

LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1143589

Details

Other names	THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION, Advicenow, LAW FOR LIFE
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	07695486
Registered	2011-08-30
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY ARE TO PROMOTE FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT THE ADVANCEMENT OF PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND.

Activities: Law for Life: the Foundation for Public Legal Education works to ensure that ordinary people have the knowledge, confidence and practical skills that they need to deal with the law-related issues they encounter in the course of their lives. We support organisations to deliver public legal education, undertake research, and promote awareness and understanding of the need for legal capability.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£581,256	£601,641	£156,308	10
2024-03-31	£438,961	£335,028	-	-
2023-06-30	£400,521	£435,859	-	-
2022-06-30	£433,164	£349,995	-	-
2021-06-30	£322,874	£343,649	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Fiona Edwards	Chair	2024-06-26
Alastair Cox		2025-06-26
Chris White		2025-06-26
Giles Crown		2025-06-26
Jennifer Davis		2023-05-25
Rhys Taylor		2025-06-26
Rohini Jana		2023-05-25
Savita Narain		2025-09-23
Zamira Bastarbekova		2026-02-26

Accounts

**LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL
EDUCATION**

(Company limited by guarantee no. 07695486
registered charity no. 1143589)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



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For the year ended 31 March 2025

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY,
ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS**

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Patrons	Professor Dame Hazel Genn DBE QC The Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury The Rt. Hon. Lord Briggs of Westbourne
Board of Trustees	Joseph Broadway Jonathan Spain Rohini Jana Jennifer Dingley Vanessa Davies (resigned 1 June 2025) Raymond Sheehy (resigned 1 June 2025) Michael Abiodun Olatokun (resigned 1 June 2025) Savita Narain (resigned 26 June 2025 & reappointed 23 Sept 2025) Alastair Cox (appointed 26 June 2025) Giles Crown (appointed 3 July 2025) Rhys Taylor (appointed 26 June 2025) Christopher White (appointed 26 June 2025)
Chair	Fiona Edwards (appointed June 2024)
Treasurer	Jonathan Spain
Chief Executive	Lisa Wintersteiger
Company reg. no.	07695486
Charity reg. no.	1143589
Registered office	4th Floor, 18 St. Cross Street London EC1N 8UN
Independent Examiner	Shoaib Arshad ACA, FCCA Knox Cropper LLP 65 Leadenhall Street London EC3A 2AD

TRUSTEES' REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees, who are also directors of the Company for the purposes of the Companies Act, and trustees for charity law purposes, present their annual report and the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102.) (effective 1 January 2019).

The Board of Trustees has complied with the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our vision

We strive for social justice by legally empowering individuals and communities.

We believe everyone should be equipped with the knowledge, confidence and skills needed to deal with the law-related issues they are likely to encounter in their lives.

Our mission

To deliver public legal education and information (PLEI) as a tool for empowering people, fighting injustice, and tackling inequality.

We will work together with others to identify and promote excellence in its research, design and delivery.

Our aims

- Deliver innovative public legal education and information that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

Our values

Empowerment - We believe social justice goes hand in hand with empowerment. Please should have the knowledge and power to take action on the issues that are important to them.

Independence - We believe as an independent organisation we can ensure that our work reflects the needs of our audience.

Collaboration - We believe that collaborative working and involvement of service users deliver the most effective results.

Accountability - We believe that accountability is fundamental to our integrity, ensuring actions are transparent, responsible and aligned with the needs of those we support.

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Financial year change

In 2024, the Trustee Board agreed to revert our financial year back to its original cycle of 1st April to 31st March. This decision follows a previous change made during the COVID-19 pandemic, which shifted our financial year to run from 1st July to 30th June. As a result, the financial year 2023–2024 covered a nine-month period from 1st July 2023 to 31st March 2024. For the purpose of this report, we are reporting on the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

Digital Transformation

In 2024, we began undertaking our digital transformation programme to modernise and enhance how we support and engage with our audiences.

Our focus is on user-centred design that considers the needs of existing and potential users, barriers they might experience, their levels of legal and digital capability and wider emotional and attitudinal needs. Discovery work provided us with crucial design insights to enhance accessibility, mobile optimisation, and more supportive and clearer journeys through our services. We launched our new website in December 2024.

As part of this process, we adopted the Advicenow brand across the whole organisation. Advicenow is better known and resonates more with our users, many of whom don't view their problems as legal issues. This rebranding was completed in-house, with generous support from branding experts who donated their time.

While our trading name is now Advicenow, our company name remains Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education.

Extending our digital reach

Between 1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025 our website attracted 1,741,595 page views by 849,723 unique users from across England and Wales. This represents an 13% decrease in pageviews on the same period the previous year. 15% of respondents to our self-reporting surveys say that they are helping someone else, either as a relative, friend, volunteer or professional. This represents a 2% increase on the same period as the previous year.

We are proud that we reach an impressive number of people who are at risk of discrimination or struggle to access services. 60% of survey respondent in this period are women, 34% identified as disabled, 29% said they were from a black or minority ethnic background, (an increase of 8%). 49% of surveyed users are from a low-income household while 46% of users were not in employment (a 7% increase on the previous year).

In June 2024 a successful competitive tender process for an Online Support and Advice Grant resulted in an award to Law for Life to provide accessible digital/online support and advice that can help with the resolution of legal issues in civil, family and tribunal related matters. This programme of work enables individuals, and those supporting them, to access the support and advice they need to navigate the justice system; resolve their legal problems earlier and independently where possible; and help individuals/litigants in person to prepare for court

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proceedings where these ensue. We agreed an extension to the OSAG funding at the rate of 173K, a 20K uplift.

Our community education programmes

Our community education programmes focus on building the skills and confidence needed to cope with legal issues and have been designed to ensure we reach those less able to access digital help. We continued our work on housing, homelessness and temporary accommodation issues, delivering education and training to trusted intermediaries, with a focus on community and grassroots organisations working with refugees and migrants, vulnerable women and black and minority ethnic groups. We extended our housing work to include working directly with people who have lived experience of homelessness. Our courses reached 756 participants from 297 organisations via 27 workshops. Our education initiatives indirectly reached 3906 people each month. Our information resources on housing and homelessness received 60,822 page views.

New and updated resources

We produced new help for Universal Credit claimants who are told they have been overpaid. Many families and individuals in this situation find that the deductions automatically imposed by the DWP leave them unable to afford the food and heating they need - this situation is exacerbated by the cost-of-living crisis. Our help shows claimants how to request that deductions are reduced or the debt waived altogether. We created a new guide to enforcing a County Court Judgment. This extends our suite of guides for users who involved in a small claim or a fast-track case in the County Court and supports those who have won their case but still have not been paid the money awarded by the court.

As well as this we updated 17 in-depth guides, 13 short guides, 2 videos, our Work Capability Assessment Tribunal Submission tool, and our Legal advice and helpline finder.

Making a difference for people with employment issues

This year, we continue to build on site content to help people manage common employment problems. We produced new help to support those who cannot access an adviser to work out if the treatment they are experiencing at work is unlawful or just unpleasant. We also created a series of 9 guides to support users through the employment tribunal process if they are unable to find advice or representation. Our employment guides attracted 27,253, page views in this period (up from 5,436 views the year before).

Making a difference for people with family law issues

Our Affordable Advice Service dovetails Advicenow's popular step-by-step guides with fixed-fee, unbundled legal advice from Resolution family lawyers at just the most crucial points in the process. 555 contacts were made, equating to 46 contacts per month on average. This represents an increase of 24% over the same period last year (9 months).

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Making a difference for disability benefit claimants

Our help to understand and challenge disability benefit decisions continues to be very popular, with our benefits content receiving 387,906 page views in total.

Making a difference for people with literacy or language needs

Work continued to enable users to have all our information read out to them or translated into more than 100 languages. It also allows people to change how it appears (text size, contrast, masking etc) to make it easier to use for those with visual or neurodivergent needs. During this period the toolbar was used to view 11,324 pages by 4,991 unique users.

The toolbar's most popular feature was the screen reader, reading the site aloud in English, Slovak and German. The translation tool was most frequently used to translate our information into Slovak, simplified Chinese, and Moldovan.

Expanding our influence: Research, Policy and Consultancy

We conducted further research into personalised legal support tools to help benefit claimants challenge decisions. The research report was published and disseminated in November 2024. Interim findings from Nuffield funded Local Legal Needs and Early Intervention study were published in partnership with Central England Law Centre and The University of Warwick.

We published new research centred on the experiences of Roma parents with children's services in England, a project that had been in development for 18 months. This report encapsulates extensive research and writing on Roma families' interactions with children's services in England. The ONS journal reported on our recommendations for disaggregating Roma population child protection statistics and both the Law Commission and the Health and Parliamentary Ombudsman are looking at our housing work to consider the forward look on the nature and extent of legal support needs in temporary accommodation matters.

We also remain closely involved in conversations with HMCTS regarding the continuing importance of Digital Support, and our training of We Are Group's community partners is ongoing.

Increasing our visibility: Media coverage highlights

Our work received significant media attention across a range of respected platforms. The report on the experiences of Roma families engaging with children's services in England was featured in the following outlets

- Family Law Week
- Research in Practice
- Community Care
- The Big Issue
- Social Work Today

The Pensions on Divorce guide was also covered by Family Law Week, highlighting its relevance to legal and family practitioners.

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The Single Justice Procedure Notice guide was featured in a Sky News segment addressing TV licensing prosecutions, bringing wider attention to its practical value for the public.

In addition, our work was showcased on ITV's Martin Lewis Money Live show, reaching a broad national audience.

Key achievements:

We have strengthened our governance through the appointment of a new Chair, Fiona Edwards, a respected leader with extensive experience in the health and care sector. Fiona brings a deep understanding of system leadership, partnership working, and public service reform, which will be invaluable as we continue to influence policy and practice across sectors.

Her appointment marks a significant step forward in enhancing the strategic oversight and leadership of our organisation, ensuring we remain well-positioned to deliver on our mission and respond to emerging challenges in a complex and evolving landscape.

Strategic plan 2024 - 2027

In 2024, the Trustee Board and the newly formed Senior Leadership Team (SLT) co-designed our strategic plan, bringing together their expertise and insights to shape a clear and ambitious vision for the next three years. The plan reflects our shared commitment to legal empowerment, equity, and innovation in meeting the needs of the communities we serve:

- We will reduce poverty, discrimination, and health inequality
- We will amplify users' voices and work with our partners to provide a catalyst for change
- We will broaden our reach and build awareness of the value of public legal education
- We will build our sustainability, defend our independence, and improve accountability to our service users
- We will drive legal empowerment and tackle social injustice through technological innovation

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Law for Life had a net expenditure of £20,385 decreasing the funds from £176,693 to £156,693 as at 31 March 2025. Free reserves at the year end amounted to £114,354.

Reserves policy

In the Trustees' view, the reserves should aim to provide the charity with adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its charitable objectives for the foreseeable future.

Over the period, the trustees aimed to increase the charity's reserves to the level which is at least equivalent to 3 months' operational expenditure and to do so having regard to its manner of operation and to likely funding streams.

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Risk management

The Board of Trustees confirms that it has identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and has established systems to mitigate these risks. A strategic review has begun in year which has reviewed existing and future risk in order to finalise a three-year strategic plan 2024-27. Overhead costs remain low due to the organisation by becoming a fully remote office in March 2021.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Law for Life: the Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association and registered under the number 07695486. The company was incorporated and commenced trading on 6 July 2011. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission under number 1143589.

Governance

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting strategies and policies for the charity and for ensuring that these are implemented.

Management and staffing

Day-to-day management of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive.

In 2024, a Senior Leadership Team (SLT) was established, comprising the Chief Executive and four senior staff members. This team was created to strengthen strategic decision-making, improve coordination across the organisation, and support the delivery of our ambitious digital transformation and growth plans.

Induction and training of new trustees

An induction process has been developed and implemented. This forms the basis of any training needs identified for Trustees. New trustees also receive an induction into the organisation including governance training covering different aspects of the trustee role and responsibilities.

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Patrons

The charity is very grateful for the support it receives from its patrons.

Board of Trustees

The members of the Board of Trustees perform the role of directors in company law and trustees in charity law. Any person who is willing to act as a trustee and who would not be disqualified from acting under the provisions of Article, may be appointed to be a trustee by a decision of the trustees. The trustees are appointed for a term of three years, at the end of which they are eligible for appointment for a second consecutive term of three years. This second term can be extended for a period of up to two years by agreement of the trustees.

Key management pay

The salary for key management is decided by the Trustees considering the skills and experience required, the management responsibilities, the overall budget constraints and a view of what is appropriate as compared to similar roles in the sector in which we work.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees (who are also directors of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' 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. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and 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.

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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For the year ended 31 March 2025

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

This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



Fiona Edwards
Chair

10 Dec 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31
MARCH 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education (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'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the Company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education 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 the accounts 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

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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



Shoaib Arshad ACA, FCCA
Knox Cropper LLP
Chartered Accountants
65 Leadenhall Street, London, EC3A 2AD

Date: 10 December 2025

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Restricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2024 9 months £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	89,046	-	89,046	122,304
Charitable activities	3	368,086	124,124	492,210	316,657
TOTAL		457,132	124,124	581,256	438,961
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities		502,989	98,652	601,641	335,028
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4	502,989	98,652	601,641	335,028
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(45,857)	25,472	(20,385)	103,933
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 APRIL 2024		160,211	16,482	176,693	72,760
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 MARCH 2025		£ 114,354	£ 41,954	£ 156,308	£ 176,693

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Company limited by guarantee (registered company no. 07695486)

BALANCE SHEET**As at 31 March 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	10	-	-
		-	-
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	75,742	76,840
Cash at bank and in hand		94,900	113,736
		170,642	190,576
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	12	(14,334)	(13,883)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		156,308	176,693
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		156,308	176,693
NET ASSETS		£ 156,308	£ 176,693
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
Designated funds	13	-	65,000
General fund	13	114,354	95,211
Restricted funds	13	41,954	16,482
		£ 156,308	£ 176,693

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and the section 1a of the Financial Reporting Standard 102.

