



**ANNUAL REPORT &
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
APRIL 2023 – MARCH 2024**

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Charity Registration Number: 1139704

Company Number: 7337217

Structure, Governance and Management

For Us Too is a charitable company limited by guarantee. It was incorporated in August 2010 and registered as a charity in January 2011.

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. The majority of directors / trustees will always be made up of parents or carers of disabled children or young people. During the reporting period, 5 of the 6 trustees were parents of disabled children / young people.

The Board has a central role in the strategic management and planning function of the charity. Board members, along with the Head of Charity, drive funding and fundraising, strategy development and business planning, financial management, marketing and corporate communications.

Board of Directors Trustees during reporting period:

Karan Murphy (Chair) resigned 31.3.24.

Liza Scholefield (Vice Chair)

Richard Tippet (Treasurer)

Catryn Beynon (Secretary) resigned 26.3.24

Jennifer Austin

Chloe Ewen resigned 22.6.23.

Karen Huckstep appointed 11.3.24.

Laura Carlin appointed 13.3.24.

The Key Management Personnel are the Directors and the Head of Charity:

Anna Sypliwczak (Head of Charity)

Company Secretary:

None

Registered Office & Operational Addresses:

Registered Office: Green Banks, Westfield Road, Margate CT9 5PA

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For Us Too Trustees' Annual Report

The Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, have pleasure in presenting the Trustees' report and the Financial Statements of the charity for the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objects of the Charity

The Objects of For Us Too as specified in the charity's Memorandum of Association (dated 30 July 2010) remain unchanged, and are as follows:

The relief of poverty and social exclusion experienced by families with disabled children and young people living in East Kent (Swale, Canterbury and Thanet) through:

- The provision of specialist advice and support services for parents/carers of disabled children and young people.
- The provision of leisure and recreational services for disabled children and young people, and their families.
- The provision of other services as identified by disabled children, young people and their families.

The Board of Trustees has also identified a fourth Objective vital to the successful operation of the charity.

- To ensure adequate resourcing and consistent quality, systems and values in For Us Too's development and on-going delivery of its work.

Our Vision

Disabled children and young people and their families making choices, creating and sustaining the change they want to see, having ambition and following their dreams.

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Our Mission

Improve the lives of disabled children, young people and their families across East Kent & elsewhere, using our specialist knowledge and lived experience as parents, carers and service users.

Ensuring our Activities Achieve our Objects and Benefit the Public

The Board of Trustees and all staff employed by the charity have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefits when planning what activities For Us Too should undertake and how it should undertake them. We are clear that we work for the benefit of all disabled children and young people aged 0-25 who live or go to school in East Kent, no matter what their disability, social or ethnic background. We strive to make all our events, projects and facilities accessible to all. We have referred to guidance when reviewing our aim and objectives and in planning our activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The Board ensures that all activities undertaken by the charity both meet the charity's objectives and are shaped by the charity's members. All new initiatives, schedules of events and project ideas are discussed at Board level to ensure that they are in line with our Objects and will help us achieve our aims.

Challenges & Achievements April 2023-March 2024

The main challenge has been to maintain income from grants and other funding streams in order to carry out our objectives and to maintain our staffing levels to provide the much-needed valued support for families. Year on year our specialist support and advice services are highly sought after, and this has impacted on our staffing levels.

We have successfully recruited volunteers, often from people who have used the services in the past and want to give back to the Charity.

We are actively researching and reviewing our fundraising strategy to apply for funding to enable us to continue and further develop the services that we offer.

During 2023-2024 we received funding from the following sources: -

National Lottery Community Fund – Family Support Partnership



Secured in March 2020, For Us Too in partnership with two Charities from Totius (Space 2 Be Me and Includes us 2) were successful in obtaining 3-year funding until September 2023. The funding was for £286,126 for the 3-year period. We have successfully maintained staffing for this project since September 2020. At the end of the project, we supported 1105 quick enquiries and 575 full referrals.

The funding provides a service specifically for parents/carers of children with a disability or SEN, signposting for quick enquiries, or offering up to twelve hours of 1:1 support with a family support officer. Families receive support around a variety of topics including: EHCPs; Information, support and advice; diagnosis; training; managing symptoms and behaviours.

benefits advice; specialist local provision and supporting access to family events and peer support in the area.

