

**KINGSTON WOMEN'S CENTRE
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**



**ANNUAL REPORT AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30TH SEPTEMBER 2023**

Charity Registration No: 1144805

Company Registration No: 07775753

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**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1144805
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	07775753
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st October 2022
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	30th September 2023
TRUSTEES THAT SERVED DURING THE YEAR TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2023 (ALSO DIRECTORS UNDER COMPANY LAW)	Helen Bishop-Grieco (resigned 22 February 2024) Frances Kearns Sophie Adam Keisha Delpeshe Grainne Sweeting
REGISTERED ADDRESS	169 Canbury Park Road Kingston Surrey KT2 6LG
DATE OF INCORPORATION	15th September 2011
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Independent Examiners Ltd Unit 2 Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham PO18 8NF

OBJECTS

The principle activity is to continue to work in the Kingston area to improve the condition of life for women by providing education and counselling facilities and to counteract the effect of discrimination against women.

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Objectives and Activities

The objective of Kingston Women's Centre (KWC) as stated in its governing document is "to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of goods or services of any kind, including the provision of counselling and support to women in such parts of Kingston, the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit".

An affordable counselling service is offered for up to 2 years with some shorter term work also provided. Kingston Women's Centre offers a unique opportunity for those benefitting from longer term therapy as many similar services offer short therapy only.

The service is available to women; aged over 18 years, inclusive of all abilities, ethnicities, and cultures. Our service benefits not only the health and wellbeing of all women, but also those of their families and wider relationships. The Board of Trustees continue to have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

KWC continues to provide an important role to the community by working with universities and other education establishments to provide clinical placement opportunities for counsellors in training

The Board of Trustees

Our Board continues to bring financial, business, legal, clinical and human resources as well as experience of being Trustees from other mental health Charities. All Trustees have received external training through Trust Advice around their responsibilities of being a Trustee, and they have all received an induction at KWC. The Trustees continue to work hard, collaboratively, with shared aims and a common ethos.

Clinical Teams

The clinical work of Kingston Women's Centre is overseen by our newly appointed Clinical Manager who is responsible for the clinical practice and standards at KWC.

A small Administration team ensures a supportive and efficient service to service users and trainees.

KWC provides placements for up to 36 trainee counsellors who over a two year period offer counselling for up to two clients at a time. At the time of this report 34 counsellors were in placement at KWC. Our counsellors receive supervision fortnightly through our well established team of supervisors.

Five Year Review

In 2023 KWC conducted a five year review of the service covering:

- Summary of current status
- Number of sessions clients receive
- Length of time client spend at KWC

At the point of the review:

- 69 clients were receiving counselling at KWC
- 10 were on the waiting list (having been assessed)

Between 2018-2023:

- 505 women had been assessed and offered counselling at KWC (many of these decided not to go on to counselling)
- 62 women were returning clients
- 127 women had had up to 20 sessions (counselling over a 6 month period)
- 100 women had between 21-60 session (counselling over a one year period)
- 28 women had 60+ sessions (counselling over a two year period)

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Costs and Charity Income

The main source of income for the charity continues to be through service user fees. The charity, as a non-profit making organisation, has chosen to keep the fees the same for the past financial year. KWC understands that the Covid-19 lockdowns and the emerging impact of the cost of living crisis has had serious consequences for people, not just financially but also, upon psychological wellbeing. In light of this, it has felt even more important to maintain an affordable therapeutic service for our service users facing these challenging times. Our lowest fees remain at £15 for the most financially disadvantaged. We have seen a modest increase in the number of new service users attending therapy on last year.

An additional income is from KWC room rentals. This has been made available again this year and we have received a small number of room bookings. We expect this will grow as confidence increases for in-person therapy.

The charity is currently in good financial health and has a basic financial structure that is supervised by the Trustees. The Trustees are confident that the charity has the funds to settle any financial commitments undertaken. The charity has operated within its financial means this year and although the Statement of Financial Activities shows a net deficit of £9,076, of this amount £7,523 is depreciation of fixed assets. KWC continues to carry no debt and holds reserves that are deemed sufficient for the size of the charity. Income has been steady throughout the year.

Financial Review, Reserves and Future Investments

The charity benefits from funds accrued in reserve over a period of years. The current reserves amount is just below £85k, as represented by net current assets. KWC aims to hold reserves that equate to 6 months average running expenses, which for the current year would equate to approximately £39K.

The reserves policy has been reviewed for the current year and will be reviewed annually taking in consideration the trajectory of the charity, forth-coming projects and any estimated risk for the finances of the charity.

Whilst plans remain to invest some of the charities funds into converting the current derelict garage space to create more opportunities for therapeutic engagement and ways to engage more fully with the local community, this is a long term project requiring planning permission from the local authority and work in this area of development is slow. Financial projections are still being established and detail regarding this proposed expenditure is not currently available.