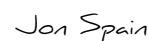
The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2025. The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each 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 financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements were approved, and authorised for issue, by the Board of Trustees on 23 September 2025 and signed on their behalf by:-



FIONA EDWARDS, Chair



JONATHAN SPAIN, Treasurer

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
For the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 12 months £	2024 9 months £
Cash flows from operating activities		
(Deficit)/surplus for the financial year	(20,385)	103,933
Adjustments for:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	1,098	(48,525)
Increase/((decrease)) in creditors	451	(804)
Investment income	-	-
	(18,836)	54,604
Cash flows from investing activities		
Return on investment - interest receivable	-	-
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(18,836)	54,604
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April 2024	113,736	59,132
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2025	£ 94,900	£ 113,736
Components of cash and cash equivalents		
	At 1 April 2024	Cashflows
		At 31 March 2025
Cash at bank and in hand	£ 113,736	£ (18,836)
	£ 94,900	£ 113,736

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP 2019), in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) applicable to smaller entities (under section 1a) and the Charities Act 2011. The presentational currency of the financial statements is Pound Sterling (£).

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

Company status

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

Going concern

The trustees have prepared cash flows and budgets for the next twelve months and consider that the company is able to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The trustees have an expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For these reasons, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements. Statutory grants which are given as contributions towards the Charity's core services are treated as unrestricted.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that 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 and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixture and fittings	-	3 Years
Office equipment	-	3 Years

Cash at bank and in hand

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

Short-term debtors and creditors

Debtors are recognised when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the account can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received. Creditors are recognised when the charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Financial Instruments

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

Pensions

The company operates a personal pension plan. If permanent employees choose to join, the company contributes 9% of gross salary. Alternatively, the company contributes 9% of gross salary to a permanent employee's personal pension fund. Non-permanent staff are offered an employer's contribution of 3% in line with current auto enrolment regulations. The pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the funds in respect of the year.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Restricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2024 9 months £
Donations	89,046	-	89,046	122,304
	<u>£ 89,046</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 89,046</u>	<u>£ 122,304</u>

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3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Restricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2024 9 months £
Grants for services	328,927	124,124	453,051	280,386
Contract income	39,159	-	39,159	36,271
	<u>£ 368,086</u>	<u>£ 124,124</u>	<u>£ 492,210</u>	<u>£ 316,657</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Restricted Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2025 12 months £	Total Funds 2024 9 months £
Britford Trust	-	10,000	10,000	-
Access to Justice Foundation - ILTA Grant	100,000	-	100,000	100,000
Ministry of Justice - OSAG	153,927	-	153,927	-
Tudor Trust	-	50,624	50,624	34,875
Trust for London	-	56,000	56,000	33,000
AB Charitable Trust	25,000	-	25,000	-
Nuffield Foundation	-	-	-	8,889
Oak Foundation - TFL	-	7,500	7,500	22,500
Ministry of Justice - AdviceNow Guides	-	-	-	67,322
Disrupt Foundation	50,000	-	50,000	10,000
Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust	-	-	-	3,800
	<u>£ 328,927</u>	<u>£ 124,124</u>	<u>£ 453,051</u>	<u>£ 280,386</u>

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3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (continued)

COMPARATIVE INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Grants for services	103,800	176,586	280,386
Contract income	36,271	-	36,271
	<u>£ 140,071</u>	<u>£ 176,586</u>	<u>£ 316,657</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Access to Justice Foundation - ILTA	100,000	-	100,000
Tudor Trust	-	-	-
Trust for London	-	67,875	67,875
Nuffield Foundation	-	8,889	8,889
Oak Foundation - TFL	-	22,500	22,500
287 Grant income: MoJ - Advicenow Guide	-	67,322	67,322
Disrupt Foundation	-	10,000	10,000
Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust	3,800	-	3,800
	<u>£ 103,800</u>	<u>£ 176,586</u>	<u>£ 280,386</u>

4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Direct Staff costs 12 months £	Other direct costs 12 months £	Support costs 12 months £	Total 2025 12 months £	Total 2024 9 months £
Cost of charitable activities					
Advancement of public legal education	410,234	133,214	58,193	601,641	335,028
Total 2025	£ 410,234	£ 133,214	£ 58,193	£ 601,641	
Total 2024	£ 262,420	£ 23,310	£ 49,298		£ 335,028

Resources expended include:

	2025 £	2024 £
Independent Examiner's fee (excluding VAT)	2,200	2,200

Details of direct costs and support costs is given in Notes 5 and 6. Details of staff costs are given in Note 7.

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5. Direct Costs	2025 12 months £	2024 9 months £
Staff costs	410,234	262,420
Website system development	93,276	-
Website hosting and support	3,279	-
Professional fees	27,666	19,192
Communications	8,993	3,720
Irrecoverable VAT	-	398
	<u>£ 543,448</u>	<u>£ 285,730</u>

6. SUPPORT COSTS	Total 2025 12 months £	Total 2024 9 months £
Management	15,274	15,107
IT Support	23,738	19,820
Governance costs	18,338	13,025
Premises costs	843	1,346
	<u>£ 58,193</u>	<u>£ 49,298</u>

7. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS	2025 12 months £	2024 9 months £
Wages and salaries	349,123	223,074
Social security costs	30,624	22,127
Pension costs	30,487	17,219
	<u>£ 410,234</u>	<u>£ 262,420</u>
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:	Number	Number
Management	3	3
Advancement of public legal education	7	7
	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>

One employee received annual remuneration of more than £60,000 (2024 - None).

The key management personnel of the charitable company are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charitable company, directly or indirectly, including any trustee of the charitable company. In addition to the trustees of Law for Life, key management personnel include the Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Executive. Total employee benefits including employer pension contributions paid to key management personnel in the year amounted to £106,076 (2024 - £118,437).

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8. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, no members of the Board of Trustees received any remuneration (2024 - £NIL).

No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of expenses (2024 - £NIL).

9. Taxation

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a registered charity and is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received within the categories covered by Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied to charitable purposes.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixture and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	<u>6,379</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	<u>6,379</u>
Net book value	
At 31 March 2025	<u>£ Nil</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>£ Nil</u>

11. DEBTORS

	2025 £	2024 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	-	1,500
Prepayments	780	710
Accrued income	74,305	59,625
Other debtors	657	15,005
	<u>£ 75,742</u>	<u>£ 76,840</u>

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12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	3,059	2,598
Social security and other taxes	8,239	7,653
Other creditors	136	732
VAT creditors	-	-
Accruals	2,900	2,900
	<u>£ 14,334</u>	<u>£ 13,883</u>

13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward 2025 £	Incoming Resources 2025 £	Resources Expended 2025 £	Transfers and investment gains/(losses) 2025 £	Carried Forward 2025 £
DESIGNATED FUNDS					
Digital Transformation	65,000	-	-	(65,000)	-
	<u>£ 65,000</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ (65,000)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Tudor Trust	6,467	50,624	(41,008)		16,083
Britford Trust	-	10,000	(10,000)		-
Trust for London	-	56,000	(30,297)	168	25,871
Oak Foundation - TFL	10,015	7,500	(17,347)	(168)	-
	<u>£ 16,482</u>	<u>£ 124,124</u>	<u>£ (98,652)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 41,954</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
Designated Funds	65,000	-	-	(65,000)	-
General Funds	95,211	457,132	(502,989)	65,000	114,354
	<u>160,211</u>	<u>457,132</u>	<u>(502,989)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>114,354</u>
Restricted Funds	16,482	124,124	(98,652)	-	41,954
	<u>£ 176,693</u>	<u>£ 581,256</u>	<u>£ (601,641)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 156,308</u>

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

Other restricted grants are small grants received during the year for specific projects.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	<i>Brought Forward 2024 £</i>	<i>Incoming Resources 2024 £</i>	<i>Resources Expended 2024 £</i>	<i>Transfers and investment gains/(losses) 2024 £</i>	<i>Carried Forward 2024 £</i>
DESIGNATED FUNDS					
Digital Transformation	-	-	-	65,000	65,000
	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 65,000</u>	<u>£ 65,000</u>
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Tudor Trust	10,100	34,875	(38,508)	-	6,467
Disrupt Foundation	-	10,000	(10,395)	395	-
Trust for London	6,270	33,000	(39,489)	219	-
Ministry of Justice - AdviceNow Guides	-	67,322	(67,322)	-	-
Nuffield Foundation	-	8,889	(9,673)	784	-
Oak Foundation - TFL	8,588	22,500	(21,073)	-	10,015
Other restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>£ 24,958</u>	<u>£ 176,586</u>	<u>£ (186,460)</u>	<u>£ 1,398</u>	<u>£ 16,482</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
Designated Funds	-	-	-	65,000	65,000
General Funds	47,802	262,375	(148,568)	(66,398)	95,211
	<u>47,802</u>	<u>262,375</u>	<u>(148,568)</u>	<u>(1,398)</u>	<u>160,211</u>
Restricted Funds	24,958	176,586	(186,460)	1,398	16,482
	<u>£ 72,760</u>	<u>£ 438,961</u>	<u>£ (335,028)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 176,693</u>

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2025 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2025 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2025 £</i>
Net current assets	114,354	41,954	156,308
	<u>£ 114,354</u>	<u>£ 41,954</u>	<u>£ 156,308</u>
	<i>2024 £</i>	<i>2024 £</i>	<i>2024 £</i>
Comparative analysis of net assets	<u>£ 95,211</u>	<u>£ 16,482</u>	<u>£ 176,693</u>

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15. RELATED PARTIES

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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16 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2024 £</i>
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies	122,304	-	122,304
Charitable activities	140,071	176,586	316,657
Investments	-	-	-
TOTAL	262,375	176,586	438,961
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	148,568	186,460	335,028
Net income	113,807	(9,874)	103,933
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	112,409	(8,476)	103,933
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 JULY 2021	47,802	24,958	72,760
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 MARCH 2024	£ 160,211	£ 16,482	£ 176,693

Accounts

**LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL
EDUCATION**

(Company limited by guarantee no. 07695486
registered charity no. 1143589)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024



REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY,
ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS**

For the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024

Patrons	Professor Dame Hazel Genn DBE QC The Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury The Rt. Hon. Lord Briggs of Westbourne
Board of Trustees	Joseph Broadway Vanessa Davies Amanda Finlay CBE (resigned 11 November 2023) Raymond Sheehy Jonathan Spain Michael Abiodun Olatokun Rohini Jana Savita Narain Jennifer Dingley
Chair	Vanessa Davies, Interim Chair (from 11 November 2023) Amanda Finlay CBE (to 11 November 2023)
Treasurer	Jonathan Spain
Chief Executive	Lisa Wintersteiger
Company reg. no.	07695486
Charity reg. no.	1143589
Registered office	4th Floor, 18 St. Cross Street London EC1N 8UN
Independent Examiner	Knox Cropper LLP 65 Leadenhall Street London EC3A 2AD

TRUSTEES' REPORT

For the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024

The Trustees, who are also directors of the Company for the purposes of the Companies Act, and trustees for charity law purposes, present their annual report and the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the period ended 31 April 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). (effective 1 January 2019).

The Board of Trustees has complied with the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our purposes and activities

Law for Life strives for social justice by legally empowering individuals and communities. We believe everyone should be equipped with the knowledge, confidence and skills needed to deal with the law-related issues they are likely to encounter in the course of their lives.

Our aims are to:

- Deliver innovative public legal education and information that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

Our services:

- We specialise in targeted and tailored public legal education and information that is user centred, empowering and preventative.
- We deliver award-winning access to justice assistance that brings together online and offline help. We collaborate with communities and organisations to identify and achieve structural change.
- We combine research and practice to achieve excellence in public legal education and information and we promote the importance of high quality public legal education and information in order to develop and share good practice.

Extending our digital reach

Between July 2023 and April 2024 our integrated Law for Life and Advicenow website attracted **1,473,706** sessions by **763,584** unique users from across England and Wales. This represents a **6%** increase on the same period the previous year. **10%** of our respondents to our self-reporting survey say that they are helping someone else, either as a relative, friend, volunteer or professional. This represents a decrease on the same period as the previous year (14%).

We are proud that we reach an impressive number of people who are at risk of discrimination or struggle to access services due to barriers of cost. **38%** of Advicenow survey respondents in this period identified as disabled and **52%** have a household income of below £1,540 per month after tax (both the same as in the comparative period last year). **10%** of users reported that their problem was caused by or made worse by the Covid-19 pandemic, which is a significant decrease from 23% in the same period last year. **58%** of the respondents to our survey said they were women.

In order to sustain and grow our digital content Law for Life secured a targeted grant from the Ministry for Justice for our Advicenow services covering the period 7 November 2023 – 31 March 2024. This provided vital infrastructure support to ensure the continuing reach of our digital services.