Over the 3-year period the partnership has monitored and adapted the services to meet the needs of our families. The benefit of this partnership has resulted in: -

- Consistent procedures across the partnership (referral forms, initial assessment and action planning procedures),
- Effective monitoring tools and evaluation process.
- Effective staff training & Induction
- The ability to support referrals from a variety of sources.
- Partnership working with other organisations that offer similar services that has enabled the partnership to build relationships and signpost some cases.
- Regular assessment & review of all policies and procedures
- A quarterly performance monitoring system (including KPI's & budget management)
- Recruitment & training of parent/carer volunteers

KCC - Inclusive Family Events (short breaks) in partnership with Includes Us 2 (IU2)

In April 2023 we were awarded a second year of funding until March 24 from Kent County Council in conjunction with our partner Charity, to provide 15 family events within the 6 areas that the Charities support. By the end of the year, we held 17 events over the 6 areas of East Kent with a total of 861 people attending. Due to the absence of a manager within our partnership Charity we continued to deliver these independently across the 6 areas of Kent so that our outcomes were achieved.

KCC Short Break 5 – 8 Year Olds

We successfully secured funding of £5,720 from Kent County Council to provide 30 after school, weekend and school holiday events for children between the ages of 5 and 8 years old. Events included swimming, weekly after school soft play, arts and crafts and sporting activities. This was led by our partner Charity and a second year was awarded for 23/24, however due to a change in Manager within our partner Charity we only became aware of this in November 23 and received a further £5720 in December 23. It was agreed to continue to provide further activities for this project.



Know your Neighbourhood Grant (National Lottery)

In April 2023 we were successful in securing funding from the National Lottery 'Know your neighbourhood' grant to open an advice hub in the centre of Margate. The funding of 44K is for 2 years until April 2025.

From May 2023 to December 2023, we adapted an empty café in the centre of Margate and transformed it into a 'one stop hub' reaching people and volunteers in the community.

The Hub provides a space to socialise, have a coffee and bring children. This exciting project enables people to connect with others and participate in enriching volunteering opportunities.

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Families are welcome to 'drop in' when they need support or if they would just like someone to talk to in a friendly, warm space', to combat the cost of living rises, reduce isolation and increase wellbeing.

Our experienced volunteers offer general advice and guidance, and our toy and book library are available for children to access both education and fun toys and books.

Parents are able to borrow books and resources for wellbeing and information for the journey of their child's health and diagnosis.

Donors- We received donations of over £1000 from our members and people using our community, Hub.

Business Plan

We are currently working within the 3-year business plan for 2022- 2025 and review progress against actions at our regular Board Meetings.

Our policies and procedures were updated in March 2023.

Events, Workshops and Training

We have continued to provide workshops and training and have signposted parents/carers to other professional organisations for specific workshops based around need.

Through our volunteers, we have supported our parents with coffee mornings and drop-in sessions, communicating with attendees and either providing on the spot support or signposting them to our Family Support Officers.

Our events continue to be sought after by families. Due to the cost-of-living crisis, reduced costs enable us to reach more families and the staff support enables families with children with SEN to attend and feel safe that there is support from staff available should they need it. As a parent led Charity, we survey our members to ensure that we are offering the events that children and families want. Some of the events attended were Creed Outdoor Centre, Wet wheels SE, Horse Riding and Flip out.

Membership

Our membership database in 2023-24 listed 830 members, this being an increase of 142 over the previous reporting period. Our members are mainly from the Thanet, Swale, Faversham and Canterbury area, although we have a small percentage of families from other areas of Kent, including Medway, Shepway and Maidstone.

Staff

There were some changes to staffing in this period.

Anna Sypliwczak – Head of Charity

Helen Day - Lead Family Support Officer (until October 2023)

Lauren Bower- Family Support Officer

Tracey Rea – Youth Worker

Sarah Wheeler- Family Support Officer (Employed April 2023- October 2023)

Lisa Kaya Catchpole -Family Support Officer (Employed November 2023)

Rachel North- Family Support Officer (Employed November 2023)

Volunteers

Hannah Percival

Amy Leeds

Sarah Valenti

Future Plans

Over the next year, For Us Too will concentrate on meeting grant responsibilities for the funding received and developing the charity further. We will continue to consult with service users to develop new projects and services and seek sufficient funding for them. We will retain our emphasis on being a parent-led charity that reacts to demand and provides help and support to those most in need.

