

HAVEN PROJECT LIVERPOOL

England & Wales - Charity number 1144386

Details

Other names HAVEN PROJECT

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [07645243](#)

Registered 2011-10-21

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY PREVENTING THE SOCIAL EXCLUSION OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE, OR MAY BECOME, SOCIALLY EXCLUDED AS A RESULT OF [RELATIONSHIP AND FAMILY BREAK DOWN] [AND ILL-HEALTH] INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) PARENTS WHO ARE RESIDENT IN LIVERPOOL AND INVOLVED IN PUBLIC CARE PROCEEDINGS, BY ASSISTING THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY, IN PARTICULAR BY:A) PROVIDING ADVICE, CARE AND SUPPORT TO SUCH PERSONS;B) PROMOTING ACCESS TO SPECIALIST AGENCIES WHO CAN ASSIST AND SUPPORT SUCH PERSONS; ANDC) ENCOURAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF POSITIVE SUPPORT NETWORKS FOR THOSE PERSONS2. TO ASSIST IN THE TREATMENT AND CARE OF PERSONS WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM MENTAL OR PHYSICAL ILLNESS OF ANY DESCRIPTION, IN PARTICULAR (BUT NOT LIMITED TO) PERSONS WHO ARE RESIDENT IN LIVERPOOL AND WHO ARE PARENTS INVOLVED IN PUBLIC CARE PROCEEDINGS, THROUGH THE PROVISION OF COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT.3. TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENTS OF BELIEF APPEARING IN THE SCHEDULE.

Activities: Explaining the court process to parents;attending court hearings, key meetings, appointments with specialist services (i.e. drugs/alcohol, mental health, domestic abuse) with parents;regular one-to-one sessions to provide emotional and practical support;prayer support at parents request;linking parents in to relevant community groups, fitness classes;support post court for 12 months

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- Liverpool City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£44,935	£30,103	-	-
2024-03-31	£32,965	£28,362	-	-
2023-03-31	£30,187	£24,956	-	-
2022-03-31	£27,566	£27,394	-	-
2021-03-31	£28,528	£25,461	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew John Pollard		2023-02-09
GENEVIEVE MARY STALEY		2011-10-21
JOHN DANIEL STALEY		2011-10-21
LYNN JEAN MCNAUGHT		2014-11-06

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Lynn McNaught	Trustee/Treasurer	6 th November 2014 to present
Andrew Pollard	Trustee	9 th February 2023 to present

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Independent Examiner:

Mr Ken Brew, BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA
32, Hallville Road,
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Key workers:

Project Manager: Paula Fairbrother
External supervisor: Dr Peter Blundell

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Activities and Achievements 2024/25

During 2024/25 the Haven Project worked with a total of 13 parents, 12 women and one man. 8 of those parents accessed our one-to-one support both during and after court, additionally 5 women attended our Butterfly Gathering group for birth mothers.

Our Court Support and Next Steps services provide support which is delivered flexibly in the family courts, in the community and in parents own homes as required. Over the course of this year we provided 129 hours of one-to-one sessions and spent 9 days in court with parents.

In the Court Support service 83% of the parents we supported recorded an improvement in their understanding of, and participation in the court process. Across all aspects of our service, 85% (11 out of 13) of the parents reported and demonstrated a reduction in isolation, 37% reported an improvement in their mental health.

Throughout the year we also attended solicitors appointments and other key meetings with parents. One such appointment involved supporting a mother in meeting with the prospective adopters for her little boys.

This particular meeting, coupled with some additional work with the mother and the adoptive parents, played a key role in the final adoption order including the provision for a face to face meeting each year between mum and the adopters. The plan is as they get older the boys will also be part of this annual get together.

This is one of the earliest cases in the UK to reflect changes that are being encouraged in adoption cases. Research has shown the key role that positive, ongoing contact with their birth family can have for adopted children. For a number of years adoption orders have limited contact with the birth family to 'letterbox' communication only, exchanging cards and letters once or twice a year. The emerging research has now prompted the exploration of more creative and meaningful ways of promoting safe, ongoing contact. We were privileged to play an instrumental role in this research being considered and applied for this particular mum and her children.

Following the successful pilot our birth mother group the Butterfly Gathering is now a core part of the Haven Project's services and we ran 17 sessions this year. As already noted 5 mothers took part and their attendance ranged from 70-94%. Their feedback continues to be positive about the benefits of having a group like this available to women in Liverpool.

Activities and Achievements cont'd

As we came to the end of the year one of the other mothers, Dani, moved on from the group as she had made so much progress that one of her boys was returning home to her care. Her story follows on page 6.

Our ongoing connections and collaboration with the Ipswich based charity BEAM enabled one of the Butterfly mums to take part with 17 other women in an Arts Council England project. The women took part in a series of creative writing workshops which culminated in them collectively writing and producing a book entitled 'One Drop Holds the Sun'. The book tells the story of Hope '*..a young mother who loses the care of her children. An unexpected time-travelling adventure offers Hope the chance to heal as she encounters the love and support of others*'. The book is now available to order through Waterstones. We're incredibly proud of the Butterfly Gathering mum who took part in the project.

On an organisational level, this year has been a time of preparation for growth and expanding our staff team. As well as applications to different funders we have planned for recruitment of 2 new staff.

A consultation with 25 parents took place in July/August 2024 that formed the backdrop of our Lottery funding application. All of the participants had been involved in public care proceedings with their children and 100% felt that the form of support that Haven offers is needed by parents in the family court. Following this consultation we successfully secured funding from the Lottery, Benefact Trust and Steve Morgan Foundation and we are now able to start recruiting in 2025/26.

Lynn McNaught stepped down from her voluntary role as the Project Manager's professional supervisor this year, but continues as a trustee of the Haven Project. We are incredibly grateful for her contribution and support in this way over the years. Dr Peter Blundell, who works at John Moores University as a Senior Lecturer, has now agreed to take on this role for us.

Dani's story

Dani started coming along to our Butterfly Gathering group in February 2024.

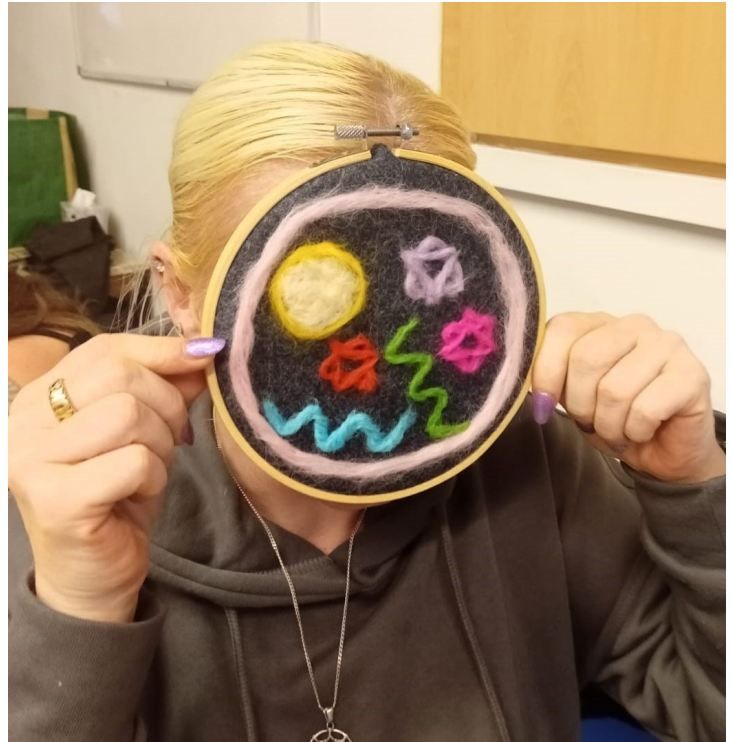
Dani's sons had been permanently removed from her care three years earlier because of a long history of drug addiction and domestic abuse between Dani and her now ex-partner.

When we first met her at the group Dani had been abstinent from drugs for 18 months and was working well with one of the local drug services. Though the drug service offered a wide range of different forms of support, Dani had felt that there was still something missing that she needed. She says she found that 'something' at the Butterfly group.

Dani hadn't met any other mothers who shared her experience of having their children removed. Coming into a group like that, and feeling accepted and valued, was the final piece of the recovery jigsaw for Dani. She came along to the Butterfly Gathering regularly and found that the group helped her recognise and deal with the loss and grief that she felt for herself and her boys. She increasingly accepted her part in her family's history and continued to work towards change.

As the changes progressed, Dani's eldest son returned home to live with her, and she is now being assessed for one of the younger boys to move home too. This has meant that the time was right for Dani to move on from being part of the Butterfly Gathering. She has now become a volunteer for another community organisation and has also joined the Haven Project's newly formed focus group, to help us develop the way we work with parents.

Dani is very much an ambassador for the Butterfly gathering, promoting it to other women she meets as it's currently the only group of its type in Liverpool.



Gallery

A selection of images from our Butterfly Gathering art sessions this year:



Trustees' report (continued)

Reserves Policy and Financial Review

There are two strands to Haven Project Liverpool's fundraising strategy namely:

- Developing a donor base, encouraging donations from both individuals and churches
- Applications for relevant grants/funds

This year the service was funded by both strands, from a growing number of individual supporters (including additional support from five local churches) and also by grant funding from John Moores Foundation (£8400), LCVS (£3000), Price Parry Trust (£2719) and the Benefact Trust (£10000).