Statement of Director's responsibilities:

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Statement of Director's responsibilities:

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 30th September 2023, and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Date.....2024

Signed by:, Trustee/Director

PRINT NAME:

KINGSTON WOMEN'S CENTRE
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Incorporating income and expenditure account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023/22 £	TOTAL 2022/21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Charitable Activities	4a	69,135	0	69,135	60,653
Investments	4b	308	0	308	106
Raising Funds	4c	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME		69,443	0	69,443	60,759
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable Activities	5a	78,519	0	78,519	70,327
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		78,519	0	78,519	70,327
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE		(9,076)	0	(9,076)	(9,568)
OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS/(LOSSES):					
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(9,076)	0	(9,076)	(9,568)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total Funds Brought Forward		689,588	0	689,588	699,156
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		680,512	0	680,512	689,588

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

**KINGSTON WOMEN'S CENTRE
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023**

Company number 07775753

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	30-Sep-23 Total £	30-Sep-22 Total £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	2	690,580	0	690,580	697,965
Capital Grant	3	(94,812)	0	(94,812)	(94,812)
Current Assets					
Cash at bank and in hand	7	86,199	0	86,199	87,340
Debtors	8	401	0	401	0
Total Current Assets		86,600	0	86,600	87,340
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	1,856	0	1,856	905
NET CURRENT ASSETS		84,744	0	84,744	86,435
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		680,512	0	680,512	689,588
Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year		0	0	0	0
NET ASSETS		680,512	0	680,512	689,588
Funds of the Charity					
General Unrestricted Funds		60,512	0	60,512	69,588
Restricted Funds	6	0	0	0	0
Revaluation Reserve		620,000	0	620,000	620,000
Total Funds		680,512	0	680,512	689,588

Directors' Responsibilities:

The charitable company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The Directors consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") and members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner whose report appears on page 15.

The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

Signed on their behalf by....., Director and Trustee

Print Name:

Date:2024

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023**

Basis of preparation:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - Charities SORP (FRS102)) and incorporating update bulletin 1, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

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

Advantage has been taken of Section 396(5) of The Companies Act 2006 to allow the format of the financial statements to be adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's operation and in order to comply with the requirements of the SORP.

The charity has opted to prepare its accounts using natural categories.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Preparation of the accounts is on a going concern basis. The Trustees are of the view that the level of reserves will support the charity going forward.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The particular accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Income

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the income;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Legacies

Legacies are included in the SoFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Government Grants

The charity has not received government grants in the reporting period.

Donated goods

Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.

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Donated Services and Facilities

Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably.

Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Investment Gains and Losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

Insurance claims

Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.

Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

Expenditure and liabilities

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance and Support Costs

Support costs represent the cost of central functions, for example governance costs, payroll administration, information technology. Governance costs are those support costs which relate to public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Employee benefits

Short term benefits including holiday pay are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received.

Redundancy cost

The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Deferred income

No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date

Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charity.

Stocks and work in progress

Stocks held for sale as part of non-charitable trade are measured at the lower or cost or net realisable value.

Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

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Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity:

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Freehold premises were previously held at cost. The Trustees obtained a valuation on 10th March 2021 from Zoopla, a well known online property portal website, which generated an estimate of £700,000 at that date. Based on their knowledge of the local property market, the Trustees believe that this valuation would have been at a similar level as at 30th September 2020 and have therefore used the value of £700,000 in these financial statements.

Fixed assets are depreciated at a rate appropriate to their useful economic life, as shown below:

Office Furniture and Equipment	15%
Freehold improvements	1% From 1st October 2019
Freehold Premises	1% From 1st October 2019

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Freehold Premises	Freehold Improvements	Office Furniture & Equipment	Total
		£	£	£	£
Cost	01-Oct-22	Title no: SGL337122 700,000	17,812	42,434	760,246
Additions		0	0	138	138
Revaluations		0	0	0	0
Cost at	30-Sep-23	<u>700,000</u>	<u>17,812</u>	<u>42,572</u>	<u>760,384</u>
Depreciation	01-Oct-22	21,000	534	40,747	62,281
Charge		7,000	178	345	7,523
Depreciation at	30-Sep-23	<u>28,000</u>	<u>712</u>	<u>41,092</u>	<u>69,804</u>
Net Book Value	30-Sep-23	<u>672,000</u>	<u>17,100</u>	<u>1,480</u>	<u>690,580</u>
Net Book Value	30-Sep-22	679,000	17,278	1,687	697,965

The carrying amount of the Freehold Premises that would have been recognised had the assets continued to be carried under the original cost model would be £80,000.

The annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases and capital commitments are as follows:

30th September 2023: None
30th September 2022 : None

3. CAPITAL GRANT

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2023/22	TOTAL 2022/21
	£	£	£	£
Grant in respect of Freehold Property	94,812		94,812	94,812
	<u>94,812</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>94,812</u>	<u>94,812</u>

The charity received a grant in 1984 from the Greater London Council for the purchase of a freehold property, when Kingston Women's Centre was registered as a Industrial and Provident Society and before they converted to a charitable company. The terms are believed to have been that the grant was repayable if the society (as it then was) ceased to exist, hence the grant is shown as an ongoing liability in the charity accounts.

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4. ANALYSIS OF INCOME

(a) Charitable Activities

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023/22 £	TOTAL 2022/21 £
Counselling Donations	53,711	0	53,711	43,844
Room Hire and Sundry Sales	1,184	0	1,184	379
Supervision Income	14,240	0	14,240	16,430
	69,135	0	69,135	60,653

(b) Investments

Bank Interest	308	0	308	6
Bank Refund	0	0	0	100
	308	0	308	106

(c) Raising Funds

Fundraising Activities Income	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0

5. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE

a) Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023/22 £	TOTAL 2022/21 £
<u>Premises Costs</u>				
Cleaning and Hospitality	3,922	0	3,922	4,131
Depreciation of Fixed Assets	2 7,523	0	7,523	7,502
IT and Website	3,437	0	3,437	2,627
Insurance	1,278	0	1,278	1,282
Light and Heat	1,427	0	1,427	999
Rates	636	0	636	368
Repairs and Maintenance	1,012	0	1,012	1,248
Security	253	0	253	0
<u>Administration and Support costs</u>				
Advertising and Promotion	180	0	180	1,976
Card POS Machine and Bank Charges	42	0	42	0
DBS Checks	364	0	364	333
Equipment Expensed	0	0	0	286
General Administration and Office Costs	249	0	249	452
Gifts and Donations	258	0	258	306
Printing, Postage and Stationery	1,075	0	1,075	935
Recruitment	1,203	0	1,203	0
Refreshments and Catering	108	0	108	0
Refunds and Repayments	0	0	0	0
Staff costs	10 31,394	0	31,394	26,028
Subscriptions and Licences (incl Software subscriptions)	382	0	382	581
Sundry Expenses	0	0	0	15
Supervision Fees	10 20,137	0	20,137	18,360
Telephone	968	0	968	916
<u>Governance</u>				
Accountancy and Independent Examination	5.a.i) 786	0	786	840
Legal and Professional Fees - Companies House	0	0	0	13
Legal and Professional Fees - Consultancy Costs	1,885	0	1,885	1,094
Legal and Professional Fees - Other Governance Costs	0	0	0	35
	78,519	0	78,519	70,327

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5. a.i) DETAILS OF CERTAIN TYPES OF EXPENDITURE

	2023/22 £	2022/21 £
Independent Examiner's Fees	786	840
Assurance services other than audit or independent examination	0	0
Tax advisory fees	0	0
Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner	0	0
	786	840

6. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The charitable company did not hold any restricted funds during this or the previous financial year.

7. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	30-Sep-23 £	30-Sep-22 £
Cash at bank and in hand	86,199	87,340
	86,199	87,340

8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Total 30-Sep-23 £	Total 30-Sep-22 £
Rental Income due	401	0
	401	0

9. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Total 30-Sep-23 £	Total 30-Sep-22 £
Independent Examiners Fees 2022	756	840
Independent Examiners Fees 2023	870	0
Key Deposits held	230	65
	1,856	905

10. STAFF COSTS AND THE COST OF KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

	Total 30-Sep-23 £	Total 30-Sep-22 £
Administration and Clinical Support fees	31,394	26,028
Supervision fees	20,137	18,360
	51,531	44,388

Staff and supervisors are self employed, invoice the charity and are responsible for reporting their income to HMRC.

The Key Management Personnel are considered to be the Board of Trustees/Directors. Payments totalling £5,992 were paid to one Trustee during this financial year as detailed in note 11 below (2022/21: £18,260 was paid to three Trustees)

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11. TRUSTEES/DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

		2023/22	2022/21
		Total	Total
		£	£
<u>Name of Trustee</u>	<u>Legal authority</u>	<u>Amounts paid or benefit value</u>	
Heather Ayres (resigned as a Trustee 4th April 2022)	Governing document	0	7,252
Maria Romero Martinez (resigned as a Trustee 1st July 2022)	Governing document	0	3,280
Helen Bishop-Grieco (resigned as a Trustee 22 February 2024)	Governing document	5,992	7,728
		<u>5,992</u>	<u>18,260</u>

The payments shown above represent professional services rendered to the charity. These payments to Trustees are permitted under clause 7 of the charity governing document.

Apart from reimbursement of purchases made on behalf of the charity which totalled £12.76 in this financial year (2022/21: £906.62), the Trustees confirm that no other payments were made to Trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a Trustee or any person connected with them.

12. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

13. RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

14. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 30th September 2023.

As the charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

No matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

Date:

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