- With successful funding over 3 years from the National Lottery Community Fund we have been able to develop and expand our Family Support service.
- The 'Know your neighbourhood' grant from the National Lottery and the opening of our Hub in the centre of Margate will support us to reach more families and have a greater presence within the community with additional opportunities to work with other local community organisations.
- As part of our Family Support Service, we will provide training for parents of children with disabilities, particularly bespoke sessions on Positive Behaviour Support.
- We will continue to offer our coffee morning managed by Volunteers.
 - We will keep under review our partnership working with the aim of pursuing joint contracting and project opportunities that are in line with our charitable objectives and our vision as a charity.
- We will meet the specifications of our Kent County Council grants and National Lottery grants.

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- We will regularly evaluate our range of services against service-user demand, attainment of agreed outcomes and financial sustainability.
- We will recruit and train additional volunteers to support our activities.
- We will continue to work in partnership with other local groups and providers and ensure that there is no duplication of effort in terms of providing services. We will continue to seek new trustees.

Risk Management

The Board of trustees has developed and adopted a risk register that lists significant risks and methods for mitigating them. This register was reviewed and updated in December 2023 to add in additional risks surrounding the lease of the Hub. The risk register is regularly reviewed at Board meetings.

Financial Review

The net expenditure for the year was £13,468, but of this £10,830 related to restricted funds and therefore the unrestricted deficit was £2,638. The total reserves on 31 March 2024 were £114,689 of this £43,519 was restricted, £20,328 was in the designated contingency reserve and £50,842 was held as unrestricted general funds. Our main income came from our grant from the National Lottery Community Fund and KCC short breaks. Income from donations was £1,133.

Reserves policy

Our reserves policy is to hold reserves equal to 'three – six months' running costs. However, given our present vulnerability to cuts in public funding and as we have no significant fixed assets, the trustees have decided to ensure that they retain a minimum reserve, excluding the value of fixed assets, sufficient to meet the likely costs of closing should the need arise. They have agreed that £20,000 would be sufficient to meet those costs. We currently hold more than the agreed reserves of three – six months running costs as we are aware that the situation pertaining to grant income is precarious.

As a going concern we have sufficient funds to meet our operating costs for the next 12 months. We have been successful in securing KCC funding for short breaks for the next two years and the National Lottery Know your neighbourhood grant until March 2025, which will support us to carry out and develop our services over the next two years.

These reserves will also enable us to attract donations for projects which require matched funding.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees:



Karen Huckstep

Date:- 27/8/24

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 10 to 21.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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


S J Wren FCCA
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Date : 18/9/24

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
		£	£	£	£
INCOME					
Donations and grants	2	1,133	44,402	45,535	113,381
Charitable activities	3	5,381	35,720	41,101	39,429
Fundraising income		-	-	-	-
Investment income		2,069	-	2,069	544
TOTAL INCOME		<u>8,583</u>	<u>80,122</u>	<u>88,705</u>	<u>153,354</u>
EXPENDITURE					
Costs of raising funds	4	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	11,221	90,952	102,173	150,550
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>11,221</u>	<u>90,952</u>	<u>102,173</u>	<u>150,550</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR BEFORE TRANSFERS)	5	(2,638)	(10,830)	(13,468)	2,804
Transfers between funds	11	830	(830)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		<u>(1,808)</u>	<u>(11,660)</u>	<u>(13,468)</u>	<u>2,804</u>
Balance as at 1 April 2023		<u>72,978</u>	<u>55,179</u>	<u>128,157</u>	<u>125,353</u>
BALANCE AT 31 MARCH 2024		<u><u>71,170</u></u>	<u><u>43,519</u></u>	<u><u>114,689</u></u>	<u><u>128,157</u></u>

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	328	529
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and prepayments	8	3,603	10,256
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>114,287</u>	<u>134,785</u>
		117,890	145,041
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(3,529)</u>	<u>(17,413)</u>
		114,361	127,628
NET ASSETS			
	10	<u>114,689</u>	<u>128,157</u>
Represented by:			
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted general fund	11	50,842	52,449
Designated funds	11	20,328	20,529
Restricted funds	11	<u>43,519</u>	<u>55,179</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>114,689</u>	<u>128,157</u>

For the financial year ended 31 March 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under s.477 Companies Act 2006 and no members have deposited a notice under s.476 requiring an audit.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with s.386 of the Act for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

The accounts are prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime in part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved and signed for issue by the trustees on 27/8/24

K. Huckstep

Karen Huckstep - Trustee



Richard Tippett - Treasurer

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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 the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

For Us Too meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

a) Income

Grants receivable - grants made to finance the activities of the charity are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) in the period to which they relate.