The Benefact Trust grant was awarded towards costs associated with employing an additional worker. Due to the need to secure additional match funding recruitment was unavoidably delayed into 2025/26, thus the fund has been carried forward in its entirety. The remaining three grants were awarded to fund our direct delivery costs and a proportion of the Project Manager's salary and were spent in full.

There was an operating surplus of £4,832 in 2024-25. This is a result of the steady progress in stabilising our finances over the last few years.

To enable Haven Project Liverpool to meet its financial responsibilities, and to survive fluctuations in its finances, the Trustees have agreed to keep a sufficient level of financial reserves, based on a normal year, to ensure that main operations could continue for a period of 3-6 months. Our target level of reserves is therefore around £17,500. Haven Project Liverpool currently has reserves of £25,397. We are grateful to each one of our sponsors for their generosity.

The level of reserves is managed by the Project Manager daily and monitored by the Trustees every 3 months. The reserves policy is reviewed annually by the trustees.

The trustees will continue to seek to implement the reserves policy. We aim to provide diversified funding support, by widening our donor base and continuing to submit grant applications in future years. We will also continue to control our operational costs.

Trustees' report (continued)

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure 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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable group 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.

Small company provisions:

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to the members of the company.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Date _____
Genevieve Staley, Director



Independent examiner's report to the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2025

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 11 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) consider that an audit is not required for this year under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, I confirm that no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (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.

Signed _____ Date _____

Ken Brew BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA

Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2025



	Note	2025 Restricted Funds £	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	2	24,119	20,816	44,935	32,965
Total income		24,119	20,816	44,935	32,965
Expenditure on					
Charitable activities	3,7,8 & 9	(14,119)	(15,984)	(30,103)	(28,362)
Fundraising costs		0	0	0	0
Total expenditure		(14,119)	(15,984)	(30,103)	(28,362)
Net income(expenditure)		10,000	4,832	14,832	4,603
Funds brought forward		0	20,565	20,565	15,962
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0
Funds carried forward		10,000	25,397	35,397	20,565

All the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

Balance sheet at 31 March 2025

	Note	£	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets	4		300	0
Current assets				
Debtors	5	2,360	2,083	
Cash at bank and in hand		34,274	19,716	
Total current assets		<u>36,634</u>	<u>21,799</u>	
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>(1,537)</u>	<u>(1,234)</u>	
Net current assets			35,097	20,565
Net assets			<u>35,397</u>	<u>20,565</u>
The funds of the charity				
Unrestricted income funds			25,397	20,565
Restricted income funds			10,000	0
Total funds			<u>35,397</u>	<u>20,565</u>

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 31/03/24 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies' subject to the small company's regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Dated _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice: applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis – i.e., they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Depreciation

Office equipment is written off over a period of 3 years on a straight-line basis.

Resources costing less than £100 are not capitalised but are written off immediately as revenue expenditure.

All Fixed Assets are fully depreciated on 31 March 2024.

2. Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2025	2025	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Cash donations	18,622	0	18,622	17,880
Grant Income	0	24,119	24,119	13,000
Fundraising Income	0	0	0	0
Tax refunds	2,194	0	2,194	2,085
	20,816	24,119	44,935	32,965

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

3. Costs of charitable activities

	Unrestricted 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Salaries	2,807	12,146	14,953	16,319
PAYE	1,894	0	1,894	2,093
Pensions	841	0	841	945
Staff travel	974	0	974	1,657
Ministry resources for families	0	1,973	1,973	1,250
Rent and Council tax	4,024	0	4,024	3,800
Volunteer expenses	127	0	127	121
Insurance	584	0	584	515
Office costs	442	0	442	434
Telephone and Internet	835	0	835	641
Printing, Postage & stationery	459	0	459	138
Bank charges	67	0	67	69
Staff Mentoring	600	0	600	0
Independent Examiner	200	0	200	200
Depreciation	158	0	158	0
Training costs	0	0	0	180
	14,011	14,119	28,130	28,362

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

4. Fixed assets

	Furniture & Equipment 2025 £	Total Assets 2025 £	Total Assets 2024 £
Cost			
Opening balance	2,215	2,215	2,215
Additions	458	458	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>2,673</u>	<u>2,673</u>	<u>2,215</u>
Depreciation			
Opening balance	(2,215)	(2,215)	(2,215)
Depreciation	(158)	(158)	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>(2,373)</u>	<u>(2,373)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>
Net Book Value 31 March 2025	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>0</u>

5. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Gift aid due	<u>2,360</u>	<u>2,083</u>
	<u>2,360</u>	<u>2,083</u>

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6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,537	1,234
	<u>1,537</u>	<u>1,234</u>

7. Staff costs and numbers

	2025	2024
	£	£
Salaries	18,820	18,412
Pensions	841	945
	<u>19,660</u>	<u>19,357</u>

No employees have employment benefits in excess of £60,000 (2024: Nil)

The average number of staff employed was 1.0 (2024:1.0).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and the project manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were 19,660 (2024: £19,357).

8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2024: Nil).

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9. Independent Examination

During the year the cost of the examination and accountancy services was £200 (2024 £200).

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Manager's report 2023/24

Alyson Tunstall stepped down as trustee at our AGM this year after serving Haven Project, Liverpool for 5 years. We are incredibly grateful for her faithful support and that her Church has become one of our new Friends of Haven. This year has continued to see us seek funding grants and new donors as we look towards expanding and growing the work of Haven Project, Liverpool.

Over the course of 2023/24 we worked with a total of 15 parents, 14 women and one man. 8 parents accessed our one-to-one support both during and after court. In addition, 7 mothers attended the pilot sessions of our birth mothers group, the Butterfly Gathering.

Our Court Support and Next Steps services provide support which is delivered flexibly in the family courts, in the community and in parents own homes as required. Over the course of this year we provided 133 hours of one-to-one sessions and spent 8 days in court with parents. We also attended solicitors appointments and key meetings with parents and enabled them to access other specialist recovery support through CGL (Knowsley drug service), PSS Wellbeing Centres and SLDAS (South Liverpool Domestic Abuse Service).

We also linked parents into community groups, according to their individual interests, to help them start developing more positive, enduring support networks. This year this aspect of our work included going along to a knit and natter group with one of the young mums who initially just wanted to learn to knit and now attends the group weekly by herself. Another mother now attends a women's only boxing group 3 times a week and another has begun volunteering regularly with a local charity. Her story is told in more detail later.

In the Court Support service all of the parents we supported recorded an improvement in their understanding of, and participation in the court process. For the Court Support and Next Steps services combined, 75% (6 out of 8) of parents reported and demonstrated a reduction in isolation, 38% (3 out of 8) reported an improvement in their mental health.

In June one of our mothers and Paula, the Project Manager, travelled to Nottingham. We were teaming up with mothers from the Ipswich based charity BEAM to deliver training to Nottingham's adoption social workers, broadening their understanding of the issues faced by birth mothers throughout the adoption process. The training session was very well received and the women were proud to have had input into improving the service experience for other mothers in their situation.

Moving on, in September we started our 'Butterfly Gathering' birth mothers group. The group is based at WHISC in the centre of Liverpool, making it easily accessible to women from across the city. We ran 16 sessions in total, delivered in two eight week blocks. The sessions focussed on improving the women's emotional wellbeing and included two art sessions run by local artist and maker Mandy Smith. Some examples of the women's work can be seen in the Gallery photos on page 6.

Manager's report cont'd 2023/24

All of the women at the Butterfly Gathering indicated that they had attended the group primarily to meet other women who shared their experiences of having children removed from their care. They all described feelings of loneliness and isolation which they felt the group had helped to address. They also spoke about a common sense of shame and being judged by others, but felt that the Butterfly group provided them with a sense of *"feeling heard and not judged"*. Other feedback included comments such as:

"This group has kept me going through the darkest days of my life. Sometimes it's hard enough getting out of bed....but coming here it's a place I feel connected"

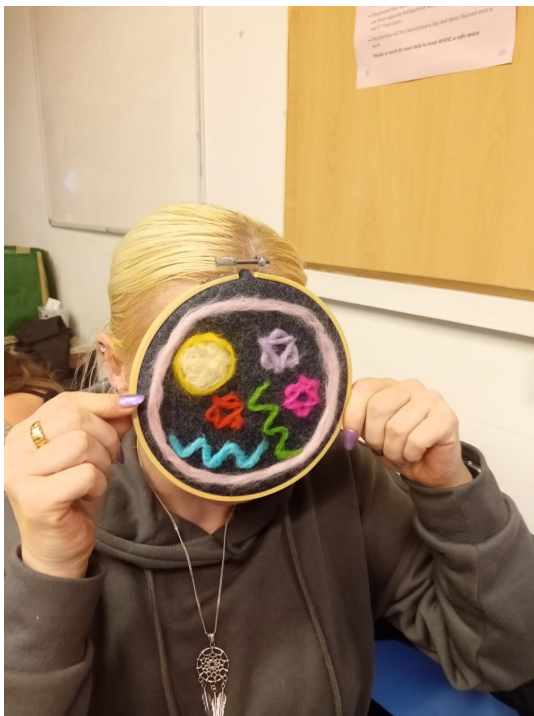
"A few times I've come in a right state, but with the help of everyone it squashes that black cloud....it's uplifting"

Of the 5 women who attended regularly one indicated that her mental health had remained steady, whilst the other four saw an improvement in their mental health, demonstrated by their scores on the Short Warwick-Edinburgh Mental Well-being Scale.

