

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
Centre for Criminal Appeals
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
T/A
APPEAL

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

Report of Chair of Trustees:

APPEAL is a charity and law practice dedicated to challenging wrongful convictions and promoting a fairer justice system..

An Impact report detailing the organisation's work over the last year can be found on the APPEAL website, at www.appeal.org.uk. Some highlights are contained within this report.

During 2024-25, APPEAL has continued to challenge wrongful convictions and unfair sentences, bringing cases to the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) and the Criminal Cases Review Commission. In accordance with its Theory of Change, APPEAL has supported individuals and their families who have experienced a miscarriage of justice and who cannot afford to pay for an appeal lawyer.

APPEAL has also campaigned on wider issues to achieve reform of the criminal justice system. The organisation deploys its expert knowledge to identify particular issues of concern, conduct research, publish our findings and campaign.

The key focuses of APPEAL's work on wrongful convictions, includes, racial justice, women's justice and police accountability. Alongside our casework APPEAL provides holistic support to victims of miscarriage of justice and their families, as well as campaigning to reform the unfair compensation regime for wrongful convictions.

This year has been a period of deep, steady progress: behind the scenes, our legal team continued to work on complex cases with care and rigour, often in the face of frustrating institutional resistance. Our racial justice team continued its important work exploring the disproportionate impact of criminal convictions on Black and racially minoritised communities, particularly within the context of joint enterprise prosecutions. This year also saw us strengthening our work to help wrongfully convicted women in the justice system, working collaboratively to raise awareness about the treatment of women, who are survivors of abuse, who are unfairly criminalised.

Joe Hingston

Chair

Report of the Trustees
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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and Activities

The Charity's objects, as set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association are:

The relief of poverty and financial hardship amongst prisoners and other convicted people living in the United Kingdom, by providing investigation services, legal advice and assistance regarding appeals of criminal convictions and sentences via applications to the Criminal Cases Review Commission and the Court of Appeal.

Promoting the sound administration of justice and proper administration of the law for the public benefit, in particular by all or any of the following:

- providing investigation services, legal advice and assistance regarding appeals of criminal convictions and sentences via applications to the Criminal Cases Review Commission and the Court of Appeal to persons who, through lack of means, would otherwise be unable to afford them.
- informing and educating criminal justice policy makers, investigating and prosecuting authorities, the legal profession and the public about any systemic issues which need to be addressed to avoid unsafe convictions.

Public benefit

The trustees have given due consideration to Charity Commission published guidance on the operation of the Public Benefit requirement.

The organisation seeks to benefit the public by testing the accuracy and fairness of the criminal justice system's case outcomes and by making the criminal justice system more accountable for its mistakes so that it can learn from them.

Pro Bono, Students and Volunteers

APPEAL is supported by lawyers at leading City law firms who contribute time pro bono to our case enquiries and litigation efforts as well as to system research directed at reform. The firms assign junior, senior and administrative staff to the cases and research assignments.

APPEAL also works with university students reading law and related disciplines through a clinical legal education programme. The students are trained in appeal practice and the causes of miscarriages of justice and contribute their time to cases and research projects.

APPEAL's continues to offer work experience opportunities to students who would not otherwise be able to secure such placements. Students are hosted from universities in the UK and abroad where the sponsoring institution covers some student expenses and/or provides academic credit.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

APPEAL played a central role in securing justice for Andy Malkinson, whose wrongful conviction was overturned after 17 years. Chris Henley KC's independent report exposed serious institutional failings and prompted the resignation of the CCRC Chair and led to a major review of 5,500 previously rejected CCRC cases. A criminal investigation into police misconduct is now underway, and Andy received interim compensation. His case has directly influenced proposed reforms to the criminal appeals process.

APPEAL launched a national campaign to challenge the UK's restrictive compensation rules for the wrongfully convicted. With new funding, the organisation is uniting victims, briefing MPs, and pushing to repeal the 2014 legal test that requires proving innocence beyond reasonable doubt—a barrier that has denied justice to over 90% of applicants.