Our community education programmes

Our community education programmes focus on building the skills and confidence needed to cope with legal issues and have been designed to ensure we reach those less able to access digital help. Last year we continued our work on housing and homelessness issues, delivering education and training to trusted intermediaries, with a focus on community and grassroots organisations. We extended our housing work to

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include working directly with vulnerable people with lived experience as well as trusted intermediaries. Our housing rights courses focused on the following groups:

- Refugees and migrants
- Vulnerable women
- Black and minority ethnic groups

Reach

- Our courses reached 241 participants from **130** organisations via 9 workshops
- Our education initiatives indirectly reached **2,410** people each month
- Our information resources on housing and homelessness received **60,822** pageviews

Updated and reengineered guides

We produced a number of updated and re-engineered guides to meet new user need, and to address changing legislation. For example:

- How to appeal a PIP decision – 58,704 views
- Things you need to know about court procedure before you sue someone – 18,807 views
- Appealing against a county court decision – 16,002 views
- How to appeal a work capability assessment decision – 18,135 views

Making a difference for people with employment issues

This year, we produced a whole new section of the site to help people manage common employment problems. Supported by the Bar Standards Board, this work grew out of need identified by an employment PLE feasibility study the previous year which looked at employment advice needs in the wake of Covid and Brexit. We produced brief guides explaining 19 basic employment rights, and how to take action (informally or using the grievance procedure) if they are not receiving them as they should. This help is particularly aimed at migrant workers, temporary workers or those on zero-hour contracts, and the young as they are particularly at risk of having their rights infringed. These guides attracted 5,436 views in this period.

Making a difference for people with family law issues

Our Affordable Advice Service dovetails Advicenow's popular step-by-step guides with fixed fee, unbundled legal advice from Resolution family lawyers at just the most crucial points in the process. **353 contacts were made equating to 39 contacts per month on average.** This represents an increase of 43% over the same period last year (9 months). Our panel solicitors reported that they had had 92 appointments with Affordable Advice clients, which represents a slight decrease of 11% on the same period last year. The service achieved a 70% reduction in fixed fee pricing.

Making a difference for disability benefit claimants

Our help to understand and challenge disability benefit decisions continue to be very popular - receiving **290,469** pageviews in total. Our self-help tools that help users write a letter requesting a mandatory reconsideration and set out their case received **41,194** pageviews and produced **3,076** personalised letters to challenge DWP decisions.

Making a difference for people with literacy or language needs

This year we installed an accessibility toolbar across the whole site which enables users to have all our information read out to them or translated into more than 100 languages. It also allows people to change how it appears (text size, contrast, margins etc) to make it easier to use for those with visual or neurodivergent needs. During this period the toolbar was used to view 11,207 pages by 5,206 unique users. 59% of toolbar users used it to read the information aloud to them, 28% used it to translate the information into another language (most frequently Albanian), while 12% used it to alter styling and revealing only small amounts of text at a time.

Expanding our influence: Research, Policy and Consultancy

We produced and promoted a piece about DWP consultation on the proposed changes to the Work Capability Assessment which explained the proposed changes and encouraged disabled people and their families and supporters to respond to the consultation. We also responded to the consultation. We conducted in depth research into the effectiveness and value of our Affordable Advice Service. The full research report was published on the website in January 2024. We conducted further research into **personalised legal support tools to help benefit claimants challenge decisions.** The research report has been completed and will be published and disseminated in November 2024.

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Nuffield local legal needs research

National and local data on disability benefits and local data relating to the research was collated towards providing context for the research findings. The report for the programme was finalised and a communications plan is underway. Final recommendations will form the key policy framework for our future services designs to ensure evidence-based service design on light of the needs emerging post Covid and cost of living crisis contexts,

Consultancy

Law for Life continued consultancy work with We Are Group (formerly We Are Digital) and HMCTS commission leads. We produced training to improve the quality of digital support sessions being provided and address common knowledge gaps and misunderstandings about applications to SSCS tribunal. We produced resources and training to ready partners for extension of the service to cover newly online stages of civil money claims and divorce. And we supported them on their partner categorisation and referral work.

Strategic report:

Key achievements:

- We completed a Governance review and undertook an organisational restructure incorporating the implementation of an Insight and Change team to focus on Policy and Research initiatives and establish a Senior Leadership Team.
- We undertook a major community giving campaign and increased donations income from £26,731 to £122,304
- Our education services have continued to expand to incorporate new funders and groups, in particular with a focus on Temporary Accommodation, We secured three year funding from Tudor to support our work with Gypsy, Roma and Traveller families.
- Our influencing work saw the commencement of a direct Grant from the Ministry of Justice to support our digital Advicenow Services. A further opportunity opened to extend the provision via an Online Support and Advice Grant tender process with the Ministry of Justice.
- We began work toward a major Digital Transformation programme to migrate the Advicenow website to Drupal 10 and substantially enhance user experience and navigation as well as significant content improvements.

Our strategic priorities

A strategic review was instigated to codesign our future 3 years strategy. This incorporates careful analysis of our field work findings and wider horizon scanning to produce a fit for purpose strategy for our growing organisation. Subject to finalisation our 3 year objectives are to:

- We will reduce poverty, discrimination and health inequality with a focus on low-income families, disabled people, young people, black and ethnic minority groups and migrants.
- We will amplify users' voices and work with our partners to provide a catalyst for change
- We will broaden our reach and build awareness of the value of public legal education
- We will build our sustainability, defend our independence and improve accountability to our service users.
- We will drive legal empowerment and tackle social injustice through technological innovation

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Law for Life had a net income of £103,933 increasing the funds to £176,693 as at 31 March 2024.

Reserves policy

In the Trustees' view, the reserves should aim to provide the charity with adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its charitable objectives for the foreseeable future.

Over the period, the trustees aimed to increase the charity's reserves to the level which is at least equivalent to 3 months' operational expenditure and to do so having regard to its manner of operation and to likely funding streams. Trustees provided for a designated reserve to support key infrastructure investment toward Digital Transformation programming of £65,000 as shown in note 14.

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Risk management

The Board of Trustees confirms that it has identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and has established systems to mitigate these risks. A strategic review has begun in year which has reviewed existing and future risk in order to finalise a three-year strategic plan 2024-27. Overhead costs remain low due to the organisation by becoming a fully remote office in March 2021.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Law for Life: the Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association and registered under the number 07695486. The company was incorporated and commenced trading on 6 July 2011. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission under number 1143589.

Governance

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting strategies and policies for the charity and for ensuring that these are implemented.

Management and staffing

Day-to-day management of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive.

Induction and training of new trustees

An induction process has been developed and implemented. This forms the basis of any training needs identified for Trustees. New trustees also receive an induction into the organisation including governance training covering different aspects of the trustee role and responsibilities.

Patrons

The charity is very grateful for the support it receives from its patrons.

Board of Trustees

The members of the Board of Trustees perform the role of directors in company law and trustees in charity law. Any person who is willing to act as a trustee and who would not be disqualified from acting under the provisions of Article, may be appointed to be a trustee by a decision of the trustees. The trustees are appointed for a term of three years, at the end of which they are eligible for appointment for a second consecutive term of three years. This second term can be extended for a period of up to two years by agreement of the trustees.

Key management pay

The salary for key management is decided by the Trustees considering the skills and experience required, the management responsibilities, the overall budget constraints and a view of what is appropriate as compared to similar roles in the sector in which we work.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees (who are also directors of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' 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. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

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For the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and 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.

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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

This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Fiona Edwards
Chair

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1
JULY 2023 TO 31 MARCH 2024

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education (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'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the Company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education 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 the accounts 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

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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

Shoaib Arshad ACA, FCCA
Knox Cropper LLP
Chartered Accountants
65 Leadenhall Street, London, EC3A 2AD

Date: _____

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)
For the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	122,304	-	122,304	26,731
Charitable activities	4	140,071	176,586	316,657	373,790
Investments	3	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		262,375	176,586	438,961	400,521
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities		148,568	186,460	335,028	435,859
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5	148,568	186,460	335,028	435,859
Net income/(expenditure) before gains and losses on investments		113,807	(9,874)	103,933	(35,338)
Net income/(expenditure)		113,807	(9,874)	103,933	(35,338)
Transfer between funds	14	(8,884)	8,884	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		104,923	(990)	103,933	(35,338)
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 JULY 2023		47,802	24,958	72,760	108,098
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 MARCH 2024		£ 152,725	£ 23,968	£ 176,693	£ 72,760

BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	11	-	-
		-	-
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	76,840	28,315
Cash at bank and in hand		113,736	59,132
		190,576	87,447
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	(13,883)	(14,687)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		176,693	72,760
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		176,693	72,760
NET ASSETS		£ 176,693	£ 72,760
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
Designated funds	14	65,000	-
General fund	14	87,725	47,802
Restricted funds	14	23,968	24,958
		£ 176,693	£ 72,760

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and the section 1a of the Financial Reporting Standard 102.

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the period ended 31 March 2024. The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial period and of its surplus or deficit for each financial period in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements were approved, and authorised for issue, by the Board of Trustees on _____ and signed on their behalf by:-

VANESSA DAVIES, Interim Chair

JONATHAN SPAIN, Treasurer

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities		
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial period	103,933	(35,338)
Adjustments for:		
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(48,525)	35,706
(Decrease) in creditors	(804)	(6,480)
Investment income	-	-
	<u>54,604</u>	<u>(6,112)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Return on investment - interest receivable	-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	<u>54,604</u>	<u>(6,112)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July 2023	59,132	65,244
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March 2024	<u>£ 113,736</u>	<u>£ 59,132</u>
Components of cash and cash equivalents		
	At 1 July 2023	Cashflows
		At 31 March 2024
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>£ 59,132</u>	<u>£ 113,736</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 March 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP 2015), in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) applicable to smaller entities (under section 1a) and the Charities Act 2011. The presentational currency of the financial statements is Pound Sterling (£).

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

Company status

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

Going concern

The trustees have prepared cash flows and budgets for the next twelve months and consider that the company is able to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The trustees have an expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For these reasons, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements. Statutory grants which are given as contributions towards the Charity's core services are treated as unrestricted.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that 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 and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixture and fittings	-	3 Years
Office equipment	-	3 Years

Cash at bank and in hand

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

Short-term debtors and creditors

Debtors are recognised when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the account can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received. Creditors are recognised when the charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Financial Instruments

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

Pensions

The company operates a personal pension plan. If permanent employees choose to join, the company contributes 9% of gross salary. Alternatively, the company contributes 9% of gross salary to a permanent employee's personal pension fund. Non-permanent staff are offered an employer's contribution of 3% in line with current auto enrolment regulations. The pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the funds in respect of the year.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Donations	122,304	-	122,304	26,731
	<u>£ 122,304</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 122,304</u>	<u>£ 26,731</u>

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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Interest receivable from:				
Bank interest	-	-	-	-
	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants for services	103,800	176,586	280,386	316,235
Contract income	36,271	-	36,271	57,555
	<u>£ 140,071</u>	<u>£ 176,586</u>	<u>£ 316,657</u>	<u>£ 373,790</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Access to Justice Foundation - LIPSS Grant	-	-	-	112,500
Access to Justice Foundation - ILTA Grant	100,000	-	100,000	-
Access to Justice Foundation - LSLIP Grant	-	-	-	21,965
Tudor Trust	-	34,875	34,875	48,500
Trust for London	-	33,000	33,000	44,000
MOJ Uplift LSLIP and LIPSS	-	-	-	12,500
Nuffield Foundation	-	8,889	8,889	12,570
Necessity	-	-	-	20,000
Oak Foundation - TFL	-	22,500	22,500	29,000
Ministry of Justice - AdviceNow Guides	-	67,322	67,322	-
Disrupt Foundation	-	10,000	10,000	-
Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust	3,800	-	3,800	15,200
	<u>£ 103,800</u>	<u>£ 176,586</u>	<u>£ 280,386</u>	<u>£ 316,235</u>

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4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (continued)

COMPARATIVE INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants for services	182,165	134,070	316,235
Contract income	57,555	-	57,555
	<u>£ 239,720</u>	<u>£ 134,070</u>	<u>£ 373,790</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Access to Justice Foundation - LIPSS Grant	112,500	-	112,500
Access to Justice Foundation - LSLIP Grant	21,965	-	21,965
Tudor Trust	-	48,500	48,500
Trust for London	-	44,000	44,000
MOJ Uplift LSLIP and LIPSS	12,500	-	12,500
Nuffield Foundation	-	12,570	12,570
Necessity	20,000	-	20,000
Oak Foundation - TFL	-	29,000	29,000
Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust	15,200	-	15,200
	<u>£ 182,165</u>	<u>£ 134,070</u>	<u>£ 316,235</u>

5. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Direct Staff costs £	Other direct costs £	Support costs £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Cost of charitable activities					
Advancement of public legal education	262,420	23,310	49,298	335,028	435,859
Total 2024	£ 262,420	£ 23,310	£ 49,298	£ 335,028	
Total 2023	£ 339,749	£ 35,586	£ 60,524		£ 435,859

Resources expended include:

	2024	2023
Independent Examiner's fee (excluding VAT)	2,200	1,700

Details of direct costs and support costs is given in Notes 6 and 7. Details of staff costs are given in Note 8.

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6. Direct Costs	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs	262,420	339,749
Website system development	-	6,400
Website hosting and support	-	423
Professional fees	19,192	19,991
Communications	3,720	2,859
Irrecoverable VAT	398	5,913
	<u>£ 285,730</u>	<u>£ 375,335</u>

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Management	15,107	26,454
IT Support	19,820	17,270
Governance costs	13,025	15,775
Premises costs	1,346	1,025
	<u>£ 49,298</u>	<u>£ 60,524</u>

8. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	223,074	295,769
Social security costs	22,127	23,322
Pension costs	17,219	20,658
	<u>£ 262,420</u>	<u>£ 339,749</u>

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

	Number	Number
Management	3	3
Advancement of public legal education	7	7
	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>

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

The key management personnel of the charitable company are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charitable company, directly or indirectly, including any trustee of the charitable company. In addition to the trustees of Law for Life, key management personnel include the Chief Executive and Deputy Chief Executive. Total employee benefits including employer pension contributions paid to key management personnel in the period amounted to £106,076 (2023 - £118,437).

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9. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the period, no members of the Board of Trustees received any remuneration (2023 - £NIL).
No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of expenses (2023 - £NIL).