Following positive evaluations from the women who attended the group the sessions are now ongoing on a weekly basis.

Gallery

A selection of images from our Butterfly Gathering art sessions this year:



Lucy's story



We first met Lucy in 2021 while she was pregnant with her second son. Her older son Ross had already been removed from her care and there

were concerns that Lucy wouldn't be able to look after the new baby because of her young age, learning disability and the abusive behaviour of the boys father.

Once the baby, Ethan, was born he and Lucy moved into a mother and baby unit out of area. Lucy found it hard to be in the unit by herself and the staff felt she needed a lot of support to look after Ethan. Though she made progress in her parenting the stress of being on her own and away from her home city caused a decline in Lucy's mental health and she began to experience suicidal thoughts. Ultimately for her and Ethan's safety he moved into foster care and Lucy returned home.

Counselling services that are geared towards meeting the needs of people with learning disabilities are currently very rare. So we linked Lucy in to the local Mencap service for support around the emotional impact of all that she was experiencing and for some targeted sessions about safe relationships and domestic abuse.

During this time Lucy's partner was arrested and remanded in custody for threatening professionals involved with the children. Incidents of more domestic abuse also came to light, we made referrals to all the relevant safeguarding agencies and then helped Lucy move into a refuge.

Throughout this very difficult time the court process for the boys continued and sadly in early

2023 the decision was made that they would be placed for adoption together. We supported Lucy at each court hearing and spent time with her during the day of her goodbye contact with the boys. There had been a change in the social worker by this time and the other agencies that had been working with Lucy had all closed their involvement. Haven was the only service that had been able to stay consistently involved.

Towards the end of 2023 Lucy moved into supported accommodation and began feeling like she could finally start to make positive changes in her life. We started by attending a women only exercise class which Lucy found she really enjoyed. She then moved on to access a 'lifting mood and raising self esteem' course at PSS and worked with her local domestic abuse service to complete a freedom programme and recovery toolkit course. When we reviewed our support with Lucy she identified that she often felt bored and on her own, so we helped her to begin volunteering with a local charity once a week. Her plan now is to receive some specialised work mentoring, the hope being to eventually work part time.

When adopters were found for the boys we went with Lucy to meet them. The meeting went really well and, very unusually for adoption in the UK at the moment, everyone agreed that it would be good for Lucy and the boys to have face to face contact as they're growing up, if it can be safely managed. The process will start with the adopters and Lucy meeting up to begin building their relationship.

Our work with Lucy is now coming to a close. This is a case that demonstrates so clearly the need for continuity of support, often over an extended period of time, if change is to occur in such complex family situations. We're hopeful that Lucy will now continue to make positive changes into the future.

Trustees' report (continued)

Reserves Policy and Financial Review

There are two strands to Haven Project Liverpool's fundraising strategy namely:

- Developing a donor base, encouraging donations from both individuals and churches
- Applications for relevant grants/funds

This year the service was funded by both strands, from a growing number of individual supporters (including additional support from five local churches) and also by grant funding from both the John Moores Foundation and the PH Holt Foundation.

There was a surplus of £4,603 in 2023-24. This is a result of the steady progress in stabilising our finances over the last few years.

To enable Haven Project Liverpool to meet its financial responsibilities, and to survive fluctuations in its finances, the Trustees have agreed to keep a sufficient level of financial reserves, based on a normal year, to ensure that main operations could continue for a period of 3-6 months. Our target level of reserves has been increased to £17,500 in anticipation of our budgeted increase in expenditure next year.

Haven Project Liverpool currently has reserves of £20,565, which is a satisfactory position. We are grateful to each one of our sponsors for their generosity.

The level of reserves is managed by the Project Manager daily and monitored by the Trustees every 3 months. The reserves policy is reviewed annually by the trustees.

The trustees will continue to seek to implement the reserves policy. We aim to provide diversified funding support, by widening our donor base and continuing to submit grant applications in future years. We will also continue to control our operational costs.

Trustees' report (continued)

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure 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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable group 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.

Small company provisions:

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to the members of the company.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Date _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2024

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 11 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) consider that an audit is not required for this year under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, I confirm that no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (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.

Signed _____ Date _____

Ken Brew BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA

Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2024



	Note	2024 Restricted Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	2	13,000	19,965	32,965	30,187
Total income		13,000	19,965	32,965	30,187
Expenditure on					
Charitable activities 3,7,8 & 9		(13,000)	(15,362)	(28,362)	(24,956)
Fundraising costs		0	0	0	0
Total expenditure		(13,000)	(15,362)	(28,362)	(24,956)
Net income(expenditure)		-	4,603	4,603	5,231
Funds brought forward		0	15,962	15,962	10,731
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0
Funds carried forward		-	20,565	20,565	15,962

All the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

Balance sheet at 31 March 2024

	Note	£	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets	4		0	0
Current assets				
Debtors	5	2,083	1,865	
Cash at bank and in hand		19,716	15,051	
Total current assets		21,799	16,916	
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		(1,234)	(954)	
Net current assets			20,565	15,962
Net assets			20,565	15,962
The funds of the charity				
Unrestricted income funds			20,565	15,962
Restricted income funds			0	0
Total funds			20,565	15,962

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 31/03/24 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies' subject to the small company's regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Dated _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice: applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis – i.e., they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Depreciation

Office equipment is written off over a period of 3 years on a straight-line basis.

Resources costing less than £100 are not capitalised but are written off immediately as revenue expenditure.

All Fixed Assets are fully depreciated on 31 March 2024.

2. Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Cash donations	17,880	0	17,880	22,360
Grant Income	0	13,000	13,000	0
Fundraising Income	0	0	0	5,392
Tax refunds	2,085	0	2,085	2,435
	19,965	13,000	32,965	30,187

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2024

3. Costs of charitable activities

	Unrestricted 2024 £	Restricted 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Salaries	4,319	12,000	16,319	15,566
PAYE	1,093	1,000	2,093	1,666
Pensions	945	0	945	743
Staff travel	1,657	0	1,657	661
Ministry resources for families	1,250	0	1,250	884
Rent and Council tax	3,800	0	3,800	3,555
Volunteer expenses	121	0	121	172
Insurance	515	0	515	478
Office costs	434	0	434	274
Telephone and Internet	641	0	641	660
Printing, Postage & stationery	138	0	138	28
Bank charges	69	0	69	69
Independent Examiner	200	0	200	200
Training costs	180	0	180	0
	15,362	13,000	28,362	24,956

**Notes to the accounts (continued)
for the year ended 31 March 2024**



4. Fixed assets

Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>
Depeciation			
Opening balance	(2,215)	(2215)	(2215)
Depreciation	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>
Net Book Value 31 March 2024	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

5. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gift aid due	2,083	1,865
	<u>2,083</u>	<u>1,865</u>

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2024

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

2024	2023
£	£
1,234	954
<u>1,234</u>	<u>954</u>

7. Staff costs and numbers

	2024	2023
	£	£
Salaries	18,412	17,822
Pensions	945	347
	<u>19,357</u>	<u>18,169</u>

No employees have employment benefits in excess of £60,000 (2021: Nil)

The average number of staff employed was 1.0 (2022:1.0).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and the project manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were 18,169 (2021: £18,169).

8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2021: Nil).

Lynn McNaught continues to provide voluntary mentoring services as well as serving as a trustee. We have not recorded a notional valued for these services this year, in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102.

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2024



9. Independent Examination

During the year the cost of the examination and accountancy services was £200 (2023 £200).

HAVEN PROJECT LIVERPOOL

England & Wales - Charity number 1144386

Accounts



Haven Project Liverpool

Company number 07645243

Registered charity number 1144386

Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023

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Trustees' Report *(incorporating the Directors report)* for year ended 31 March 2023

The trustees who are also the directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. The company was incorporated on 24 May 2011 and is a private limited company limited by guarantee.

Full name Haven Project Liverpool
Registered Charity number: 1144386
Registered Company number: 07645243

Registered Address

Haven Project Liverpool
Bridge Chapel Centre
Heath Road
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Liverpool L19 4XR

Directors (Trustees)

Genevieve Staley
John Staley
Lynn McNaught
Reverend Alyson Tunstall
Andrew Pollard

Position

Chair of Trustees
Trustee
Trustee/Treasurer
Trustee
Trustee

Appointed/(Resigned)

1st April 2011 to present
1st April 2011 to present
6th November 2014 to present
15th October 2018 to present
9th February 2023 to present

Bankers

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Mossley Hill
Liverpool L18 2DA

Independent Examiner:

Mr Ken Brew, BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA
32, Hallville Road,
Mossley Hill,
Liverpool L18 0HR

Key workers:

Project Manager: Paula Fairbrother
Social Work Advisor: Lynn McNaught

Structure, Governance and Management

Haven Project Liverpool became a registered charity in October 2011. It is a service that provides support to parents who are involved in public care proceedings initiated by Liverpool Children's Services. Its formation in May 2011 was prompted by the identified lack of services available for parents involved in the court arena in Liverpool.

