

**Water Lily Project**  
(a company limited by guarantee)

**Annual Report and Accounts**

**For the year ended 30 September 2023**

**Company Registration number: 07789396**  
**Charity registration number: 1145718**

**Water Lily Project** *(a company limited by guarantee)*  
**Legal and Administrative information**  
**For the year ended 30 September 2023**

**1. Managing Trustees**

The following individuals acted as Trustees during the financial year ended 30 September 2023 and to the date of signing this report:

Colin Bennett	
Janette Crawford	Treasurer
Susan Daly	Chair
Susan Hill	

**2. Registered office**

131 Barrack Road  
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**3. Independent Examiner**

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**4. Bankers**

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**5. Solicitors**

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**6. Registration Numbers**

Charity Commission Registration	1145718
Companies Houses Registration	07789396

The Trustees present their report along with the accounts for the year ended 30th September 2023. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 9 and comply with the Charity's Constitution and applicable law.

### **Charitable Status**

Water Lily Project ("the Charity") is a registered charity, number 1145718. The Charity is limited by guarantee, incorporated in England, and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the Trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 towards the assets of the Charity in the event of liquidation.

### **Compliance**

We confirm that the Accounts for the period comply with current statutory requirements and with the requirements of the Charity's governing documents. A copy of this report must be attached to the Accounts whenever a full set is distributed.

### **Investments**

The expectation is that funds will be used for the furtherance of the Charity's objectives. Funds should generally be disbursed in the year received and the Reserves Policy dictates that funds should be readily accessible. Cash investments should be retained in interest bearing, easy access bank accounts. Property should be used to further the aims of the Charity and not be used for investment purposes.

### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees have agreed to set reserves at 10% of turnover. It has been agreed that the aspiration is to eventually hold 3 months of reserves and we are currently working towards this.

### **Risk**

Water Lily Project and its Trustees are very aware that they operate in an environment that has several key areas of risk. These risks have been identified and policies are in place to ensure that the risks are monitored, managed, and reviewed on a day-to-day basis. The key risks, all of which have current policies and procedures are:

- Safeguarding of Vulnerable Adults and Children;
- Health and Safety;
- Data Protection; and
- Finance.

All policies are reviewed on an annual basis and all incidents or breaches of policy are reported to the Trustees.

A physical building Risk Assessment is carried out annually for both the office/training room space and the café. There are also in place the appropriate risk assessments, policies, and procedures relating to food hygiene. The café has received a 5-star Food Hygiene Rating in the past year.

The Charity ensures that it operates in a safe and healthy way and Andrew Gilbert, CEO, is named as the Health and Safety Officer for the Charity reporting to the board of Trustees.

### **Public Benefit**

The Charity's Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties.

### **Objectives**

The Charity's objective are for the public benefit, to relieve vulnerable women and their children in Christchurch, Dorset, and surrounding areas, who are in need due to age, financial hardship, abuse (currently 85% of beneficiaries), social or economic circumstance or other charitable need, in particular but not exclusively by the provision of support, advice and education. And for such charitable purposes for the public benefit as are exclusively charitable according to the laws of England and Wales as the trustees may from time to time determine. The charity's activities will be undertaken in accordance with a Christian ethos to encourage its beneficiaries to live by positive Christian values and principles.



### **Structure and Relationships**

The Charity is a fully independent organisation. The Charity's Annual General Meeting appoints trustees and a treasurer who act as the Managing Trustees.

Financial income is primarily derived from donations and grants, supplemented by a small contribution from the Water Lily Project Café trading activities.

There are 5 employees including a Chief Executive Officer, Café Manager, Deputy Manager and two Support Workers. There are also 64 volunteers without whom the Charity could not function.

There are no affiliated sub-groups or sub-committees.

Practical and financial support is given to many individuals and causes whose objectives conform to those of the Charity.

### **Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements**

As we reflect on the past year, it is with thanksgiving that we will be able to present Annual Trustee Statement for 2023. The Water Lily Project, a charity dedicated to supporting women in times of crisis across Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole, has continued to make a profound impact on the lives of those we serve.