APPEAL continued to expose systemic racism in policing and prosecution, particularly through its PROOF 6 event at Parliament. The organisation highlighted cases such as the Manchester 10 and Birmingham Four, and successfully overturned convictions linked to corrupt officer DS Ridgewell. APPEAL is calling for automatic reviews of convictions whenever a police officer is imprisoned.

APPEAL advocated for women affected by trauma and abuse who have been unfairly sentenced, contributing to national legal discourse and supporting the Law Commission's review of homicide laws. This work emphasises the need for trauma-informed legal defences and fairer treatment of women within the justice system.

APPEAL's media presence expanded significantly, with the BBC documentary *The Wrong Man* telling Andy Malkinson's story—reaching 1.9 million viewers. The organisation featured in over 65 media outlets and participated in more than 20 events, including the CALA conference, where it championed access to justice and highlighted the chronic underfunding of appeal work.

Through its Bound by Injustice (BBI) programme, APPEAL provided emotional, legal, and practical support to 26 individuals and 6 families affected by wrongful convictions. This included end-of-life care, prison advocacy, and creative engagement, culminating in a healing retreat that strengthened community bonds and resilience.

Visit: <https://appeal.org.uk/impact-report-2024-25/> for more details of APPEAL's work over the last 12 months.

Aims for the future

Looking to the future, APPEAL aims to fulfil the following objectives in 2025-26;

1. Bring more cases to the Court of Appeal: Building upon recent wins, APPEAL aims to bring at least one appeal case to the Court of Appeal each year.
2. Reform of the CCRC and appeals system: Including cultural and personnel changes within the CCRC, improved access to evidence post-conviction, and a fairer appeals process.
3. Abolish the unfair compensation test: Campaign to end the requirement to prove innocence beyond reasonable doubt for miscarriage of justice compensation.
4. Challenge racism in criminal justice: Publish research on racist stereotypes in joint enterprise cases and the legacy of 'sus' laws, and push for reform.
5. Promote diversity and lived experience: Build more diverse team of lawyers and advisors and work with those who have direct experience of the appeals system.
6. Inform and support women appealing their convictions: work with the women and legal experts to create trauma informed materials to support women navigating the appeals process.

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During the financial period, the charity received income of £630,007 (2024 £687,450) and had expenditure of £658,953 (£524,400) giving a deficit for the year of £28,946 (2024 surplus £163,050)

Total funds at 31 March 2025 stood at £723,835 (2024 £752,781) of which £639,766 was unrestricted and available for the charity's general use (2024 £519,614). £69,802 was restricted to the specific purposes for which the money was given. A further £14,267 (2024 £194,999) was unrestricted but designated for particular projects, details of which can be found in the notes to the financial statements. It is anticipated that expenditure of the designated funds will occur in the next twelve months.

Principal funding sources

The total donations and grants received by APPEAL in 2024-25 were £608,489. APPEAL is extremely grateful to all of our donors in the 2024-2025 financial year for their generous support of our work.

APPEAL holds a contract with the Legal Aid Agency to represent people seeking to challenge their conviction or sentence at the Court of Appeal or to the CCRC. Due to eligibility restrictions legal aid does not cover the all the cost of case work. We join with other stakeholders in the calls for an increase in the proper provision of public funding for this work.

Reserves policy

The Trustees believe that APPEAL should hold financial reserves because the charity is dependent on income from funding sources from year to year, which is inevitably subject to fluctuation.

In light of APPEAL's dual status as both a law practice and a charity, the Trustees have formulated a reserves policy which demonstrates the appropriate financial prudence required to discharge all regulatory requirements and our commitment to our legal work, in line with the guidance issued by the Charity Commission. Recognising that the organisation works on appeal cases over many years, the Trustees have reviewed the charity's needs for reserves and concluded that the appropriate reserves policy is to hold between five and seven months running costs in reserve at the start of the financial year (between £315,916 - £442,283). This reserves policy is longer than some charitable organisations in order to ensure that APPEAL is able to discharge it's legal obligations on it's ongoing cases, taking into account relevant risk factors which affect the work.