Approximately 100 families per year are involved in care proceedings with Liverpool Children's Services. Proceedings initiated by Children's Services in other areas of Merseyside (Sefton, Wirral, Knowsley, St Helens) increase that number still further. Many parents report going through the court process alone, feeling frightened, confused and alienated. Government guidance and legislation identifies that providing support to parents in these circumstances is important, however there is currently no statutory duty for Local Authorities to provide such services. As a consequence little support is available for families either locally or nationally.

The Haven Project aims to address this gap in services for the Liverpool area. The service has been in operation since January 2012. The Project has three key aims in its work with parents:

- to reduce parents' sense of stress and isolation;
- to enable parents to participate fully in the court process;
- to promote positive, lasting change.

The structure and management of this service is still developing and is likely to expand in the future. There are currently 5 trustees who between them have many years' experience working with children and their families, and specifically working with vulnerable families. At each AGM a third of the trustees resign and can apply for re-election. At present this is done by rotation and longest serving trustee resigning first. Prospective Trustees are able to put themselves forward from the membership and are appointed at the AGM by current trustees and members. Members are those either approached by the trustees to get more involved with the project because they have skills the project needs and/or those who demonstrate they share in the beliefs, aims and objectives of the project and want to become involved more on an organisational level. There are also those who are non-members; who become involved on an operational level through praying, giving or volunteering.

Summary of the main activities

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning the future activities. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set as explained below. The project is available to all those from the Liverpool area who are referred to us by local social workers and solicitors or by self-referral.

Objectives and Activities

The following statement of vision and aims summarises and develops our purposes, as set out in the objects, contained in the company's Memorandum of Association.

Vision

Our vision is to bring healing and hope to hurting families, breaking the cycle of harm that passes down from generation to generation.

Mission

Our mission is to support parents who are involved in public care proceedings.

Aims

Our aims are to reduce parents' stress and isolation, to enable parents to participate fully in the court process and to promote positive, lasting change.

Haven Project Liverpool is an organisation which seeks to demonstrate Christian faith in practice. The service offered by Haven Project is open to people of all faiths and none and is guided by the principle that all people, whoever they are, however they live, whatever they've done, should be treated with equal dignity, care and respect. The work is motivated by the belief that no person or situation is beyond hope.

Manager's report 2022/23

Over the course of 2022/23 we worked with ten parents, 9 mothers and 1 father. The work included 77 hours of one-to-one support and 16 days in court, along with attendance at LAC reviews, care planning meetings and solicitors appointments.

As always the support we provide has been tailored to meet parents specific, individual needs. For one of the young mums this included supporting her during 2 police interviews where she was providing witness testimony for incidents of domestic abuse she had experienced. We then helped her to move into a refuge placement out of the area and continued to visit her there as she settled in to living outside of Liverpool on her own.

For many of the parents we work with, their adverse life experiences coupled with the court process itself can have a significant impact on their mental health. With this understanding in mind we use the widely recognised '5 ways to well being' to shape the way we work with parents both during and after court (www.nhs.uk/mental-health/self-help/guides-tools-and-activities/five-steps-to-mental-wellbeing/). Under the 'be active' element this year we've taken women along to WHISC's community exercise classes, pilates sessions and gym inductions.

Our monthly art group has enabled us to provide ongoing opportunities for the women to 'connect' and 'keep learning'. However, in June we ran our final monthly art group session. After 7 fabulous years our amazing art worker Andi Taylor has moved out of Liverpool to a new home and a new job. We were incredibly sad to see her go and to draw the art group to a close. However we also took this as an opportunity to review our group work and look ahead to possible new service developments.

This review process led to us drawing together a small group of Haven mums and volunteers to plan the setting up of a weekly group that will be open to any mother in Liverpool living apart from her child. This new group will get underway with an eight week pilot in the autumn of 2023 based at WHISC (Women's Health Information & Support Centre) in the centre of Liverpool.

Gallery

A selection of images from our art group sessions this year:



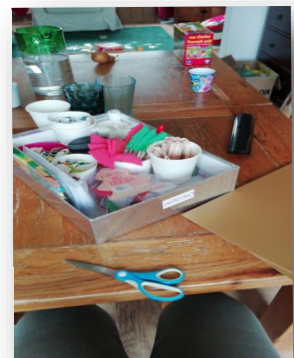
Trustee Feedback 2022/23

This year, as a new way of fundraising, we participated in the Big Give Christmas Challenge 2022.(29th November to the 6th December 2022) The Big Give helps charities by facilitating different opportunities for fundraising. Sometimes this is themed based (like green issues or women) sometimes it's a seasonal opportunity.(like Christmas!) The charity signs up and people donate through the Big Give platform. The charity sets a target of funds to raise; we decided on £2,000, and then, a combination of generous pledgers and the Big Give champions, match fund it and double it to £4,000.

The Haven Project, Liverpool conducted two main events during the Christmas challenge; a sponsored swim and a Christmas Fundraiser event, both held on Saturday 3rd December 2022.



Volunteers, Trustees and friends of Haven rallied together to put the Fundraiser together and some even held some additional events to raise further funds.



The event was a massive success and we raised a total of £5392 which way exceeded our expectations.

Trustee Feedback 2022/23 cont'd

Here are some of the things we did to raise funds.



Here are the people that made it happen!



The second highlight of this year was we welcomed Andrew Pollard, as a new trustee, at our AGM in February 2023. He has just retired from working as a headteacher in Standish and has extensive experience of Church Leadership and being a trustee.

Trustees' report (continued)

Reserves Policy and Financial Review

There are normally two strands to Haven Project Liverpool's fundraising strategy namely:

- Developing a donor base, encouraging donations from both individuals and churches
- Applications for relevant grants/funds

This year the service was funded exclusively by donations from a growing number of individual supporters and from five local churches. There were no restricted funds in the current year.

There was a surplus of £5,231 in 2022-23. This represents the steady progress in stabilising our finances over the last few years and a slightly lower level of operational activity due to some staff absence on compassionate leave.

To enable Haven Project Liverpool to meet its financial responsibilities, and to survive fluctuations in its finances, the Trustees have agreed to keep a sufficient level of financial reserves, based on a normal year, to ensure that main operations could continue for a period of 3-6 months. Our target level of reserves remains therefore at £15,000. Haven Project Liverpool currently has reserves of £15,962. We are grateful to each one of our sponsors for their generosity.

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The trustees will continue to seek to implement the reserves policy. We aim to provide diversified funding support, by widening our donor base and continuing to submit grant applications in future years. We will also continue to control our operational costs.

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

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Signed _____ Date _____

Ken Brew BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA

Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2023



	2023	2022	2022	2022
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Donations and Legacies	2 30,187	22,516	5,050	27,566
Total income	30,187	22,516	5,050	27,566
Expenditure on				
Charitable activities 3,7,8 & 9	(24,956)	(22,344)	(5,050)	(27,394)
Fundraising costs	0	0	0	0
Total expenditure	(24,956)	(22,344)	(5,050)	(27,394)
Net income(expenditure)	5,231	172	-	172
Funds brought forward	10,731	10,559	0	10,559
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0
Funds carried forward	15,962	10,731	-	10,731

All the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

Balance sheet at 31 March 2023

	Note	£	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets	4		0	0
Current assets				
Debtors	5	1,865	1,697	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>15,051</u>	<u>10,139</u>	
Total current assets		16,916	11,836	
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>(954)</u>	<u>(1,105)</u>	
Net current assets			15,962	10,731
Net assets			<u>15,962</u>	<u>10,731</u>
The funds of the charity				
Unrestricted income funds			15,962	10,731
Restricted income funds			<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total funds			<u>15,962</u>	<u>10,731</u>

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 31/03/23 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies' subject to the small company's regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Dated _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice: applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis – i.e., they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Depreciation

Office equipment is written off over a period of 3 years on a straight-line basis.

Resources costing less than £100 are not capitalised but are written off immediately as revenue expenditure.

All Fixed Assets are fully depreciated on 31 March 2023.

2. Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted 2022 £	Restricted 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Cash donations	22,360	22,360	20,817	0	20,817
Grant Income	0	0	0	3,700	3,700
Fundraising Income	5,392	5,392	0	1,350	1,350
Tax refunds	2,435	2,435	1,699	0	1,699
	30,187	30,187	22,516	5,050	27,566

**Notes to the accounts (continued)
for the year ended 31 March 2023**



3. Costs of charitable activities

	Unrestricted 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Salaries	15,566	15566	15218
PAYE	1,666	1666	2040
Pensions	743	743	811
Staff travel	661	661	780
Ministry resources for families	884	884	1064
Rent and Council tax	3,555	3555	3555
Volunteer expenses	172	172	103
Insurance	478	478	478
Office costs	274	274	284
Telephone and Internet	660	660	600
Printing, Postage & stationery	28	28	142
Bank charges	69	69	2000
Independent Examiner	200	200	200
Training costs	0	0	119
	24,956	24,956	27,394

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2023

4. Fixed assets

	Furniture & Equipment 2023 £	Total Assets 2023 £	Total Assets 2022 £
Cost			
Opening balance	2,215	2,215	2,215
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>
Depeciation			
Opening balance	(2,215)	(2215)	(2215)
Depreciation	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>
Net Book Value 31 March 2023	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

5. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Gift aid due	<u>1,865</u>	<u>1,697</u>
	<u>1,865</u>	<u>1,697</u>

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2023



6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	954	1,105
	<u>954</u>	<u>1,105</u>

7. Staff costs and numbers

	2023	2022
	£	£
Salaries	17,822	17,822
Pensions	347	347
	<u>18,169</u>	<u>18,169</u>

No employees have employment benefits in excess of £60,000 (2021: Nil)

The average number of staff employed was 1.0 (2022:1.0).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and the project manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were 18,169 (2021: £18.169).