10. Taxation

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a registered charity and is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received within the categories covered by Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied to charitable purposes.

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixture and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 July 2023 and 31 March 2024	<u>6,379</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 July 2023 and 31 March 2024	<u>6,379</u>
Net book value	
At 31 March 2024	<u>£ Nil</u>
At 30 June 2023	<u>£ Nil</u>

12. DEBTORS

	2024 £	2023 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	1,500	10,909
Prepayments	710	444
Accrued income	59,625	12,000
Other debtors	15,005	4,962
	<u>£ 76,840</u>	<u>£ 28,315</u>

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13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	2,598	5,318
Social security and other taxes	7,653	5,613
Other creditors	732	1,054
VAT creditors	-	(198)
Accruals	2,900	2,900
	<u>£ 13,883</u>	<u>£ 14,687</u>

14. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward 2024 £	Incoming Resources 2024 £	Resources Expended 2024 £	Transfers and investment gains/(losses) 2024 £	Carried Forward 2024 £
DESIGNATED FUNDS					
Digital Transformation	-	-	-	65,000	65,000
	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 65,000</u>	<u>£ 65,000</u>
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Tudor Trust	10,100	34,875	(38,508)	-	6,467
Disrupt Foundation	-	10,000	(10,395)	5,781	5,386
Trust for London	6,270	33,000	(39,489)	2,319	2,100
Ministry of Justice - AdviceNow Guides	-	67,322	(67,322)	-	-
Nuffield Foundation	-	8,889	(9,673)	784	-
Oak Foundation - TFL	8,588	22,500	(21,073)	-	10,015
Other restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>£ 24,958</u>	<u>£ 176,586</u>	<u>£ (186,460)</u>	<u>£ 8,884</u>	<u>£ 23,968</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
Designated Funds	-	-	-	65,000	65,000
General Funds	47,802	262,375	(148,568)	(73,884)	87,725
	<u>47,802</u>	<u>262,375</u>	<u>(148,568)</u>	<u>(8,884)</u>	<u>152,725</u>
Restricted Funds	24,958	176,586	(186,460)	8,884	23,968
	<u>£ 72,760</u>	<u>£ 438,961</u>	<u>£ (335,028)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 176,693</u>

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14. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

Other restricted grants are small grants received during the period for specific projects.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	<i>Brought Forward 2023 £</i>	<i>Incoming Resources 2023 £</i>	<i>Resources Expended 2023 £</i>	<i>Transfers and investment gains/(losses) 2023 £</i>	<i>Carried Forward 2023 £</i>
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Tudor Trust	13,329	48,500	(51,729)	-	10,100
Trust for London	2,254	44,000	(39,984)	-	6,270
Nuffield Foundation	17,485	12,570	(34,715)	4,660	-
Oak Foundation - TFL		29,000	(20,412)	-	8,588
Allen & Overy	1,778	-	(4,811)	3,033	-
	<u>£ 34,846</u>	<u>£ 134,070</u>	<u>£ (151,651)</u>	<u>£ 7,693</u>	<u>£ 24,958</u>

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

General Funds	73,252	266,451	(284,208)	(7,693)	47,802
Restricted Funds	34,846	134,070	(151,651)	7,693	24,958
	<u>£ 108,098</u>	<u>£ 400,521</u>	<u>£ (435,859)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 72,760</u>

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2024 £</i>
Net current assets	87,725	23,968	176,693
	<u>£ 87,725</u>	<u>£ 23,968</u>	<u>£ 176,693</u>
	<i>2023 £</i>	<i>2023 £</i>	<i>2023 £</i>
Comparative analysis of net assets	<u>£ 47,802</u>	<u>£ 24,958</u>	<u>£ 72,760</u>

16. RELATED PARTIES

There were no related party transactions in the period.

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17 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2023 £</i>
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies	26,731	-	26,731
Charitable activities	239,720	134,070	373,790
Investments	-	-	-
TOTAL	<u>266,451</u>	<u>134,070</u>	<u>400,521</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	<u>284,208</u>	<u>151,651</u>	<u>435,859</u>
Net expenditure	(17,757)	(17,581)	(35,338)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	<u>(25,450)</u>	<u>(9,888)</u>	<u>(35,338)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 JULY 2021	73,252	34,846	108,098
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 JUNE 2023	<u>£ 47,802</u>	<u>£ 24,958</u>	<u>£ 72,760</u>

Accounts

**LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL
EDUCATION**

**(Company limited by guarantee no. 07695486
registered charity no. 1143589)**

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY,
ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS**
For the year ended 30 June 2023

Patrons	Professor Dame Hazel Genn DBE QC The Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury The Rt. Hon. Lord Briggs of Westbourne
Board of Trustees	Joseph Broadway Vanessa Davies Amanda Finlay CBE (resigned 11 November 2023) Raymond Sheehy Jonathan Spain Simon Davey (resigned 25 March 2023) Michael Abiodun Olatokun Rohini Jana (appointed 25 May 2023) Savita Narain (appointed 25 May 2023) Jennifer Dingley (appointed 25 May 2023)
Chair	Vanessa Davies, Interim Chair (from 11 November 2023) Amanda Finlay CBE (to 11 November 2023)
Treasurer	Jonathan Spain
Chief Executive	Lisa Wintersteiger
Company reg. no.	07695486
Charity reg. no.	1143589
Registered office	4th Floor, 18 St. Cross Street London EC1N 8UN
Independent Examiner	Knox Cropper LLP 65 Leadenhall Street London EC3A 2AD

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT
For the period ended 30 June 2023

The Trustees, who are also directors of the Company for the purposes of the Companies Act, and trustees for charity law purposes, present their annual report and the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the period ended 30 June 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102.) (effective 1 January 2019).

The Board of Trustees has complied with the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our purposes and activities

Law for Life strives for social justice by legally empowering individuals and communities. We believe everyone should be equipped with the knowledge, confidence and skills needed to deal with the law-related issues they are likely to encounter in the course of their lives.

Our aims are to:

- Deliver innovative public legal education and information that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

Our services:

- We specialise in targeted and tailored public legal education and information that is user centred, empowering and preventative.
- We deliver award-winning access to justice assistance that brings together online and offline help. We collaborate with communities and organisations to identify and achieve structural change.
- We combine research and practice to achieve excellence in public legal education and information and we promote the importance of high quality public legal education and information in order to develop and share good practice.

Extending our digital reach

Between July 2022 and June 2023 our integrated Law for Life and Advicenow website attracted 1,282,327 sessions by 1,007,452 users from across England and Wales, an increase of 21.61% on the previous year.

14% of our respondents to our self-reporting survey say that they are helping someone else, either as a relative, friend, volunteer or professional.

We are proud that we reach an impressive number of people who are at risk of discrimination or struggle to access services due to barriers of cost. 38% of Advicenow survey respondents in this period identified as disabled and 49% have a household income of below £1,540 per month after tax. 27% of users reported that their problem was caused by or made worse by the Covid-19 pandemic. Web analytics show that 51% of our users are women.

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Our community education programmes

Our community education programmes focus on building the skills and confidence needed to cope with legal issues, and have been designed to ensure we reach those less able to access digital help. Our programmes reached over 130 community groups including trusted intermediaries from local community organisations, women's shelters, refugee organisations, food banks, tenants' unions, and organisations supporting victims of domestic abuse.

Last year we continued our work on housing and homelessness issues, delivering education and training to trusted intermediaries, with a focus on community and grassroots organisations including refugee and migrant groups, women's groups and Black and Minority Ethnic groups. We extended our housing work to include working directly with vulnerable people with lived experience as well as trusted intermediaries.

Our housing rights courses focused on the following groups:

- Refugees and migrants
- Vulnerable women
- Black and minority ethnic groups

Reach

- Our courses reached 241 participants from 130 organisations via 9 workshops
- Our education initiatives indirectly reached 2,410 people each month
- Our information resources on housing and homelessness received 60,822 pageviews

The continuing impact of Covid-19 and the cost-of-living crisis

The continuing impact of Covid-19 and the cost-of-living crisis has impacted on our service users and the resources that they need from us. For example:

- How to deal with a section 21 eviction notice – 46,015 pageviews
- How to Print on Your Phone – 49,514 pageviews.
- Court and tribunal hearings by video or phone call – 5,359 pageviews,

We frequently updated our Help Directory to enable users to find advice they could access without leaving home. We have continued to update it as more organisations pivoted to offering telephone and video advice.

New and reengineered guides

We produced a number of new and re-engineered guides to meet new user need, and to address changing legislation. For example:

Appealing against a county court decision – 9,255 pageviews

How to start a claim – 4,228 pageviews

How to get a divorce or end a civil partnership – 11,587 pageviews

Survival guide to living with a partner and benefits – 91,818 pageviews

The difference we made for litigants in person

This year we added to our suite of guides for people taking or responding to a claim about compensation, personal injury, unpaid debts, broken contracts, or consumer problems to the small claims court or the county court without the help of a solicitor. We now have resources that show our readers how to work out whether taking someone to court will be worth it, and how to resolve the dispute before or instead of going to court. We also show our readers how to navigate the pre-court protocols in the civil court, how, to complete the correct

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forms and use the new online civil court systems. We show readers how to make their case well, prepare for court hearings and how to deal with things like witness statements and court bundles. These guides attracted over 78,792 pageviews. We also produced a guide to the new rules for people making a small claim about injuries caused in a car accident that wasn't their fault, and joined the Official Injury Claim Engagement Group to use our expertise to ensure the service worked for Litigants in Person

Our Affordable Advice Service dovetails Advicenow's popular step-by-step guides with fixed fee, unbundled legal advice from Resolution family lawyers at just the most crucial points in the process. 339 contacts were made equating to 28 contacts per month on average. The service achieved a 70% reduction in fixed fee pricing.

Making a difference for disability benefit claimants

Our self-help guides to challenging unfair disability benefit decisions continue to be very popular - receiving 133,829 pageviews in total. 47% of 64 respondents to a survey about the tools said that they would have asked for a reconsideration but wouldn't have put their case so well without our tool, while 36% told us that they might not have asked for a reconsideration at all. We have also recently started surveying people at the point at which their letter is generated, which is giving us more data about why they are using it. Our digital tools and films are going from strength to strength. Our help for adults with disabilities accessing Personal Independence Payments, Disability Living Allowance (for families with disabled children) and Work Capability Assessment (for those claiming Employment Support Allowance or the limited capability for work element of Universal Credit) received 77,333 pageviews and produced 3,926 personalised letters to challenge DWP decisions. Our films have been viewed 40,182 times; with 4,564 hours of viewing time.

Expanding our influence: Research, Policy and Consultancy

Our 18 month research programme in partnership with the University of Warwick and Central England Law Centre funded by the Nuffield Foundation to explore the legal needs of marginalised groups emerging from the pandemic has been progressing within interim findings published showing that:

- The most prevalent legal needs in the aftermath of the pandemic relate to welfare benefits, housing and homeless, immigration, employment and social care.
- People from marginalised groups face significant barriers to dealing with law- related issues and accessing justice including low levels of knowledge of rights and legal processes and sources of legal help. Emotional and confidence barriers, including stress compound difficulties in securing access to services.
- Overall reductions in services, entitlements and lack of capacity create systemic barriers to accessing health and legal support, and systems penalise people who are already struggling due to multiple disadvantages.
- Digitisation creates specific barriers for people including difficulties with accessing online systems, navigation and evidence submission. Lack of internet access, wider digital poverty and low levels of digital skills are reported. Digitisation can make it more difficult to access help and support, and it can compound feelings of alienation.
- Trusted intermediaries are an integral part of access to justice for marginalised groups. They are a lifeline for those they support in the context of law-related issues.

Employment law problems

The Bar Standards Board generously provided for us to research prevalent employment-related legal problems in the light of the pandemic, Brexit and the cost of living crisis to develop a public legal

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education employment law strategy. Through desktop research, feedback from our users, multiple surveys, and consultation with advice agencies we identified what employment issues people are facing, and which groups are particularly affected. Our research found:

- The most common problems they experienced were around perceived unfair dismissal and health and safety issues, reduced and unpaid wages and zero hour contract problems.
- 41% said they had experienced discrimination.
- 14% said they had experienced issues around reasonable adjustments.
- 58% said that they had complained or raised a grievance with their employer.

Our gaps analysis identified the need for:

- awareness raising and early intervention information, particularly for some audiences, such as some groups of migrant workers who have little knowledge of how the law underpins their problems with work
- information which supports people by being relatable, 'on their side'
- information that acknowledges emotions and addresses how these impact on people's ability to take in information and maintain a detachment,
- information that explains how to deal with a problem, in reality, rather than how the process is supposed to work.

Strategic report:

Key achievements:

- We continue to expand and diversify income streams and increased donations income from £644 to £26,731.
- Our education services have continued to expand to incorporate new funders and groups, in particular with a focus on Temporary Accommodation, We secured three year funding from Tudor to support our work with Gypsy, Roma and Traveller families.
- We expanded our policy influence and research work through grants from Nuffield Foundation and Access to Justice Foundation for dedicated research.

Our strategic priorities

Following a strategic review in light of Covid-19, over the next two years we have identified four strategic priorities that we will pursue in order to achieve our vision. These have been identified by analysing the strengths, challenges and risks that we face. In the next two years we will:

- Deliver innovative public legal education that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Law for Life had a deficit of £35,338 decreasing total reserves to £72,760 as at 30 June 2023. Total funds include £47,802 for unrestricted reserves and £24,958 for restricted reserves.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT
For the period ended 30 June 2023

Reserves policy

In the Trustees' view, the reserves should aim to provide the charity with adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its charitable objectives for the foreseeable future.

