473)	153,411
R & S Brucciani	71,090	2,021		(3,921)	(2,021)	67,169
Byrch's Charity Fund	79,404	2,225	-	(3,260)	(2,229)	76,140
Children on the Edge (formerly Apopted Childrens Fund)	221,120	7,402	-	(11,623)	(10,006)	206,893
City of Leicester Education Fund	248,256	6,846	-	(12,211)	(6,846)	236,045
Sheila Collard Fund	7,662	280	-	(421)	(309)	7,212
William Colton Youth Sport Fund	149,686	4,152	-	(7,373)	(6,875)	139,590
Desor Foundation	1,447	40	-	(71)	(40)	1,376
Bobby Dhanjal Foundation	26,813	1,092	-	(1,225)	(746)	25,934
Efficient Charitable Portfolio	14,721	426	-	(713)	(418)	14,016
Gilmour Fund	-	140,625	-	-	-	140,625
Hanwill Fund	89,948	5,112	-	(5,910)	(5,424)	83,726
High Sheriff of Rutland's Fund	6,662	197	-	(468)	(1,844)	4,547
Hill Osborne Fund	57,193	3,056	-	(3,533)	(2,702)	54,014
The Hive Foundation (in memory of Grant Wilkinson)	4,657	145	-	(233)	(148)	4,421
Hope Fund	2,036	63	-	(94)	(60)	1,945
Huntley & Palmers Fund	110,859	3,152	-	(6,111)	(3,152)	104,748
Barbara Keene Fund	6,150	373	-	(431)	(461)	5,631
LABA Heritage Fund	21,670	712	-	(1,207)	(724)	20,451
Ben Lazarus DMU Fund	58,283	2,349	-	(2,810)	(1,609)	56,213
Leicester Learning Fund	273,444	8,668	-	(17,243)	(12,866)	252,003
Leicestershire Fund	37,340	2,420	-	(2,798)	(2,568)	34,394
Leicestershire Police Chief Constable's Charitable Trust	35,739	970	-	(1,707)	(970)	34,032
Jamie Lewis Fund	20,742	809	-	(1,129)	(838)	19,584
Lord Lieutenant's Fund for Leicestershire & Rutland	12,856	430	-	(620)	(487)	12,179
Leicestershire Education Fund	-	176,864	-	-	-	176,864
LRCF Endowment Fund	212,587	7,832	-	(11,460)	(8,078)	200,881
Louisa ~~Louise~~ Fund	-	1,847	-	47	2,056	3,950
Market Overton Parochial Fund	14,755	406	-	(723)	(406)	14,032
Ian & Caroline McAlpine Fund	207,756	7,437	-	(10,880)	(7,437)	196,876
Meggitt Trust Fund	113,039	6,040	-	(6,983)	(5,341)	106,755
Mental Health, Wellbeing and Learning Disability Social Enterprise Fund	3,025	110	-	(162)	(103)	2,870
Mukti Foundation	5,061	143	-	(248)	(144)	4,812
Neil Murphy Animal Welfare Fund	29,694	865	-	(1,430)	(1,348)	27,781
The Oaktree Fund	61,399	1,688	-	(2,984)	(1,688)	58,415
Precision Facilities	5,314	2,650	-	(287)	(150)	7,527
Richi Rootz Foundation	2,945	80	-	(146)	(134)	2,745
Jean Richmond Memorial Fund	155,038	4,036	-	1,690	(4,036)	156,728
Rutland & Melton Training Fund	566,653	15,627	-	(27,884)	(15,627)	538,769
John Salmon Fund	172,466	9,054	-	(10,468)	(9,054)	161,998
Surviving Winter Fund	6,384	387	-	(447)	(479)	5,845
Sycamore Fund	20,066	512	-	(914)	(512)	19,152
Rebecca Winand Fund	71,334	2,064	-	(3,348)	(1,909)	68,141
Women in Philanthropy	117,977	10,539	-	(5,658)	(3,474)	119,384
	3,554,639	451,318	-	(179,302)	(129,513)	3,697,142

21. ENDOWMENT FUND (continued)

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors, usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries or themes nominated by individual donors. The endowment fund was invested in shares and fixed interest investments.

The LRFC Endowment Fund included donations from the Everard Foundation and other anonymous donors in addition to assets owned by the charity.

The following transfers were made out of the endowment fund during the year:

- Unless specifically requested to do otherwise by the donor, a quarterly income was drawn down from each fund in accordance with the charity's investment policy and transferred to restricted funds for giving. Such transfers totalled £70,701.

- A total of £58,812 from donations received in the year from existing funds, was transferred to unrestricted funds as a contribution to operating costs, as stipulated by donors in the fund agreements.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1135322

Accounts

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Dear Sirs

The following representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience such as we consider necessary in connection with your audit of the charitable company's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022. These enquiries have included inspection of supporting documentation where appropriate and are sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can make each of the following representations. All representations are made to the best of our knowledge and belief.

General

1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities as directors / trustees as set out in the terms of your engagement letter, under the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011 for preparing financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for making accurate representations to you.
2. All the transactions undertaken by the charitable company have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records.
3. All the accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your audit. We have provided you with unrestricted access to all appropriate persons within the charitable company and with all other records and related information requested, including minutes of all management and trustee meetings and correspondence with The Charity Commission.
4. The financial statements are free of material misstatements, including omissions.
5. The effects of uncorrected misstatements are immaterial both individually and in total.

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Internal control and fraud

6. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control systems to prevent and detect fraud and error. We have disclosed to you the results of our risk assessment that the financial statements may be misstated as a result of fraud.
7. We have disclosed to you all instances of known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving management, employees who have a significant role in internal control or others that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
8. We have also disclosed to you all information in relation to allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity's financial statements communicated by current or former employees, analysts, regulators or others.

Assets and liabilities

9. The charitable company has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the charitable company's assets, except for those that are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
10. All actual liabilities, contingent liabilities and guarantees given to third parties have been recorded or disclosed as appropriate.
11. We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and, where relevant, the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.

Accounting estimates

12. The methods, data and significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, and their related disclosures, are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement and disclosure that is reasonable in the context of the applicable financial reporting framework.

Loans and arrangements

13. The charitable company has not granted any advances or credits to, or made guarantees on behalf of, directors other than those disclosed in the financial statements.

Legal claims

14. We have disclosed to you all claims in connection with litigation that have been, or are expected to be, received and such matters, as appropriate, have been properly accounted for and disclosed in the financial statements.

Laws and regulations

15. We have disclosed to you all known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.

Related parties

16. Related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in the financial statements. We have disclosed to you all relevant information concerning such relationships and transactions and are not aware of any other matters which require disclosure in order to comply with legislative and accounting standards requirements.

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Subsequent events

17. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements which require adjustment or disclosure have been properly accounted for and disclosed.

Going concern

18. We believe that the charitable company's financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis on the grounds that current and future sources of funding or support will be more than adequate for the charitable company's needs. We also confirm our plans for future action(s) required to enable the charitable company's to continue as a going concern are feasible. We have considered a period of twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We believe that no further disclosures relating to the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern need to be made in the financial statements.

Grants and donations

19. All grants, donations and other income, the receipt of which is subject to specific terms or conditions, have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions in the application of such income. Restricted grants and donations are included in the financial statements. We acknowledge our legal responsibilities regarding disclosure of information to you as auditors and confirm that so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information needed by you in connection with preparing your audit report of which you are unaware.

Each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that you are aware of that information.

Yours faithfully

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Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees

Date 21/9/22

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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
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LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
ANNUAL TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees are pleased to present their annual trustees' report for the year ending 31 March 2022 which is also prepared to meet the requirements for a director's report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

1. The Community Foundation is a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales no. 04851054 and its registered charity number is 1135322. Its Memorandum and Articles of Association, dated July 2003, outlines its aims for the promotion of any charitable purpose for the benefit of communities in Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland. The liability of each member is limited to £1.

2. The Community Foundation realises its aims by giving grants to charitable groups which work directly with local needs of all kinds, and by attracting and managing philanthropic grant-giving funds with or for local companies, individuals, families, as well as public agencies. It also reinvigorates dormant charitable funds for local support, in the spirit of their original intent.

3. The Community Foundation is an independently constituted and locally managed charitable company. It is part of a network of 46 UK Community Foundations, and a subscribed member of UKCF.

RECRUITMENT, APPOINTMENT AND INDUCTION OF TRUSTEES

All members of the Board of Trustees also serve as Directors under the Companies Act 2006. Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting or co-opted within the year and voted in at the AGM. The Community Foundation publicly advertises its recruitment for Trustees, to ensure diversity of background and experience.

All Trustees sign a declaration of fitness to serve and an annual statement of interests, undergo a full induction process and intermittent training, and are expected to attend at least 75% of meetings. The full Board of Trustees meets quarterly. The Finance Panel and the Fund Development Panel also meet quarterly. Short term working groups are formed for specific projects such as events, recruitment, or policy alterations.

The charity has an active President, and three Vice Presidents, not subject to re-election. Trustees, Presidents and Vice-presidents are not remunerated, though may claim reasonable travel expenses to meetings.

Quality Standards

A rigorous Quality Accreditation (QA), a formal measure of management efficacy, assessed by a professional independent body, takes place every three years. Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation achieved full accreditation in 2007, in 2010, in 2013, in 2017, and in 2021.

Risk Management

The Trustees are aware of the process requiring them to regularly review and assess major risks and to mitigate the potential impact of these.

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Organisational Structure and Pay

The Community Foundation's permanent staff are a Chief Executive, a Finance Manager, a Grants Manager and a Grants Co-ordinator. Freelance staff are employed intermittently for additional support work such as grants assessments or communications. The Charity makes a pension contribution of 8% for permanent staff and offers flexible working arrangements and relevant training to all.

Trustees give their time freely and none received remuneration in the year. Details of Trustees expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in note 13 to the accounts.

GDPR

Communication and data storage continued to be subject to ongoing checks during 2021-22, with formal training scheduled for later in 2022 to ensure processes are up to date.

What We Did: Activities and Performance of the Year

As in every year, the focus of our work was:

1. Fund Development: increasing financial support for local needs by attracting new, and retaining existing, donor and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant trusts.

2. Distribution of grants: with notably increased numbers of applications for support from charitable groups working with local needs.

3. Rigorous financial management, tracking money in and out, reviewing the performance of investments and maintaining a lean operating budget.