Throughout the year, our team of dedicated staff and volunteers worked tirelessly to provide essential services to women facing challenging circumstances. We are pleased to report that, in 2023, the Water Lily Project provided support to 126 women, 85% of whom were escaping domestic violence or abuse. We have also supported women facing homelessness, access to benefits and housing, mental health support, and many other difficulties they face. The challenges these women face is immense, and it is our mission to stand by them in their times of crisis.

Our commitment to these women is embodied through our services, which include one-on-one support with trained support workers, self-development training encompassing courses on Domestic Abuse Pattern Changing and Mental Health Resilience, and engaging group activities such as the Crafty Diggers Craft and Gardening Group and Cooking on Budget courses.

We were pleased to complete our European-funded project focusing on education which had a great impact, helping 14 women with little or no formal education return to learning, particularly in the areas of English and Mathematics. This initiative speaks to our broader commitment to empower and uplift the women we serve, fostering their growth and self-sufficiency.

In addition to our core services, the Water Lily Project operates a community cafe that has flourished over the year, becoming a cherished part of the local community. This endeavour not only serves the community and is seen as a safe space by our beneficiaries but also provides valuable volunteering opportunities. We are particularly pleased to have assisted women in obtaining their food hygiene certificates and supporting young people with autism in gaining work experience through our collaboration with Autism Unlimited. This year we have also focussed on making this self-funding. We are pleased to confirm that this year the Café made a small financial contribution to the Water Lily Project.

One of the cafes accomplishments this year has been the provision of meals to nearly 1,000 people who were in need, many of whom faced food insecurity or homelessness. This would not have been possible without the generous support of the Dorset Community Foundation, BCP Food and Warmth fund, and other generous donors through the Pay It Forward marble initiative. Your contributions have touched the lives of those most in need in our community, providing sustenance and hope.

### **Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements (continued)**

The Water Lily Project's success in 2023 has been thanks to the numerous grants we received from various organizations. We express our gratitude to Community Action Network, Dorset Community Foundation, Christchurch Town Council, ESFA, Post Code Lottery Trust, Talbot Village Trust, Awards for All, and the St Aldhelm Chapel Trust for their invaluable support. These grants have allowed us to expand our programs and extend our reach to even more women in need.

We are thrilled to announce that the Water Lily Project has been selected as one of Christchurch Town's Mayor's Charities for 2023. This recognition underscores the significance of our work within the community and reinforces our commitment to making a difference.

### **Financial Review**

We have seen income this year increase slightly to £143k and expenses to £121k. This year's Net Assets have also increased slightly to £81k. The majority of these are restricted funds to deliver specific projects within the Charity.

During 2023 we saw a number of changes in staffing. Just before the start of this year we saw a key change being the recruitment of the Water Lily Project's first Chief Executive Officer. During the year we saw two part-time members of staff leave (Marketing Manager and a Support Worker) and were able to increase the hours of the Lead Support Worker to full-time.

During the year 2023 we completed several projects with funding being brought forward from the previous year from Dorset Community Foundation, Postcode Lottery Trust, Cooper Dean, ESFA European Fund, Nationwide, Peoples Health Trust. This funding delivered projects including helping get women back into education, the ability to refer women on to counseling support, housing support to bring greater security to womens' housing situation and support work. We also picked up a number of new projects in the year from grants received from several key grant making organisations including the Peoples Health Trust, The National Lottery Awards for All, Dorset Community Foundation, Community Action Network, Postcode Local Trust, Christchurch Town Council, St Aldhelm Trust, Tesco and Co-op. These grants have enabled us to develop and provide craft and gardening groups, cooking on a budget Course, a safe warm space in our Café with meals to those who are being directly impacted by the current cost of living crisis, develop and deliver a mental health resilience course for our beneficiaries and increase support hours in order to help lower our waiting lists.