Over the period, the trustees aimed to increase the charity's reserves to the level which is at least equivalent to 3 months' operational expenditure and to do so having regard to its manner of operation and to likely funding streams.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees confirms that it has identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and has established systems to mitigate these risks. A strategic review has begun in year which has reviewed existing and future risk in order to finalise a three-year strategic plan 2024-27. Overhead costs remain low due to the organisation by becoming a fully remote office in March 2021.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Law for Life: the Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association and registered under the number 07695486. The company was incorporated and commenced trading on 6 July 2011. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission under number 1143589.

Governance

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting strategies and policies for the charity and for ensuring that these are implemented.

Management and staffing

Day-to-day management of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive.

Induction and training of new trustees

An induction process has been developed and implemented. This forms the basis of any training needs identified for Trustees. New trustees also receive an induction into the organisation including governance training covering different aspects of the trustee role and responsibilities.

Patrons

The charity is very grateful for the support it receives from its patrons.

Board of Trustees

The members of the Board of Trustees perform the role of directors in company law and trustees in charity law. Any person who is willing to act as a trustee and who would not be disqualified from acting under the provisions of Article, may be appointed to be a trustee by a decision of the trustees. The trustees are appointed for a term of three years, at the end of which they are eligible for appointment for a second consecutive term of three years. This second term can be extended for a period of up to two years by agreement of the trustees.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT
For the period ended 30 June 2023

Key management pay

The salary for key management is decided by the Trustees considering the skills and experience required, the management responsibilities, the overall budget constraints and a view of what is appropriate as compared to similar roles in the sector in which we work.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees (who are also directors of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' 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. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and 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.

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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

This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Dr Vanessa Davies
Interim Chair



Vanessa L Davies
Signed on 20/12/23 @ 15:16

Date: 2023-12-20

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30
JUNE 2023

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education (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'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the Company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education 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 the accounts 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

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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



Shoaib Arshad ACA, FCCA

Knox Cropper LLP

Chartered Accountants

65 Leadenhall Street, London, EC3A 2AD

Date: 2 January 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	26,731	-	26,731	644
Charitable activities	4	239,720	134,070	373,790	432,519
Investments	3	-	-	-	1
TOTAL		266,451	134,070	400,521	433,164
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities		284,208	151,651	435,859	349,995
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5	284,208	151,651	435,859	349,995
Net (expenditure)/income before gains and losses on investments		(17,757)	(17,581)	(35,338)	83,169
Net (expenditure)/income		(17,757)	(17,581)	(35,338)	83,169
Transfer between funds	14	(7,693)	7,693	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(25,450)	(9,888)	(35,338)	83,169
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 JULY 2022		73,252	34,846	108,098	24,929
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 JUNE 2023		£ 47,802	£ 24,958	£ 72,760	£ 108,098

LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION

Company limited by guarantee (registered company no. 07695486)

BALANCE SHEET**As at 30 June 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	11	-	-
		-	-
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	28,315	64,021
Cash at bank and in hand		59,132	65,244
		87,447	129,265
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	(14,687)	(21,167)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		72,760	108,098
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		72,760	108,098
NET ASSETS		£ 72,760	£ 108,098
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund	14	47,802	73,252
Restricted funds	14	24,958	34,846
		£ 72,760	£ 108,098

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and the section 1a of the Financial Reporting Standard 102.

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2023. The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each 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 financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements were approved, and authorised for issue, by the Board of Trustees on 2023-12-20 and signed on their behalf by:-



Vanessa L Davies
Signed on 20/12/23 @ 15:16

VANESSA DAVIES, Interim Chair



Jon Spain
Signed on 01/01/24 @ 10:34

JONATHAN SPAIN, Treasurer

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
(Deficit)/surplus for the financial year	(35,338)	83,169
Adjustments for:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	35,706	(55,479)
(Decrease) in creditors	(6,480)	(22,874)
Investment income	-	(1)
	(6,112)	4,815
Cash flows from investing activities		
Return on investment - interest receivable	-	1
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(6,112)	4,816
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July 2022	65,244	60,428
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2023	£ 59,132	£ 65,244
Components of cash and cash equivalents		
	At 1 July	At 30 June
	2022	2023
	Cashflows	
Cash at bank and in hand	£ 65,244	£ 59,132
	£ (6,112)	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP 2015), in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) applicable to smaller entities (under section 1a) and the Charities Act 2011. The presentational currency of the financial statements is Pound Sterling (£).

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

Company status

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

Going concern

The trustees have prepared cash flows and budgets for the next twelve months and consider that the company is able to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The trustees have an expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For these reasons, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements. Statutory grants which are given as contributions towards the Charity's core services are treated as unrestricted.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that 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 and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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For the year ended 30 June 2023

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixture and fittings	-	3 Years
Office equipment	-	3 Years

Cash at bank and in hand

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

Short-term debtors and creditors

Debtors are recognised when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the account can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received. Creditors are recognised when the charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Financial Instruments

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

Pensions

The company operates a personal pension plan. If permanent employees choose to join, the company contributes 9% of gross salary. Alternatively, the company contributes 9% of gross salary to a permanent employee's personal pension fund. Non-permanent staff are offered an employer's contribution of 3% in line with current auto enrolment regulations. The pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the funds in respect of the year.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Donations	26,731	-	26,731	644
	<u>£ 26,731</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 26,731</u>	<u>£ 644</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Interest receivable from:				
Bank interest	-	-	-	1
	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 1</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Grants for services	182,165	134,070	316,235	350,792
Contract income	57,555	-	57,555	81,727
	<u>£ 239,720</u>	<u>£ 134,070</u>	<u>£ 373,790</u>	<u>£ 432,519</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Access to Justice Foundation - LIPSS Grant	112,500	-	112,500	91,848
Access to Justice Foundation - LSLIP Grant	21,965	-	21,965	84,359
Tudor Trust	-	48,500	48,500	35,000
Trust for London	-	44,000	44,000	37,580
MOJ Uplift LSLIP and LIPSS	12,500	-	12,500	42,962
Nuffield Foundation	-	12,570	12,570	24,043
Necessity	20,000	-	20,000	30,000
Oak Foundation - TFL	-	29,000	29,000	-
Allen & Overy	-	-	-	5,000
Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust	15,200	-	15,200	-
	<u>£ 182,165</u>	<u>£ 134,070</u>	<u>£ 316,235</u>	<u>£ 350,792</u>

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4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (continued)

COMPARATIVE INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Grants for services	249,169	101,623	350,792
Contract income	81,727	-	81,727
	<u>£ 330,896</u>	<u>£ 101,623</u>	<u>£ 432,519</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £
Access to Justice Foundation - LIPSS Grant	91,848	-	91,848
Access to Justice Foundation - LSLIP Grant	84,359	-	84,359
Tudor Trust	-	35,000	35,000
Trust for London	-	37,580	37,580
MOJ Uplift LSLIP and LIPSS	42,962	-	42,962
Nuffield Foundation	-	24,043	24,043
Necessity	30,000	-	30,000
Allen & Overy	-	5,000	5,000
	<u>£ 249,169</u>	<u>£ 101,623</u>	<u>£ 350,792</u>

5. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Direct Staff costs £	Other direct costs £	Support costs £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Cost of charitable activities					
Advancement of public legal education	339,749	35,586	60,524	435,859	349,995
Total 2023	£ 339,749	£ 35,586	£ 60,524	£ 435,859	
Total 2022	£ 271,295	£ 40,809	£ 37,891		£ 349,995

Resources expended include:

	2023	2022
Independent Examiner's fee (excluding VAT)	2,200	1,700

Details of direct costs and support costs is given in Notes 6 and 7. Details of staff costs are given in Note 8.

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6. Direct Costs	2023 £	2022 £
Staff costs	339,749	271,295
Website system development	6,400	4,250
Website hosting and support	423	5,500
Professional fees	19,991	17,129
Communications	2,859	10,529
Irrecoverable VAT	5,913	3,401
	<u>£ 375,335</u>	<u>£ 312,104</u>

7. SUPPORT COSTS	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Management	26,454	15,290
IT Support	17,270	5,814
Governance costs	15,775	16,410
Premises costs	1,025	377
	<u>£ 60,524</u>	<u>£ 37,891</u>

8. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	295,769	235,238
Social security costs	23,322	17,141
Pension costs	20,658	18,916
	<u>£ 339,749</u>	<u>£ 271,295</u>

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

	Number	Number
Management	3	2
Advancement of public legal education	7	6
	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>

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

The key management personnel of the charitable company are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charitable company, directly or indirectly, including any trustee of the charitable company. In addition to the trustees of Law for Life, key management personnel include the Chief Executive. Total employee benefits including employer pension contributions paid to key management personnel in the year amounted to £71,244 (2022 - £60,494).

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9. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, no members of the Board of Trustees received any remuneration (2022 - £NIL).

No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of expenses (2022 - £NIL).

10. Taxation

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a registered charity and is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received within the categories covered by Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied to charitable purposes.

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixture and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023	<u>6,379</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023	<u>6,379</u>
Net book value	
At 30 June 2023	<u>£ Nil</u>
At 30 June 2022	<u>£ Nil</u>

12. DEBTORS

	2023 £	2022 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	10,909	15,120
Prepayments	444	539
Accrued income	12,000	47,005
Other debtors	4,962	1,357
	<u>£ 28,315</u>	<u>£ 64,021</u>

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13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	5,318	5,669
Social security and other taxes	5,613	5,946
Other creditors	1,054	473
VAT creditors	(198)	1,342
Accruals	2,900	7,737
	<u>£ 14,687</u>	<u>£ 21,167</u>

14. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward 2023 £	Incoming Resources 2023 £	Resources Expended 2023 £	Transfers and investment gains/(losses) 2023 £	Carried Forward 2023 £
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Tudor Trust	13,329	48,500	(51,729)	-	10,100
Trust for London	2,254	44,000	(39,984)	-	6,270
Nuffield Foundation	17,485	12,570	(34,715)	4,660	-
Oak Foundation - TFL		29,000	(20,412)	-	8,588
Allen & Overy	1,778	-	(4,811)	3,033	-
	<u>£ 34,846</u>	<u>£ 134,070</u>	<u>£ (151,651)</u>	<u>£ 7,693</u>	<u>£ 24,958</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
General Funds	73,252	266,451	(284,208)	(7,693)	47,802
	5,797	266,451	(284,208)	(7,693)	47,802
Restricted Funds	34,846	134,070	(151,651)	7,693	24,958
	<u>£ 108,098</u>	<u>£ 400,521</u>	<u>£ (435,859)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 72,760</u>

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14. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

Other restricted grants are small grants received during the year for specific projects.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	<i>Brought Forward 2022 £</i>	<i>Incoming Resources 2022 £</i>	<i>Resources Expended 2022 £</i>	<i>Transfers and investment gains/(losses) 2022 £</i>	<i>Carried Forward 2022 £</i>
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
<i>Tudor Trust</i>	1,663	35,000	(23,334)	-	13,329
<i>Trust for London</i>	2,895	37,580	(38,221)	-	2,254
<i>Nuffield Foundation</i>	-	24,043	(6,558)	-	17,485
<i>Allen & Overy</i>	-	5,000	(3,222)	-	1,778
	<u>£ 4,558</u>	<u>£ 101,623</u>	<u>£ (71,335)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 34,846</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
<i>General Funds</i>	20,371	331,541	(278,660)	-	73,252
<i>Restricted Funds</i>	4,558	101,623	(71,335)	-	34,846
	<u>£ 24,929</u>	<u>£ 433,164</u>	<u>£ (349,995)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 108,098</u>

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2023 £</i>
Net current assets	47,802	24,958	72,760
	<u>£ 47,802</u>	<u>£ 24,958</u>	<u>£ 72,760</u>
	<i>2022 £</i>	<i>2022 £</i>	<i>2022 £</i>
<i>Comparative analysis of net assets</i>	<u>£ 73,252</u>	<u>£ 34,846</u>	<u>£ 108,098</u>

16. RELATED PARTIES

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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17 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2022 £</i>
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies	644	-	644
Charitable activities	330,896	101,623	432,519
Investments	1	-	1
TOTAL	331,541	101,623	433,164
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	278,660	71,335	349,995
Net income	52,881	30,288	83,169
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	52,881	30,288	83,169
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 JULY 2021	20,371	4,558	24,929
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 JUNE 2022	£ 73,252	£ 34,846	£ 108,098

Accounts

**LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL
EDUCATION**

(Company limited by guarantee no. 07695486
registered charity no. 1143589)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022



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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY,
ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS**
For the year ended 30 June 2022

Patrons	Professor Dame Hazel Genn DBE QC The Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury The Rt. Hon. Lord Briggs of Westbourne
Board of Trustees	Mr Joseph Broadway Dr Vanessa Davies Ms Amanda Finlay CBE Professor Dawn Oliver (resigned 2 September 2021) Mr Raymond Sheehy Mr Jonathan Spain Dr Simon Davey Mr Michael Abiodun Olatokun
Chair	Amanda Finlay CBE
Treasurer	Jonathan Spain
Chief Executive	Lisa Wintersteiger
Company reg. no.	07695486
Charity reg. no.	1143589
Registered office	4th Floor, 18 St. Cross Street London EC1N 8UN
Independent Examiner	Knox Cropper LLP 65 Leadenhall Street London EC3A 2AD

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT For the period ended 30 June 2022

The Trustees, who are also directors of the Company for the purposes of the Companies Act, and trustees for charity law purposes, present their annual report and the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the period ended 30 June 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102.) (effective 1 January 2019).

The Board of Trustees has complied with the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our purposes and activities

Law for Life strives for social justice by legally empowering individuals and communities. We believe everyone should be equipped with the knowledge, confidence and skills needed to deal with the law-related issues they are likely to encounter in the course of their lives.