4. Governance: reviews, projects and strategies to lead, support or improve operation.

1. Fund Development

As usual, the Community Foundation managed three kinds of funds:

a. Endowment Funds: donors invest for a charitable income: valuable for local communities, as they create a sustainable source of support: in 2021/22 a total of £77,994 (2020/21 £130,872).

b. Expendable/Flow Through Funds: a donation is distributed to a timescale specified by the donor or funder. In 2021/22 a total of £503,763 (2020/21: £1,744,115).

c. Linked Funds: splitting donations between expendable and endowment to enable both immediate giving, and charitable income (included in the above totals).

Endowment Funds

Growing a community endowment is a key goal of Community Foundations because invested funds provide a valuable local asset as well as stable annual charitable income to give as grants for local needs. The Community Foundation welcomed The Louisa Fund, giving grants to charities working with homeless people, and The Brucciani Fund, giving grants to a range of community groups and needs. Several donors added to their existing invested funds, between them supporting a wide range of local needs in the city and counties.

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Flow Through or Spend Down Funds

As valuable for urgent issues facing our local communities, "flow through" funds are not invested, but spent within a timescale determined by the donor or funder. The Community Foundation was pleased to be chosen to work with the NHS in Leicestershire and Rutland delivering £1.3m over last year and the current year for the Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health Grants Fund to voluntary groups working to prevent mental ill health and supporting people recovering from mental ill health. The GHIN Fund also allowed time for evaluation and for training such as Suicide Awareness and Mental Health First Aid, as well as opportunities for groups to connect with each other.

Also welcome was the new Hinckley & Rugby Building Society Community Fund; staff voting for the areas of need they wished to support, and for the local charities subsequently identified and introduced by the Community Foundation. We joined UKCF and other Community Foundations to deliver The Arts Council's Let's Create Jubilee Fund for community events celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Renewed or continued spend down funds from Cambridge and Counties Bank, IM Properties, and others were equally welcomed and distributed in the year.

Legacies

The Community Foundation worked with solicitors and individuals to set up grant-giving funds as part of an individual's or family's legacy.

Dormant and Inactive Trusts

The Foundation continued to work with UKCF and the Charity Commission to identify charities and trusts that have become onerous or inactive, transferring assets and distributing them in the spirit of the original intent.

Existing Donors

The Community Foundation does not simply raise money for local communities: donors are kept informed of and involved in their funds, to the degree they wish. All received an annual report of the activity of their fund, with several larger funds making decisions on grants. An online "Christmas Dispatches from Communities" event for donors and other stakeholders was addressed by the Bank of England's Andrew Hebden and Deputy Lieutenant Colonel Richard Hurwood, with four local charitable groups reporting on their year.

Promoting the importance of supporting local need, and the Community Foundation's Service.

As face-to-face events and networks restarted, the Community Foundation staff and Trustees returned to connecting personally with local potential donors and sharing information about local needs. Work continued on designing support for businesses wishing to meet Environmental, Social and Government Goals (ESG) Goals. The re-designed website was kept up to date as a first point of contact.

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2. Distribution of grants

The Community Foundation follows rigorous outreach, assessment and reporting processes to ensure that money goes where needed and is spent fairly and well, balancing donor interests with local needs and a timely response to applications. A dedicated phone number remained available and frequently used by applicants and the Grants team attended events to meet groups throughout the city and counties and share available funds and how to access them. The year was notable for an increase in applications, with corresponding increased work assessing, and subsequently matching as many as possible to available funds. Many groups are facing increased demands on their services as well as rising costs.

The Community Foundation was grateful for the support of volunteers and freelancers including Dave Andrews, David Lindley, Darren Cotton, Liz Daw, Ellen Alcock, Kat and Christine Holton, and those who sat voluntarily on Grants Panel and the Advisory Group, including Maxine Chambers, Leonie Du Barry Gurr, Vince Atwood, Helen Oparinde, Annette Kendrick and Cheddi Gore, as well as local authority and NHS personnel including Sylvia Wight, Noel Singh, Andy Hayes, Louise Richardson, Rachel Dewar, Big Lottery funders, and many others. Their generous sharing of time, knowledge and experience of working and living in communities across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland makes the Community Foundation's grant-giving better informed, further reaching and more impactful.

A total of 191 grants were made to a value of £529,373 and are detailed in the Grants and Giving Booklet for 2021-22, available on the Community Foundation website, or available as a hard copy on request.

3. Financial Management

As in every year, the Community Foundation tracked and reported all money in as donations and subsequently out as grants, reviewed the performance of investments, and maintained a careful operating budget.

The Community Foundation model is an ultimately self-sustaining one. The contribution to overheads requested from funders and donors is small, so that 90% or more of any donation goes to local need but contributes to a stable if lean operation. Assets from a dissolved charity, ARC, continued to contribute and the Community Foundation was grateful for contributions to operating costs from private donors.

Total income in the year, including operating grants, new and renewed private funds, dormant fund transfers and public fund delivery, amounted to £714,182 (2020-21 £1,992,790).

Going Concern

The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue for the foreseeable future and therefore adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details are in the Accounting Policies, below.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review and Results for the Year

An overall deficit before gains on investments by the charitable company of £336 (2021: surplus of £277,657), this was made up of income from charitable activities towards the expendable funds. After the gains on investments, the result was an overall surplus of £283,696 (2021: £923,007). This was made up of a surplus of £13,819 in unrestricted funds, a surplus of £62,516 in restricted funds and a surplus of £207,361 in endowment funds. The Community Foundation reached £3.55m (2021: £3.35m) for its endowment fund by the end of the year, which will generate approximately £92k to be distributed by the Community Foundation for local needs each year. The balance of reserves carried forward at the year-end was £4,169,598 (2021: £3,885,902).

Reserves Policy

At the year end, free reserves stood at unrestricted funds of £123,378 less fixed assets of £1,787 giving a total of £121,591 (2021:£108,733). Restricted funds amounted to £491,581 (2021:£429,065).

Investment Policy

The Trustees invest endowment funds with an objective to provide a return that maintains the real (inflation adjusted) value of the capital, whilst also delivering a cash flow to meet charitable giving and contribute to the operating costs of the Community Foundation. The Trustees' attitude is categorised as "risk tolerant," opting to invest in specialist investment funds which offer a diversified investment portfolio over a long-term time horizon. The Community Foundation offers a default allocation for the investment of endowment funds but can also offer some flexibility to those donors who take an active interest in where their funds are invested or wish to place further ethical restrictions on the investments. The Trustees' strategy is to follow a total return approach, delivering a predictable return for giving through income and capital growth. Except for Community First endowment funds, the Community Foundation aims for an income for grant making from its endowment funds of 4% each year, comprising a mixture of investment income and capital growth. This is drawn down quarterly to minimise the impact of short-term market variability. Trustees may review this 4% aim to protect capital values. The Community Foundation reviews investment performance regularly and acts where investments are not achieving the desired returns within the approved attitude to risk.

In addition to the Endowment Funds, the Community Foundation invested some of its restricted and unrestricted funds. The Trustees' strategy for the investment of restricted funds is to minimise any exposure to capital loss as the capital is restricted for giving in the medium term. Fund balances are regularly reviewed, and the Trustees' attitude is categorised as "moderately risk averse." The Trustees' strategy for the investment of unrestricted reserves is to provide a return that contributes to the operating costs of the Community Foundation, whilst maintaining the value of the capital for future sustainability. Trustees receive quarterly updates on Fund performance from the investment managers and meet with them to discuss performance.

During the year, the charity received £117,578 (2021: £108,803) income from its investments and saw gains of £284,032 (2021: £645,350) in the market value of investments.

4. Governance

The Community Foundation created a Five Year Plan and a Five Year Financial Forecast to take the charity through to 2024. To further these plans, three new Trustees were recruited via an open recruitment process, bringing additional communications, financial management and voluntary sector experience to the Board. The Trustee induction process was updated, and regular staff and board "away evenings" to support strategic work and skills development were established. A policy review schedule ensured that the increased numbers of updated governance policies including Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, Homeworking Procedures, Emergency Grants Procedure, and Fraud Prevention were reviewed in rotation at Board meetings.

Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation undertook and passed QA5 the fifth national Quality Accreditation, a formal measure of management efficacy, assessed by a professional independent body.

Plans for 2022-23

Our core aims will not change: the priority for the Community Foundation will be to maintain and grow levels of financial support via thoughtful and informed grant-giving, to strengthen our local communities.

The pandemic highlighted how deeply some communities are affected by inequity, and predictions of rising costs over the next five years means the Community Foundation will need to work hard to help mitigate effects on local communities.

Fund Development

The Community Foundation will set up a new Fund Development Panel to develop focus on increasing both profile and revenue for grant giving. This work will lead to the appointment of a paid Fund Development role, with a focus on building endowment, which is one of the most stable and effective long-term mechanisms for offering support for local community needs. It will renew focus on developing a fuller communications strategy, and the design of a staff role to support this.

For "flow through" funds, work will continue on developing straightforward mechanisms for local companies meeting their ESG goals. Building on the successes of the National Emergencies Trust, government grant delivery and NHS Getting Help in Neighbourhoods Adult Mental Health Fund, the Community Foundation will continue to seek public funds to work alongside private philanthropic funds to help local communities in upcoming challenging times. Dormant assets and trusts will also be a focus.

Grants

In addition to the usual workload of encouraging, supporting, assessing, delivering, and tracking grants across Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland, the Community Foundation plans to review its Grants panel and Advisory Group structures and the support offered to these, as well linking with UKCF programmes team for national programmes. It will continue to increase contact with funded groups (at application, midpoint, and completion) to build understanding of their work, local challenges, and the impact they make, and to develop data capture and reporting for private donors, public funders, and its own practice, to inform on key local needs. It will continue to support the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire's workstream for the Queens Award for Voluntary Service.

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Finance

The software that supports financial operation will be reviewed and replaced if necessary. Administrative support will be reviewed, as the number of funds grows.

Governance

Regular Trustee and staff training and strategic focus will continue via intermittent "away evenings." A new Trustee led Fund Development Panel will start work on supporting fund development and the appointment of a staff role for this as well driving an increase in contact with those who may wish to hold grant giving funds and overseeing development of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) goals and values.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in reviewing existing work and planning future activities. The Community Foundation works to support the diverse communities of Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland by attracting and distributing private philanthropic, company and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant charitable trusts. Funds are distributed to local charitable groups working to reduce local need and improve local quality of life, and considerable work takes place to ensure access to funds is equitable and far reaching as well as impactful.