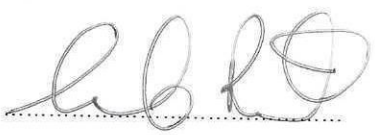
In 2024, thanks to the grants already secured, we will be continuing to deliver the Cooking on a Budget Course, Craft and Gardening groups, Mental Health Resilience training, community lunch group for our beneficiaries who are struggling financially, and increased Support Work hours (including funds to recruit a new part time Support Worker).

We have ended the year in a relatively strong position financially with a good balance of cash in the bank £87k.

Water Lily Project premises are currently not under a formal lease following the sale of the building by its previous owner to Christchurch Housing Society. The lease is currently rolling on by verbal agreement under the existing terms signed with Dorset Council. These negotiations are currently underway through our solicitors and expected to be concluded in the first quarter of 2024.

Approved by the Trustees on **15 January 2024** and signed on their behalf by:

  
Trustee name: Susan Daly  
Position: Chair

  
Trustee name: Colin Bennett  
Position: Trustee



**Water Lily Project** (a company limited by guarantee)  
**Independent Examiner's Report**  
**For the year ended 30 September 2023**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Water Lily Project** (a company limited by guarantee)

I report to the Trustees on our examination of the accounts of Water Lily Project ("the Charity") registered number 1145718 for the year ended 30 September 2023, which are set out on pages 7 to 15.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the Charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

- 1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2) the accounts did not accord with those records; or
- 3) the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.



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Date: 15 - January - 2024

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
<b><u>INCOMING RESOURCES</u></b>					
a) Donations and legacies	2(a)	14,149	-	14,149	16,649
b) Fundraising activities	2(b)	31,445	-	31,445	26,248
c) Grants received	2(c)	15,000	82,085	97,085	93,413
d) Investment income	2(d)	338	-	338	8
e) Other income	2(e)	138	-	138	2,067
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>61,070</b>	<b>82,085</b>	<b>143,155</b>	<b>138,385</b>
<b><u>RESOURCES EXPENDED</u></b>					
a) Salary and pension costs	3(a)	14,821	71,693	86,514	77,042
b) Property costs	3(b)	12,578	-	12,578	12,307
c) Café costs	3(c)	600	10,900	11,500	10,918
d) Charity administration	3(d)	2,068	8,888	10,956	12,434
<b>Total resources</b>		<b>30,067</b>	<b>91,481</b>	<b>121,548</b>	<b>112,701</b>
<b>Net incoming/ (outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>31,003</b>	<b>(9,396)</b>	<b>21,607</b>	<b>25,684</b>
<b><u>TRANSFERS</u></b>					
Gross transfers between funds - in		-	375	375	648
Gross transfers between funds - out		(375)	-	(375)	(648)
<b>Net incoming/ (outgoing) resources after transfers</b>		<b>30,628</b>	<b>(9,021)</b>	<b>21,607</b>	<b>25,684</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>30,628</b>	<b>(9,021)</b>	<b>21,607</b>	<b>25,684</b>
<b><u>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</u></b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward 1 October 2022</b>		<b>13,721</b>	<b>45,900</b>	<b>59,621</b>	<b>33,937</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward 30 September 2023</b>		<b>44,349</b>	<b>36,879</b>	<b>81,228</b>	<b>59,621</b>

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form an integral part of these accounts.

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand					
Current account		10,735		5,215	
Deposit account		76,195		55,189	
Petty cash		235		235	
			87,165		60,639
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	6		(5,937)		(1,018)
<b>Net current assets</b>			81,228		59,621
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			81,228		59,621
<b>CHARITABLE FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted Funds	8		44,349		13,721
Restricted Funds	8		36,879		45,900
			81,228		59,621

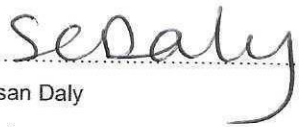
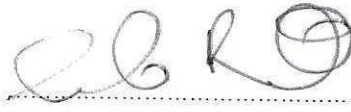
For the year ended 30 September 2023 the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

**Directors' responsibilities:**

- The members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- 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 and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the Small Companies Regime.