The Trustees maintain a continuous review of the organisation's financial position in order to ensure that the its objectives can be met.

Going concern

The trustees consider APPEAL to be a going concern from an review of its management accounts, bank balances, and resource development efforts, which include diverse revenue streams of grants, donations and legal aid .

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, the memorandum and articles of association, and constitutes a private company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Selection and appointment of new trustees

The trustees/directors are selected in accordance with the regulatory requirements for law practices, which are that all directors of a law practice must be lawyers. When new trustees/directors are required, candidates are identified, considered and appointed by the Co-Directors and the Board of Trustees.

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Decision making

The day to day running of the charity is delegated to the following senior management personnel:

Emma Torr (Co-Director)

Matt Foot (Co-Director)

The trustees agree a strategic and operations plan with the Co-Directors, as well as an annual budget each year. The Co-Directors then oversee the implementation of these objectives by the charity employees. Any item of expenditure over £300 has to be approved by at least two trustees.

Induction and training of new trustees

Trustees receive a thorough induction into APPEAL's work and are encouraged attend our offices and meet with staff. Trustees' training needs are kept under review and group or individual training will be offered if required.

Key management remuneration

APPEAL's salary policy is drafted with consultation of all staff, for approval by the trustees. It is comparatively flat in structure, is transparent and is reviewed every three years.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Risk	Mitigation
Human resources - staff turnover within a small organisation	Provide fair remuneration and support development
Fundraising - The need to hold sufficient funds to meet financial commitments and charity objectives, against an unpredictable fundraising environment	Accurate and regular monitoring of financial accounts and promoting diversification of income streams
Compliance-maintaining SRA authorisation, Legal Aid Agency contract and Specialist Quality Mark (SQM)	Proactive file management and inspection and timely monitoring of compliance duties

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

07556168 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1144162

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27 November 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

J Hingston - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Centre for Criminal Appeals**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Centre for Criminal Appeals ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, 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:

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

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

Mrs Natalie Coleman
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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27 November 2025

Statement of Financial Activities
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	3	463,849	144,640	608,489	666,210
Charitable activities					
Casework	6	12,845	-	12,845	18,323
Other trading activities	4	1,863	-	1,863	-
Investment income	5	3,825	-	3,825	2,917
Other income		2,985	-	2,985	-
Total		<u>485,367</u>	<u>144,640</u>	<u>630,007</u>	<u>687,450</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	7	31,766	-	31,766	15,534
Charitable activities					
Casework	8	410,284	25,765	436,049	428,225
Communications		15,578	4,819	20,397	13,693
Survivor advocate		4,174	1,241	5,415	15,047
Research		-	76,211	76,211	-
Training		-	2,050	2,050	-
General operations		21,404	-	21,404	-
Other		<u>62,741</u>	<u>2,920</u>	<u>65,661</u>	<u>51,901</u>
Total		<u>545,947</u>	<u>113,006</u>	<u>658,953</u>	<u>524,400</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(60,580)	31,634	(28,946)	163,050
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		714,613	38,168	752,781	589,731
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>654,033</u>	<u>69,802</u>	<u>723,835</u>	<u>752,781</u>

Balance Sheet
31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	14	1,187	-	1,187	3,760
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	15	38,236	6,014	44,250	47,438
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>646,342</u>	<u>63,787</u>	<u>710,129</u>	<u>724,938</u>
		684,578	69,801	754,379	772,376
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	16	(31,731)	-	(31,731)	(23,355)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>652,847</u>	<u>69,801</u>	<u>722,648</u>	<u>749,021</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		654,034	69,801	723,835	752,781
NET ASSETS FUNDS		<u>654,034</u>	<u>69,801</u>	<u>723,835</u>	<u>752,781</u>
	17				
Unrestricted funds				654,034	714,613
Restricted funds				<u>69,801</u>	<u>38,168</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>723,835</u>	<u>752,781</u>

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 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.

Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2025

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27 November 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

J Hingston - Trustee

Cash Flow Statement
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	(19,785)	136,544
Interest paid		(149)	-
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(19,934)</u>	<u>136,544</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(4,644)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		1,300	-
Interest received		3,825	2,917
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>5,125</u>	<u>(1,727)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		<u>(14,809)</u>	<u>134,817</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>724,938</u>	<u>590,121</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u>710,129</u>	<u>724,938</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	(28,946)	163,050
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	1,273	2,141
Interest received	(3,825)	(2,917)
Interest paid	149	-
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	3,188	(29,436)
Increase in creditors	8,376	3,706
Net cash (used in)/provided by operations	<u>(19,785)</u>	<u>136,544</u>

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Cash flow £	At 31.3.25 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	724,938	(14,809)	710,129
	<u>724,938</u>	<u>(14,809)</u>	<u>710,129</u>
Total	<u>724,938</u>	<u>(14,809)</u>	<u>710,129</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

1. LEGAL FORM OF THE CHARITY

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Although the net assets of the charity have decreased by £28,946 this year, the trustees are of the opinion that the future of the charity is secure for at least the next 12 months and that, on this basis, the charity is a going concern.

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.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Costs (including staff pension contributions) are allocated directly to the activity and fund to which they relate. Where the costs incurred relate to more than one activity or fund, they are apportioned on a basis consistent with the resource.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation

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

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any trade discounts due.

Creditors and provisions

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

Donated services

The charity is grateful for the donated services of commercial law firms who contribute time pro bono to case screening, litigation and system research. The trustees do not consider that any reliable monetary value can be placed on these services and, for this reason, no value has been reflected in the accounts.

3. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Donations	255,367	224,470
Grants	351,972	441,740
Gift aid	1,150	-
	<u>608,489</u>	<u>666,210</u>

4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Fundraising events	1,739	-
Media	124	-
	<u>1,863</u>	<u>-</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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5. INVESTMENT INCOME			
		31.3.25	31.3.24
		£	£
Deposit account interest		<u>3,825</u>	<u>2,917</u>
6. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES			
		31.3.25	31.3.24
		Casework	Total
		£	activities
Legal aid		<u>12,845</u>	<u>18,323</u>
7. RAISING FUNDS			
Raising donations and legacies			
		31.3.25	31.3.24
		£	£
Staff costs		<u>31,285</u>	<u>14,373</u>
Other trading activities			
		31.3.25	31.3.24
		£	£
Fundraising costs		<u>481</u>	<u>1,161</u>
Aggregate amounts		<u>31,766</u>	<u>15,534</u>
8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS			
	Direct	Support	
	Costs	costs (see	Totals
	£	note 9)	£
Casework	436,049	-	436,049
Communications	20,397	-	20,397
Survivor advocate	5,415	-	5,415
Research	76,211	-	76,211
Training	-	2,050	2,050
General operations	21,404	-	21,404
	<u>559,476</u>	<u>2,050</u>	<u>561,526</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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9. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Other resources expended	39,926	25,735	65,661
Training	<u>2,050</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,050</u>
	<u>41,976</u>	<u>25,735</u>	<u>67,711</u>

10. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

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

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Independent examiner	2,316	2,205
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>1,273</u>	<u>2,142</u>

11. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

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

12. STAFF COSTS

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Wages and salaries	498,132	386,910
Social security costs	47,189	33,848
Other pension costs	<u>20,543</u>	<u>17,067</u>
	<u>565,864</u>	<u>437,825</u>

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

	31.3.25	31.3.24
Staff	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000. The highest wage paid was £51,095 per annum.

