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WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2022**

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Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Board of Directors and Trustees	Z Chauhan (Chair) M Tyler N Meskimmon (resigned 31/5/2021) M Roberts P Scholes – Nobles (resigned 29/6/2021) S Parkinson (resigned 27/6/2021) A Lockley J Purnell (appointed 27/08/21) V Bunting (resigned 20/10/21) R Bose C Prestwich (appointed 29/10/21) E Hart (appointed (29/10/21)
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Charity Registration Number	1136419
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Board of Trustees of Women's Aid Leicestershire Limited (WALL) are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) who served during the year were:

Z Chauhan

M Tyler

M Roberts

N Meskimmon (resigned 31/5/2021)

P Scholes - Nobles (resigned 29/6/2021)

J Purnell (appointed 27/08/21)

S Parkinson (resigned 27/6/2021)

A Lockley

V Bunting (resigned 20/10/21)

R Bose

C Prestwich (appointed 29/10/21)

E Hart (appointed 29/10/21)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Board of WALL are now in the position to report to their beneficiaries and funders for the year to 31 March 2022 which reflects the activities and performance of WALL during the year. The financial statements and related notes are set out on pages 13-28.

WALL's activities are governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association overseen by the Board of Directors who:

- Provide vision and leadership to the organisation.
- Ensure that WALL is an accountable organisation and that it fulfils its legal obligations.
- Ensure that WALL manages its staff, finances and other resources in a responsible manner.

In consultation with staff and stakeholders, the Board of Directors have identified 5 strategic aims as follows:

- To develop our services appropriately to meet both opportunity and the changing needs of survivors of domestic, sexual and relational abuse.
- To advance strategic and productive partnerships and relationships and promote cohesive inter agency responses to domestic, sexual and relational abuse.
- To build financial and staff capacity to maximise positive outcomes and impact.
- To increase our influence, role and reputation across the region.
- To raise awareness of domestic, sexual and relational abuse and the impact this has on individuals, children and society

The day to day running of the organisation is delegated to the Chief Executive. The Chief Executive provides reports to the Board of Directors at their bimonthly meetings and provides additional updates when requested.

Membership of WALL is open to any individual who is interested in promoting the objects who:

- Applies to WALL in the form directed by the Board of Directors.
- Is approved by the Board of Directors
- Signs the Register of Members or consents in writing to become a member.

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From time to time WALL will advertise for new members who wish to be considered for membership of the Board. This is to ensure that the Board of Directors contains the necessary skills to lead WALL. Informal discussions, a formal interview and a facilitated attendance at a Board meeting, take place prior to approval.

Great importance is placed on the Board of Directors having a good understanding of the workings of the organisation. A comprehensive Induction Pack is available to all newcomers and the Board of Directors hold an annual away day where they complete a Board self-assessment, skills register and review the strategic aims and set targets for the forthcoming year. In addition ad hoc Training sessions are held on various topics.

Governance processes continue to be robust and fit for purpose.

The key management personnel's salary is based on NICVA 2009-10.

Risk management

The Board of Directors are aware that the management of risk is one of their most important responsibilities.

The Board has conducted a review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and these are held in a comprehensive Risk Register which is updated at least annually by the Board.

Systems and procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces and the day to day responsibility for ensuring that these are followed is delegated to the Chief Executive.

The Chief Executive reports on major risks at each Board meeting and the Board agrees the action required to minimise such risks.

In the current austere economic climate, previous reliance on funding from statutory bodies can no longer be relied on and this is considered to be the principal risk faced by the organisation. More diverse funding is necessary for future sustainability of the organisation to mitigate the risk.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of WALL are:

- To provide housing or other accommodation and any associated amenities, services and assistance for the Beneficiaries.
- To relieve any other need of the Beneficiaries primarily by providing support, training and advice and
- To advance the education of the public in the subject of domestic, relational and sexual violence and related issues and the prevention and treatment of the same

Our vision is to be the primary source of expertise for the range of domestic and sexual abuse services for all victims across the Region.

Our overall aim is to improve the lives of victims affected by domestic abuse.