The accounts on pages 7 to 15 were approved by the directors/ trustees on **15 January 2024** and signed on their behalf by:

	
<b>Trustee name:</b> Susan Daly	<b>Trustee name:</b> Colin Bennett
<b>Position:</b> Chair	<b>Position:</b> Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form an integral part of these accounts.



## **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### **a) Accounting Conventions**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the following regulations:

- 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");
- The Charities Act 2011; and
- The Companies Act 2006.

### **b) Basis of Preparation**

The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis.

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 note.

The Charity has taken advantage of the FRS 102 exemption from preparing a cash flow for charities which are not large.

### **c) Going Concern**

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the Charity.

### **b) Incoming Resources**

Income is recognised when the Charity has legal entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. All incoming resources are accounted for gross. Specifically:

#### ***i) Donations and legacies***

Donations are recognised when the Charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the Charity before it is entitled to the funds, the income is not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the Charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period. Legacies are accounted for when the Trustees are legally entitled to the amounts due.

#### ***ii) Grants***

Income from Government and other grants is recognised when the Charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

#### ***iii) Investment income***

Interest on funds held on deposit is recognised when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid by the bank.

#### ***iv) Other income***

Any other income is recognised when it is receivable.

### **c) Resources Expended**

Expenditure, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered, is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Specifically:

## **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

### ***i) Charitable activities***

As a small charity, most of the Charity's activities are directly linked to charitable activities and therefore most of the Charity's expenditure items are charitable costs. The Charity has not reported its income and expenditure on an activity basis, instead it has adopted an approach based on the nature of income received and expenditure incurred. All support type costs (e.g. office, administration and governance) are separately disclosed by category and were all incurred directly in connection with activities of the Charity, however an apportionment of those support type costs between different activities is not practical.

An accrual is made at the year end for short term employee benefits, including any untaken annual leave which has been agreed to be carried over to the next financial year. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

### **d) Taxation**

The Charity is considered to pass the test set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore meets the definition of a charitable company for UK Corporation Tax purposes. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

### **e) Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

### **f) Fund structure**

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the Trustees discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the Charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a specific area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

### **g) Fixed Assets**

#### ***i) Fixtures, fittings and furniture***

All fixtures, fittings and non-technical equipment are expensed in the year the cost is incurred. In the view of the Trustees this more accurately reflects the reality of the carrying value of the assets concerned.

#### ***(ii) Computers and other technical equipment***

Computers, kitchen and technical equipment are expensed in the year the cost is incurred, unless the individual item costs over £1,000. In the view of the Trustees this more accurately reflects the reality of the carrying value of the assets

### **h) Agency funds**

Donations received which the Trustees are legally bound to pay on to third parties, and for which the Trustees have no responsibility for the ultimate charitable application of the funds nor are able to direct how the funds are used by third parties, are treated as agency funds. These funds are not recognised as incoming or outgoing resources in the Statement of Financial Activities or as assets in the balance sheet. Movements in agency funds during the year are disclosed in the notes to the accounts by party in so far as donor/third party confidentiality permits.

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**Notes to the Accounts (continued)**  
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**2. INCOMING RESOURCES**

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>a) Donations and legacies</u></b>				
Donations	14,149	-	14,149	16,649
Sub-total for 2023	<u>14,149</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,149</u>	<u>16,649</u>
Sub-total for 2022	<u>16,649</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,649</u>	
<b><u>b) Fundraising activities</u></b>				
Fundraising	1,810	-	1,810	2,577
Water Lily Cafe	29,635	-	29,635	23,671
Sub-total for 2023	<u>31,445</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,445</u>	<u>26,248</u>
Sub-total for 2022	<u>26,248</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,248</u>	
<b><u>c) Grants received</u></b>				
Grants received	15,000	82,085	97,085	93,413
Sub-total for 2023	<u>15,000</u>	<u>82,085</u>	<u>97,085</u>	<u>93,413</u>
Sub-total for 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>93,413</u>	<u>93,413</u>	
<b><u>d) Investment income</u></b>				
Bank interest      General	338	-	338	8
Sub-total for 2023	<u>338</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>8</u>
Sub-total for 2022	<u>8</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8</u>	
<b><u>e) Other income</u></b>				
Water Lily Room Hire	120	-	120	1,518
Refunds and misc income	18	-	18	549
Sub-total for 2023	<u>138</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>2,067</u>
Sub-total for 2022	<u>2,067</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,067</u>	
<b>2023 total incoming resources</b>	<u>61,070</u>	<u>82,085</u>	<u>143,155</u>	<u>138,385</u>
<b>2022 total incoming resources</b>	<u>44,972</u>	<u>93,413</u>	<u>138,385</u>	