Consistent work has been undertaken to attract and support family, individual and company donors to engage with local needs, and the charitable and voluntary groups working to meet those needs. Considered initiatives, networks, social and traditional media have reached to potential donors and to charitable groups. The Community Foundation continued to maintain intelligence about the local area, and grant spend was monitored. Staff are available to assist donors and charitable groups, and the Community Foundation continued to work in as cost-effective manner as possible, with the large majority (usually 90% or over) of all funds managed are channelled into local giving.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees (who are also the directors of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation for the purposes of company law) 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).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

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

Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on 21 SEPTEMBER 2022 and signed on their behalf.



Mr S Dawkins
Chair of Trustees

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance sheet, the Cash flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2022, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

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

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (CONTINUED)

Other information (continued)
conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006
In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception
In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

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

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

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

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

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (CONTINUED)

Auditor responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

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

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the charitable company and determined that the most significant which are directly relevant to specific assertions in the financial statements are those related to the financial reporting frameworks (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, the Companies Act 2006, the Charities Act 2011) and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the jurisdiction in which the charitable company operates. We enquired of management, whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or whether they had any knowledge of actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
- We assessed the susceptibility of the entity's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur;
- Our testing considered unusual or unexpected journal entries on a sample basis;
- We evaluated the assumptions and judgements used by management within significant accounting estimates and assessing if these indicate evidence of management bias;
- We tested significant transactions, in particular the evaluation of the business rationale for any which appear unusual or outside the charitable company's normal course of business;
- We assessed the appropriateness of the collective competence and capabilities of the engagement team by understanding the practical experience with audit engagements of a similar nature and complexity, plus ensuring the team had appropriate and relevant training of the financial reporting framework and the relevant tax compliance regulations specific to the entity;
- We reviewed the financial statements and tested the disclosures against supporting documentation;
- We communicated relevant matters to all members of the audit team to ensure they understood the risks specific to the entity and the audit procedures planned to mitigate these.

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

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (CONTINUED)

Use of our report

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

Mrs L G Parkes ACA FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of The Rowleys Partnership Ltd
Statutory Auditors
Chartered Accountants
Charnwood House
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Meridian Business Park
Leicester
Leicestershire
LE19 1WP

Dated:

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Income and endowments from		£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	2	54,526	70,178	25,923	150,627	282,411
Investment income	3	1,726	-	115,852	117,578	108,803
Charitable activities	4	34,338	344,721	52,071	431,130	1,592,576
Other	5	4,000	10,847	-	14,847	9,000
Total income and endowments		94,590	425,746	193,846	714,182	1,992,790
Expenditure on						
Raising funds	6	46,081	280	-	46,361	45,329
Charitable activities	7	99,306	568,851	-	668,157	1,669,804
Total expenditure		145,387	569,131	-	714,518	1,715,133
Net gains/(losses) on investments	15	(3,836)	-	287,868	284,032	645,350
Net income/(expenditure)		(54,633)	(143,385)	481,714	283,696	923,007
Transfers between funds	20/21	68,452	205,901	(274,353)	-	-
Net movements of funds		13,819	62,516	207,361	283,696	923,007
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		109,559	429,065	3,347,278	3,885,902	2,962,895
Total funds carried forward		123,378	491,581	3,554,639	4,169,598	3,885,902

The statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 17 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	14		1,787		826
Investments	15		3,649,684		3,441,962
			3,651,471		3,442,788
Current Assets					
Debtors	16	44,876		1,325	
Cash at bank and in hand		492,835		492,597	
		537,711		493,922	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(19,584)		(50,808)	
Net Current Assets			518,127		443,114
			4,169,598		3,885,902
Total Assets less Current Liabilities			4,169,598		3,885,902
Funds					
Unrestricted funds	19		123,378		109,559
Restricted funds	20		491,581		429,065
Endowment fund	21		3,554,639		3,347,278
Total Funds			4,169,598		3,885,902

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 21 September 2022 and signed on their behalf, by:

Mr S Dawkins – Trustee
Company No. 04851054

The notes on pages 17 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flow from operating activities	**22**	(191,727)	116,762
Cash flow from investing activities			
Interest and dividends		117,578	108,803
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(1,923)	(630)
Payments to acquire investments		(75,840)	(126,217)
Proceeds from sale of investments		152,150	18,990
Net cash flow from investing activities		191,965	946
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		238	117,708
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2021		492,597	374,889
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2022		492,835	492,597
Cash and cash equivalents consists of:			
Cash at bank and in hand		492,835	492,597
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2022		492,835	492,597

The notes on pages 17 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 31 MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Basis of preparation of financial statements
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation is a private company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3, Wycliffe Street, Leicester, LE1 5LR.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006.

The Community Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Company Status
The company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees names on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

Income
Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Resources Expended
All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources and budgets available. Salaries have been allocated on a time basis.

Grants payable comprises all tranches for which the conditions for payment have been met during the year. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and of maintaining its quality accreditation to UK Community foundation standards endorsed by the Charity Commission.

Going Concern
After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets costing more than £100 are capitalised and included at cost of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost of each assets over its estimated useful life:

Computer Equipment	33 1/3% on Cost
Office Furniture	15% Written Down Value

Investments
Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Realised gains and losses
All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value on their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year-end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the statement of financial statements.

Funds
Unrestricted general funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific funds. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors. Usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries nominated by individual donors. Any capital gains or losses and income arising on the investments form part of the fund. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Value added tax
Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the SOFA.

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

Debtors
Basic financial assets, including trade debtors and other debtors, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

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

Financial instruments
The trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Pensions
The pension costs charged in the year represents the amount of the employers' contributions payable to personal pension schemes of the employees.

Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement
Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Critical accounting estimates and assumptions: The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Donations (including gift aid receivable)	150,627	282,411
	150,627	282,411

Of total income from donations and legacies £54,526 (2021: £34,788) was unrestricted, £70,178 (2021: £221,051) was restricted and £25,923 (2021: £26,572) was endowment.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank interest received	112	277
Dividends from listed investments	117,466	108,526
	117,578	108,803

Of total income from investments £1,726 (2021: £2,335) was unrestricted, £Nil (2021: £Nil) was restricted and £115,852 (2021: £106,468) was endowment.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2022

4. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Grants received	**2022**	**2021**
Restricted Funds:	£	£
DCMS Fund	-	283,910
LLR Coronavirus Fund	-	25,700
Building Stronger Britain Together	-	7,574
Tampon Tax	-	131
NET Covid 19	-	747,476
Other Expendable Funds	344,721	379,678
	344,721	1,444,469
Unrestricted	34,338	43,807
Endowment Funds	52,071	104,300
Total of grants received	431,130	1,592,576

5. OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES

HMRC Employment Allowance	4,000	4,000
Grant return (restricted funds)	10,847	5,000
	14,847	9,000

6. RESOURCES EXPENDED ON RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	46,081	-	-	46,081	42,956	-	-	42,956
Advertising and promotion	-	139	-	139	1,294	-	-	1,294
Office, premises and IT	-	141	-	141	-	1,079	-	1,079
	46,081	280	-	46,361	44,250	1,079	-	45,329

7. RESOURCES EXPENDED ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants (see note 10)	250	529,123	-	529,373	-	1,535,571	-	1,535,571
Project expenses	-	250	-	250	-	-	-	-
Staff costs	22,332	39,364	-	61,696	-	77,812	-	77,812
Office, premises and IT	17,723	114	-	17,837	11,073	30	-	11,103
Travel expenses	79	-	-	79	108	-	-	108
Professional fees	919	-		919	4,117	-	-	4,117
Depreciation	962	-	-	962	628	-	-	628
Support costs - see note 8	57,041	-	-	57,041	36,351	4,114		40,465
								-
	99,306	568,851	-	668,157	52,277	1,617,527	-	1,669,804

8. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	£	£
Staff costs	50,736	34,603
Trustees expenses	1,012	822
Audit and accountancy	5,293	5,040
	57,041	40,465

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2022

9. RESOURCES EXPENDED BY FUND (Total of Note 6 and Note 7)

	Unrestricted Funds	Comic Relief Local Communities	Mars	Leicestershire Fund	LLR Coronavirus Fund	DCMS Fund	Women in Philanthropy	NET Covid 19	Other Expendable Funds	Totals 2022
Grants	250	-	-	9,100	26,273	-	11,539	20,314	461,897	529,373
Projects costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	250	-	-	250
Staff costs	119,149	839	7,719	-	-	10,000	615	-	20,191	158,513
Advertising and promotion	-	-	-	-	-	-	139	-	-	139
Office premises and IT	17,723	-	-	-	-	-	114	-	141	17,978
Travel expenses	79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79
Depreciation	962	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	962
Trustees expenses	1,012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,012
Consultancy	180	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	180
Quality accreditation	739	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	739
Audit & accountancy	5,293	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,293
	145,387	839	7,719	9,100	26,273	10,000	12,657	20,314	482,229	714,518

10. GRANTS TO ORGANISATIONS

	2022 £	2021 £
DCMS Fund	-	259,410
Leicestershire Fund	9,100	5,445
LLR Coronavirus Fund	26,273	62,097
Women in Philanthropy	11,539	6,097
NET Covid 19 Fund	20,314	760,174
Building a Stronger Britain Together	-	12,782
Other Expendable Funds	461,897	429,566
Unrestricted Funds	250	-
	529,373	1,535,571

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2022

11. STAFF COSTS

Total staff numbers and costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries and wages	126,514	113,590
Contract worker fees	9,123	22,040
Social security costs	10,582	10,760
Pension costs	12,294	8,981
	158,513	155,371

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
Full and part-time employees	5	4
Contract workers	1	2

Pension contributions are made by the charity to the employees' own personal pensions. At the year end £Nil was owed to the individual pension schemes (2021: £Nil).

The remuneration and benefits received by key personnel during the year were £35,337 (2021: £39,748).

No employees received total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) of more than £60,000.

12. AUDITORS REMUNERATION

The amount paid for the audit was £3,990 (2021: £3,800) and £1,303 (2021: £1,240) for other accountancy services.

13. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

The trustees are not remunerated for their work as Trustees of the charity. From time to time, members of the Board or persons connected with them enter into transactions with the charity in the normal course of business of both parties. Such transactions are conducted on an arm's length basis, on normal commercial terms, and are in accordance with the specific provisions of clause 6 of the Memorandum of Association. There were no related party transactions in the current or previous year.

Travel expenses paid to nil trustees (2021: nil) during the year amounted to £Nil (2021: £Nil).

The cost of trustee indemnity insurance taken out by the charity in the year amounted to £1,012 (2021: £822). This insurance was for a level of £250,000 (2021: £250,000).

14. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer Equipment £	Office Furniture £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2021	6,054	712	6,766
Additions	1,923	-	1,923
At 31 March 2022	7,977	712	8,689
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2021	5,357	583	5,940
Charge for the year	943	19	962
At 31 March 2022	6,300	602	6,902
Net book value			
At 31 March 2022	1,677	110	1,787
At 31 March 2021	697	129	826

15. INVESTMENTS

	£
Market value at 1 April 2021	3,441,962
Additions	75,840
Disposal proceeds	(152,150)
Net investment gains/(losses)	284,032
Market value at 31 March 2022	3,649,684
Historical cost at 31 March 2022	2,431,895
Investments are represented by:	
UK fixed interest investments	80,949
Property	295,580
Investment trusts	3,273,155
	3,649,684

All investments held are to provide an investment return and are listed investments.

The market information relating to the past performance of investments is not necessarily an indication to their future performance. The value of investments of income from them may go down as well as up. The value of investments may rise or fall due to the volatility of world markets, interest rates and capital values or, for investments held in overseas markets, due to changes in the exchange rate in currency in which the investments are denominated.

Included above are investments with holdings greater than 5% of total market value as follows:

COIF Charities Global Equity Fund	49.19%
M&G Charifund	22.01%
COIF Charities Ethical Investment Fund	6.57%
COIF Charities Property Fund	6.87%

16. DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accrued income	44,876	1,325
	44,876	1,325

17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	354	-
Accruals	6,181	5,928
Deferred grant income (see note 18)	13,049	41,666
Other creditors	-	3,214
	19,584	50,808

18. DEFERRED GRANT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deferred grant income brought forward	41,666	83,333
Amount released to income	(41,666)	(41,667)
Amount deferred in year	13,049	-
	13,049	41,666

19. FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Fund	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,787	-	-	1,787
Investments	80,949	-	3,568,735	3,649,684
Net current assets	40,642	491,581	(14,096)	518,127
	123,378	491,581	3,554,639	4,169,598

20. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure (note 9)	Transfers	At 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Comic Relief (Large Grants)	1,812	-	-	-	1,812
Comic Relief (Local Communities)	839	-	(839)	-	-
Leicestershire Fund	23,613	990	(9,100)	1,767	17,270
Mars	7,719	-	(7,719)	-	-
Women in Philanthropy	20,402	4,270	(12,657)	1,149	13,164
Building a Stronger Britain Together	(645)	-	-	-	(645)
UKCF - Tampon Tax	-	9,857	-	-	9,857
NET Covid	19,901	413	(20,314)	-	-
DCMS	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	-
LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support	25,897	5,099	(26,273)	-	4,723
Other Expendable Funds	319,527	405,117	(482,229)	202,985	445,400
	429,065	425,746	(569,131)	205,901	491,581

Comic Relief Large Grants Programme – Leicester was invited in 2016 to join the network of cities across the UK, in which Community Foundations solicit applications from flagship local projects for Comic Relief to select recipients for two-year grants of £30k. This ended in 2018.

Comic Relief Local Communities Fund – an ongoing grant programme delivered for Comic Relief. The scheme aims to actively engage the most disadvantaged in society through sport or community projects.

Leicestershire Fund – an ongoing grant programme set up on behalf of a local charitable trust to support small groups and projects across Leicestershire. The fund is supplemented by income transferred from a corresponding named endowment fund in accordance with the charity's total return policy. This amounted to £1,767 during the reporting year.

Mars – the Mars in the Community programme at a local level, supporting projects for healthy active lifestyles, pet welfare and the environment ended in March 2020 and the balance is to be moved to unrestricted funds. The programme has now come to an end.

20. Restricted Funds (continued)

Women in Philanthropy – the Foundation continued to support this membership fund (launched in March 2014) which uses the linked fund model (where funds raised are split between expendable and endowment funds to generate funds for immediate giving and an income in perpetuity). The WiP steering group continued to take an active leadership role in the selection and support of charitable groups, and in event management and profile building.

Brought forward funds included donations and grants towards the set-up costs of the scheme. In addition to members' donations, restricted income included sponsorship of recruitment and members' events, print and publicity. Income of £1,149 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.

UKCF – Tampon Tax – The funding for this national grant programme, managed by the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport has been generated from VAT on sanitary products. The Community Foundation as a delivery partner with UKCF made awards to grass roots projects that improve the lives of disadvantaged women and girls.

DCMS Fund – a fund from the Department of Culture Media and Sport. It a fund to help those who live and work locally and who are struggling as a result of the pandemic.

NET Covid 19 Fund – national emergency fund to effectively and efficiently support local voluntary and community organisations that are helping vulnerable people impacted by the Covid-19 crisis.

LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support - Community Foundations were selected to deliver (expendable) National Emergencies Trust and central government funds to charitable groups working with individuals and communities struggling in the pandemic, including for food, mental health, and debt advice.

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21. ENDOWMENT FUND

	At 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Gains/(losses) on investments	Transfers	At 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Arts Fund	4,204	162	-	368	(179)	4,555
Apex Works Fund	48,479	1,455	-	4,397	(1,455)	52,876
Richard Bonney Fund	17,259	291	-	1,214	(7,181)	11,583
Sir Timothy Brooks Fund	154,668	5,895	-	12,520	(10,730)	162,353
R & S Brucciani	-	69,315		3,277	(1,502)	71,090
Byrch's Charity Fund	72,839	2,208	-	6,578	(2,221)	79,404
Children on the Edge (formerly Apopted Childrens Fund)	213,580	7,266	-	18,506	(18,232)	221,120
City of Leicester Education Fund	227,588	6,841	-	20,668	(6,841)	248,256
Sheila Collard Fund	7,082	267	-	627	(314)	7,662
William Colton Youth Sport Fund	170,552	4,483	-	14,178	(39,527)	149,686
Desor Foundation	1,326	40	-	121	(40)	1,447
Bobby Dhanjal Foundation	24,294	1,203	-	2,031	(715)	26,813
Efficient Charitable Portfolio	16,498	446	-	1,303	(3,526)	14,721
Hanwill Fund	84,387	4,591	-	6,569	(5,599)	89,948
High Sheriff of Rutland's Fund	6,028	181	-	634	(181)	6,662
Hill Osborne Fund	53,311	2,745	-	3,927	(2,790)	57,193
The Hive Foundation (in memory of Grant Wilkinson)	4,300	141	-	366	(150)	4,657
Hope Fund	1,896	60	-	141	(61)	2,036
Huntley & Palmers Fund	101,349	3,149	-	9,510	(3,149)	110,859
Barbara Keene Fund	5,812	335	-	479	(476)	6,150
LABA Heritage Fund	19,906	691	-	1,804	(731)	21,670
Ben Lazarus DMU Fund	53,454	1,598	-	4,829	(1,598)	58,283
Leicester Learning Fund	289,671	9,028	-	24,547	(49,802)	273,444
Leicestershire Fund	34,707	2,174	-	3,110	(2,651)	37,340
Leicestershire Police Chief Constable's Charitable Trust	42,142	1,052	-	3,356	(10,811)	35,739
Jamie Lewis Fund	19,198	762	-	1,635	(853)	20,742
Lord Lieutenant's Fund for Leicestershire & Rutland	12,057	406	-	889	(496)	12,856
LRCF Endowment Fund	196,730	7,419	-	16,652	(8,214)	212,587
Market Overton Parochial Fund	13,530	406	-	1,225	(406)	14,755
Ian & Caroline McAlpine Fund	191,547	7,068	-	16,209	(7,068)	207,756
Meggitt Trust Fund	105,366	5,425	-	7,762	(5,514)	113,039
Mental Health, Wellbeing and Learning Disability Social Enterprise Fund	2,787	104	-	239	(105)	3,025
Mukti Foundation	4,644	142	-	419	(144)	5,061
Neil Murphy Animal Welfare Fund	33,114	910	-	2,678	(7,008)	29,694
The Oaktree Fund	56,303	1,687	-	5,096	(1,687)	61,399
Precision Facilities	2,458	2,576	-	356	(76)	5,314
Richi Rootz Foundation	3,296	86	-	272	(709)	2,945
Jean Richmond Memorial Fund	143,001	4,026	-	12,037	(4,026)	155,038
Rutland & Melton Training Fund	555,143	15,936	-	48,808	(53,234)	566,653
John Salmon Fund	160,831	8,132	-	11,635	(8,132)	172,466
Surviving Winter Fund	6,034	348	-	497	(495)	6,384
Sycamore Fund	18,520	512	-	1,546	(512)	20,066
Rebecca Winand Fund	65,483	2,022	-	5,734	(1,905)	71,334
Women in Philanthropy	101,903	10,262	-	9,119	(3,307)	117,977
	3,347,278	193,846	-	287,868	(274,353)	3,554,639

21. ENDOWMENT FUND (continued)

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors, usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries or themes nominated by individual donors. The endowment fund was invested in shares and fixed interest investments.

The LRFC Endowment Fund included donations from the Everard Foundation and other anonymous donors in addition to assets owned by the charity.

The following transfers were made out of the endowment fund during the year:

- Unless specifically requested to do otherwise by the donor, a quarterly income was drawn down from each fund in accordance with the charity's investment policy and transferred to restricted funds for giving. Such transfers totalled £205,901.

- A total of £68,452 from donations received in the year from existing funds, was transferred to unrestricted funds as a contribution to operating costs, as stipulated by donors in the fund agreements.

22. RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2022 £	2021 £
Net income for year	283,696	923,007
Deduct income from investment activities	(117,578)	(108,803)
Add losses/(gains) on investments	(284,032)	(645,350)
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	962	628
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(43,551)	410
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(31,224)	(53,130)
Net cash flow from operating activities	(191,727)	116,762

LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1135322

Accounts

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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LEICESTERSHIRE LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

PATRON:	Her Grace, The Duchess of Rutland
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CHAIR:	Ms S Morgan (to March 2021) Mr S Dawkins (from March 2021)
HONORARY TREASURER:	Mr T Shaw
COMPANY SECRETARY:	Ms K Green
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LEICESTERSHIRE LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
ANNUAL TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees are pleased to present their annual trustees' report for the year ending 31 March 2021 which is also prepared to meet the requirements for a director's report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

1. The Community Foundation is a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales no. 04851054 and its registered charity number is 1135322. Its governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association, dated July 2003, which outlines its aims for the promotion of any charitable purpose for the benefit of communities in Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland. The liability of each member is limited to £1.

2. LRCF realises these aims by giving grants to charitable, voluntary and community groups which work with local need – from health, education and homelessness to environment, wildlife, sports, and the arts - and by developing local philanthropy for this purpose. It attracts and manages grant-giving funds with and for companies, individuals, families, and public agencies, including government. It also reinvigorates dormant charitable funds, in the spirit of their original intent.

3. The Community Foundation is an independently constituted and locally managed charitable company. It is part of a network of 46 Community Foundations in the UK and a subscribed member of the national body, UKCF.

RECRUITMENT, APPOINTMENT AND INDUCTION OF TRUSTEES

All members of the Board of Trustees also serve as Directors under the Companies Act 2006. Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting or co-opted within the year and voted in at the AGM. The Foundation has increased its advertised recruitment for trustees, to ensure diversity of background and experience.

All trustees sign a declaration of fitness to serve and an annual statement of interests, undergo a full induction process and are expected to attend at least 75% of meetings. The full Board of Trustees meets quarterly. The Finance Panel, responsible for financial management, also meets quarterly. Working groups are formed for specific projects such as development, recruitment, or policy alterations.

The charity has an active President, and five Vice Presidents, not subject to re-election. Trustees, Presidents and Vice-presidents are not remunerated for their work for the charity, though may claim reasonable travel expenses to meetings.

Quality Standards

A rigorous Quality Accreditation (QA), a formal measure of management efficacy, assessed by a professional independent body, takes place every three years, managed by UKCF. Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation achieved full accreditation in 2007, in 2010, in 2013 and in 2017, and in 2020-21 began to prepare for the next assessment, QA5.

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Risk Management

The Trustees are aware of the process requiring them to regularly review and assess major risks and to mitigate the potential impact of these.

Organisational Structure and Pay

LRCF's staff are a Chief Executive, a Finance Manager, a Grants Manager and a Grants and Funds Co-ordinator. Work took place in the year to secure support for two formal apprentice roles: a Finance Assistant, and an Administration and Communication Assistant, to start in 2021. Staff are paid in line with reviews of national and local charity benchmarks. The Charity makes a pension contribution of 8% for permanent staff and offers flexible working arrangements. Freelancers are employed for occasional short-term needs.

Trustees give their time freely and no Trustee received remuneration in the year. Details of Trustees expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in note 13 to the accounts.

GDPR

Communication and data storage continued to be subject to ongoing checks during 2020-21.

What We Did: Activities and Performance of the Year

2020-21 was, as for most charities and many businesses, an extraordinarily challenging year for LRCF. Our usual work continued; essentially:

1. Fund Development: increasing financial support for local needs by attracting new, and retaining existing, donor and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant trusts.

2. Distribution of grants, ensuring money was spent with a positive impact on local life.

3. Rigorous financial management, tracking money in and out, regularly reviewing the performance of investments and maintaining a lean operating budget.

4. Governance, projects and strategies to further or improve this work.

However, LRCF made many rapid and major adaptions in response to the pandemic and lockdowns, moving quickly to homeworking, and investing in systems to enable operation not just to continue, but to expand. The volume of work increased substantially as the Community Foundation network became an important conduit for distributing funds to people and places hardest hit by the Covid 19, resulting in a near-trebling of grants made in the year.

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1. Fund Development: increasing financial support for local needs; attracting new, and retaining existing, donor and public funds.

As normal, LRCF managed three kinds of funds:

a. Endowment Funds: donors invest for a charitable income: valuable for local communities, as they create a sustainable source of support: in 2020/21 a total of £130,872 (2019/20 £86,730).

b. Expendable/Flow Through Funds: a donation is distributed to a timescale specified by the donor or funder. This year saw a large increase in these funds, as donors and funders wished to deliver immediate support to communities most affected by Covid: £1,744,115 (2019/20: £589,468).

c. Linked Funds: splitting donations between expendable and endowment to enable immediate giving, and charitable income (included in the above totals).

Emergency Grants

Community Foundations were selected to deliver (expendable) National Emergencies Trust and central government funds to charitable groups working with individuals and communities struggling in the pandemic, including for food, mental health, and debt advice.

LRC suggested to private donors that they divert money from their funds and foundations with the charity, or to add new money, to the swiftly set-up Coronavirus Emergency Support Fund, and subsequently, the New Normal Fund and PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) Fund to enable groups to return to usual service.

Many donors responded generously – including the SEGRO Centenary Fund , Cambridge and Counties Bank Foundation, Anglian Water, The Co-op, The Richard Bonney Literary Fund, The Rutland and Melton Training Fund, The Wesleyan Foundation, The William Colton Youth Sports Fund, Highcross Leicester Giving Project, The CAP Fund, The Hanwill Fund, The Maud Elkington Charitable Trust, The Barbara Keene Fund, The John Salmon Fund, The Ben Lazarus Fund, The Ian and Caroline McAlpine Fund, The Bill and Jean Richmond Foundation, Women In Philanthropy and a number of equally generous anonymous funds and donors. Other donor funds continued to give grants in the normal way, particularly towards the end of the year, although almost all applications for support were related to coping with the impact of the pandemic.

Environmental, Social and Government Goals, and Corporate Social Responsibility

The projected Business Philanthropy Network could not take place, as the model was based on events and visits. Instead, the Foundation began to plan to offer other support for businesses, particularly those wishing to meet Environmental, Social and Government Goals (ESG) Goals and aims for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), by offering a meaningful connection for companies with local needs and challenges.

Legacies

LRCF continued to work with solicitors and individuals to set up named and directed local grant-giving funds as part of their legacy.

Dormant and Inactive Trusts

The Foundation continued to work with UKCF and the Charity Commission to identify and reinvigorate charities and trusts that have become onerous or inactive, transferring assets and distributing them in the spirit of the original intent.

Existing Donors

LRCF worked with donors with funds and foundations on its platform to keep them informed about their own funds, and about local and national developments, introducing them to charitable groups working with needs they aim to support. All donors were sent a summary of the emergency grants given to date in November 2020 and invited to an online Dispatches from Communities event in December 2020 to hear first-hand from groups about how their experiences of the year from some of the hardest hit communities locally.

Publicity

The website, the point for both donors, and groups applying for support, was updated to respond to the pandemic and funds available to help cope with its impact, and information shared about local challenges and grants available.

2. Distribution of grants, ensuring money was spent with impact

Almost three times the usual level of grants was given in the year: a total of £1,535,571 (2020: £533,209).

LRCF works in a variety of ways to deliver grants. Donors or funders may make their own grant decisions from assessed applications from relevant charitable groups sent to them by the Foundation. They may also instruct Community Foundation to give grants on their behalf in line with their chosen aims.

The large Coronavirus Emergency Support Fund, made up of National Emergencies Trust funds, DCMS Funds and private donors' funds taking centre stage, although other funds, such as The Mercia Park Community Fund, continued as far as possible.

Many grants went to established local groups moving normal services online to continue work with those who needed them. Other groups "pivoted" from normal services to meet gaps in their local communities: food banks, food and medicine delivery, telephone and doorstep check-ins, counselling, and similar support. Grants also went to several new groups set up in response the pandemic, many delivering food, medicine, and contact.

While speed was essential, LRCF followed the usual rigorous outreach, assessment, tracking and reporting processes to ensure that money was going where needed and spent well, and to report to funders to ensure the best support of communities, while also succeeding a fast turnaround so that groups had money available usually within days. A dedicated phone number was available and frequently used by applicants needing help to apply.

As it became clear that communities experiencing racial inequity were among the hardest hit, LRCF prioritised reach to these, adjusting communications and data capture accordingly.

LRCF could not have achieved such high levels of good grant giving without the dedication of an unusually large number of volunteers, particularly Darren Cotton (data capture and review), Fran Picciano-Moss (administration) and Nick Perks (assessment).
A new, voluntary, Grants Review Group, which included Deputy Lieutenants of Leicestershire David Lindley and Dave Andrews, with Sheila Brucciani, Margaret Miles, Richard Cole, the High Sheriff of Rutland, and others, personally contacted all groups given emergency grants, to offer support, hear feedback and ensure that spend was going as planned.

We are also grateful for the hard work of freelancers Ellen Alcock (grants assessment) Sian Jones, Glen Greenhill (communications) and the website design company MeandHIm, who adjusted the often-changing information on website for free.

All grants made are detailed in the Grants and Giving Booklet for 2020-21, available on the LRCF website, or available as a hard copy on request.

3. Rigorous financial management, tracking money, regularly reviewing the performance of investments, maintaining a lean operating budget.

The increased levels of grant giving, together with the swift move to solely online payments, and the speed required to transfer money to groups working to support those in urgent need, resulted in a much higher than usual workload. The sheer volume of applications, some of them from newly formed groups, required constant checks of financial information as well projects and budgets, to ensure that money was safely distributed.

Operating Costs

LRCF model is an ultimately self-sustaining one. The contribution to overheads requested from funders and donors is very small and was made as small as possible for emergency funds, so that most of any donation went to local need. Like many charities, LRCF has faced challenges to cover its lean operating costs. Assets from a dissolved charity, ARC, continued to supply a contribution and LRCF remained grateful for contributions to operating costs from private donors.

Total income in the year, including operating grants, new and renewed private funds, dormant fund transfers and public fund delivery, amounted to £1,992,790 (2019-20 £842,276).

Going Concern

LRCF continued to operate on a very tight budget, to channel as high a proportion of any donation as possible into communities, while maintaining a stable operation. The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue for the foreseeable future and therefore adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details are in the Accounting Policies, below.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review and Results for the Year

An overall surplus before losses on investments by the charitable company of £277,657 (2020: £151,607), this was made up of income from charitable activities towards the expendable funds. After the gains/(losses) on investments, the result was an overall surplus of £923,007 (2020: £22,568 deficit). This was made up of a deficit of £11,366 in unrestricted funds, a surplus of £51,914 in restricted funds and a surplus of £882,459 in endowment funds. The Community Foundation reached £3.35m (2020: £2.59m) for its endowment fund by the end of the year, which will generate approximately £92k to be distributed by the Community Foundation for local needs each year. The balance of reserves carried forward at the year-end was £3,885,902 (2020: £2,962,895).