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We do this by:

- Raising awareness of domestic and sexual abuse and the ongoing suffering of women and children.
- Protecting women and children and at the same time providing the right services and relationships that are empowering and support women to move on and recover their lives.
- Providing services which are based on listening to survivors.
- Participating in or leading campaigns to keep the issues in the public consciousness and to raise awareness on the range of violence against women including FGM, HBV and forced marriages.
- Supporting and reflecting diversity and promoting equality of opportunity.
- Supporting and promoting cohesive inter-agency responses to domestic and sexual violence and developing partnerships.
- Understanding the issues and providing political challenge locally and nationally.
- Providing safe and secure services for women and children fleeing an abuse situation.
- Providing support and assistance for women who are in fear of becoming victims of abuse or who have been victims in the past and still require specialist support.
- Providing a culture of excellence and expertise and to be the main provider and leading specialist of safe, secure and confidential service.
- Working with victims using an explicitly anti-oppressive approach to the way services are developed and delivered.
- Working in partnership with funders and others and fostering a reputation for delivering high quality services and prove to be a respected organisation with good governance.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's requirement in respect of Public Benefit. In their view the charity meets, in full, the criteria to satisfy the test. The trustees' annual report describes the activities undertaken to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Use of Volunteers

We have continued to provide volunteering opportunities across all our Projects. We recognise the value of volunteers who are a vital resource to the organisation and look forward to welcoming new volunteers into WALL and the wider United Against Violence and Abuse (UAVA) Consortium.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Achievements and Performance

Once again, this year has been a busy year for WALL and we have supported 1,366 adults and 93 children (excluding those children in our refuges). Of those, 97 were male victims. In total we had 2,535 individual referrals to WALL Services.

Not all refuge referrals can be accepted due for example to safety concerns such as too close to where perpetrator is living or too high support needs.

This year was another challenging year due to the continued effects of the Covid-19 pandemic and it was widely acknowledged that the number of domestic and sexual violence incidents have escalated during the pandemic.

Unfortunately for many victims and their children, the impact of lockdown, social distancing and rising economic uncertainty has made them even more vulnerable to violence and abuse.

WALL have worked hard to be able to keep our frontline services open throughout the pandemic and for community based services, we adopted a hybrid model of working with team "bubbles" whereby practitioners worked different days in the office dependant on which "bubble" they belonged to.

The refuge team worked tirelessly to ensure strict social distancing for staff, residents and visitors as well as implementing stringent hygiene regimes in our refuges in order to keep them open and able to accept referrals.

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Keeping the refuge safe, supporting families through anxieties, helping with home schooling resources was no easy task.

We ensured as far as possible that support continued across all services albeit in a different way which required significant change and flexibility from our committed team.

We were able to access funding from a range of sources to help address increased costs and any lost income, purchase laptops and mobile telephones, and PPE. Funding was provided by a range of funders, including the Ministry of Justice, the Department of Housing and Local Government and The Leicestershire and Rutland Community Foundation. Community donations also helped us through these challenging times, and we are incredibly grateful to all our supporters who willingly donated funds and other items such as shopping vouchers without hesitation. It helped the team and clients feel supported through an extremely difficult period.

WALL have also kindly been donated tablets for the children and young people to access, to support with online learning platforms, including Satchel One and Show My Homework. This will aide with homework completion and when home learning is required due to COVID isolation.

We continue to be active on social media, which is becoming increasingly important to us as a way to reach out and raise awareness and this year the website has been visited 13,231 times and during the year, we gained 210 Facebook likes and we now have 1,714 followers on Twitter.

WALL is a member of National Women's Aid Federation of England which has 168 members providing 300 services across England. Our main aim is to improve the lives of victims affected by domestic abuse. We do this by delivering support within contractual requirements but also by raising awareness via talks, training and presentations.

We monitor and highlight emerging trends and patterns in order to develop much needed services, working in partnership wherever possible. We worked in partnership with the African Innovation Group and also in a consortium of twelve grass roots providers in a project designed to assist those people who have been significantly impacted by Covid-19 and who are now experiencing a range of debilitating issues including uncertainty about their immediate futures, poor health and mental health, including stress and anxiety, domestic abuse, family breakdown, a lack of vocational skills or qualifications and unemployment.

Providing refuge accommodation remains a keyway in which our work contributes to meeting the needs of women and children who are at high risk because they can no longer stay safely in their own homes. The support we provide in refuge accommodation rebuilds lives, increases safety, improves self-esteem, re-establishes life and employment skills and education for both women and children, helping them move towards safer futures, finally resettled into new permanent accommodation, free from violence.

During the year, we provided refuge for 169 women and their children, and accessed refuge space for over 72 more families in other accommodation. A continued reduction in refuge resources nationally, a lack of complex needs refuge spaces and clients being in refuge for longer periods of time, has presented challenges in terms of identifying suitable refuge places for clients.

Other services we deliver includes:

- A project for Children and Young People across Leicestershire, helping children and young people come to terms with the trauma and loss they will have experienced.
- High risk victim support delivered by our IDVA service.
- Support for victims presenting in a hospital setting.
- A dedicated community-based service for male victims of domestic abuse.
- Specialist support for BAME community.
- A multi agency risk assessment practitioner

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'I can't thank you all enough. I have been in supported places before, I have never been supported like I have here'.