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**3. RESOURCES EXPENDED**

	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
<b>a) Salary and pension costs</b>				
Gross salary costs	12,934	71,500	84,434	73,230
Pension costs	1,625	193	1,818	2,217
Training and other staff costs	262	-	262	1,595
<i>Sub-total for 2023</i>	<b>14,821</b>	<b>71,693</b>	<b>86,514</b>	<b>77,042</b>
<i>Sub-total for 2022</i>	<b>77,042</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,042</b>	
<b>b) Property costs</b>				
Rent payable	5,100	-	5,100	5,100
Property repairs and renewals	2,142	-	2,142	1,651
Insurance	563	-	563	492
Water Lily Utilities	4,773	-	4,773	5,064
<i>Sub-total for 2023</i>	<b>12,578</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,578</b>	<b>12,307</b>
<i>Sub-total for 2022</i>	<b>12,307</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,307</b>	
<b>c) Café costs</b>				
Food for Café	-	10,900	10,900	10,817
Café refurbishment	-	-	-	25
Café equipment costs	600	-	600	76
<i>Sub-total for 2023</i>	<b>600</b>	<b>10,900</b>	<b>11,500</b>	<b>10,918</b>
<i>Sub-total for 2022</i>	<b>10,918</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,918</b>	
<b>d) Charity administration</b>				
Activities	-	2,308	2,308	2,017
Client service costs	-	851	851	4,438
IT equipment	-	2,864	2,864	933
Telephone costs	894	-	894	1,051
Printing, postage and stationery	974	-	974	535
Volunteer costs	-	180	180	433
Subscriptions and legal	-	35	35	1,756
Accountancy and other professional costs	200	2,300	2,500	800
Promotional and fundraising costs	-	350	350	386
Other administrative costs	-	-	-	85
<i>Sub-total for 2023</i>	<b>2,068</b>	<b>8,888</b>	<b>10,956</b>	<b>12,434</b>
<i>Sub-total for 2022</i>	<b>12,434</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,434</b>	
<b>2023 total resources expended</b>	<b>30,067</b>	<b>91,481</b>	<b>121,548</b>	<b>112,701</b>
<b>2022 total resources expended</b>	<b>112,701</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>112,701</b>	

5. DEBTORS

**AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

Other debtors

2023	2022
£	£
-	-
-	-

6. CREDITORS

**AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

Taxation and Social Security creditor due to HMRC  
Accruals  
Other creditors

2023	2022
£	£
2,840	-
2,500	1,019
597	(1)
<b>5,937</b>	<b>1,018</b>

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted				
	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	General	Designated	Restricted	TOTAL	TOTAL
	Funds	Funds	Funds		
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand	35,246	10,000	42,019	87,265	60,639
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	(897)	-	(5,140)	(6,037)	(1,018)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>34,349</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>36,879</b>	<b>81,228</b>	<b>59,621</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
Unrestricted funds	34,349	10,000	-	44,349	13,721
Restricted funds	-	-	36,879	36,879	45,900
<b>Total funds at 30 September 2023</b>	<b>34,349</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>36,879</b>	<b>81,228</b>	<b>59,621</b>
<b>Prior year:</b>					
	2022	2022	2022	2022	
	General	Designated	Restricted	TOTAL	
	Funds	Funds	Funds		
	£	£	£	£	
<b>Current assets</b>	4,739	10,000	45,900	60,639	
<b>Current liabilities</b>	(1,018)	-	-	(1,018)	
<b>Total funds at 30 September 2022</b>	<b>3,721</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>45,900</b>	<b>59,621</b>	