Our aims are to:

- Deliver innovative public legal education and information that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

Our services:

- We specialise in targeted and tailored public legal education and information that is user centred, empowering and preventative.
- We deliver award-winning access to justice assistance that brings together online and offline help.
- We combine research and practice to achieve excellence in public legal education and information.
- We promote the importance of high quality public legal education and information in order to develop and share good practice.

Extending our digital reach

Between July 2021 and June 2022 our integrated Law for Life and Advicenow website attracted 1,739,031 pageviews, an increase of 0.8% on the previous year. It is encouraging to see use stabilise after the reduction in pageviews which accompanied the ongoing disruption caused by Covid-19.

This represents 1,052,998 sessions by 828,402 users. 18% of our respondents to our self-reporting survey say that they are helping someone else, either as a relative, friend, volunteer or professional. This is down on the previous year, when a higher proportion (30%) of survey respondents said that they were helping others.

We are proud that we reach an impressive number of vulnerable users. **37%** of Advicenow survey respondents in this period identified as disabled and **58%** have a household income of below £1,540 per month after tax. **24%** of users reported that their problem was caused by or made worse by the Covid-19 pandemic. Web analytics show that 54% of our users are women.

Our community education programmes

Our community education programmes focus on building the skills and confidence needed to cope with legal issues, and have been designed to ensure we reach those less able to access digital help. Our programmes reached over **112 community groups in the London area** including trusted intermediaries from local community organisations, women's shelters, refugee organisations, food banks, tenants' unions, and organisations supporting victims of domestic abuse. In addition to training courses on housing rights, two online forums were also held, attracting 59

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participants. We delivered the second year of a two-year programme to support **Gypsy, Roma and Traveller families that struggle with Child Protection processes**.

The continuing impact of Covid-19

We continue to update resources on Advicenow to keep pace with Covid-19 rule changes and their impacts. For example:

- **How to deal with a section 21 eviction notice** – 36,557 pageviews
- **How to Print on Your Phone** - 55,454 pageviews.
- **Court and tribunal hearings by video or phone call** - 5,343 pageviews,

We frequently updated our Help Directory to enable users to find advice they could access without leaving home. We have continued to update it as more organisations pivoted to offering telephone and video advice.

New and reengineered guides

We produced a number of new and re-engineered guides to meet new user need, and to address changing legislation. For example:

Appealing against a county court decision – 9,255 pageviews
How to start a claim – 4,228 pageviews
How to get a divorce or end a civil partnership – 11,587 pageviews
Survival guide to living with a partner and benefits – 91,818 pageviews

The difference we made for litigants in person

We produced new content to support victims of domestic abuse to apply for an injunction and occupation order, and several more guides to support Litigants in Person with a dispute involving debt and consumer issues, breach of contract, and personal injury (including road traffic accidents). We also produced a new guide focusing on the understanding and skills needed to manage a case as a Litigant in Person when the other side has a lawyer. All our help to support people using the courts without a lawyer can be found in the [Going to Court](#) section of Advicenow.

Our Affordable Advice Service was evaluated at the end of the pilot phase. The service dovetails Advicenow's popular step-by-step guides with fixed fee, unbundled legal advice from Resolution family lawyers at just the most crucial points in the process. 341 contacts were made equating to 28 contact per month on average. The service achieved a 70% reduction in fixed fee pricing.

- 98% said they would recommend this service to others
- 82% said they would approach that solicitor for help with future family law problems
- 39% said they already planned to see that solicitor again
- 50% didn't think they would have accessed legal advice if they hadn't used the service.
- there was an average star rating of 4.8 (out of a maximum of 5)

We have recently interviewed 14 service users about their experiences of Affordable Advice, who have reported that the combination of the advice guides and the solicitor's advice had made a positive contribution to the outcomes or progress of their case.

Making a difference for disability benefit claimants

Our self-help guides to challenging unfair disability benefit decisions continue to be very popular - receiving 135,281 pageviews in total. 60% of 57 respondents to a survey about the tools said that they would have asked for a reconsideration but wouldn't have put their case so well without our tool, while 47% told us that they might not have asked for a reconsideration at all. We have interviewed 6 users of our PIP digital tool who provided powerful evidence of the impact of the tool on their benefit decisions. We have also recently started surveying people at the point at which their letter is generated, which is giving us more data about why they are using it. Our digital tools and films are going from strength to strength. Our help for adults with disabilities accessing Personal Independence Payments and Disability Living Allowance for families with disabled children received **250,537** pageviews and produced **16,717** personalised letters to challenge DWP decisions. Our films have been viewed **40,182** times; with **4,564** hours of viewing time.

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Expanding our influence: Research, Policy and Consultancy

Many, many people continue to find themselves having to think about or actually entering into complex and often frightening legal processes without the help of a lawyer. We work hard to meet some of the needs that litigants in person have through our partnership with RCJ Citizens Advice, Support Through Court and LawWorks clinics. 82% of our survey respondents identified as actual or potential Litigants in Person. We commenced an 18 month research programme in partnership with the University of Warwick and Central England Law Centre to explore the legal needs of marginalised groups emerging from the pandemic

Strategic report:

Key achievements:

- We continue to expand and diversify income streams. Our income increased from £322,874 to £433,164
- We increased our staff team from 8 to 11 staff substantially expanding our communications staffing capacity
- Our education services have refocused and substantially expanded to prioritise groups at risk of homelessness including vulnerable women, refugees and migrants and BME communities.
- We have expanded our research and evaluation activities attracting further multi-year research funding from Nuffield Foundation and establishing a dedicated research post.

Our strategic priorities

Following a strategic review in light of Covid-19, over the next two years we have identified four strategic priorities that we will pursue in order to achieve our vision. These have been identified by analysing the strengths, challenges and risks that we face. In the next two years we will:

- Deliver innovative public legal education that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Law for Life had a surplus of £83,169 increasing total reserves to £108,098 as at 30 June 2022. Total funds include £73,252 for unrestricted reserves and £34,846 for restricted reserves.

Reserves policy

In the Trustees' view, the reserves should aim to provide the charity with adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its charitable objectives for the foreseeable future.

Over the period, the trustees aimed to increase the charity's reserves to the level which is at least equivalent to 3 months' operational expenditure and to do so having regard to its manner of operation and to likely funding streams. The trustees are pleased to report that the free reserves of the charity increased to £73,252 as at 30 June 2022 and have met the reserve policy target.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees confirms that it has identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and has established systems to mitigate these risks. Risks relating to Covid-19 and Brexit were reviewed in detail and strategic changes deployed. Overhead costs were reduced enhancing the financial sustainability of the organisation by becoming a fully remote office in March 2021.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Law for Life: the Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association and registered under the number 07695486. The company was incorporated and commenced trading on 6 July 2011. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission under number 1143589.

Governance

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting strategies and policies for the charity and for ensuring that these are implemented.

Management and staffing

Day-to-day management of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive.

Induction and training of new trustees

An induction process has been developed and implemented. This forms the basis of any training needs identified for Trustees. New trustees also receive an induction into the organisation including governance training covering different aspects of the trustee role and responsibilities.

Patrons

The charity is very grateful for the support it receives from its patrons.

Board of Trustees

The members of the Board of Trustees perform the role of directors in company law and trustees in charity law. Any person who is willing to act as a trustee and who would not be disqualified from acting under the provisions of Article, may be appointed to be a trustee by a decision of the trustees. The trustees are appointed for a term of three years, at the end of which they are eligible for appointment for a second consecutive term of three years. This second term can be extended for a period of up to two years by agreement of the trustees.

Key management pay

The salary for key management is decided by the Trustees considering the skills and experience required, the management responsibilities, the overall budget constraints and a view of what is appropriate as compared to similar roles in the sector in which we work.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees (who are also directors of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' 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. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and 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.

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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.

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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

This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Ms Amanda Finlay CBE
Chair

Date:

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30
JUNE 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education (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'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the Company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education 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 the accounts 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

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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

Shoaib Arshad ACA, FCCA
Knox Cropper LLP
Chartered Accountants
65 Leadenhall Street, London, EC3A 2AD

Date: _____

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 30 June 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	644	-	644	1,132
Charitable activities	4	330,896	101,623	432,519	321,742
Investments	3	1	-	1	-
TOTAL		331,541	101,623	433,164	322,874
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities		278,660	71,335	349,995	343,649
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5	278,660	71,335	349,995	343,649
Net income/(expenditure) before gains and losses on investments		52,881	30,288	83,169	(20,775)
Net income/(expenditure)		52,881	30,288	83,169	(20,775)
Transfer between funds	14	-	-	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains and losses		52,881	30,288	83,169	(20,775)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		52,881	30,288	83,169	(20,775)
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 JULY 2021		20,371	4,558	24,929	45,704
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 JUNE 2022		£ 73,252	£ 34,846	£ 108,098	£ 24,929

LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION

Company limited by guarantee (registered company no. 07695486)

BALANCE SHEET**As at 30 June 2022**

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	11	-	-
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	64,021	8,542
Cash at bank and in hand		65,244	60,428
		<u>129,265</u>	<u>68,970</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	(21,167)	(44,041)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>108,098</u>	<u>24,929</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		108,098	24,929
NET ASSETS		<u>£ 108,098</u>	<u>£ 24,929</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund	14	73,252	20,371
Restricted funds	14	34,846	4,558
		<u>£ 108,098</u>	<u>£ 24,929</u>

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and the section 1a of the Financial Reporting Standard 102.

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2022. The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each 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 financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements were approved, and authorised for issue, by the Board of Trustees on _____ and signed on their behalf by:-

MS AMANDA FINLAY CBE, Chair

JONATHAN SPAIN, Treasurer

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year	83,169	(20,775)
Adjustments for:		
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(55,479)	54,063
((Decrease))/increase in creditors	(22,874)	7,826
Investment income	(1)	-
	4,815	41,114
Cash flows from investing activities		
Return on investment - interest receivable	1	-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	4,816	41,114
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July 2021	60,428	19,314
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2022	£ 65,244	£ 60,428
Components of cash and cash equivalents		
	At 1 July	At 30 June
	2021	2022
	Cashflows	
Cash at bank and in hand	£ 60,428	£ 65,244
	£ 4,816	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP 2015), in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) applicable to smaller entities (under section 1a) and the Charities Act 2011. The presentational currency of the financial statements is Pound Sterling (£).

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

Company status

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

Going concern

The trustees have prepared cash flows and budgets for the next twelve months and consider that the company is able to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The trustees have an expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For these reasons, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements. Statutory grants which are given as contributions towards the Charity's core services are treated as unrestricted.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that 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 and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixture and fittings	-	3 Years
Office equipment	-	3 Years

Cash at bank and in hand

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

Short-term debtors and creditors

Debtors are recognised when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the account can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received. Creditors are recognised when the charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Financial Instruments

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

Pensions

The company operates a personal pension plan. If permanent employees choose to join, the company contributes 9% of gross salary. Alternatively, the company contributes 9% of gross salary to a permanent employee's personal pension fund. Non-permanent staff are offered an employer's contribution of 3% in line with current auto enrolment regulations. The pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the funds in respect of the year.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Donations	644	-	644	1,132
	<u>£ 644</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 644</u>	<u>£ 1,132</u>

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3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Interest receivable from:				
Bank interest	1	-	1	-
	<u>£ 1</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 1</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Grants for services	249,169	101,623	350,792	281,177
Contract income	81,727	-	81,727	40,565
	<u>£ 330,896</u>	<u>£ 101,623</u>	<u>£ 432,519</u>	<u>£ 321,742</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Access to Justice Foundation - LIPSS Grant	91,848	-	91,848	91,848
Access to Justice Foundation - LSLIP Grant	84,359	-	84,359	91,359
Ministry of Justice - Trusted intermediaries	-	-	-	21,870
Tudor Trust	-	35,000	35,000	35,000
Trust for London	-	37,580	37,580	37,500
MOJ Uplift LSLIP and LIPSS	42,962	-	42,962	-
Nuffield Foundation	-	24,043	24,043	-
Necessity	30,000	-	30,000	-
Matrix Causes	-	-	-	1,600
Allen & Overy	-	5,000	5,000	-
	<u>£ 249,169</u>	<u>£ 101,623</u>	<u>£ 350,792</u>	<u>£ 279,177</u>

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4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (continued)

COMPARATIVE INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2021 £</i>
Grants for services	185,207	95,970	281,177
Contract income	40,565	-	40,565
	<u>£ 225,772</u>	<u>£ 95,970</u>	<u>£ 321,742</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2021 £</i>
Access to Justice Foundation - LIPSS Grant	91,848	-	91,848
Access to Justice Foundation - LSLIP Grant	91,359	-	91,359
Ministry of Justice - Trusted intermediaries	-	21,870	21,870
Tudor Trust	2,000	35,000	37,000
Trust for London	-	37,500	37,500
Matrix Causes	-	1,600	1,600
	<u>£ 185,207</u>	<u>£ 95,970</u>	<u>£ 281,177</u>

5. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Direct Staff costs £	Other direct costs £	Support costs £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Cost of charitable activities					
Advancement of public legal education	271,295	40,809	37,891	349,995	343,649
Total 2022	<u>£ 271,295</u>	<u>£ 40,809</u>	<u>£ 37,891</u>	<u>£ 349,995</u>	
Total 2021	<u>£ 236,777</u>	<u>£ 55,916</u>	<u>£ 50,956</u>		<u>£ 343,649</u>

Resources expended include:

	2022	2021
Independent Examiner's fee	1,850	1,700

Details of direct costs and support costs is given in Notes 6 and 7. Details of staff costs are given in Note 8.