Staff costs have been apportioned between projects and their associated funds on a time basis.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

13. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	569,599	96,611	666,210
Charitable activities			
Casework	18,323	-	18,323
Investment income	2,917	-	2,917
Total	<u>590,839</u>	<u>96,611</u>	<u>687,450</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	9,615	5,919	15,534
Charitable activities			
Casework	298,973	129,252	428,225
Communications	9,748	3,945	13,693
Survivor advocate	3,947	11,100	15,047
Other	46,674	5,227	51,901
Total	<u>368,957</u>	<u>155,443</u>	<u>524,400</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	221,882	(58,832)	163,050
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	492,731	97,000	589,731
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>714,613</u>	<u>38,168</u>	<u>752,781</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2024	1,339	300	17,617	19,256
Disposals	-	-	(1,300)	(1,300)
At 31 March 2025	<u>1,339</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>16,317</u>	<u>17,956</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	675	300	14,521	15,496
Charge for year	267	-	1,006	1,273
At 31 March 2025	<u>942</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>15,527</u>	<u>16,769</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	<u>397</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>790</u>	<u>1,187</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>664</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,096</u>	<u>3,760</u>

15. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>44,250</u>	<u>47,438</u>

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Trade creditors	8,286	5,858
Social security and other taxes	11,649	2,119
Other creditors	7,517	13,062
Accrued expenses	<u>4,279</u>	<u>2,316</u>
	<u>31,731</u>	<u>23,355</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	519,614	120,153	639,767
Women's Justice Initiative	140,229	(131,732)	8,497
Core funding	49,000	(49,000)	-
Staff training	5,770	-	5,770
	<u>714,613</u>	<u>(60,579)</u>	<u>654,034</u>
Restricted funds			
Casework	5,326	-	5,326
Women's Justice Initiative	3,360	10,741	14,101
Staff training	13,391	(2,050)	11,341
Bound by Injustice	-	13,624	13,624
Justice First Fellowship	15,034	(15,034)	-
Racial Justice Researcher	1,057	23,357	24,414
Solidarity Fund	-	995	995
	<u>38,168</u>	<u>31,633</u>	<u>69,801</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>752,781</u>	<u>(28,946)</u>	<u>723,835</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	370,035	(249,882)	120,153
Women's Justice Initiative	-	(131,732)	(131,732)
Core funding	<u>115,332</u>	<u>(164,332)</u>	<u>(49,000)</u>
	<u>485,367</u>	<u>(545,946)</u>	<u>(60,579)</u>
Restricted funds			
Women's Justice Initiative	17,101	(6,360)	10,741
Staff training	-	(2,050)	(2,050)
Bound by Injustice	19,500	(5,876)	13,624
Justice First Fellowship	-	(15,034)	(15,034)
Racial Justice Researcher	92,400	(69,043)	23,357
The Miners' Strike	11,639	(11,639)	-
Solidarity Fund	4,000	(3,005)	995
	<u>144,640</u>	<u>(113,007)</u>	<u>31,633</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>630,007</u>	<u>(658,953)</u>	<u>(28,946)</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	492,731	26,883	519,614
Women's Justice Initiative	-	140,229	140,229
Core funding	-	49,000	49,000
Staff training	-	5,770	5,770
	<u>492,731</u>	<u>221,882</u>	<u>714,613</u>
Restricted funds			
Casework	5,326	-	5,326
Women's Justice Initiative	47,078	(43,718)	3,360
Staff training	-	13,391	13,391
Resource development & communications	5,919	(5,919)	-
All Party Parliamentary Group Secretariat	1,334	(1,334)	-
Bound by Injustice	11,100	(11,100)	-
Justice First Fellowship	18,394	(3,360)	15,034
Racial Justice Researcher	7,849	(6,792)	1,057
	<u>97,000</u>	<u>(58,832)</u>	<u>38,168</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>589,731</u>	<u>163,050</u>	<u>752,781</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	395,840	(368,957)	26,883
Women's Justice Initiative	140,229	-	140,229
Core funding	49,000	-	49,000
Staff training	5,770	-	5,770
	<u>590,839</u>	<u>(368,957)</u>	<u>221,882</u>
Restricted funds			
Women's Justice Initiative	3,360	(47,078)	(43,718)
Staff training	15,000	(1,609)	13,391
Resource development & communications	-	(5,919)	(5,919)
All Party Parliamentary Group Secretariat	-	(1,334)	(1,334)
Bound by Injustice	1,500	(12,600)	(11,100)
Justice First Fellowship	49,751	(53,111)	(3,360)
Racial Justice Researcher	27,000	(33,792)	(6,792)
	<u>96,611</u>	<u>(155,443)</u>	<u>(58,832)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>687,450</u>	<u>(524,400)</u>	<u>163,050</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	492,731	147,036	639,767
Women's Justice Initiative	-	8,497	8,497
Staff training	-	5,770	5,770
	<u>492,731</u>	<u>161,303</u>	<u>654,034</u>
Restricted funds			
Casework	5,326	-	5,326
Women's Justice Initiative	47,078	(32,977)	14,101
Staff training	-	11,341	11,341
Resource development & communications	5,919	(5,919)	-
All Party Parliamentary Group Secretariat	1,334	(1,334)	-
Bound by Injustice	11,100	2,524	13,624
Justice First Fellowship	18,394	(18,394)	-
Racial Justice Researcher	7,849	16,565	24,414
Solidarity Fund	-	995	995
	<u>97,000</u>	<u>(27,199)</u>	<u>69,801</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>589,731</u>	<u>134,104</u>	<u>723,835</u>