'Even though I am leaving and going back (to the alleged perpetrator), I know that I can still access help and services for myself and my children. Thank you, I'm just not ready right now'. I am in college now and getting things for myself. I have a house to move into and my own money. I have come along way'

Events

While communal activities were at some periods very limited, we continued to find ways for having festival celebrations, parties and craft sessions.

Such positive activities are often denied to children and their mothers when living with an abusive relationship. We continue to be extremely grateful for the generosity of so many individuals and community groups in donating Christmas presents for mothers and children and for funding Christmas celebrations. This generous community support means a great deal to the mothers and children we work with.

We worked closely with local partners and stakeholders during the pandemic, jointly monitoring the expected increase in calls for support, sharing knowledge and providing mutual support.

We have provided:

- arts and crafts packs to every client in refuge, which have included the making of wind chimes, plant pots, embroidery, cross stitch and clay.
- We held a Happy Halloween party, made a picnic and played games, painting, colouring and drawing.
- We celebrated Diwali by holding many activities including having a colouring competition, a dance evening, painting Eiya's and making Diva's with battery tea lights and crafting clay holders, which were individually painted. Residents were provided with decorations for their flats for those who wished to decorate!
- In the run up to Christmas we had another colouring competition, displays and Christmas decorations. Clients who wished to decorate their own individual flats, were all provided with decorations, including Christmas trees for their flats.
- For Christmas, every resident and their child /children were provided with a sack of Christmas presents, chocolates and a food hamper.
- The staff team prepared and cooked Christmas lunch for all to share.
- Meditation and relaxation sessions
- a 'Love Yourself Day' on 14th February,
- movie nights
- Pancake day celebration and held a coffee morning.
- We celebrated International Women's Day, Mother's Day and Chinese New Year.
- Eid celebration with food and flowers being enjoyed by all. It was lovely for residents celebrating Eid to join together and for other residents who were not aware of the celebration of Eid to learn and share. One child told us 'This is the best time ever. Can we do this every week!' We held this celebration late afternoon to enable as many families to attend as possible.
- Pride month was also celebrated through displays in communal areas, raising awareness. The children helped to colour bunting that was displayed in the main foyer / reception area.
- Movie nights, bingo games and karaoke evenings.
- Tea and biscuit 'natter' sessions.
- Residents have again been provided with pamper packs, which have been put together through generous donations made to WALL from supporters. All the children who arrive into refuge receive a 'Buddy Bag' and a toy box from charity 'Kids Out'. We are also due to receive the donation of two laptops, from 'Kids Out', to support children and young people in refuge, with their homework and any home leaning that needs to take place.
- Off site visits including to 'Go Kids Go' indoor soft play centre and Sleeping Beauty pantomime.

"I feel motivated, creative and stimulated"

'I enjoy the activities and feel good and happy'

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'This (the activities) have made me feel relaxed and I didn't realise how much I needed to relax. I lost track of all time, which was lovely as I was having such a good time'

'It is lovely to see the children in refuge ask 'what's happening?'. One little boy remembers the dates of activities and events and chats to the team, excitedly looking forward to the next fun day!'

Feedback and ideas continue to be sought from residents, via house meetings, a suggestion box, during keyworking sessions and with exit questionnaires.

Increased face to face contacts with clients is supporting to build an environment of open communication, with clients being encouraged to share their ideas, creating a supportive community in our refuges.

In June we opened a Reflection Garden in one of the largest parks in Leicester. The garden was supported by Leicester City Council and is a quiet place especially for those who have experienced Domestic Abuse. There is a bench with a plaque with the local Helpline Number so that anyone passing by is able to access help for themselves or anyone they know.

New Model of Services

After a period of stability for five years, we were thrown into tendering activities. The new model of service delivery across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland impacted on the UAVA Consortium and the decision to wind down UAVA was agreed. The impact of this was that once again local specialist Providers would be in competition for funding.

The Board of Trustees acknowledge the challenges faced by the staff team, and the hard work, flexibility and commitment shown in this unprecedented situation. They are extremely appreciative of the response demonstrated by the whole staff team and wish to express sincere and grateful thanks for all the generous donation we have received throughout the year.

Strategic Objectives 2021-2023

- To promote self-help and assist in meeting the needs of all victims of domestic abuse for safety, support and advocacy who experience, or who are at risk of domestic violence.
- To raise awareness about the root causes of gendered violence against women and challenge the attitudes that tolerate it.
- To monitor the threats and opportunities in a challenging funding environment and take proactive measures to maintain and develop services to victims and children affected by domestic abuse.
- To maintain high standards of delivery across all service areas and ensure that effective resources, governance systems and management structures operate.
- To ensure the organisation is effective, fit for purpose, remains sustainable and meets or exceeds all internal and external legal and compliance requirements.
- Accreditation of services

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Sources of Funding

Our main sources of funding come from Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Local Authorities from a pooled fund, which includes District Authorities and the Police and Crime Commissioner. We received MCHLG funding, Housing Benefit at our refuges and dispersed accommodation and personal contributions from residents.