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6. Direct Costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs	271,295	236,777
Website system development	4,250	17,535
Website hosting and support	5,500	514
Professional fees	17,129	20,598
Communications	10,529	7,521
Irrecoverable VAT	3,401	9,748
	£ 312,104	£ 292,693

7. SUPPORT COSTS	Total	Total
	2022	2021
	£	£
Management	15,290	9,129
IT Support	5,814	9,383
Governance costs	16,410	14,430
Premises costs	377	18,014
	£ 37,891	£ 50,956

8. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	235,238	204,800
Social security costs	17,141	14,750
Pension costs	18,916	17,227
	£ 271,295	£ 236,777

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

	Number	Number
Management	2.0	2.0
Advancement of public legal education	6.0	6.0
	8.0	8.0

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

The key management personnel of the charitable company are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charitable company, directly or indirectly, including any trustee of the charitable company. In addition to the trustees of Law for Life, key management personnel includes the Chief Executive. Total employee benefits including employer pension contributions paid to key management personnel in the year amounted to £60,494 (2021 - £60,112).

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9. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, no members of the Board of Trustees received any remuneration (2021 - £NIL).

No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of expenses (2021 - £NIL).

10. Taxation

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a registered charity and is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received within the categories covered by Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied to charitable purposes.

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixture and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022	<u>6,379</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022	<u>6,379</u>
At 30 June 2022	<u>6,379</u>
Net book value	
At 30 June 2022	<u>£ Nil</u>
At 30 June 2021	<u>£ Nil</u>

12. DEBTORS

	2022 £	2021 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	15,120	60
Prepayments	539	450
Accrued income	47,005	6,798
Other debtors	1,357	1,234
	<u>£ 64,021</u>	<u>£ 8,542</u>

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13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	5,669	2,341
Deferred income	-	18,750
Social security and other taxes	5,946	3,975
Other creditors	473	706
VAT creditors	1,342	259
Accruals	7,737	18,010
	<u>£ 21,167</u>	<u>£ 44,041</u>

14. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers and investment gains/(losses) £	Carried Forward £
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Tudor Trust	1,663	35,000	(23,334)	-	13,329
Trust for London	2,895	37,580	(38,221)	-	2,254
Nuffield Foundation	-	24,043	(6,558)	-	17,485
Allen & Overy	-	5,000	(3,222)	-	1,778
	<u>£ 4,558</u>	<u>£ 101,623</u>	<u>£ (71,335)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 34,846</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
General Funds	20,371	331,541	(278,660)	-	73,252
Restricted Funds	4,558	101,623	(71,335)	-	34,846
	<u>£ 24,929</u>	<u>£ 433,164</u>	<u>£ (349,995)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 108,098</u>

Tudor Trust has awarded a grant to produce a multimedia toolkit to inform Roma parents about the UK child protection system, and to educate social workers about Roma culture, to reduce the number of Roma children being taken in to care.

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14. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	<i>Brought Forward</i> £	<i>Incoming Resources</i> £	<i>Resources Expended</i> £	<i>Transfers and investment gains/(losses)</i> £	<i>Carried Forward</i> £
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
<i>Tudor Trust</i>	803	35,000	(34,140)	-	1,663
<i>Trust for London</i>	4,019	37,500	(38,624)	-	2,895
<i>City Bridge Trust</i>	33,130	-	(35,048)	1,918	-
<i>Matrix Causes</i>	1,955	1,600	(3,637)	82	-
<i>Ministry of Justice - Trusted intermediaries</i>	-	21,870	(24,496)	2,626	-
	<u>£ 39,907</u>	<u>£ 95,970</u>	<u>£ (135,945)</u>	<u>£ 4,626</u>	<u>£ 4,558</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
<i>General Funds</i>	5,797	226,904	(207,704)	(4,626)	20,371
<i>Restricted Funds</i>	39,907	95,970	(135,945)	4,626	4,558
	<u>£ 45,704</u>	<u>£ 322,874</u>	<u>£ (343,649)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 24,929</u>

15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted Funds</i> £	<i>Restricted Funds</i> £	<i>Total Funds</i> £
Net current assets	73,252	34,846	108,098
	<u>£ 73,252</u>	<u>£ 34,846</u>	<u>£ 108,098</u>
<i>Comparative analysis of net assets</i>	<u>£ 20,371</u>	<u>£ 4,558</u>	<u>£ 24,929</u>

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16. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

2022	<i>2021</i>
£	<i>£</i>

At 30 June 2022 the Company had commitments under non-cancellable operating leases (all for land and buildings) as set out below:

Operating leases which expire:
within one year

16,800	<i>16,800</i>
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The cost of operating lease during the year was as follows:

Office lease charges for the year

£	Nil	<i>£</i>	<i>Nil</i>
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17. RELATED PARTIES

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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19 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2021 £</i>
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies	1,132	-	1,132
Charitable activities	225,772	95,970	321,742
TOTAL	226,904	95,970	322,874
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	207,704	135,945	343,649
Net expenditure	19,200	(39,975)	(20,775)
Transfer between funds	(4,626)	4,626	-
Net outgoing resources before other recognised gains and losses	14,574	(35,349)	(20,775)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	14,574	(35,349)	(20,775)
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 APRIL 2019	5,797	39,907	45,704
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 JUNE 2021	£ 20,371	£ 4,558	£ 24,929

Accounts

**LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL
EDUCATION**

(Company limited by guarantee no. 07695486
registered charity no. 1143589)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021



REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 30 June 2021

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY,
ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS**
For the year ended 30 June 2021

Patrons	Professor Dame Hazel Genn DBE QC The Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury The Rt. Hon. Lord Briggs of Westbourne
Board of Trustees	Mr Joseph Broadway Dr Vanessa Davies Ms Amanda Finlay CBE Professor Dawn Oliver (resigned 2 September 2021) Mr Raymond Sheehy Mr Jonathan Spain Dr Simon Davey Mr Michael Abiodun Olatokun
Chair	Amanda Finlay CBE
Treasurer	Jonathan Spain
Chief Executive	Lisa Wintersteiger
Company reg. no.	07695486
Charity reg. no.	1143589
Registered office	4th Floor, 18 St. Cross Street London EC1N 8UN
Independent Examiner	Knox Cropper LLP 65 Leadenhall Street London EC3A 2AD

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT For the period ended 30 June 2021

The Trustees, who are also directors of the Company for the purposes of the Companies Act, and trustees for charity law purposes, present their annual report and the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the period ended 30 June 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102.) (effective 1 January 2019).

The Board of Trustees has complied with the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our purposes and activities

Law for Life strives for social justice by legally empowering individuals and communities. We believe everyone should be equipped with the knowledge, confidence and skills needed to deal with the law-related issues they are likely to encounter in the course of their lives.

Our aims are to:

- Deliver innovative public legal education and information that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

Our services:

- We specialise in targeted and tailored public legal education and information that is user centred, empowering and preventative.
- We deliver award-winning access to justice assistance that brings together online and offline help.
- We combine research and practice to achieve excellence in public legal education and information.
- We promote the importance of high quality public legal education and information in order to develop and share good practice.

Extending our digital reach

Between July 2020 and June 2021 our Advicenow service attracted **1,725,725 pageviews**, a decrease of **17.9%** on the previous year. This is due to the ongoing disruption caused by Covid-19. This represents **984,930 sessions** by **755,273 users** from England and Wales. 30% of our users are helping someone else. This is an important feature of ensuring our digital services are reaching those who may not be able to use digital information without someone else to help them.

We are proud that we reach an impressive number of vulnerable users. **32%** of Advicenow survey respondents identified as disabled and **53%** have a household income of below £1,100 per month after tax. **55%** of our users are female. 21% of users reported that their problem was caused by or made worse by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Our community education programmes

Our community education programmes focus on building the skills and confidence needed to cope with legal issues, and have been designed to ensure we reach those less able to access digital help. Our programmes reached over **100 community groups across three regions** including NHS Link workers and social prescribers, women's shelters, refugee organisations, food banks, tenants' unions, and organisations supporting victims of domestic abuse. We commenced a two-year programme to support **Roma families that struggle with Child Protection processes**. Year one will update existing materials and assess the impact of Covid-19 on the processes moving to training development phases in year two. We continued to deliver programmes online during this period of Covid-19 disruption.

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The difference we made as Covid-19 hit

We continued to adapt our housing and homelessness programmes, focusing particularly on the needs of women and refugees to address the difficulties faced by private renters during 'lockdown' and its aftermath. We ran three – six-week course online in the South West, North West and London. 44 NHS workers attended our programmes as well as 16 refugee organisations. By March 2022 our women's programmes will reach over 5000 vulnerable women. We continue to update multiple resources on Advicenow to keep pace with Covid-19 rule changes and the changes of people moving to remote services. Popular new resource includes

- **How to Print on Your Phone** attracting 26,575 pageviews.
- **Court and tribunal hearings and Coronavirus** 5,223 pageviews,
- **A survival guide to pensions on divorce** 10,333 pageviews,
- **A survival guide to going to court when the other side has a lawyer and you don't** 8,693 pageviews.

We frequently updated our Help Directory to enable users to find advice they could access without leaving home. We have continued to update it as more organisations pivoted to offering telephone and video advice.

The difference we made for litigants in person

We produced new content to support victims of domestic abuse to apply for an injunction and occupation order, and several more guides to support Litigants in Person with a dispute involving debt and consumer issues, breach of contract, and personal injury (including road traffic accidents). We also produced a new guide focusing on the understanding and skills needed to manage a case as a Litigant in Person when the other side has a lawyer. All our help to support people using the courts without a lawyer can be found in the Going to court section of Advicenow. Our most popular areas of support for Litigants in Person attracted the following pageviews:

- Family content -406,820 pageviews
- Benefits and tax credits -372,363 pageviews
- Housing content -85,805 pageviews

Our Affordable Advice Service was evaluated at the end of the pilot phase. The service dovetails Advicenow's popular step-by-step guides with fixed fee, unbundled legal advice from Resolution family lawyers at just the most crucial points in the process. 356 contacts were made, receiving on average 40 contact per month. The service achieved a 70% reduction in fixed fee pricing.

- 96% said they would recommend this service to others
- 91% said they would approach that solicitor for help with future family law problems
- 46% said they already planned to see that solicitor again
- there was an average star rating is 4.8 (out of a maximum of 5)

Making a difference for disability benefit claimants

Our self-help guides to challenging unfair disability benefit decisions continue to be very popular - receiving 135,281 pageviews in total. 71% of 144 respondents to a survey about the tools said that they would have asked for a reconsideration but wouldn't have put their case so well without our tool, while 28% told us that they may not have asked for a reconsideration at all. Our digital tools and films are going from strength to strength. Our help for adults with disabilities accessing Personal Independence Payments and Disability Living Allowance for families with disabled children received **250,537** pageviews and produced **16,717** personalised letters to challenge DWP decisions. Our films have been viewed **40,182** times; with **4,564** hours of viewing time.

Expanding our influence: Research, Policy and Consultancy

Many, many people continue to find themselves having to think about or actually entering into complex and often frightening legal processes without the help of a lawyer. We work hard to meet some of the needs that litigants in person have through our partnership with RCJ Citizens Advice, Support Through Court and LawWorks clinics. 76% of our survey respondents identified as actual or potential Litigants in Person.

Through feedback and reviews of our popular resources to challenge unfair disability benefit decisions we became aware that some people were being called by DWP after they had lodged an appeal and 'offered' a higher award in return for dropping their appeal. We began gathering evidence of the scale of the problem

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We worked with Guardian journalist Frances Ryan to get national coverage of the *issue. On the success of the campaign, our CEO, Lisa Wintersteiger was quoted in national press:*

"For more than two and a half years we have been gathering evidence of this practice and the impact it had on sometimes very vulnerable claimants, and we could not be more pleased to see it end. We continue to raise questions about the many ways in which the DWP do not make the payments that claimants are entitled to by law, and to support people with no or limited access to an adviser to challenge unfair decisions with our [self-help tools and guides](#)."

Strategic report:

Key achievements:

- We conducted a strategic review to consider the impact on Covid-19 and Brexit on our strategic direction and published a revised strategic plan for the period 2021-23
- We continue to expand and diversify income streams. Our ecommerce offering has continued to grow since our platform launch in 2019
- Our education services have refocused and substantially expanded to prioritise groups at risk of homelessness including vulnerable women, refugees and migrants and BME communities.
- We have expanded our research and evaluation activities attracting multi-year research funding and engaging an [Academic Advisory Group](#)

Our strategic priorities

Following a strategic review in light of Covid-19, over the next two years we have identified four strategic priorities that we will pursue in order to achieve our vision. These have been identified by analysing the strengths, challenges and risks that we face. In the next two years we will:

- Deliver innovative public legal education that builds legal capability
- Enable others to use public legal education and information
- Understand and demonstrate the need for and value of PLE
- Strengthen organisational sustainability to drive our mission and values

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

In the Trustees' view, the reserves should aim to provide the charity with adequate financial stability and the means for it to meet its charitable objectives for the foreseeable future.

The trustees aim over long period to increase the charity's reserves to the level which is at least equivalent to 3 months' operational expenditure and to do so having regard to its manner of operation and to likely funding streams. The trustees review on a quarterly basis the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil the charity's continuing obligations.

Law for Life had a deficit of £20,775 decreasing total reserves from at the end of preceding period to £24,929 as at 30 June 2021. Total funds include £20,371 for unrestricted reserves and £4,558 for restricted reserves. The trustees are confident that sufficient unrestricted funds will be available in the forthcoming year to maintain this position.

Risk management

The Board of Trustees confirms that it has identified and reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and has established systems to mitigate these risks. Risk relating to Covid-19 and Brexit were reviewed in detail and strategic changes deployed. Overhead costs were reduced enhancing the financial sustainability of the organisation by becoming a fully office in March 2021.

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For the period ended 30 June 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Law for Life: the Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association and registered under the number 07695486. The company was incorporated and commenced trading on 6 July 2011. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission under number 1143589.