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17. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	765,875	(618,839)	147,036
Women's Justice Initiative	140,229	(131,732)	8,497
Core funding	164,332	(164,332)	-
Staff training	5,770	-	5,770
	<u>1,076,206</u>	<u>(914,903)</u>	<u>161,303</u>
Restricted funds			
Women's Justice Initiative	20,461	(53,438)	(32,977)
Staff training	15,000	(3,659)	11,341
Resource development & communications	-	(5,919)	(5,919)
All Party Parliamentary Group Secretariat	-	(1,334)	(1,334)
Bound by Injustice	21,000	(18,476)	2,524
Justice First Fellowship	49,751	(68,145)	(18,394)
Racial Justice Researcher	119,400	(102,835)	16,565
The Miners' Strike	11,639	(11,639)	-
Solidarity Fund	4,000	(3,005)	995
	<u>241,251</u>	<u>(268,450)</u>	<u>(27,199)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,317,457</u>	<u>(1,183,353)</u>	<u>134,104</u>

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

19. RESTRICTED FUNDS

Casework

A grants was received from:

The National Lottery

to be used in the Bound by Injustice projects.

Women's Justice Initiative

Grants were received from:

The Network for Social Change

The Eleanor Rathbone Charitable Trust

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19. RESTRICTED FUNDS - continued

to address Women's Justice.

Racial Injustice

A grant was received from

The Baring Foundation

Universal Music

to fund research into whether non-unanimous jury verdicts lead to miscarriages of justice for BAME defendants.

Staff Training

A grant was received from the Jomati Foundation to be used in staff training.

Solidarity Fund

A grant was received from A B Charitable Trust to help respond to additional needs deriving from widespread violence across the UK in August 2024

Wrongful convictions and the 1984-85 Miners' strike: Exploring pathways to justice

York University paid for the secondment of Matt Foot to facilitate this project

20. DESIGNATED FUNDS

At the balance sheet date the charity held the following unrestricted funds:

	£
General Fund	639,766
Designated Funds:	
Training	5,770
Women's Justice Initiative	8,497

The general fund represents the free reserves of the charity.

The designated funds have been ring fenced by the Trustees for the following purposes:

An unrestricted donation received from the Jomati Foundation has been set aside for training.

A unrestricted grant from Lankelly Chase has been set aside for use in the Women's Justice Initiative.

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