We also received funding from local and national COVID emergency funds, District specific funding for the CYP support in Market Harborough and 12 months funding for a Housing Link worker in Oadby and Wigston and North West District Councils.

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Financial Position

During 2021-22 donations and grant and contractual funding have decreased.

Service delivery requirements and targets have increased.

We continue to scrutinise expenditure and minimise unnecessary spend.

Investment Policy

Our investment policy is to hold cash reserves in an interest-bearing deposit account at the best available rate of interest to maximise investment for the organisation. Rates of interest continue to be low and this continues to impact on reserves.

Reserves Policy

The Board of Directors has examined the requirements for reserves in light of the main risks to the organisation and has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets should equate to closure costs at the preceding financial year to allow close down, with an additional amount to cover costs to enable the organisation to continue for a period of up to three months in the event of a disruption of income.

This equates to £299,242 and this sum forms the designated fund taking into account future pension contributions. The reserves held at 31 March 2022 were £601,539 made up as follows, restricted reserves £1,577, unrestricted reserves £16,220 and designated funds £583,742. Trustees regularly scrutinise the amount of reserves held and take the appropriate action to bring the amount of reserves held into line with the reserves policy. This could include a review of self-funded projects and fund-raising opportunities including applications to trusts.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

A number of targets have been agreed by the Board of Trustees which link into WALL's 5 strategic objectives. These targets will be monitored and reviewed over the next 12 months with progress reports being discussed at Board meetings.

- Financial targets include - to maximise and diversify funding streams and boost free reserves; minimise unnecessary expenditure and review online donations process to make it easier for donors to donate. We will source funding for new Projects, including a Project to support victims of stalking and refuge accommodation for young women aged 16-24.
- Accommodation service targets include - to agree without recourse support arrangements with partners and achieve a quality mark.
- Marketing/campaigning targets include - to run targeted campaigns to increase awareness; maintain national links, attend regional events and have a strong presence on social media.
- External targets include - to expand volunteer opportunities; expand Board membership.
- Miscellaneous targets include - to make and maintain links with key partners in order to maximise tender opportunities and develop new partnerships.

Our short term goal is to continue to deliver excellent support tailored to the needs of our service users.

Our longer term goals are to secure sustainable funding in order to ensure that any victim of domestic abuse will have the support they need when they need it and that no woman with or without children will be turned away from refuge accommodation.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of Women's Aid Leicestershire Limited 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 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.

Going Concern

Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future (12 months after signing this report) and have therefore, used the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Auditor

DNG Dove Naish LLP are deemed to be re-appointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

This report was approved by the board of Trustees on 3 November 2022 and signed on its behalf by



Z Chauhan
Chair

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Women's Aid Leicestershire Limited (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including 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 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 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.

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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 our 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.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

We considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the charity for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud in the following areas: timing of recognition of income, posting of unusual journals along with complex transactions and manipulating the Charity's key performance indicators to meet targets. We discussed these risks with client management, designed audit procedures to test the timing of income, tested a sample of journals to confirm they were appropriate and reviewed areas of judgement for indicators of management bias to address these risks.

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 auditor's report.

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WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED (CONTINUED)**

Use of our report

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

A.M. Clifford

Andrew Clifford (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of DNG Dove Naish LLP, Statutory Auditor
Eagle House, 28 Billing Road, Northampton, NN1 5AJ

Date: 10 November 2022

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Statement of financial activities (including income and expenditure account)

For the year ended 31 March 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-22 £
Incoming Resources				
Income and endowments from:				
Donations		59,837	-	59,837
Charitable activities:				
Licence fee income	2a	1,003,439	-	1,003,439
Grants and contracts receivable	2b	119,919	967,570	1,087,489
Investments		8	-	8
Other	3	7,050	-	7,050
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Total income		1,190,253	967,570	2,157,823
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Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		944,821	990,460	1,935,281
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Total resources expended	4	944,821	990,460	1,935,281
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Net (expenditure)/income		245,432	(22,890)	222,542
Transfers between funds		(13,267)	13,267	-
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Net movement in funds during the year	5	232,165	(9,623)	222,542
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		367,797	11,200	378,997
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Fund balances at 31 March 2022		599,962	1,577	601,539
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 17 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Mar-21 £
Incoming Resources				
Income and endowments from:				
Donations		69,984	-	69,984
Charitable activities:				
Licence fee income	2a	706,090	-	706,090
Grants and contracts receivable	2b	115,658	1,234,101	1,349,759
Investments		83	-	83
Other	3	4,000	-	4,000
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Total income		895,815	1,234,101	2,129,916
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Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		883,497	1,294,147	2,177,644
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Total resources expended	4	883,497	1,294,147	2,177,644
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Net (expenditure)/income		12,318	(60,046)	(47,728)
Transfers between funds		(43,808)	43,808	-
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Net movement in funds during the year	5	(31,490)	(16,238)	(47,728)
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		399,287	27,438	426,725
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Fund balances at 31 March 2021		367,797	11,200	378,997
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WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Note	£	2022 £	£	2021 £
Current Assets					
Debtors	10		335,183		352,435
Cash at bank and in hand	11		499,764		273,950
			<u>834,947</u>		<u>626,385</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12		(233,408)		(247,388)
			<u>601,539</u>		<u>378,997</u>
Total net assets			<u>601,539</u>		<u>378,997</u>
Capital and reserves					
Restricted funds	13		1,577		11,200
Designated funds	14		583,742		352,264
Unrestricted funds	14		16,220		15,533
			<u>601,539</u>		<u>378,997</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 3 November 2022 and are signed on their behalf by:



Z Chauhan– Chair

Company Number: 7171654

The notes on pages 17 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED**Statement of cash flows****For the year ended 31 March 2022**

	Note	2022 Funds £	2021 Funds £
Cash flow from operating activities:			
Net cash used in operating activities	8	225,806	(96,737)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends, interests and rents from investments		8	83
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		225,814	(96,654)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2021		273,950	370,604
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2022	9	499,764	273,950

The notes on pages 17 to 28 form part of these financial statements.

WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. Accounting policies

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

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102 (2019), have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) (2019) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

Legal form

The charity is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales. Its registered office is shown on page 1.

Incoming resources

Income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the items of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. Policies on specific income streams are:

Income from government grants is recognised under the performance model and is not deferred.

Income from other grants is recognised on an accruals basis. Income received in advance for the provision of a specified service is deferred.

Licence fee income is recognised on an accruals basis.

Donations are recognised on a cash received basis.

Bank interest receivable is recognised on an accruals basis.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Grants payable are charged in the year they become payable. Other resources expended are allocated directly to the particular activity where the cost relates to that activity. However certain overhead and administrative costs are apportioned to each activity based on an estimate of staff time attributable to each activity.

Costs of charitable activities comprise all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the charity.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity such as the cost of board meetings, statutory compliance and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

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Financial instruments

Cash and cash equivalents in the balance sheet comprise cash at banks and in hand and short term deposits with an original maturity date of three months or less.

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income under administrative expenses.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the entity after deducting all of its financial liabilities.

Fixed assets

Fixtures, fittings and equipment are written off in the year of purchase because the nature of the organisation means that they have virtually nil residual value by the end of the year of acquisition. Proceeds on disposal are brought into the income and expenditure account in the year of sale.

Operating leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Pensions

The Company contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets are held separately from those of the company in independently administered funds. The contributions are charged to the statement of financial activities on a payable basis. The contributions paid are shown in note 6.

Joint Venture

A joint venture was entered into whereby the Company and other parties are undertaking an economic activity which is subject to joint control and a separate entity was established. Joint ventures are recognised at cost, less any amounts written off. The cost was nil during this and the previous financial year.

Fund accounting

The Charity maintains various types of funds as follows:

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

Designated funds - comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Board for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated reserve is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Unrestricted funds - are available for use at the discretion of the Board in furtherance of the general objectives of the organisation and which have not been designated for other purposes.

WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

2. Charitable activities

2a. Licence fee income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£
Housing benefit	946,334	-	946,334	667,389
Personal contributions	57,105	-	57,105	38,701
	<u>1,003,439</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,003,439</u>	<u>706,090</u>

2b. Grant Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£
Supporting People				
Leicestershire County Council – Accommodation	119,919	-	119,919	105,658
Other				
Oadby & Wigston Housing	-	-	-	11,386
Leicester City Council -Safe Homes	-	213,664	213,664	160,000
Leicester City Council – LLR	-	459,717	459,717	443,106
UHL – HIDVA	-	-	-	4,249
Harborough County Council – KIDVA	-	12,446	12,446	10,881
VAWG Funding	-	-	-	261,986
JADA	-	34,268	34,268	58,281
North West Leicestershire Housing	-	24,755	24,755	13,932
ISAC	-	29,770	29,770	14,923
OPCC - MARAC IDVA	-	23,298	23,298	9,953
OPCC - HIDVA	-	27,451	27,451	20,765
OPCC - Referrals	-	11,862	11,862	3,954
OPCC - Add Accommodation	-	9,767	9,767	63,837
OPCC – BAME	-	23,298	23,298	-
OPCC – Screening	-	15,876	15,876	-
OPCC – HIDVA MARAC	-	23,298	23,298	-
MOJ – ADAM	-	16,186	16,186	-
AIG	-	12,226	12,226	-
Positive Communities	-	9,188	9,188	-
Circle Fund	-	2,500	2,500	-
Resettlement	-	10,000	10,000	-
CFLR - Hardship Fund	-	-	-	24,269
Leicestershire & Rutland Community Fund	-	8,000	8,000	9,710
OPCC - Commissioned Funding	-	-	-	18,158
OPCC - Non Commissioned Funding	-	-	-	22,884
CFLR - Bright Futures	-	-	-	4,000
CFLR - New Normal	-	-	-	9,478
DCLG – New Horizons	-	-	-	68,349
Esmee Fairburn	-	-	-	10,000
	<u>119,919</u>	<u>967,570</u>	<u>1,087,489</u>	<u>1,349,759</u>