Governance

The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting strategies and policies for the charity and for ensuring that these are implemented.

Management and staffing

Day-to-day management of the charity is delegated to the Chief Executive.

Induction and training of new trustees

An induction process has been developed and implemented in 2014, and a skill audit conducted. This forms the basis of any training needs identified for Trustees. New trustees also receive an induction into the organisation including governance training covering different aspects of the trustee role and responsibilities.

Patrons

The charity is very grateful for the support it receives from its patrons.

Board of Trustees

The members of the Board of Trustees perform the role of directors in company law and trustees in charity law. Any person who is willing to act as a trustee and who would not be disqualified from acting under the provisions of Article, may be appointed to be a trustee by a decision of the trustees. The trustees are appointed for a term of three years, at the end of which they are eligible for appointment for a second consecutive term of three years. This second term can be extended for a period of up to two years by agreement of the trustees.

Key management pay

The salary for key management is decided by the Trustees considering the skills and experience required, the management responsibilities, the overall budget constraints and a view of what is appropriate as compared to similar roles in the sector in which we work.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Trustees (who are also directors of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' 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. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and 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.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' REPORT
For the period ended 30 June 2021

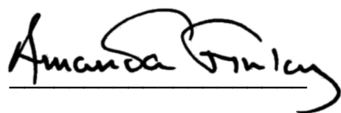
They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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

This report was approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

Ms Amanda Finlay CBE
Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Amanda Finlay', written over a horizontal line.

23 February 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30
JUNE 2021

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education (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'). You are satisfied that the accounts of the Company are not required by charity or company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education 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 the accounts 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

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of ICAEW which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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

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



Shoaib Arshad ACA, FCCA

Knox Cropper LLP

Chartered Accountants

65 Leadenhall Street, London, EC3A 2AD

Date: 23 February 2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating the Income and Expenditure Account)
For the year ended 30 June 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	1,132	-	1,132	2,090
Charitable activities	3	225,772	95,970	321,742	363,793
TOTAL		226,904	95,970	322,874	365,883
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities		207,704	135,945	343,649	354,696
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4	207,704	135,945	343,649	354,696
Net (expenditure)/income before gains and losses on investments		19,200	(39,975)	(20,775)	11,187
Net (expenditure)/income		19,200	(39,975)	(20,775)	11,187
Transfer between funds	13	(4,626)	4,626	-	-
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses		14,574	(35,349)	(20,775)	11,187
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		14,574	(35,349)	(20,775)	11,187
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 JULY 2020		5,797	39,907	45,704	34,517
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 JUNE 2021		£ 20,371	£ 4,558	£ 24,929	£ 45,704

LAW FOR LIFE: THE FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION

Company limited by guarantee (registered company no. 07695486)

BALANCE SHEET
As at 30 June 2021

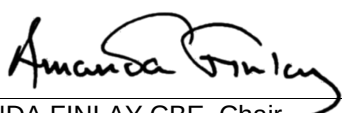
	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	10	-	-
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	8,542	62,605
Cash at bank and in hand		60,428	19,314
		<u>68,970</u>	<u>81,919</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	12	(44,041)	(36,215)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>24,929</u>	<u>45,704</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		24,929	45,704
NET ASSETS		<u>£ 24,929</u>	<u>£ 45,704</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted funds:			
General fund	13	20,371	5,797
Restricted funds	13	4,558	39,907
		<u>£ 24,929</u>	<u>£ 45,704</u>

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and the section 1a of the Financial Reporting Standard 102.

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2021. The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each 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 financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements were approved, and authorised for issue, by the Board of Trustees on 23 February 2022 and signed on their behalf by:-



MS AMANDA FINLAY CBE, Chair



JONATHAN SPAIN, Treasurer

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash flows from operating activities		
(Deficit)/surplus for the financial year	(20,775)	11,187
Adjustments for:		
Decrease in debtors	54,063	11,912
Increase/((decrease)) in creditors	7,826	(36,308)
	<u>41,114</u>	<u>(13,209)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	<u>41,114</u>	<u>(13,209)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July 2020	19,314	32,523
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2021	<u>£ 60,428</u>	<u>£ 19,314</u>

Components of cash and cash equivalents

	At 1 July 2020	Cashflows	At 30 June 2021
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>£ 19,314</u>	<u>£ 41,114</u>	<u>£ 60,428</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 June 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP 2015), in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK (FRS 102) applicable to smaller entities (under section 1a) and the Charities Act 2011. The presentational currency of the financial statements is Pound Sterling (£).

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

Company status

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

Going concern

The trustees have prepared cash flows and budgets for the next twelve months and consider that the company is able to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The trustees have an expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For these reasons, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements. Statutory grants which are given as contributions towards the Charity's core services are treated as unrestricted.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that 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 and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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For the year ended 30 June 2021

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixture and fittings	-	3 Years
Office equipment	-	3 Years

Cash at bank and in hand

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

Short-term debtors and creditors

Debtors are recognised when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the account can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received. Creditors are recognised when the charity has a present legal or constructive obligation resulting from a past event to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

Financial Instruments

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

Pensions

The company operates a personal pension plan. If permanent employees choose to join, the company contributes 9% of gross salary. Alternatively, the company contributes 9% of gross salary to a permanent employee's personal pension fund. Non-permanent staff are offered an employer's contribution of 3% in line with current auto enrolment regulations. The pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the funds in respect of the year.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Donations	1,132	-	1,132	2,090
	<u>£ 1,132</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 1,132</u>	<u>£ 2,090</u>

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3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Grants for services	185,207	95,970	281,177	279,631
Contract income	40,565	-	40,565	84,162
	<u>£ 225,772</u>	<u>£ 95,970</u>	<u>£ 321,742</u>	<u>£ 363,793</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
John Ellerman Foundation	-	-	-	12,498
Access to Justice Foundation - LIPSS Grant	91,848	-	91,848	138,108
Access to Justice Foundation - LSLIP Grant	91,359	-	91,359	-
Ministry of Justice - Trusted intermediaries	-	21,870	21,870	-
Legal Education Foundation	-	-	-	14,020
Tudor Trust	2,000	35,000	37,000	-
Trust for London	-	37,500	37,500	32,000
Tenancy Deposit Scheme	-	-	-	105
London Legal Support Trust	-	-	-	2,500
Nuffield Foundation	-	-	-	18,000
City Bridge Trust	-	-	-	50,000
Matrix Causes	-	1,600	1,600	7,400
Allen & Overy	-	-	-	5,000
	<u>£ 185,207</u>	<u>£ 95,970</u>	<u>£ 281,177</u>	<u>£ 279,631</u>

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3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (continued)

COMPARATIVE INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2020 £</i>
Grants for services	172,733	106,898	279,631
Contract income	84,162	-	84,162
	<u>£ 256,895</u>	<u>£ 106,898</u>	<u>£ 363,793</u>

Analysis of the grants funding

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2020 £</i>
John Ellerman Foundation	-	12,498	12,498
Access to Justice			
Foundation - LIPSS Grant	138,108	-	138,108
Legal Education Foundation	14,020	-	14,020
Trust for London	-	32,000	32,000
Tenancy Deposit Scheme	105	-	105
Allen & Overy	-	5,000	5,000
	<u>£ 152,233</u>	<u>£ 49,498</u>	<u>£ 201,731</u>

4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Direct Staff costs £	Other direct costs £	Support costs £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Cost of charitable activities					
Advancement of public legal education	236,777	55,916	50,956	343,649	354,696
Total 2021	£ 236,777	£ 55,916	£ 50,956	£ 343,649	
Total 2020	£ 266,867	£ 24,607	£ 63,222		£ 354,696

Resources expended include:

	2021	2020
Independent Examiner's fee	1,700	1,600

Details of direct costs and support costs is given in Notes 5 and 6. Details of staff costs are given in Note 7.

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5. Direct Costs	2021 £	2020 £
Staff costs	236,777	266,867
Website system development	17,535	(741)
Website hosting and support	514	1,037
Professional fees	20,598	7,154
Communications	7,521	8,258
Irrecoverable VAT	9,748	8,899
	<u>£ 292,693</u>	<u>£ 291,474</u>

6. SUPPORT COSTS	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Management	9,129	15,487
IT Support	9,383	8,384
Governance costs	14,430	16,774
Premises costs	18,014	22,577
	<u>£ 50,956</u>	<u>£ 63,222</u>

7. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	204,800	233,905
Social security costs	14,750	14,172
Pension costs	17,227	18,790
	<u>£ 236,777</u>	<u>£ 266,867</u>

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

	Number	Number
Management	2.0	2.0
Advancement of public legal education	6.0	6.0
	<u>8.0</u>	<u>8.0</u>

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

The key management personnel of the charitable company are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the charitable company, directly or indirectly, including any trustee of the charitable company. In addition to the trustees of Law for Life, key management personnel includes the Chief Executive. Total employee benefits including employer pension contributions paid to key management personnel in the year amounted to £60,112 (2020 - £74,744).

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8. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, no members of the Board of Trustees received any remuneration (2020 - £NIL).
No members of the Board of Trustees received reimbursement of expenses (2020 - £NIL).

9. Taxation

Law for Life: The Foundation for Public Legal Education is a registered charity and is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received within the categories covered by Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied to charitable purposes.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixture and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021	<u>6,379</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021	<u>6,379</u>
Net book value	
At 30 June 2021	<u>£ Nil</u>
At 30 June 2020	<u>£ Nil</u>

11. DEBTORS

	2021 £	2020 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	60	-
Prepayments	450	5,348
Accrued income	6,798	44,398
Other debtors	1,234	12,859
	<u>£ 8,542</u>	<u>£ 62,605</u>

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12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	2,341	7,028
Deferred income	18,750	-
Social security and other taxes	3,975	9,775
Other creditors	706	535
VAT creditors	259	3,277
Accruals	18,010	15,600
	<u>£ 44,041</u>	<u>£ 36,215</u>

13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers and investment gains/(losses) £	Carried Forward £
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Tudor Trust	803	35,000	(34,140)	-	1,663
Trust for London	4,019	37,500	(38,624)	-	2,895
City Bridge Trust	33,130	-	(35,048)	1,918	-
Matrix Causes	1,955	1,600	(3,637)	82	-
Ministry of Justice - Trusted intermediaries	-	21,870	(24,496)	2,626	-
	<u>£ 39,907</u>	<u>£ 95,970</u>	<u>£ (135,945)</u>	<u>£ 4,626</u>	<u>£ 4,558</u>

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

General Funds	5,797	226,904	(207,704)	(4,626)	20,371
Restricted Funds	39,907	95,970	(135,945)	4,626	4,558
	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>£ 45,704</u>	<u>£ 322,874</u>	<u>£ (343,649)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 24,929</u>

Tudor Trust has awarded a grant to produce a multimedia toolkit to inform Roma parents about the UK child protection system, and to educate social workers about Roma culture, to reduce the number of Roma children being taken in to care.

Trust for London has awarded a grant to fund the Housing and Homelessness Prevention Programme.

City Bridge Trust has awarded a grant to fund the online Income Generation Capacity Building Project.

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

Other restricted grants are small grants received during the year for specific projects.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	<i>Brought Forward</i> £	<i>Incoming Resources</i> £	<i>Resources Expended</i> £	<i>Transfers and investment gains/(losses)</i> £	<i>Carried Forward</i> £
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
<i>Access to Justice Foundation</i>	5,522	-	(5,820)	298	-
<i>John Ellerman Foundation</i>	-	12,498	(12,520)	22	-
<i>Tudor Trust</i>	803	-	-	-	803
<i>Trust for London</i>	22,101	32,000	(50,082)	-	4,019
<i>City Bridge Trust</i>	-	50,000	(16,870)	-	33,130
<i>Matrix Causes</i>	-	7,400	(5,445)	-	1,955
<i>Allen & Overy</i>	-	5,000	(5,445)	445	-
	<u>£ 28,426</u>	<u>£ 106,898</u>	<u>£ (96,182)</u>	<u>£ 765</u>	<u>£ 39,907</u>
SUMMARY OF FUNDS					
<i>General Funds</i>	6,091	258,985	(258,514)	(765)	5,797
<i>Restricted Funds</i>	28,426	106,898	(96,182)	765	39,907
	<u>£ 34,517</u>	<u>£ 365,883</u>	<u>£ (354,696)</u>	<u>£ Nil</u>	<u>£ 45,704</u>

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted Funds</i> £	<i>Restricted Funds</i> £	<i>Total Funds</i> £
Net current assets	20,371	4,558	24,929
	<u>£ 20,371</u>	<u>£ 4,558</u>	<u>£ 24,929</u>
<i>Comparative analysis of net assets</i>	<u>£ 5,797</u>	<u>£ 39,907</u>	<u>£ 45,704</u>

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15. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

2021	<i>2020</i>
£	<i>£</i>

At 30 June 2021 the Company had commitments under non-cancellable operating leases (all for land and buildings) as set out below:

Operating leases which expire:
within one year

16,800	<i>16,800</i>
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The cost of operating lease during the year was as follows:

Office lease charges for the year

£	Nil	<i>£</i>	<i>Nil</i>
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16. RELATED PARTIES

There were no other related party transactions in the year.

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18 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total Funds 2020 £</i>
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations and legacies	2,090	-	2,090
Charitable activities	256,895	106,898	363,793
TOTAL	258,985	106,898	365,883
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Charitable activities	258,514	96,182	354,696
Net income	471	10,716	11,187
Transfer between funds	(765)	765	-
Net incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses	(294)	11,481	11,187
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	(294)	11,481	11,187
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1 APRIL 2019	6,091	28,426	34,517
TOTAL FUNDS AT 30 JUNE 2020	£ 5,797	£ 39,907	£ 45,704