8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2021: Nil).

Lynn McNaught continues to provide voluntary mentoring services as well as serving as a trustee. We have not recorded a notional value for these services this year, in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102.

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2023



9. Independent Examination

During the year the cost of the examination and accountancy services was £200 (2022 £200).

HAVEN PROJECT LIVERPOOL

England & Wales - Charity number 1144386

Accounts



Haven Project Liverpool

Company number 07645243
Registered charity number 1144386

Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

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Trustees' Report *(incorporating the Directors report)* for year ended 31 March 2022

The trustees who are also the directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022. The company was incorporated on 24 May 2011 and is a private limited company limited by guarantee.

Full name Haven Project Liverpool
Registered Charity number: 1144386
Registered Company number: 07645243

Registered Address
Haven Project Liverpool
Bridge Chapel Centre
Heath Road
Garston
Liverpool L19 4XR

Directors (Trustees)	Position	Appointed/(Resigned)
Genevieve Staley	Chair of Trustees	1 st April 2011 to present
John Staley	Trustee	1 st April 2011 to present
Lynn McNaught	Trustee/Treasurer	6 th November 2014 to present
Reverend Alyson Tunstall	Trustee	15 th October 2018 to present

Bankers

HSBC
23 Allerton Road
Mossley Hill
Liverpool L18 2DA

Independent Examiner:

Mr Ken Brew, BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA
32, Hallville Road,
Mossley Hill,
Liverpool L18 0HR

Key workers:

Project Manager: Paula Fairbrother
Social Work Advisor: Lynn McNaught

Structure, Governance and Management

Haven Project Liverpool became a registered charity in October 2011. It is a service that provides support to parents who are involved in public care proceedings initiated by Liverpool Children's Services. Its formation in May 2011 was prompted by the identified lack of services available for parents involved in the court arena in Liverpool.

Approximately 100 families per year are involved in care proceedings with Liverpool Children's Services. Proceedings initiated by Children's Services in other areas of Merseyside (Sefton, Wirral, Knowsley, St Helens) increase that number still further. Many parents report going through the court process alone, feeling frightened, confused and alienated. Government guidance and legislation identifies that providing support to parents in these circumstances is important, however there is currently no statutory duty for Local Authorities to provide such services. As a consequence little support is available for families either locally or nationally.

The Haven Project aims to address this gap in services for the Liverpool area. The service has been in operation since January 2012. The Project has three key aims in its work with parents:

- to reduce parents' sense of stress and isolation;
- to enable parents to participate fully in the court process;
- to promote positive, lasting change.

The structure and management of this service is still developing and is likely to expand in the future. There are currently 4 trustees who between them have many years' experience working with children and their families, and specifically working with vulnerable families. At each AGM a third of the trustees resign and can apply for re-election. At present this is done by rotation and longest serving trustee resigning first. Prospective Trustees are able to put themselves forward from the membership and are appointed at the AGM by current trustees and members. Members are those either approached by the trustees to get more involved with the project because they have skills the project needs and/or those who demonstrate they share in the beliefs, aims and objectives of the project and want to become involved more on an organisational level. There are also those who are non-members; who become involved on an operational level through praying, giving or volunteering.

Summary of the main activities

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning the future activities. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set as explained below. The project is available to all those from the Liverpool area who are referred to us by local social workers and solicitors or by self-referral.

Objectives and Activities

The following statement of vision and aims summarises and develops our purposes, as set out in the objects, contained in the company's Memorandum of Association.

Vision

Our vision is to bring healing and hope to hurting families, breaking the cycle of harm that passes down from generation to generation.

Mission

Our mission is to support parents who are involved in public care proceedings.

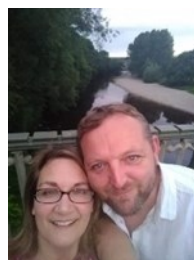
Aims

Our aims are to reduce parents' stress and isolation, to enable parents to participate fully in the court process and to promote positive, lasting change.

Haven Project Liverpool is an organisation which seeks to demonstrate Christian faith in practice. The service offered by Haven Project is open to people of all faiths and none and is guided by the principle that all people, whoever they are, however they live, whatever they've done, should be treated with equal dignity, care and respect. The work is motivated by the belief that no person or situation is beyond hope.

Achievements 2021/22

2021/2022 has been a year of celebration and fundraising. The 24th May 2021 marked ten years since the Haven Project began. Ann Lowton (bringing experience from her previous role in managing a charity in Bolton) assisted us in heading up our fundraising events. July 2021 involved staff, trustees and some of our parents take part in the 10 for 10 challenge, where for 10 days they walked 10,000 steps or cycled 10km every day, raising funds and awareness for the Haven Project.



Achievements 2021/22 cont'd



In October 2021 we hosted a celebration event inviting friends and supporters of the Haven Project to join us to reflect and rejoice in what has been achieved in the last ten years. This was a self-funding event and helped us further build and strengthen our network of supporters.



This year has seen the production of another promotional video for the Haven Project featuring the Art Group. This can be found on https://youtu.be/Tld4_TqA880. This is another development in our fundraising as we continue with our 400 friends scheme. We were also excited to receive our first business support, Neighbourhood Coffee, who chose us as their charity for a Christmas promotion.

Manager's report 2021/22

This year, as we've moved beyond the restrictions imposed by COVID 19, we've increasingly seen our work return to a more normal level of service. Solicitors have by and large returned to face to face appointments over the course of the year which is greatly to the parents benefit. The court arena however has been much slower to move back towards in person hearings and a large number of court hearings are still being held remotely. Parents participate in these remote hearings either by phone or by Teams link, often joining in from home on their own.

We have supported 12 parents in total over the course of the year, 11 women and one man. The work has included supporting the parents at 30 court hearings, 26 that were held remotely, 4 that were in person in the Family Court building.

Art group sessions have also got back to normal meaning that we can all sit together again around one large table which makes the whole session feel more enjoyable for everyone. This in turn has meant we were able to film a short video with some of the art group members to help capture the essence of our work with parents. This video now forms a key part of our fundraising publicity to convey the importance of what we do to future stakeholders.

The three women who took part in the voiceover interviews for the video were keen to share their experiences of the family courts and were very proud that the video was shown at the Haven Project's 10th anniversary celebration. Similarly the '10for10' sponsored bike ride gave the parents opportunity to be involved alongside volunteers, staff and trustees in raising money to help other people going through the same process they themselves have experienced. This is something that many of the parents have wanted to do over the years and it was great to see that finally happening.

Our one-to-one sessions can now again include gym sessions and classes and a number of the parents benefited from this during the year. We use the one-to-one sessions as a stepping stone to help parents build their confidence and move on to join other community groups, building their support networks as they do so. Mitra's story which follows is a brilliant example of this process in action.

Mitra's story



When we met Mitra in 2021 her one year old daughter Dawn was in foster care and court proceedings were underway because of

concerns about a past abusive relationship and ongoing difficulties with Mitra's mental health. Mitra was also socially isolated but was keen to make changes in her life and had already found support and counselling for herself through YPAS (Young Persons Advisory Service) and the local women's charity WHISC.

Our work together helped Mitra to build on the progress she had already started to make. We spent time together going for walks in the local parks, using our 'get in the green' approach to improving mental health, and Mitra recognised how calming it was for her to be out walking under trees. She identified the importance of exercise in improving her mental health so Haven paid for a gym induction and we attended some gym sessions together. Mitra went on from there to start accessing local pilates classes by herself.

Mitra completed her counselling with YPAS and then with our help she accessed further mental health support through Everton in the Community's "Girls on Side" group and some more professional therapy. We helped link Mitra into a church run parent and toddler session for her community contact with Dawn. This led to Mitra becoming part of that local church. Her confidence and mental health began to noticeably improve and she moved on with WHISC to become one of their volunteers.

During the time we worked together all of Mitra's court hearings, except the final one, were held remotely. We supported Mitra joining the hearings from her home, initially by

phone and then by Microsoft Teams - 12 hearings in all. Haven's part, as always, was to walk alongside Mitra throughout the court process. Providing impartial support and guidance, building a trusting working relationship, making suggestions and providing practical help, but also challenging Mitra's thinking or behaviour in areas where change was needed. Mitra recognised the benefits of both sides of this support/challenge balance and at one point joked '*it's like you're my mum!*'.