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3. Other income

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Miscellaneous income	7,050	-	7,050	4,000
	<u>7,050</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,050</u>	<u>4,000</u>

4. Analysis of costs

Charitable activities				
Refuges	933,518	-	933,518	874,771
Outreach	948	861,610	862,558	1,162,651
Support costs - Refuges	10,251	-	10,251	23,966
Support costs - Outreach	-	124,704	124,704	112,006
	<u>944,717</u>	<u>986,314</u>	<u>1,931,031</u>	<u>2,173,394</u>
Governance costs	104	4,146	4,250	4,250
	<u>104</u>	<u>4,146</u>	<u>4,250</u>	<u>4,250</u>
Total	<u>944,821</u>	<u>990,460</u>	<u>1,935,281</u>	<u>2,177,644</u>

Support costs

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Establishment (rent, rates etc.)	156	7,563	7,719	8,385
Management (management and admin salaries)	1,277	57,305	58,582	53,151
Legal and professional	1,789	31,669	33,458	25,196
Information technology	4,713	24,030	28,743	40,426
Printing, postage and stationery	2,286	2,881	5,167	8,316
Communication and marketing	-	19	19	35
Sundry expenditure	30	1,237	1,267	463
	<u>10,251</u>	<u>124,704</u>	<u>134,955</u>	<u>135,972</u>

Governance costs

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Audit fees	104	3,736	3,840	3,840
Other financial services	-	410	410	410
	<u>104</u>	<u>4,146</u>	<u>4,250</u>	<u>4,250</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

5. Net movement in funds is stated after charging

	2022	2021
	£	£
Operating lease costs –property	332,034	275,902
Auditor's remuneration:		
In their capacity as auditors	3,840	3,840
Other financial services	410	410
	<u>4,250</u>	<u>4,250</u>

6. Staff costs and number

Staff costs during the year were as follows:	2022	2021
	£	£
Salaries	965,433	972,184
Temporary Staff	23,275	198,942
Social Security costs	68,839	71,424
Pension costs	17,331	18,844
	<u>1,074,878</u>	<u>1,261,394</u>

No employee (2021: none) received emoluments in excess of £60,000 in the year. The remuneration for key management personnel, who are considered to be the Chief Executive, the two Domestic Violence Service Managers and Refuge Coordinator, totals £160,420.

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

	2022	2021
	No	No
Administrative staff	1	1
Advisory staff	52	53
	<u>53</u>	<u>54</u>

The trustees received no remuneration for their services (2021: £nil).

Travel and subsistence expenses were reimbursed to no trustees (2021: £nil).

7. Taxation

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

WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

8. Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating income

	2022 £	2021 £
<i>Net income for the reporting period</i>	222,542	(47,728)
Adjustments for:		
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(8)	(83)
Decrease in fixed assets	-	-
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	17,252	(121,908)
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	(13,980)	72,982
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<i>Net cash used in operating activities</i>	225,806	(96,737)
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9. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash and cash equivalents	499,764	273,950
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10. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	207,333	241,656
Prepayments and accrued income	127,850	110,779
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	335,183	352,435
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11. Cash at bank and in hand

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank	498,413	272,208
Cash	1,351	1,742
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	499,764	273,950
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

12. Creditors: (amounts falling due within one year)

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	136,409	97,247
Other creditors	119	119
Other taxes and social security	14,364	16,670
Pension	3,373	3,676
Accruals and deferred income	79,143	129,676
	<u>233,408</u>	<u>247,388</u>

Deferred income relates to non-government grant service contracts for salaried posts to be performed in the next financial year.