## 8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	Balance 1 October 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Gross Transfers IN £	Gross Transfers OUT £	Balance 30 September 2023 £
<b><u>Unrestricted funds</u></b>						
General Fund	3,721	46,070	(15,067)	-	(375)	34,349
St. Aldhelm's Chapel Trust	-	15,000	(15,000)	-	-	-
Designated Reserve	10,000	-	-	-	-	10,000
	<b>13,721</b>	<b>61,070</b>	<b>(30,067)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(375)</b>	<b>44,349</b>
<b><u>Restricted funds</u></b>						
Awards for All	-	10,000	(8,333)	-	-	1,667
Cooper Dean	3,314	-	(3,314)	-	-	-
Community Action Network	-	5,373	(5,373)	-	-	-
Christchurch Town Council	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-	-
The CoOperative	-	1,414	(1,414)	-	-	-
Dorset Community Foundation - Food/ Warmth	-	7,500	(7,500)	-	-	-
Dorset Community Foundation - Cooking on a Budget	-	7,181	-	-	-	7,181
Dorset Community Foundation - Neighbourhood	1,418	5,000	(4,335)	-	-	2,083
European Fund - ESFA	-	11,868	(11,868)	-	-	-
Mary Magdalen Trust	698	-	-	-	-	698
Nationwide	32,526	-	(32,526)	-	-	-
People Health Trust	7,281	6,624	(13,655)	-	-	250
Postcode Local Trust	-	25,000	-	-	-	25,000
Postcode Lottery Trust	663	-	(663)	-	-	-
Tesco	-	1,125	(1,500)	375	-	-
	<b>45,900</b>	<b>82,085</b>	<b>(91,481)</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,879</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>59,621</b>	<b>143,155</b>	<b>(121,548)</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>(375)</b>	<b>81,228</b>

Fund transfer from General to Tesco Restricted: of the £1,500 total grant receivable, £1,125 had been received by the year end, with the balance of £375 received shortly after the year end. A transfer of £375 was made from General Funds to cover £1,500 of related expenditure made by the year end.



**9. STAFF COSTS**

	2023 £	2022 £
The aggregate costs of employing staff during the year were:		
Gross salaries:	84,434	73,230
Employers pension contributions:	1,818	2,217
	<u>86,252</u>	<u>75,447</u>
The average number of employees throughout the year was (rounded to nearest whole):	5	5

No employee received salary in excess of £60,000 during the year (2022: none).

During 2023 the Charity paid employer pension contributions of £1,840 (2022: £2,217).

**10. TRUSTEES EXPENSES/ BENEFITS**

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with the Charity or a related entity (2022: nil).

During the year one Trustee purchased £130 of food for the café and was reimbursed by the Charity (2022: nil). No other Trustee expenses were paid (2022: nil)

**11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

One trustee of the Charity (Colin Bennett) is also a trustee of Christchurch Housing Society, Winston Court, 35 Stour Rd, Christchurch BH23 1PR, a housing association which owns the freehold premises at 131 Barrack Road. Rental payments totalling £5,100 were paid to Christchurch Housing Society during the year (2022: £5,100). At the year end no rental amounts were outstanding to Christchurch Housing Society (2022: nil) and no amounts had been released or written off (2022: nil).

There were no other transactions with the Trustees or Key Management Personnel or other related party transactions.

**12. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

No post balance sheet events have been identified during the period up to the date these accounts were signed.

**13. GOING CONCERN REVIEW**

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the Charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. The Trustees have concluded the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its Accounts.

**15. COSTS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION AND OTHER FINANCIAL SERVICES**

	2023 £	2022 £
During the year the following amounts were payable in respect of:		
a) Costs of the independent examination	200	200
b) Other finance services (accountancy services)	2,300	600
	<u>2,500</u>	<u>800</u>