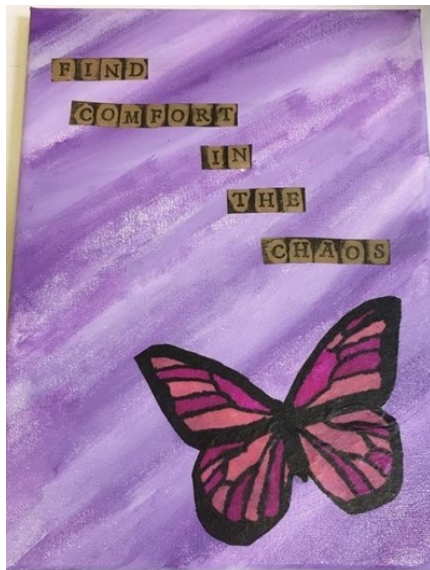
The professionals assessing Mitra began to see significant positive changes in her life. This continued building until eventually the proposed plan moved away from one of adoption and towards a plan for Dawn to return home. At the time of writing Dawn has now been at home with Mitra full time for 4 months. We have stayed involved and had the pleasure of going along to parent and toddler groups with them over the summer holidays and a local museum day out.

Mitra has continued to access the therapy that's being provided to her and is enjoying all the new things she is now able to do with her daughter. Dawn has settled well in a local nursery and Mitra's confidence as a mum is growing. Step by step she's learned to work with, and is starting to trust, the various professionals who are coming in to help and the future is now looking positive for them both.

Mitra is keen to give something back and hopes that, in time, she'll be able to use her experiences and her sociology degree to help other mothers going through the court process.

Gallery

A selection of images from our art group sessions this year:



Trustees' report (continued)

Reserves Policy and Financial Review

There are two strands to Haven Project Liverpool's fundraising strategy namely:

- Developing a donor base, encouraging donations from both individuals and churches
- Applications for relevant grants/funds

The service was mainly funded by both donations from a growing number of individuals and by a grant from the Anchor Foundation.

There was a very small surplus of £172 in 2021-22 compared with a surplus of just over £3,000 last year. This reflects the improved stability of our finances. In the longer term, though, we trust that the development of our "400 Friends" fund raising campaign will improve the situation. So far, we have had "40 Friends", sign up to give each month and this valuable support has made a significant difference to us.

To enable Haven Project Liverpool to meet its financial responsibilities, and to survive fluctuations in its finances, the Trustees have agreed to keep a sufficient level of financial reserves, based on a normal year, to ensure that main operations could continue for a period of 3-6 months. Our target level of reserves remains therefore at £15,000. Haven Project Liverpool currently has reserves of £10,731 almost unchanged from last year. We are grateful to each one of our sponsors for their generosity.

The Project Manager manages the level of reserves daily and monitored by the Trustees every 3 months. The reserves policy is reviewed annually by the trustees.

The trustees will continue to seek to implement the reserves policy. We aim to provide diversified funding support, by widening our donor base and continuing to submit grant applications. We will also continue to control our operational costs.

Trustees' report (continued)

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure 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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable group 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.

Small company provisions:

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to the members of the company.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Date _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2022

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 12 to 19.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) consider that an audit is not required for this year under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, I confirm that no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (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.

Signed _____ Date _____

Ken Brew BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA

Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2022



	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:						
Donations and Legacies	2 22,516	5,050	27,566	20,169	8,359	28,528
Total income	22,516	5,050	27,566	20,169	8,359	28,528
Expenditure on						
Charitable activities 3,7,8 & 9	(22,344)	(5,050)	(27,394)	(16,952)	(8,359)	(25,311)
Fundraising costs	0	0	0	(150)	0	(150)
Total expenditure	(22,344)	(5,050)	(27,394)	(17,102)	(8,359)	(25,461)
Net income(expenditure)	172	-	172	3,067	-	3,067
Funds brought forward	10,559	0	10,559	7,492	0	7,492
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
Funds carried forward	10,731	-	10,731	10,559	-	10,559

All the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

Balance sheet at 31 March 2022

	Note	£	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets	4		0	0
Current assets				
Debtors	5	1,697	1,555	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>10,139</u>	<u>10,473</u>	
Total current assets		11,836	12,028	
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>(1,105)</u>	<u>(1,469)</u>	
Net current assets			10,731	10,559
Net assets			<u>10,731</u>	<u>10,559</u>
The funds of the charity				
Unrestricted income funds			10,731	10,559
Restricted income funds	10		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total funds	11		<u>10,731</u>	<u>10,559</u>

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 31/03/22 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies' subject to the small company's regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Dated _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022



1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice: applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis – i.e., they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Depreciation

Office equipment is written off over a period of 3 years on a straight-line basis.

Resources costing less than £100 are not capitalised but are written off immediately as revenue expenditure.

All Fixed Assets are fully depreciated on 31 March 2022.

2. Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted 2022 £	Restricted 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted 2021 £	Restricted 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Cash donations	20,817	0	20,817	18,773	0	18,773
Grant Income	0	3,700	3,700	0	8,359	8,359
Other income	0	1,350	1,350	0	0	0
Tax refunds	1,699	0	1,699	1,396	0	1,396
	22,516	5,050	27,566	20,169	8,359	28,528

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2022



3. Costs of charitable activities

	Unrestricted 2022 £	Restricted 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Salaries	11,518	3,700	15,218	15,218
PAYE	2,040	0	2,040	2,060
Pensions	811	0	811	879
Staff travel	780	0	780	416
Ministry resources for families	1,064	0	1,064	951
Rent and Council tax	3,555	0	3,555	3,535
Volunteer expenses	103	0	103	0
Insurance	478	0	478	478
Office costs	284	0	284	551
Telephone and Internet	600	0	600	631
Printing, Postage & stationery	142	0	142	273
Promotion video and celebration event	650	1,350	2,000	0
Independent Examiner	200	0	200	200
Training costs	119	0	119	119
	22,344	5,050	27,394	25,311

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2022

4. Fixed assets

	Furniture & Equipment	Total Assets	Total Assets
	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£
Cost			
Opening balance	2,215	2,215	2,215
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>
Depeciation			
Opening balance	(2,215)	(2215)	(2215)
Depreciation	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>
Net Book Value 31 March 2022	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

5. Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Gift aid due	1,697	1,555
	<u>1,697</u>	<u>1,555</u>

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2022



6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	<u>1,105</u>	<u>1,469</u>
	1,105	1,469

7. Staff costs and numbers

	2022 £	2021 £
Salaries	15,218	15,218
Social Security	2,040	2,060
Pensions	<u>811</u>	<u>879</u>
	18,069	18,157

No employees have employment benefits in excess of £60,000 (2020: Nil)

The average number of staff employed was 1.0 (2021:1.0).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and the project manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £18,069 (2021: £18,157).

8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2021: Nil).

Lynn McNaught continues to provide voluntary mentoring services as well as serving as a trustee. We have not recorded a notional value for these services this year, in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102.

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2022

9. Independent Examination

During the year the cost of the examination and accountancy services was £200 (2021 £200).

10. Restricted funds

	Opening Balance at 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Closing Balance at 31 Marc
	£	£	£	£
Grant received from				
Anchor Foundation	0	3,700	-3,700	0
Total	0	3,700	-3,700	0

The grant from the Anchor Foundation was used to part fund the salary costs.

**Notes to the accounts (continued)
for the year ended 31 March 2022**



11. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£
Fixed assets	0	0	0
Debtors	1,555	0	1,555
Creditors	(1,469)	0	(1,469)
Bank & cash	10,473	0	10,473
	10,559	0	10,559

HAVEN PROJECT LIVERPOOL

England & Wales - Charity number 1144386

Accounts



Haven Project Liverpool

Company number 07645243

Registered charity number 1144386

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Trustees' Report *(incorporating the Directors report)* for year ended 31 March 2021

The trustees who are also the directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021. The company was incorporated on 24 May 2011 and is a private limited company limited by guarantee.

Full name Haven Project Liverpool
Registered Charity number: 1144386
Registered Company number: 07645243

Registered Address
Haven Project Liverpool
Bridge Chapel Centre
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Liverpool L19 4XR

Directors (Trustees)	Position	Appointed/(Resigned)
Genevieve Staley	Chair of Trustees	1 st April 2011 to present
John Staley	Trustee	1 st April 2011 to present
Lynn McNaught	Trustee/Treasurer	6 th November 2014 to present
Reverend Alyson Tunstall	Trustee	15 th October 2018 to present

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Key workers:

Project Manager: Paula Fairbrother
Social Work Advisor: Lynn McNaught
Sessional Worker: Craig Martin



Structure, Governance and Management

Haven Project Liverpool became a registered charity in October 2011. It is a service that provides support to parents who are involved in public care proceedings initiated by Liverpool Children's Services. Its formation in May 2011 was prompted by the identified lack of services available for parents involved in the court arena in Liverpool.

Approximately 100 families per year are involved in care proceedings with Liverpool Children's Services. Proceedings initiated by Children's Services in other areas of Merseyside (Sefton, Wirral, Knowsley, St Helens) increase that number still further. Many parents report going through the court process alone, feeling frightened, confused and alienated. Government guidance and legislation identifies that providing support to parents in these circumstances is important, however there is currently no statutory duty for Local Authorities to provide such services. As a consequence little support is available for families either locally or nationally.

The Haven Project aims to address this gap in services for the Liverpool area. The service has been in operation since January 2012. The Project has three key aims in its work with parents:

- to reduce parents' sense of stress and isolation;
- to enable parents to participate fully in the court process;
- to promote positive, lasting change.