Reserves Policy

It is the long-term aim of LRCF to build an operational reserve. At the year end, free reserves stood at unrestricted funds of £109,559 less fixed assets of £826 giving a total of £108,733 (2020:£62,574). Restricted funds amounted to £429,065 (2020:£304,584).

Investment Policy

The Trustees invest endowment funds with an objective to provide a return that maintains the real (inflation adjusted) value of the capital, whilst also delivering a cash flow to meet charitable giving and contribute to the operating costs of LRCF. The Trustees' attitude is categorised as "risk tolerant", opting to invest in specialist investment funds which offer a diversified investment portfolio over a long-term time horizon. LRCF offers a default allocation for the investment of endowment funds but can also offer some flexibility to those donors who take an active interest in where their funds are invested or wish to place further ethical restrictions on the investments.

The Trustees' strategy is to follow a total return approach, delivering a predictable return for giving through income and capital growth. Except for Community First endowment funds, LRCF aims for an income for grant making from its endowment funds of 4% each year, comprising a mixture of investment income and capital growth. This is drawn down quarterly to minimise the impact of short-term market variability. Trustees may review this 4% aim to protect capital values. LRCF reviews investment performance regularly and acts where investments are not achieving the desired returns within the approved attitude to risk.

In addition to the Endowment Funds, The Foundation kept invested some of its restricted and unrestricted funds. The Trustees' strategy for the investment of restricted funds is to minimise any exposure to capital loss as the capital is restricted for giving in the medium term. Fund balances are regularly reviewed, and the Trustees' attitude is categorised as "very risk averse". The Trustees' strategy for the investment of unrestricted reserves is to provide a return that contributes to the operating costs of LRCF, whilst maintaining the value of the capital for future sustainability.

Trustees receive quarterly updates on Fund performance from the investment managers, and meet with them to discuss performance, and agree any changes to investment policy.

During the year the charity received £108,803 (2020: £117,816) income from its investments and saw gains of £645,350 (2020: losses of £174,175) in the market value of investments.

4. Governance, Projects and Strategies to further work

Governance remained consistent. In such an unusual and highly pressured year there was little time for additional projects; however there were some notable developments, in response to local and national challenges around inequity, especially the high impact of Covid on, plus lack of support for, communities facing racial inequity.

- More focus was placed on data capture and review and sharing grant award data to ensure reach to all communities and better understand impact. Application forms and End of Grant forms were adjusted, and relationships with other funders continued to be a focus, including with 360 Giving, a charity publishing grants data to make grant-giving more informed and strategic.

- LRCF developed an open recruitment process for a new Chair, following the planned resignation of Steph Morgan, QPM, after four years' service. The process was challenging, taking place as it did through repeated lockdowns, and resulted in the appointment of Stuart Dawkins, an existing trustee, for stability, with further open recruitment for new trustees planned once restrictions are lifted.

- Work began to review and update several policies and procedures, including Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, Homeworking procedures, Emergency Grants Procedure, and Fraud Prevention.

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Plans for 2021-22

Our core aims will not change: the priority for LRCF will be to maintain and grow levels of financial support via thoughtful grant-giving, to strengthen our local communities.

The pandemic highlighted how deeply some communities are affected by inequity. LRCF will continue to operate its Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion processes to ensure work addresses this.

Fund Development

LRCF will continue with current forms fund development work including dormant and inactive funds. It will focus on developing a full Communications Strategy and increase presence on social media. It will continue to improve Annual Donor Reports to keep donors informed about the local impact of their giving. It will appoint an Administration and Communications Assistant Apprentice (generously funded by the Rutland and Melton Training Fund) to support donor needs with the Grants Manager and CEO. A new website will be designed and launched for make it easier for both donor and applying groups to understand the work.

Building on the successes of the National Emergencies Trust and government grant delivery, LRCF will continue to attract and deliver grant funds from public agencies.

Grants

In addition to the usual workload of encouraging, supporting, assessing, delivering, and tracking grants across Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland, LRCF plans to review its grant panel structures. It will continue to increase contact with funded groups (at application, midpoint, and completion) to build understanding of their work, local challenges, and the impact they make, and to develop data capture and reporting for private donors, public funders, and its own practice, to inform on key local needs. It will continue to support the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire's workstream for the Queens Award for Voluntary Service.

Finance

LRCF will appoint a Finance Assistant Apprentice (generously funded by SEGRO). It will start a review of online accounts systems and create a new five-year financial forecast, maintaining quarterly management accounts in line with this. It will continue to operate entirely online for all payments.

Governance

LRCF will complete the QA5 quality accreditation. It will start development of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) goals and values, to underpin and drive its five-year strategy, together with a review of Trustee recruitment and induction processes, as well as a review of the roles of ambassadors, volunteers, advisors, and it will conduct regular review of office vs homeworking in relation to current Covid safety guidelines.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in reviewing existing work and planning future activities. LRCF works to support the diverse communities of Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland by attracting and distributing private philanthropic, company and public funds, and reinvigorating dormant charitable trusts. Funds are distributed to local charitable groups working to reduce local need and improve local quality of life. Groups of any size with a constitution and a bank account in the group's name are

eligible to apply, ensuring funds can reach deep into both urban and rural communities. Consistent work has been undertaken to attract and support family, individual and company donors to engage with local needs, and the charitable and voluntary groups working to meet those needs. Considered initiatives, networks, social and traditional media have reached to potential donors and to charitable groups. LRCF continued to maintain intelligence about the local area, and grant spend was monitored. Staff are available to assist donors and charitable groups, and LRCF continued to work in as cost-effective manner as possible, with the large majority (over 90%) of all funds managed channelled into local giving.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees (who are also the directors of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation for the purposes of company law) 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).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies 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 charitable company will continue in operation.

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

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

Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on 27/10/21 and signed on their behalf.

Mr S Dawkins



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Leicestershire Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation (the "charitable company") for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance sheet, Cash flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2021, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006
In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception
In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report.

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

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

Responsibilities of trustees
As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 9, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

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Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The specific procedures for this engagement and the extent to which these are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the charitable company and determined that the most significant which are directly relevant to specific assertions in the financial statements are those related to the financial reporting frameworks (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, the Companies Act 2006) and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the jurisdiction in which the charitable company operates. We enquired of management, whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or whether they had any knowledge of actual, suspected or alleged fraud;

- We assessed the susceptibility of the entity's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur;

- Our testing considered unusual or unexpected journal entries on a sample basis;

- We evaluated the assumptions and judgements used by management within significant accounting estimates and assessing if these indicate evidence of management bias;

- We tested significant transactions, in particular the evaluation of the business rationale for any which appear unusual or outside the charitable company's normal course of business;

- We assessed the appropriateness of the collective competence and capabilities of the engagement team by understanding the practical experience with audit engagements of a similar nature and complexity, plus ensuring the team had appropriate and relevant training of the financial reporting framework and the relevant tax compliance regulations specific to the entity;

- We reviewed the financial statements and tested the disclosures against supporting documentation;

- We communicated relevant matters to all members of the audit team to ensure they understood the risks specific to the entity and the audit procedures planned to mitigate these.

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

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: https://www.frc.org.uk/Our-Work/Audit/Audit-and-assurance/Standards-and-guidance/Standards-and-guidance-for-auditors/Auditors-responsibilities-for-audit/Description-of-auditors-responsibilities-for-audit.aspx. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Use of our report

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

R J Radford

Robert Radford FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of The Rowleys Partnership Ltd
Statutory Auditors
Chartered Accountants
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Dated: 27 October 2021

LEICESTERSHIRE LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure account)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Income and endowments from		£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	2	34,788	221,051	26,572	282,411	93,140
Investment income	3	2,335	-	106,468	108,803	117,816
Charitable activities	4	43,807	1,444,469	104,300	1,592,576	627,612
Other	5	4,000	5,000	-	9,000	3,708
Total income and endowments		84,930	1,670,520	237,340	1,992,790	842,276
Expenditure on						
Raising funds	6	44,250	1,079	-	45,329	51,883
Charitable activities	7	52,277	1,617,527	-	1,669,804	638,786
Total expenditure		96,527	1,618,606	-	1,715,133	690,669
Net gains/(losses) on investments	15	231	-	645,119	645,350	(174,175)
Net income/(expenditure)		(11,366)	51,914	882,459	923,007	(22,568)
Transfers between funds	20/21	57,527	72,567	(130,094)	-	-
Net movements of funds		46,161	124,481	752,365	923,007	(22,568)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		63,398	304,584	2,594,913	2,962,895	2,985,463
Total funds carried forward		109,559	429,065	3,347,278	3,885,902	2,962,895

The statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 17 to 31 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	14		826		824
Investments	15		3,441,962		2,689,385
			3,442,788		2,690,209
Current Assets					
Debtors	16	1,325		1,735	
Cash at bank and in hand		492,597		374,889	
		493,922		376,624	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(50,808)		(103,938)	
Net Current Assets			443,114		272,686
			3,885,902		2,962,895
Total Assets less Current Liabilities			3,885,902		2,962,895
Funds					
Unrestricted funds	19		109,559		63,398
Restricted funds	20		429,065		304,584
Endowment fund	21		3,347,278		2,594,913
Total Funds			3,885,902		2,962,895

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 27/10/21 and signed on their behalf, by:

Mr S Dawkins – Trustee

Company No. 04851054

LEICESTERSHIRE LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Cash flow from operating activities	22	116,762	130,995
Cash flow from investing activities			
Interest and dividends		108,803	117,816
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(630)	-
Payments to acquire investments		(126,217)	(88,802)
Proceeds from sale of investments		18,990	24,227
Net cash flow from investing activities		946	53,241
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		117,708	184,236
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2020		374,889	190,653
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2021		492,597	374,889
Cash and cash equivalents consists of:			
Cash at bank and in hand		492,597	374,889
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2021		492,597	374,889

LEICESTERSHIRE LEICESTER AND RUTLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Basis of preparation of financial statements
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Community Foundation is a private company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3, Wycliffe Street, Leicester, LE1 5LR.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006.