Bank interest - bank interest is included in the SOFA on receipt.

Other income - other income, including donations and gifts are included as they were received.

Deferred income - grants received in advance of the period in which the funder requires the expenditure to be applied will be reflected within deferred income on the balance sheet.

b) Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and includes VAT where applicable. All expenditure directly related to the provision of providing charitable services is included within the charitable expenditure. Other costs incurred have been allocated between activities for generating funds and governance as appropriate. Where such costs relate to more than one functional cost category they have been split on an estimate of time spent.

c) Depreciation of fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows :

Computers, software and equipment	33% straight line
Equipment	25% straight line

d) Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds receivable by the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the Trustees for particular purposes.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor.

e) Significant judgements and estimates

No significant judgements have had to be made by the Trustees in preparing these financial statements

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES - cont'd

f) Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The charity continues to apply for grant income to sustain current and future activities. The successful application of a short break grant from Kent County Council and from the National Lottery Know your neighbourhood grant means that there is funding in place for 2025/26. The charity currently has sufficient reserves to enable it to operate for at least one year from the date these accounts were approved and therefore the charity's accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

2 DONATIONS AND GRANTS

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations	1,133	-	1,133	230
Grants :				
the National Lottery Community Fund	-	44,402	44,402	96,531
HSBC	-	-	-	3,120
The St Giles Trust	-	-	-	13,500
	<u>1,133</u>	<u>44,402</u>	<u>45,535</u>	<u>113,381</u>

3 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Contracts and Grants :				
Kent County Council	-	35,720	35,720	35,720
Events Income	<u>5,381</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,381</u>	<u>3,709</u>
	<u>5,381</u>	<u>35,720</u>	<u>41,101</u>	<u>39,429</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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4 EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
Costs of raising funds :				
Fundraising costs	-	-	-	-
General advisory services :				
Wages and salaries	-	39,135	39,135	39,303
Staff training	25	65	90	1,276
Staff travel costs	671	3,371	4,042	2,546
Staff recruitment	-	-	-	13
Other staff and volunteer costs	102	361	463	1,149
Rent	-	11,000	11,000	-
Property repairs	-	3,844	3,844	-
Grants payable (see below)	-	8,964	8,964	68,518
Play equipment	123	551	674	420
Event costs	73	8,944	9,017	13,485
Website	479	-	479	515
Publicity	-	-	-	83
Sundries	225	69	294	505
	<u>1,698</u>	<u>76,304</u>	<u>78,002</u>	<u>127,813</u>
Support costs :				
Wages and salaries	1,224	11,477	12,701	12,464
Insurance	1,416	35	1,451	1,175
Telephone and internet	2,292	730	3,022	2,101
Utilities	2,042	218	2,260	-
Printing, postage and stationery	285	-	285	540
Computer and office equipment	250	988	1,238	1,759
Depreciation	201	-	201	624
Bank charges	60	-	60	72
Professional fees	-	1,200	1,200	2,500
Accounts software	288	-	288	288
Payroll costs	225	-	225	206
Governance costs :				
Trustee and AGM expenses	229	-	229	35
Other fees	13	-	13	13
Independent Examiner's fee	998	-	998	960
	<u>9,523</u>	<u>14,648</u>	<u>24,171</u>	<u>22,737</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>11,221</u>	<u>90,952</u>	<u>102,173</u>	<u>150,550</u>

Of the total expenditure in 2023 of £150,550, £11,426 was unrestricted and £139,124 was restricted.