The structure and management of this service is still developing and is likely to expand in the future. There are currently 4 trustees who between them have many years' experience working with children and their families, and specifically working with vulnerable families. At each AGM a third of the trustees resign and can apply for re-election. At present this is done by rotation and longest serving trustee resigning first. Prospective Trustees are able to put themselves forward from the membership and are appointed at the AGM by current trustees and members. Members are those either approached by the trustees to get more involved with the project because they have skills the project needs and/or those who demonstrate they share in the beliefs, aims and objectives of the project and want to become involved more on an organisational level. There are also those who are non-members; who become involved on an operational level through praying, giving or volunteering.

The main service delivery this year was provided by the Project Manager, Paula Fairbrother. Paula is a qualified Children and Families Social Worker (registered with Social Work England) with twenty plus years experience of working with families both in the courts and in the community. We have retained Craig Martin in post as sessional worker, but did not need to engage his services for the two fathers we supported this year due to their individual circumstances. The Project Manager has monthly support from a Social Work Advisor, Lynn McNaught (also SWE registered) who has more than twenty five years' experience in the children's social care field; setting up, delivering and managing children and parent services. She is experienced in undertaking service reviews and evaluations and in change management.

Summary of the main activities

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning the future activities. In particular the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set as explained below. The project is available to all those from the Liverpool area who are referred to us by local social workers and solicitors or by self-referral.

Objectives and Activities

The following statement of vision and aims summarises and develops our purposes, as set out in the objects, contained in the company's Memorandum of Association.

Vision

Our vision is to bring healing and hope to hurting families, breaking the cycle of harm that passes down from generation to generation.

Mission

Our mission is to support parents who are involved in public care proceedings.

Aims

Our aims are to reduce parents' stress and isolation, to enable parents to participate fully in the court process and to promote positive, lasting change.

Haven Project Liverpool is an organisation which seeks to demonstrate Christian faith in practice. The service offered by Haven Project is open to people of all faiths and none and is guided by the principle that all people, whoever they are, however they live, whatever they've done, should be treated with equal dignity, care and respect. The work is motivated by the belief that no person or situation is beyond hope.

Achievements during year ending March 2021

2020/2021 has been a very different year due to the Covid 19 pandemic and national lockdown. However, we were still able to launch our 400 friends campaign via social media. Our work and the campaign was advertised through our website and new Facebook page and a video showcasing the Project was produced and promoted on Youtube. The video can be viewed via the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nYBo0auZ-WI&t=2s>

We were obviously still limited in how far reaching this campaign could be during this year, but our number of friends has grown (both Churches and individuals) with the number of individual friends increasing by 50%. Our intention is to continue this campaign into 2021/22.

Manager's report 2020/21

Along with every support service in the country, the Covid 19 pandemic meant that we had to work very differently in providing support to parents over the course of this year. In total we provided support to 12 parents - 10 women and 2 men.

One of the biggest impacts of Covid for parents involved in the court process has been that the vast majority of court hearings since March 2020 have been heard remotely, with parents joining in by phone or via a computer link. Solicitors firms remained closed to the public throughout the year meaning that parents were also only able to communicate with their solicitor by phone. These factors often exacerbated parents commonly held sense of being excluded from the decision making process for their children and massively increased their feelings of stress and anxiety.

As home visits and indoor support sessions became possible again we began bringing parents in to our office to access court hearings using our computer equipment, or joining them at home where that was more convenient for them. The parents regularly commented that having someone with them made it easier to understand what was being said and that where we were able to join by video link seeing the people who were speaking aided their understanding. This in turn helped parents to manage the stress of the process more effectively and improve their overall coping. In circumstances where physically being with a parent wasn't possible we have been phoned in to court hearings separately so that we've been able to listen and then speak to parents afterwards if they needed any additional explanation of what was discussed.

In cases where the final decision has been contested by parents these hearings have largely been conducted as 'hybrids', parents joining in from their barristers chambers and then attending the court building in person when it is their turn to give evidence. In total this year we have assisted parents in 15 court hearings, 4 in the court building itself, 7 from chambers and 6 by phone. Again, as one of the few local services that developed safe ways of supporting people face to face during this time, parents have identified Haven as having a significant positive impact on their mental health this year.

As restrictions allowed, following the first lockdown, we moved from keeping in contact with parents by phone to starting up our wellbeing walks in the parks across the city. Using that approach has enabled us to provide 62 hours of face to face support. We've also hosted 4 art groups at the Tree of Life cafe, including a Christmas gathering where we were able to light a candle and pray for the women's children as we have done in previous years.

In some ways, our increased familiarity with using technology to connect with other people has also been an advantage. It allowed us to partner with Ipswich based charity BEAM and run a 12 week wellbeing course on zoom, connecting birth mums from Liverpool and Ipswich. The course was devised by BEAM specifically for mothers who have had their children permanently removed and covered topics including anger, loss, depression, anxiety and over thinking.

Following on from the course one of our mum's stayed involved with the Ipswich group through their peer-led zoom coffee mornings. This in turn led to her suggesting that these coffee mornings would be an interesting development for the Haven Project, to enable mums to meet up with each other in between the art group sessions. We're now planning to pilot her idea with her as one of the leaders, more of her story follows later in the report.

Outcomes

Over the course of the year we evaluated parents against six key outcomes: improved understanding of the court process; increased participation; reduction in isolation; increase in self-confidence; increased uptake of recovery services; increased community involvement. The last two outcomes in particular have been extremely difficult to facilitate this year with so many services working remotely.

Of the 12 parents we worked with this year, five parents (40%) showed improvement in three or more of our key outcomes. By far our biggest impact, when people couldn't access so much of the other support that would normally be available to them, was that ten out of the twelve parents (83%) recorded a reduction in isolation as a result of support sessions provided by Haven.

Each year we produce one or two of the parents case stories to give a more detailed picture of our work, these stories are anonymised and are written with the parent's permission and input. This year "Courtney and Richard's" story shows how we've adapted our working practice to ensure that parents have still been supported. "Ronnie's" story provides a snapshot of what the court experience has been like for many parents:

Courtney and Richard's story



Courtney and Richard are a couple who have been working with the Haven Project for almost two years and will be coming to the end of our one-to-one

support in May 2021.

When we met the couple their baby girl, Isabelle, was being looked after in foster care while the court decided what the long term plans should be for her.

Courtney had been through the courts a number of times before over the years with her older children, all of whom had been permanently removed due to serious safety concerns. She and Richard had also been through the courts together with their twins in 2018 but sadly this had ended with the twins being placed for adoption. Richard had found the court environment overwhelmingly stressful because of his learning difficulty and as a result hadn't felt able to be involved in the court hearings for the twins. This time he wanted to take part in court for Isabelle but recognised that he needed help to manage the stress of the process.

We went with Richard to all his solicitors appointments and court hearings. We planned each court attendance carefully with Richard, putting strategies in place to help him understand what was happening and to manage his stress levels. This meant that Richard was able to attend and be involved in every hearing, he was able to say directly to the judge how he felt about Isabelle and how much he wanted his daughter to come home. The judge commended both parents for their love and commitment to Isabelle, but because of their history and current situation the decision was taken to place her with the same adoptive family as her twin siblings. An option which both Richard and Courtney were willing to accept for her.

We supported both parents through their goodbye contact with Isabelle and then, when they felt ready, we began to explore what they want out of life for themselves. Neither Richard nor Courtney

had any links to activities or groups in their community, they felt isolated and wanted to start developing positive friendships.

Richard is a keen cyclist and loves working on his bikes. Just before the first lockdown in March 2020 we took Richard along to Recycles, a Liverpool charity that provides bike maintenance training for adults who are unemployed or have a learning difficulty. Trainees can then stay on as volunteers in the workshop repairing bikes for the general public. Richard settled in well with the Recycles team and has now become a permanent volunteer, he has formed some good friendships and goes out on regular bike rides. We also linked him in to his local Mencap to join in with their men's group once it's back up and running.

When things became limited to remote contact we used Facetime to allow Richard and one of our other Haven dads, James, to talk. James finished court with support from us four years ago and was able to encourage Richard with how he's managed to move on in his life and cope with the emotions of losing his son.

We started running wellbeing walks in the summer once mixing outdoors was allowed and we're now regular visitors to Croxteth park with Richard and Courtney. Courtney has begun coming along to our art group to meet other mums and also took part in a 12 week wellbeing zoom course that we ran with the Ipswich based charity BEAM. The wellbeing course covered a range of issues including depression, anxiety, shame, anger and over thinking and Courtney attended every session. Two of the mum's from BEAM run a weekly coffee morning via zoom and Courtney is now a regular member of their group too.

Courtney told us that, though she's had involvement with the family courts for nearly 17 years now, working with Haven is the first time she's been given support and the opportunity to meet with other mothers. She feels that if this kind of service had been available to her right back at the start then things could have been very different for her and her children. Our hope is that Courtney can now go on to use her experiences and knowledge to encourage and support other mum's through Haven.

Ronnie's story



Ronnie was referred to the Haven Project by his solicitor shortly after his daughter Emily was born. Emily was living with foster carers because of

concerns relating to Ronnie's ex-partner whose two older children had already been permanently removed from her care. Ronnie wasn't considered to be in a position to care for Emily himself because, just before she was born, he'd been the victim of a violent crime outside his house. The concern was that this was a targeted attack which could potentially put Emily at risk.