The Community Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Company Status
The company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees names on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

Income
Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Resources Expended
All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources and budgets available. Salaries have been allocated on a time basis.

Grants payable comprises all tranches for which the conditions for payment have been met during the year. Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and of maintaining its quality accreditation to UK Community foundation standards endorsed by the Charity Commission.

Going Concern
After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation
Tangible fixed assets costing more than £100 are capitalised and included at cost of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost of each assets over its estimated useful life:

Computer Equipment	33 1/3% on Cost
Office Furniture	15% Written Down Value

Investments
Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Realised gains and losses
All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value on their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year-end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the statement of financial statements.

Funds
Unrestricted general funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific funds. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors. Usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries nominated by individual donors. Any capital gains or losses and income arising on the investments form part of the fund. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Value added tax
Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity and as such is included in the relevant costs in the SOFA.

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

Debtors
Basic financial assets, including trade debtors and other debtors, are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at market rate of interest. Such assets are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

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

Financial instruments
The trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Pensions
The pension costs charged in the year represents the amount of the employers' contributions payable to personal pension schemes of the employees.

Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement
Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Critical accounting estimates and assumptions: The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	**2021**	**2020**
	£	**£**
Donations (including gift aid receivable)	282,411	93,140
	282,411	93,140

Of total income from donations and legacies £34,788 (2020:£105) was unrestricted, £221,051 (2020:£73,607) was restricted and £26,572 (2020: £19,428) was endowment.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME	**2021**	**2020**
	£	**£**
Bank interest received	277	457
Dividends from listed investments	108,526	117,359
	108,803	117,816

Of total income from investments £2,335 (2020:£2,377) was unrestricted, £Nil (2020:£Nil) was restricted and £106,468 (2020:£115,439) was endowment.

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4. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Grants received	**2021**	**2020**
Restricted Funds:	£	£
DCMS Fund	283,910	-
LLR Coronavirus Fund	25,700	-
Mars	-	6,438
Women in Philanthropy	-	10,000
Building Stronger Britain Together	7,574	238,562
Tampon Tax	131	55,380
NET Covid 19	747,476	50,000
Other Expendable Funds	379,678	154,773
	1,444,469	515,153
Unrestricted	43,807	45,170
Endowment Funds	104,300	67,289
Total of grants received	1,592,576	627,612

5. OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES

	2021	**2020**
	£	£
HMRC Employment Allowance	4,000	3,000
Grant return (restricted funds)	5,000	708
	9,000	3,708

6. RESOURCES EXPENDED

Raising funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	42,956	-	-	42,956	47,055	-	-	47,055
Advertising and promotion	1,294	-	-	1,294	4,311	-	-	4,311
Office, premises and IT	-	1,079	-	1,079	-	424	-	424
Travel expenses	-	-	-	-	-	93	-	93
	44,250	1,079	-	45,329	51,366	517	-	51,883

7. RESOURCES EXPENDED

Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2021	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Grants (see note 10)	-	1,535,571	-	1,535,571	-	533,209	-	533,209
Staff costs	-	77,812	-	77,812	-	46,174	-	46,174
Office, premises and IT	11,073	30	-	11,103	16,958	2,507	-	19,465
Travel expenses	108	-	-	108	-	4,044	-	4,044
Professional fees	4,117	-		4,117	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	628	-	-	628	466	-	-	466
Support costs - see note 8	36,351	4,114	-	40,465	45,830	(10,402)		35,428
								-
	52,277	1,617,527	-	1,669,804	63,254	575,532	-	638,786

8. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

Governance costs	2021	2020
	£	£
Staff costs	34,603	29,355
Trustees expenses	822	1,033
Audit and accountancy	5,040	5,040
	40,465	35,428

9. RESOURCES EXPENDED BY FUND (Total of Note 6 and Note 7)

	Unrestricted Funds	Measuring Impact	Research Project	Leicestershire Fund	LLR Coronavirus Fund	DCMS Fund	Building a Stronger Britain Together	Women in Philanthropy	NET Covid 19	UKCF - Tampon Tax	Other Expendable Funds	Totals 2021
Grants	-			5,445	62,097	259,410	12,782	6,097	760,174	-	429,566	1,535,571
Staff costs	73,445	24,893	3,032	-	-	14,500	-	-	14,901	131	24,469	155,371
Advertising and promotion	1,294			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,294
Office premises and IT	11,073			-	26	-	-	42	-	-	1,041	12,182
Travel expenses	108			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108
Depreciation	628			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	628
Trustees expenses	822			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	822
Consultancy	3,365											3,365
Quality accreditation	752			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	752
Audit & accountancy	5,040			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,040
	96,527	24,893	3,032	5,445	62,123	273,910	12,782	6,139	775,075	131	455,076	1,715,133

10. GRANTS TO ORGANISATIONS

	2021 £	2020 £
DCMS Fund	259,410	-
Leicestershire Fund	5,445	25,890
LLR Coronavirus Fund	62,097	-
Tampon Tax	-	52,384
Women in Philanthropy	6,097	23,353
NET Covid 19 Fund	760,174	-
Building a Stronger Britain Together	12,782	221,197
Other Expendable Funds	429,566	210,385
	1,535,571	533,209

11. STAFF COSTS

Total staff numbers and costs	2021	2020
	£	£
Salaries and wages	113,590	103,812
Contract worker fees	22,040	1,992
Social security costs	10,760	8,670
Pension costs	8,981	8,110
	155,371	122,584

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
Full and part-time employees	4	5
Contract workers	2	2

Pension contributions are made by the charity to the employees own personal pensions.
At the year end £nil was owed to individual pension schemes (2020:£nil).

The remuneration and benefits received by key personnel during the year were £39,748 (2020:£38,627).

No employees received total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) of more than £60,000.

12. AUDITORS REMUNERATION

The amount paid for the audit was £3,800 (2020: £3,800) and £1,240 (2020: £1,240) for other accountancy services.

13. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

The trustees are not remunerated for their work as Trustees of the charity. From time to time, members of the Board or persons connected with them enter into transactions with the charity in the normal course of business of both parties. Such transactions are conducted on an arm's length basis, on normal commercial terms, and are in accordance with the specific provisions of clause 6 of the Memorandum of Association. There were no related party transactions in the current or previous year.

Travel expenses paid to nil trustees (2020: nil) during the year amounted to £Nil (2020:£Nil).

The cost of trustee indemnity insurance taken out by the charity in the year amounted to £822 (2020:£798). This insurance was for a level of £250,000 (2020:£250,000).

14. FIXED ASSETS

	Computer Equipment £	Office Furniture £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	5,424	712	6,136
Additions	630	-	630
Disposals	-	-	-
Adjustment	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	6,054	712	6,766
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2020	4,752	560	5,312
Charge for the year	605	23	628
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-
At 31 March 2021	5,357	583	5,940
Net book value			
At 31 March 2021	697	129	826
At 31 March 2020	672	152	824

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2021

15. INVESTMENTS

	£
Market value at 1 April 2020	2,689,385
Additions	126,217
Disposal proceeds	(18,990)
Net investment gains/(losses)	645,350
Market value at 31 March 2021	3,441,962
Historical cost at 31 March 2021	2,496,429
Investments are represented by:	
UK fixed interest investments	84,714
Property	261,046
Structural products	3,096,202
	3,441,962

All investments held are to provide an investment return and are listed investments.

The market information relating to the past performance of investments is not necessarily an indication to their future performance. The value of investments of income from them may go down as well as up. The value of investments may rise or fall due to the volatility of world markets, interest rates and capital values or, for investments held in overseas markets, due to changes in the exchange rate in currency in which the investments are denominated.

Included above are investments with holdings greater than 5% of total market value as follows:

COIF Charities Global Equity Fund	50.61%
M&G Charifund	21.75%
COIF Charities Ethical Investment Fund	7.43%
COIF Charities Property Fund	6.74%

16. DEBTORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accrued income	1,325	1,735
Other debtors	-	-
	1,325	1,735

17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	-
Accruals	5,928	5,928
Deferred grant income (see note 18)	41,666	83,333
Other creditors	3,214	14,677
	50,808	103,938

18. DEFERRED GRANT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deferred grant income brought forward	83,333	1,444
Amount released to income	(41,667)	(1,444)
Amount deferred in year	-	83,333
	41,666	83,333

19. FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Fund	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	826	-	-	826
Investments	84,784	-	3,357,178	3,441,962
Net current assets	23,949	429,065	(9,900)	443,114
	109,559	429,065	3,347,278	3,885,902

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED – 31 MARCH 2021

20. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1 April 2020	Income	Expenditure (note 9)	Transfers	At 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Measuring Impact	24,893	-	(24,893)	-	-
Comic Relief (Large Grants)	1,812	-	-	-	1,812
Comic Relief (Local Communities)	839	-	-	-	839
Leicestershire Fund	27,594	-	(5,445)	1,464	23,613
Mars	7,719	-	-	-	7,719
Research project	3,032	-	(3,032)	-	-
Women in Philanthropy	10,207	15,070	(6,140)	1,265	20,402
Building a Stronger Britain Together	3,801	8,336	(12,782)	-	(645)
UKCF - Tampon Tax	-	131	(131)	-	-
NET Covid	47,500	747,476	(775,075)	-	19,901
DCMS	-	283,910	(273,910)	-	10,000
LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support	-	88,020	(62,123)	-	25,897
Other Expendable Funds	177,187	527,577	(455,075)	69,838	319,527
	304,584	1,670,520	(1,618,606)	72,567	429,065

Measuring Impact – was a three year grant from the Samworth Foundation to design a system of more focused measurement and reporting to private donors. The project gave the Community Foundation the opportunity to work with donors and best current practice to assess the immediate and cumulative impact of smaller donor grants (up to £5k), in order to continue to improve grant giving, increase donor confidence and attract further donors. It has built on the findings of the research project completed in the autumn of 2015.

Comic Relief Large Grants Programme – Leicester was invited in 2016 to join the network of cities across the UK, in which Community Foundations solicit applications from flagship local projects for Comic Relief to select recipients for two-year grants of £30k. This ended in 2018.

Comic Relief Local Communities Fund – an ongoing grant programme delivered for Comic Relief. The scheme aims to actively engage the most disadvantaged in society through sport or community projects.