Grants payable	2024	2023
For family support services :		
Includes Us 2	4,482	26,759
Space 2 Be Me	4,482	26,759
For Inclusive Events :		
Includes Us 2	-	15,000
	<u>8,964</u>	<u>68,518</u>

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5 NET INCOME	2024	2023
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation	201	624
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	-
Independent Examiner's remuneration	998	960

6 INFORMATION REGARDING EMPLOYEES	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	51,285	51,264
Social security costs	2,104	2,509
Employer pension contributions	551	503
Employment Allowance	(2,104)	(2,509)
	51,836	51,767

The average number of employees based on full time equivalents analysed by function was:

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
Provision of charitable services	2	2
Management and administration	1	1
	3	3

The average monthly head count was 5 staff (2023 - 5 staff).

No employee received remuneration of more than £60,000.

No trustees received remuneration from the charity during the year (2023 - £Nil).

No trustee was reimbursed travel expenses during the year (2023, one trustee - £35).

The total employee benefits (including employers national insurance) of the key management personnel of the charity were £21,720 (2023 - £20,774).

7 FIXED ASSETS	Computer equipment	Other equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
As at 1 April 2023	2,751	2,001	4,752
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
As at 31 March 2024	2,751	2,001	4,752
Depreciation			
As at 1 April 2023	2,751	1,472	4,223
Charge for the year	-	201	201
Disposals	-	-	-
As at 31 March 2024	2,751	1,673	4,424
Net book value			
As at 31 March 2024	-	328	328
As at 31 March 2023	-	529	529

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8 DEBTORS	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	-	-
Prepayments	3,603	10,256
	<u>3,603</u>	<u>10,256</u>
	<u><u>3,603</u></u>	<u><u>10,256</u></u>

9 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	94	218
Other taxes	-	-
Accruals	3,435	960
Deferred income	-	16,235
	<u>3,529</u>	<u>17,413</u>
	<u><u>3,529</u></u>	<u><u>17,413</u></u>

10 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUND	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	-	328		328
Current assets	54,371	20,000	43,519	117,890
Current liabilities	<u>(3,529)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u></u>	<u>(3,529)</u>
Net assets as at 31 March 2024	<u><u>50,842</u></u>	<u><u>20,328</u></u>	<u><u>43,519</u></u>	<u><u>114,689</u></u>

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUND - PREVIOUS YEAR

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	-	529	-	529
Current assets	54,505	20,000	70,536	145,041
Current liabilities	<u>(2,056)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(15,357)</u>	<u>(17,413)</u>
Net assets as at 31 March 2023	<u><u>52,449</u></u>	<u><u>20,529</u></u>	<u><u>55,179</u></u>	<u><u>128,157</u></u>

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11 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	As at 1 04 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	As at 31 03 2024 £
Restricted funds					
KCC - Mobile hoist and toys	603	-	(15)	-	588
Saturday Fun Club	5,721	-	-	-	5,721
Short Breaks	1,468	-	(1,100)	(368)	-
Behaviour workshops	1,348	-	(1,100)	(248)	-
Early Help	1,314	-	(1,100)	(214)	-
the National Lottery Community Fund	25,101	16,235	(41,336)	-	-
Short Breaks 5-8 year old	3,167	5,720	(1,547)	-	7,340
Inclusive Family Events	9,086	30,000	(21,861)	-	17,225
WREN Project	4,251	-	(2,076)	-	2,175
Therapeutic Support	3,120	-	(2,258)	-	862
Know Your Neighbourhood	-	28,167	(18,559)	-	9,608
Total restricted funds	55,179	80,122	(90,952)	(830)	43,519
Designated funds					
Contingency Reserve	20,529	-	-	(201)	20,328
Total Designated funds	20,529	-	-	(201)	20,328
Unrestricted general funds	52,449	8,583	(11,221)	1,031	50,842
Total funds	128,157	88,705	(102,173)	-	114,689

RESTRICTED FUNDS

KCC - Mobile hoist and toys

We continue to maintain the mobile hoist and are in the process of updating our toy, equipment, and book library as we now have a separate premises in which to keep specialist equipment and toys. The hoist can be loaned out to families who need such equipment to enable them to take a short break away from their families but are often prevented from doing so by the lack of hoist facilities in holiday venues.

Saturday Fun Club

The Saturday Fun Club fund was income granted by KCC to set up Saturday clubs at both Orchards and Green Banks, however unfortunately, both venues are closed at the weekends. Now that we have a venue to use, we have planned Saturday activities to use this grant. We have run some after school activities and are planning to run these more regularly in 24/25 in both Thanet and Swale.