	£
Balance as at 31 March 2021	96,543
Amount released to incoming resources	(96,543)
Amount deferred in year	52,382
	<u>52,382</u>
Balance as at 31 March 2022	<u>52,382</u>

13. Restricted reserves

balance	Opening balance £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer of Reserves £	Closing £
Oadby & Wigston Housing	11,200	-	(11,200)	-	-
Leicester City Council - Safe Homes	-	213,664	(213,904)	240	-
Leicester City Council - LLR	-	459,717	(459,751)	34	-
Harborough District – KIDVA	-	12,446	(12,446)	-	-
JADA Plus	-	34,268	(34,268)	-	-
North West Leicestershire Housing	-	24,755	(24,755)	-	-
ISAC	-	29,770	(29,770)	-	-
OPCC - MARAC IDVA	-	23,298	(23,298)	-	-
OPCC - HIDVA	-	27,451	(27,451)	-	-
OPCC - Referrals	-	11,862	(11,862)	-	-
Leicestershire & Rutland Community Fund	-	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
OPCC - Additional Accommodation	-	9,767	(11,712)	1,945	-
OPCC - BAME	-	23,298	(23,298)	-	-
OPCC - Screening IDVA	-	15,876	(15,876)	-	-
OPCC - HIDVA MARAC	-	23,298	(23,298)	-	-
MOJ – ADAM	-	16,186	(16,186)	-	-
LCC Communities Fund	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
AIG	-	12,226	(12,226)	-	-
Positive Communities	-	9,188	(20,236)	11,048	-
Circle Fund	-	2,500	(923)	-	1,577
	<u>11,200</u>	<u>967,570</u>	<u>(990,460)</u>	<u>13,267</u>	<u>1,577</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

Restricted reserves (Comparative)

	Opening balance	Income	Transfer of Expenditure	Closing Reserves	
balance	£	£	£	£	£
Oadby & Wigston Housing	11,200	11,386	(11,386)	-	11,200
University Hospitals Leicester	-	4,249	(4,249)	-	-
Leicester City Council - Safe Homes	-	160,000	(165,910)	5,910	-
Leicester City Council - LLR	-	443,106	(458,695)	15,589	-
Family Intervention Worker	16,238	-	(16,238)	-	-
Harborough District – KIDVA	-	10,881	(10,881)	-	-
VAWG Funding	-	261,986	(261,986)	-	-
JADA Plus	-	58,281	(58,281)	-	-
North West Leicestershire Housing	-	13,932	(16,254)	2,322	-
ISAC	-	14,923	(23,435)	8,512	-
Daily IDVA	-	9,953	(9,953)	-	-
OPCC – HIDVA	-	20,765	(22,067)	1,302	-
OPCC – Referrals	-	3,954	(3,954)	-	-
OPCC – Additional Accommodation	-	63,837	(73,755)	9,918	-
Leicestershire Community Fund	-	24,269	(24,269)	-	-
LRCF – Hardship Funding	-	9,710	(9,965)	255	-
OPCC – Commissioned Funding	-	18,158	(18,158)	-	-
OPCC – Non Commissioned Funding	-	22,884	(22,884)	-	-
LRCF – Bright Futures	-	4,000	(4,000)	-	-
LRCF – New Normal	-	9,478	(9,478)	-	-
DCLG – New Horizons	-	68,349	(68,349)	-	-
	27,438	1,234,101	(1,294,147)	43,808	11,200

Oadby and Wigston Housing – To provide advice and outreach support to domestic violence victims in the Oadby & Wigston

University Hospitals Leicester - Funding for hospital based IDVA

Leicester City Council – Safe Homes – Sub contracted to deliver the safe home project in the city

Leicester City Council – LLR - Sub contracted to deliver support to high risk victims of domestic abuse

Family Intervention Worker – Donation to support women and children living in the city

Harborough District KIDVA – To support children and young people in Harborough whose parents have been identified as high-risk victims of domestic abuse.

VAWG Funding – Provide refuge accommodation and specialist support for women with complex needs fleeing domestic violence run in partnership with specialist providers.

JADA Plus – Family service in Leicestershire for children and their non-abusing parent.

ISAC – This project was set up to support victims of stalking and harassment.

Daily MARAC – Funding received for an IDVA to attend daily MARAC

NWL Housing - To provide advice and outreach support to domestic violence victims in Northwest Leicestershire.

WOMEN'S AID LEICESTERSHIRE LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

OPCC HIDVA - Funding for hospital based IDVA.

OPCC Referrals – To add temporary capacity to current service.

OPCC Additional Accommodation – Covid Funding to add capacity

Leicestershire Community Fund – Additional cleaning due to Covid

CFLR Hardship Fund – To assist service users during Covid

OPCC Commissioned Funding – To add capacity to commissioned services during Covid

OPCC Non-Commissioned Service - To add capacity to non-commissioned services during Covid

CFLR Bright Futures – Life coaching for service users

CFLR New Normal – Provide TV's for each bedroom and equipment for staff

DCLG New Horizons – To set up dispersed units of accommodation to diversify refuge accommodation in order to support diverse clients

Leicestershire & Rutland Community Fund - Funding for children's therapeutic worker.