Leicestershire Fund – an ongoing grant programme set up on behalf of a local charitable trust to support small groups and projects across Leicestershire. The fund is supplemented by income transferred from a corresponding named endowment fund in accordance with the charity's total return policy. This amounted to £1,464 during the reporting year.

Mars – the Foundation continued to deliver the Mars in the Community programme at a local level, supporting projects for healthy active lifestyles, pet welfare and the environment.

20. Restricted Funds (continued)

Research Project – the Foundation continued to work with three project partners (Curve, Leicester Hospitals Charity and the University of Leicester), all also engaged with encouraging local giving, on a research project entitled "the current state of local giving". The brief was to gain a better understanding of why some local individuals and companies choose to give locally, and the final report highlighted and evidenced the often highly personal nature of philanthropic choices, frequently based on life experiences, and sometimes on media perceptions. It was completed in the Autumn of 2015 with all project expenditure occurring in 2015/16. The project partners have used the research to hone their strategic approaches to and with donors.

Women in Philanthropy – the Foundation continued to support this membership fund (launched in March 2014) which uses the linked fund model (where funds raised are split between expendable and endowment funds to generate funds for immediate giving and an income in perpetuity). The WiP steering group continued to take an active leadership role in the selection and support of charitable groups, and in event management and profile building.

Brought forward funds included donations and grants towards the set-up costs of the scheme. In addition to members' donations, restricted income included sponsorship of recruitment and members' events, print and publicity. Income of £1,265 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.

DCMS Fund – a fund from the Department of Culture Media and Sport. It a fund to help those who live and work locally and who are struggling as a result of the pandemic.

NET Covid 19 Fund – national emergency fund to effectively and efficiently support local voluntary and community organisations that are helping vulnerable people impacted by the Covid-19 crisis.

LLR Coronavirus Emergency Support - Community Foundations were selected to deliver (expendable) National Emergencies Trust and central government funds to charitable groups working with individuals and communities struggling in the pandemic, including for food, mental health, and debt advice.

Other expendable funds include:

- CAP Fund - outreach work to identify suitable projects took place in the spring of 2015 and the first grants were awarded in 2015/16.
- On the Edge (formerly Children on the Edge Fund) – a family fund set up to support children and young people post adoption, or in care, within or outside mainstream education. Grants and gifts were awarded within the scope of the fund. Income of £1,821 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- William Colton Youth Sports Fund – set up to provide small grants for equipment and other practical needs of voluntary run sports clubs across Leicestershire but with a particular focus in Charnwood. Income of £1,846 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- Coventry Building Society Fund – the fund priorities included young people, vulnerable groups in society and community activity in disadvantaged neighbourhoods.
- Creative Breaks Fund – parents and carers of disabled children in Rutland to fundraise to provide respite holidays which no longer benefit from statutory funding.

20. RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

- Bobby Dhanjal Foundation – the staff and clients of Bobby Dhanjal Wealth Management and Bobby Dhanjal Legal Services continued to raise money to support charities and local groups working with children within the City of Leicester. The Bobby Dhanjal Foundation uses the linked fund model. Income of £261 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- Efficient Charitable Portfolio – Rutland based wealth management company, Efficient Portfolio, continued to fundraise for charitable causes in Rutland and London using the linked fund model. Income of £205 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- High Sheriff of Rutland's Fund – a linked fund model to raise funds for charitable causes in Rutland. Income of £65 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- The Hive Foundation (in memory of Grant Wilkinson) – local intelligent promotions and marketing company, Hive, put on a series of fundraising initiatives run by staff to add to their linked funds. The fund continued to prioritise children's breakfast clubs in the borough of Charnwood. Income of £63 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- Neil Murphy Animal Welfare Fund – a family fund set up to support animal welfare projects in the city and counties. Income of £404 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- Richi Rootz Foundation – set up in memory of Richard Harper, a Leicester based musician, the fund works on the linked fund model and aims to provide support for younger stroke victims as well as supporting arts projects for young people. Income of £36 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- Smallman & Son Foundation – the Syston-based building firm continued to add to their fund which aims to support children and young people's projects, particularly those local to their office base and their construction or refurbishment projects in the county of Leicestershire.
- Surviving Winter – local people in Leicestershire and Rutland "redirect" their Winter Fuel Payments and similar entitlements to the vulnerable in our communities. Income of £234 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- Apex Works Fund – addresses the barriers that stop vulnerable and marginalised people achieve employment, seeking to improve the prospects in the labour market, to relieve and prevent poverty through employment and appropriate training. Income of £527 was transferred from the corresponding named endowment fund during the year.
- St Matthews Big Local – The Community Foundation was contracted to deliver the St Matthews Big Local Fund, a small grants programme from The Big Lottery Fund for individuals and not for profit groups working with beneficiaries from the St Mathews Estate, Leicester, towards a cleaner and greener neighbourhood, increased feeling of safety and security for local residents. The celebration of diversity, talent and creativity and increased community cohesion on the estate.
- Cambridge and Counties Foundation – supports charitable groups that develop employability and business skills based in Leicestershire and Cambridgeshire.
- The Maud Elkington Fund –is a fund that was set up in 2018 to help refugees and asylum seekers feel welcome in UK communities, providing funding of up to £10,000 for projects that bring refugees and asylum seekers together with other people in the local community.
- Income totalling £57,527 transferred from other named endowment funds in accordance with the Foundation's total return policy and distributable in grants according to the purposes specified by the donors.

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21. ENDOWMENT FUND

	At 1 April 2020	Income	Expenditure	Gains/(losses) on investments	Transfers	At 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Arts Fund	3,339	149	-	876	(160)	4,204
Apex Works Fund	38,333	1,415	-	10,146	(1,415)	48,479
Richard Bonney Fund	13,225	1,785	-	2,614	(365)	17,259
Sir Timothy Brooks Fund	124,349	5,433	-	30,826	(5,940)	154,668
Byrch's Charity Fund	57,557	2,140	-	15,291	(2,149)	72,839
Children on the Edge (formerly Apopted Childrens Fund)	169,323	7,006	-	44,984	(7,733)	213,580
City of Leicester Education Fund	180,063	6,649	-	47,525	(6,649)	227,588
Sheila Collard Fund	5,633	247	-	1,484	(282)	7,082
William Colton Youth Sport Fund	135,201	5,018	-	36,937	(6,604)	170,552
Desor Foundation	1,049	39	-	277	(39)	1,326
Bobby Dhanjal Foundation	18,610	1,899	-	4,443	(658)	24,294
Efficient Charitable Portfolio	13,009	489	-	3,352	(352)	16,498
Hanwill Fund	68,123	3,949	-	16,954	(4,639)	84,387
High Sheriff of Rutland's Fund	4,764	176	-	1,264	(176)	6,028
Hill Osborne Fund	43,125	2,361	-	10,136	(2,311)	53,311
The Hive Foundation (in memory of Grant Wilkinson)	3,446	133	-	860	(139)	4,300
Hope Fund	1,436	180	-	335	(55)	1,896
Huntley & Palmers Fund	-	104,300	-	(2,951)	-	101,349
Barbara Keene Fund	4,683	288	-	1,236	(395)	5,812
LABA Heritage Fund	5,575	13,562	-	1,058	(289)	19,906
Ben Lazarus DMU Fund	42,190	1,554	-	11,264	(1,554)	53,454
Leicester Learning Fund	247,638	9,651	-	42,033	(9,651)	289,671
Leicestershire Fund	27,008	1,869	-	8,026	(2,196)	34,707
Leicestershire Police Chief Constable's Charitable Trust	33,358	1,214	-	8,784	(1,214)	42,142
Jamie Lewis Fund	15,247	694	-	4,014	(757)	19,198
Lord Lieutenant's Fund for Leicestershire & Rutland	9,919	450	-	2,126	(438)	12,057
LRCF Endowment Fund	157,607	6,804	-	39,668	(7,349)	196,730
Market Overton Parochial Fund	10,707	394	-	2,823	(394)	13,530
Ian & Caroline McAlpine Fund	152,480	6,510	-	39,067	(6,510)	191,547
Meggitt Trust Fund	85,235	4,666	-	20,033	(4,568)	105,366
Mental Health, Wellbeing and Learning Disability Social Enterprise Fund	2,219	96	-	567	(95)	2,787
Mukti Foundation	3,668	138	-	977	(139)	4,644
Neil Murphy Animal Welfare Fund	26,037	991	-	7,095	(1,009)	33,114
The Oaktree Fund	44,479	1,640	-	11,824	(1,640)	56,303
Precision Facilities	-	2,519	-	(42)	(19)	2,458
Richi Rootz Foundation	2,606	96	-	690	(96)	3,296
Jean Richmond Memorial Fund	110,267	3,949	-	32,734	(3,949)	143,001
Rutland & Melton Training Fund	456,073	16,403	-	118,060	(35,393)	555,143
John Salmon Fund	130,803	6,994	-	30,028	(6,994)	160,831
Surviving Winter Fund	4,861	299	-	1,284	(410)	6,034
Sycamore Fund	14,967	497	-	3,553	(497)	18,520
Rebecca Winand Fund	52,021	1,988	-	13,324	(1,850)	65,483
Women in Philanthropy	74,679	10,706	-	19,540	(3,022)	101,903
	2,594,913	237,340	-	645,119	(130,094)	3,347,278

21. ENDOWMENT FUND (continued)

The endowment fund includes funds donated to the Foundation by private and corporate donors, usually as personally named funds, invested together and individually tracked so that the income can be distributed regularly to beneficiaries or themes nominated by individual donors. The endowment fund was invested in shares and fixed interest investments.

The LRFC Endowment Fund included donations from the Everard Foundation and other anonymous donors in addition to assets owned by the charity.

The following transfers were made out of the endowment fund during the year:

- Unless specifically requested to do otherwise by the donor, a quarterly income was drawn down from each fund in accordance with the charity's investment policy and transferred to restricted funds for giving. Such transfers totalled £72,567.

- A total of £57,527 from donations received in the year from existing funds, was transferred to unrestricted funds as a contribution to operating costs, as stipulated by donors in the fund agreements.

22. RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2021 £	2020 £
Net income for year	923,007	(22,568)
Deduct interest shown on investment activities	(108,803)	(117,816)
Add losses/(gains) on investments	(645,350)	174,175
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	628	466
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	410	2,727
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(53,130)	94,011
Net cash flow from operating activities	116,762	130,995