Short Breaks

Funding received from Kent County Council to fund 24 sessions during the school holidays. We have completed these sessions and the small surplus transferred to general funds.

Behaviour workshops

Funding from Kent Community Foundation to run a series of parent workshops planned in Thanet and Swale. This project has been completed and the small surplus transferred to general funds.

Early Help

A grant from Kent County Council to provide intensive support that offers development of language and social skills and behaviour that challenges. This project has been completed and the small surplus transferred to general funds.

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11 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - cont'd**RESTRICTED FUNDS****the National Lottery Community Fund**

A grant from National lottery to provide Family Support services across 9 areas of Kent as a partnership. This grant ended in September 2023 although we continue to support families with information, support, workshops, and training.

Short Breaks 5-8 year olds

A grant from Kent County Council to provide 30 after school and weekend activities for children between the ages of 5 and 8 years. We completed 33 activities and due to partnership working received further funding and will be continuing to deliver this service until 2025, as it is much needed.

Inclusive Family Events

A grant from Kent County Council to provide 15 Family events for our members across 6 areas of Kent. Further events were held in 23/24 and we will continue to deliver these events until the end of March 2026.

WREN Project

Funding from The St Giles Trust, for a project supporting volunteers (Community Champions) with lived experience. Support with recruiting and training volunteers in Thanet, who will support the Charity with its activities from supporting families, managing administration, supporting with family events, and running activities. The current balance of funds is for licensing and training for a podcast which we intend to deliver in 24/25.

Therapeutic Support

A grant received from HSBC Bank for using Lego Therapy as an intervention for children +5 years with ASD encouraging teamwork & improved social skills and support for teenage girls with ASD. We are due to complete this project by August 2024.

Know Your Neighbourhood

Funding from The National Lottery 'Know your neighbourhood grant' for 2 years to be spent by end of March 2025. This is to provide a one stop hub for support, advice and leisure activities for families with children with disabilities. The aim is to develop community support, increase volunteering and to reach a wider audience by being in a prime location and be completely run by volunteers by the end of the grant funding.

DESIGNATED FUNDS**Contingency Reserve**

The trustees consider the need to hold this reserve in the unlikely scenario that the charity's contracts are not renewed and the charity has to cease trading. The trustees consider a sum of £20,000 (plus the net book value of the charity's fixed assets) is sufficient to enable the charity's affairs to be wound up.

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MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - PREVIOUS YEAR

	As at 1 04 2022 £	Income	Expenditure £	Transfers £	As at 31 03 2023 £
Restricted funds					
KCC - Mobile hoist and toys	990	-	(387)	-	603
Saturday Fun Club	5,978	-	(257)	-	5,721
Music Therapy	18	-	-	(18)	-
Short Breaks	4,235	-	(2,767)	-	1,468
Family Events	83	-	-	(83)	-
Behaviour workshops	1,348	-	-	-	1,348
Early Help	1,314	-	-	-	1,314
the National Lottery Community Fund	29,578	96,531	(101,008)	-	25,101
Sport England	2,582	-	(2,492)	(90)	-
Short Breaks 5-8 year old	-	5,720	(2,553)	-	3,167
Inclusive Family Events	-	30,000	(20,914)	-	9,086
WREN project	-	13,500	(8,746)	(503)	4,251
Therapeutic Support	-	3,120	-	-	3,120
Total restricted funds	46,126	148,871	(139,124)	(694)	55,179
Designated funds					
Contingency Reserve	20,650	-	-	(121)	20,529
Total Designated funds	20,650	-	-	(121)	20,529
Unrestricted general funds	58,577	4,483	(11,426)	815	52,449
Total funds	125,353	153,354	(150,550)	-	128,157

RESTRICTED FUNDS - PREVIOUS YEAR

KCC - Mobile hoist and toys

We received funding from KCC to purchase and maintain a mobile hoist and some specialist toys. The hoist can be loaned out to families who need such equipment to enable them to take a short break away from their families, but are often prevented from doing so by the lack of hoist facilities in holiday venues. We have purchased some specialist toys and equipment such as weighted blankets and plan to purchase further equipment.

Saturday Fun Club

The Saturday Fun Club fund was income granted by KCC to set up Saturday clubs at both Orchards and Green Banks, however unfortunately, both venues are closed at the weekends. The balance therefore remains underspent, and we plan in 22/23 to run regular after school activities in both Thanet and Swale in accessible alternative venues.