OPCC BAME – Funding received for a BAME specialist IDVA

OPCC HIDVA MARAC - Funding received for high-risk clients presenting at UHL

MOJ ADAM Project – Funding received to support male victims

LCC Communities Fund – To support families in the community once they have left refuge

AIG – Working in partnership with AIG supporting BAME women experiencing domestic abuse

Positive Communities – Is a project involving twelve voluntary organisations, working at grassroot level to support some of the most vulnerable people in our community, including those affected by domestic abuse

Circle Fund - To provide financial support through grants to victims of economic abuse and to help survivors move forward and promote recovery and resilience.

The transfer from unrestricted to restricted funds are to finance deficits in restricted funds.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

14. Unrestricted and designated reserves

	Opening balance £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted reserves	15,533	1,190,253	(942,821)	(246,745)	16,220
Designated funds					
Transferred from unrestricted fund in line with reserves policy	309,988	-	-	(10,746)	299,242
Tendering/Legal Consultancy	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Working in Partnerships	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
Cost Associated with Volunteers	3,276	-	-	(3,276)	-
Staffing and Benefits Review					
Including Pensions	32,000	-	-	10,000	42,000
Property Procurement & Refurbishment	-	-	-	237,500	237,500
	352,264	-	(2,000)	233,478	583,742
	367,797	1,190,253	(944,821)	(13,267)	599,962

Unrestricted and designated reserves (Comparative)

	Opening balance £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted reserves	29,270	895,815	(883,497)	(26,055)	15,533
Designated funds					
Transferred from unrestricted fund in line with reserves policy	304,577	-	-	5,411	309,988
Tendering/Legal Consultancy	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Working in Partnerships	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
Cost Associated with Volunteers	3,276	-	-	-	3,276
Staffing and Benefits Review					
Including Pensions	32,000	-	-	-	32,000
Project Development	23,164	-	-	(23,164)	-
	370,017	-	-	(17,753)	352,264
	399,287	895,815	(883,497)	(43,808)	367,797

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Tendering/Legal Consultancy – This fund has been designated by the board, to cover costs associated to tendering for services and contracts.

Development of specialist projects working in partnerships - To allow us to build partnerships with specialist providers.

Costs Associated with Volunteers - Volunteers contribute to the work of the organisation, this will ensure that all volunteers are effectively trained and supervised to develop their skills, which will allow them to return to further education or employment.

Staff & Benefits Review including Pensions – Pay review to take place in line with new service delivery model.

Project Development – Addressing gaps in services and meeting local need

Property Procurement & Refurbishment – To refurbish accommodation

15. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022 Total
	£	£	£
Current assets	833,370	1,577	834,947
Current liabilities	(233,408)	-	(233,408)
	<u>599,962</u>	<u>1,577</u>	<u>601,539</u>

Analysis of net assets between funds (Comparative)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total
	£	£	£
Current assets	615,185	11,200	626,385
Current liabilities	(247,388)	-	(247,388)
	<u>367,797</u>	<u>11,200</u>	<u>378,997</u>

16. The liability of the guarantors

The company does not have a share capital and is limited by guarantee. In the event of the charity being wound up, the maximum amount which each member is liable to contribute is ten pounds. There were 7 members at 31 March 2022 (2021: 6).

17. Capital commitments

The charity had no capital commitments at 31 March 2022 or 2021.

18. Contingent liabilities

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31 March 2022 or 2021.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022 (continued)

19. Related Parties

During the year the charity had related party transactions with United Against Violence and Abuse Limited (UAVA). UAVA was a consortium set up with FREEVA and Living Without Abuse to deliver services across

Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland under the newly commissioned services for those aged 13 and over, affected by sexual and domestic abuse across LLR and services procured independently by Leicester City Council. As a subcontractor of the consortium Women's Aid Leicestershire Ltd received £673,381 (2021: £603,106) from UAVA to deliver services. The amounts due from UAVA at 31 March 2022 totalled £156,704 (2021: £127,990) and is included within trade debtors. At 31 March 2022 £0 was due from (2021: £1,125) FREEVA and £0 (2021: £414) from Living Without Abuse and was included within trade debtors.

20. Joint Venture

On the 22 October 2015 United Against Violence and Abuse Limited (UAVA) was registered as a Private Company Limited by Guarantee incorporated under the Companies Act 2006. This Company consists of FREEVA whose distribution proportion is 30%, Living Without Abuse 30% and WALL 40%. Each member has 3 directors appointed to the UAVA board. Each member has one vote. Women's Aid Leicestershire Ltd received £673,381 (2021: £603,106) from UAVA to deliver services during the year. The carrying amount of the investment is nil.