Ronnie's assault was investigated by the police and it was eventually established that he hadn't been a targeted victim, didn't know his attackers, and thus there was no ongoing risk linked to the home or to Ronnie himself. However the local authority remained unconvinced that Ronnie could adequately care for Emily. Ronnie disagreed with this position. In his view he had good support from his family, as he currently lived with his mum and nan. He also had a high degree of involvement with his older girls, who regularly stayed overnight with him and Ronnie did several school runs each week. Ronnie was sure it was in Emily's best interests to be with him and committed himself to working toward that outcome.

Just as assessments for the court were due to get under way the first national lockdown began in March 2020 and impacted every aspect of the court process. Ronnie now couldn't see Emily in person and was limited to contact with his daughter through three zoom calls per week.

The parenting assessment which would normally be done face to face had to be completed by phone. The court hearings for the remainder of the proceedings were also carried out over the phone rather than in the court building. From March 2020 onwards Ronnie's solicitors office closed to the public and the staff largely worked from home, so Ronnie wasn't able to have any further face to face appointments with his solicitor. This continues to be the case for the majority of parents involved in

the courts almost a year on.

The pandemic also effected the support services that Ronnie was expected to engage with. The children's centres closed and so Ronnie wasn't able to complete a parenting course. Counselling was recommended for him because of issues arising from his childhood and from the trauma of the assault he'd experienced. He was offered CBT sessions but those were placed on hold. This was all incredibly stressful for Ronnie. It left him feeling almost 'shut out' from the decision making process, and he became worried that the problems he was facing in accessing services would prevent Emily from coming home.

As restrictions allowed I began to meet up with Ronnie for a walk and a coffee in his local park. Aside from Emily's social worker I was the only other person Ronnie saw outside of his family throughout the whole court process. Spending time with someone is in many ways such a simple thing, but Ronnie identified how vital it was for him:

"Haven helped a lot, spending time with me, speaking on the phone, helped me not feel on my own...helped me to keep going"

The social worker eventually found a parenting course that Ronnie was advised to attend. To get to the course he had to travel on two buses for an hour to an area of Liverpool that he didn't know. To help him with this Ronnie and I drove the route from his house to the course venue – with our masks on and the windows down – so that he knew where he was going. Ronnie then made his own way, completing three sessions before restrictions increased again and the sessions moved on line. Despite the challenges Ronnie finished the course. His parenting assessment came back positive and the records from his contact sessions with Emily, now face to face, showed how well he was doing in caring for her.

At the end of the court process the final decision was that Emily should live with Ronnie full time and she moved home to her dad just before Christmas. At the time of writing, four months on, Ronnie, Emily and all the family are doing well.

Gallery

A selection of images from our Wednesday walks and art group sessions this year:



Trustees' report (continued)

Reserves Policy and Financial Review

There are two strands to Haven Project Liverpool's fundraising strategy namely:

- Developing a donor base, encouraging donations from both individuals and churches
- Applications for relevant grants/funds

The service was again funded by both donations from Wavertree Christian Fellowship and a growing number of individuals and by grants received following successful applications.

There was a small surplus of £3,067 in 2020-21 compared with a deficit of more than £12,000 in the previous year. This represents steady progress in stabilising our finances. We are grateful for the generosity of local donors and to local grant funders who all responded to our urgent need during the early part of the pandemic. In the longer term, though, the most significant development this year has been the initial success of our "400 Friends" fund raising campaign, which seeks to engage with monthly sponsors. So far, we have had 28 Friends sign up to give each month and this valuable support has made a significant difference to us. The fundraising costs relate to the creation of a promotional film which explains the work of the charity to the Public.

To enable Haven Project Liverpool to meet its financial responsibilities, and to survive fluctuations in its finances, the Trustees have agreed to keep a sufficient level of financial reserves, based on a normal year, to ensure that main operations could continue for a period of 3-6 months. Our target level of reserves remains therefore at £15,000. Haven Project Liverpool currently has reserves of £10,559 up from £7,492 last year. We are grateful to each one of our sponsors for their generosity.

The level of reserves is managed by the Project Manager daily and monitored by the Trustees every 3 months. The reserves policy is reviewed annually by the trustees.

The trustees will continue to seek to implement the reserves policy. We aim to provide diversified funding support, by widening our donor base and continuing to submit grant applications. We will also continue to control our operational costs.

Trustees' report (continued)

Exemptions

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemptions available to small companies, including the audit exemption (see statement on balance sheet).

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure 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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable group 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.

Small company provisions:

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to the members of the company.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Date _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2021

I report on my examination of the accounts of the charity, which are set out on pages 11 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) consider that an audit is not required for this year under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, I confirm that no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (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.

Signed _____ Date _____

Ken Brew BA (Hons.), FCA, DChA

Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating the income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2021



	Note	2021 Unrestricted Funds £	2021 Restricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Unrestricted Funds £	2020 Restricted Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
Income from:							
Donations and Legacies	2	20,169	8,359	28,528	13,700	1,500	15,200
Total income		20,169	8,359	28,528	13,700	1,500	15,200
Expenditure on							
Charitable activities 3,7,8 & 9		(16,952)	(8,359)	(25,311)	(25,563)	(2,158)	(27,721)
Fundraising costs		(150)	0	(150)	0	0	0
Total expenditure		(17,102)	(8,359)	(25,461)	(25,563)	(2,158)	(27,721)
Net income(expenditure)		3,067	-	3,067	(11,863)	(658)	(12,521)
Funds brought forward		7,492	0	7,492	19,355	658	20,013
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0	0	0
Funds carried forward		10,559	-	10,559	7,492	-	7,492

All the activities of the charitable company are classed as continuing.

Balance sheet at 31 March 2021

	Note	£	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets	4		0	0
Current assets				
Debtors	5	1,555	1,457	
Cash at bank and in hand		10,473	6,946	
Total current assets		<u>12,028</u>	<u>8,403</u>	
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>(1,469)</u>	<u>(911)</u>	
Net current assets			10,559	7,492
Net assets			<u>10,559</u>	<u>7,492</u>
The funds of the charity				
Unrestricted income funds			10,559	7,492
Restricted income funds	10		0	0
Total funds	11		<u>10,559</u>	<u>7,492</u>

Exemption from audit

For the year ending 31/03/21 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies' subject to the small company's regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

The trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Dated _____
Genevieve Staley, Director

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021



1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice: applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Incoming resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis – i.e., they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

Depreciation

Office equipment is written off over a period of 3 years on a straight-line basis.

Resources costing less than £100 are not capitalised but are written off immediately as revenue expenditure.

All Fixed Assets are fully depreciated on 31 March 2021.

2. Voluntary Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	2021	2021	2021	2020	2020	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash donations	18,773	0	18,773	12,403	0	12,403
Grant Income	0	8,359	8,359	0	1,500	1,500
Donated services	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tax refunds	1,396	0	1,396	1,297	0	1,297
	20,169	8,359	28,528	13,700	1,500	15,200

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2021

3. Costs of charitable activities

	Unrestricted 2021 £	Restricted 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Salaries	6,859	8,359	15218
PAYE	2,060	0	2060
Pensions	879	0	879
Staff travel	416	0	416
Ministry resources for families	951	0	951
Rent and Council tax	3,535	0	3535
Volunteer expenses	0	0	0
Insurance	478	0	478
Office costs	551	0	551
Telephone and Internet	631	0	631
Printing, Postage & stationery	273	0	273
Independent Examiner	200	0	200
Training costs	119	0	119
	16,952	8,359	25,311

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2021

4. Fixed assets

	Furniture & Equipment 2021 £	Total Assets 2021 £	Total Assets 2020 £
Cost			
Opening balance	2,215	2,215	2,215
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,215</u>
Depeciation			
Opening balance	(2,215)	(2215)	(2215)
Depreciation	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
Closing balance	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>	<u>(2,215)</u>
Net Book Value 31 March 2021	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

5. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Gift aid due	<u>1,555</u>	<u>1,298</u>

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2021

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	1,469	911
	<u>1,469</u>	<u>911</u>

7. Staff costs and numbers

	2021	2020
	£	£
Salaries	15,218	16,021
Social Security	2,060	2,166
Pensions	879	792
	<u>18,157</u>	<u>18,979</u>

No employees have employment benefits in excess of £60,000 (2020: Nil)

The average number of staff employed was 1.0 (2020:1.2).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and the project manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £18,157 (2020: £17,821).

8. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2020: Nil).

Lynn McNaught continues to provide voluntary mentoring services as well as serving as a trustee. We have not recorded a notional valued for these services this year, in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102.

Notes to the accounts (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2021



9. Independent Examination

During the year the cost of the examination and accountancy services was £200 (2020 £200).

10. Restricted funds

	Opening Balance at 1 April 2020	Income	Expenditure	Closing Balance at 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£
Grant received from				
Morgan Foundation	0	8359	-8359	0
Total	<u>0</u>	<u>8359</u>	<u>-8359</u>	<u>0</u>

The grants from the Morgan Foundation and Garfield Weston were both used to fund the salary costs.

Notes to the accounts (continued)
for the year ended 31 March 2021



11. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£
Fixed assets	0	0	0
Debtors	1,555	0	1,555
Creditors	(1,469)	0	(1,469)
Bank & cash	10,473	0	10,473
	<u>10,559</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,559</u>