Music Therapy

In a previous year, grant applications were successfully made to two different funders, to support this project. This funding enabled the charity to engage a freelance Music Therapist to provide therapy to children. The original project ran from June 2016 to January 2017, however there was an underspend and we therefore we brought in Drumming workshops at both venues which were very well received. The very small underspend has been transferred to unrestricted funds to contribute to overhead costs.

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RESTRICTED FUNDS - PREVIOUS YEAR - cont'd**Short Breaks**

Funding received from Kent County Council to fund 24 sessions during the school holidays. Although this grant was due to end in March 2021, it was extended until March 2022. Due to Covid, this funding was not fully spent during 2021 and 2022, however up until March 2023 we offered several activities to manage this underspend and have more planned for the coming year.

Family Events

Funding from The National Lottery Community Fund to provide leisure and recreational services for disabled children and young people and their families. We had events planned for Easter half term and the Summer Holidays but have not been able to complete these due to lockdown. We were able to run events in October and December 2020. The very small underspend has been transferred to unrestricted funds to contribute to overhead costs.

Behaviour workshops

Funding from Kent Community Foundation to run a series of parent workshops planned in Thanet and Swale had to be postponed in March 2020 due to lockdown. We have continued to support parents on a 1-1 basis and have now planned parenting sessions to continue to deliver these activities.

Early Help

A grant from Kent County Council to provide intensive support that offers development of language and social skills and behaviour that challenges. This program was due to end in March 2020 and we were due to run a further 4 week Education program but due to lockdown this activity has been postponed. We plan to hold some workshops/activities for children not in school.

the National Lottery Community Fund

A grant from National lottery to provide Family Support services across 9 areas of Kent as a partnership. This grant started in June 2020 to recruit Family support officers to manage referrals, workshops and training for parents. This is a 3 year grant due to end in September 2023.

Sport England

We were awarded a grant from Sport England until March 22 to support children to take part in activities after school in a small safe environment. The aim was to increase socialisation, independence, manage anxiety and support children with exercise and fitness as well as providing a taster session for different sports. Due to unforeseen circumstances with a partner organisation, our costs were lower than expected and the very small underspend has been transferred to unrestricted funds to contribute to overhead costs.

Short Breaks 5-8 year olds

A grant from Kent County Council to provide 30 after school and weekend activities for children between the ages of 5 and 8 years. We are running soft play activities, a Saturday swimming club, and children's play sessions. This grant ends in December 2023.

Inclusive Family Events

A grant from Kent County Council to provide 15 Family events for our members across 6 areas of Kent. Further events were held in 23/24.

WREN Project

Funding from The St Giles Trust, for a project supporting volunteers (Community Champions) with lived experience. Support with recruiting and training volunteers in Thanet, who will support the Charity with its activities from supporting families, managing administration, supporting with family events and running activities. The transfer to unrestricted funds represents the purchase of a fixed asset.

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RESTRICTED FUNDS - PREVIOUS YEAR - cont'd

Therapeutic Support

A grant received from HSBC Bank for using Lego Therapy as an intervention for children +5 years with ASD encouraging team work & improved social skills. Setting up a girl with Autism group providing a safe space to improve communication, independence, socialising through provision of yoga, book and cookery clubs. This grant was received towards the end of the financial year and is therefore to be used during 2023/24.

DESIGNATED FUNDS - PREVIOUS YEAR

Contingency Reserve

The trustees consider the need to hold this reserve in the unlikely scenario that the charity's contracts are not renewed and the charity has to cease trading. The trustees consider a sum of £20,000 (plus the net book value of the charity's fixed assets) is sufficient to enable the charity's affairs to be wound up.

12 DIRECTORS LIABILITY

The charity is a company limited by guarantee. Every director of the charity promises, if the charity is dissolved while he or she is a director or within twelve months after he or she ceases to be a director, to contribute such sum (not exceeding £10) towards the payment of debts and liabilities of the charity.

13 CORPORATION TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

14 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity did not undertake any transactions with related parties that require disclosure.

15 FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 March 2024 the charity had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
within one year	13,200	-
within two to five years	5,500	-
after five years	-	-
	<u>18,700</u>	<u>-</u>