

TOGETHER LIVERPOOL

England & Wales · Charity number 1151977

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	08190148
Registered	2013-05-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: THE CHARITY'S OBJECTS ARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC:1. TO PROMOTE THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF CHRISTIAN BASED CHARITIES IN THE FURTHERANCE OF THEIR OBJECTS OR ANY ONE OF THEM, MAINLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, BY THE PROVISION OF INFORMATION, ADVICE, SUPPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROVISION; AND2. THE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP, EITHER GENERALLY OR INDIVIDUALLY, THROUGH THE PROVISION OF GRANTS, GOODS OR SERVICES.

Activities: Together Liverpool's aim is to support churches working with community groups wanting to tackle poverty, deprivation and disadvantage in their boroughs.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Liverpool City
- St Helens
- Warrington
- Wigan

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£133,309	£117,027	-	-
2023-12-31	£130,268	£96,847	-	-
2022-12-31	£71,681	£93,051	-	-
2021-12-31	£120,569	£134,129	-	-
2020-12-31	£135,904	£56,616	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev ELLEN LOUDON	Chair	2016-09-28
Carolyn Spittle		2023-02-28
David Anthony Randall		2020-06-01
David Bishop		2016-09-06
Lorna Mary Randall		2020-06-01
Peter Bull		2020-01-01
Rev Peter Hendry Spiers		2020-06-01
Richard Anthony Bennett		2019-06-01

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Accounts

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Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

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Together Liverpool

**Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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Prepared by the Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service

Together Liverpool

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2024, in compliance with S414C of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Structure, Governance and Management

Together Liverpool is a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Reference and Administrative Details

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Employees

The day-to-day operation of Together Liverpool is shared by staff members: James Green, Deb James, Joseph Cotrell and Merab Gill. These members of staff are employed by Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance. Together Liverpool also has an annual placement student as part of the Triangle of Hope programme. They come to learn and contribute to the development of work.

In accordance with the Diocese of Liverpool Equal Opportunity Policy, the Charity has an established fair employment practice in the recruitment, selection, retention and training. We are continuing to review and develop the diversity of our trustees, workforce and those we work closely with. We are seeking to more accurately reflect the communities we work with and will be seeking to particularly support those churches working with marginalised people groups.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Objectives and Activities

Together Liverpool exists to build a just, generous and equal society. Whilst our roots lie in the Church of England we seek to work with a wide range of organisations for the benefits of those living in our diocese.

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively, by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

Through our work we seek to:

- Organise, develop & establish Together Liverpool as a vehicle offering targeted support for identified church related projects working in key priority areas normally identified from good practice in the area covered:
- Help individual churches to have a greater and more sustainable impact in tackling poverty in their community through resourcing and equipping;
- Network churches together and support them to build relationships with other key stakeholders in the VCFSE
- Enable churches to influence and shape social and economic policy;
- Raise the profile of faith inspired social and community action which can be overlooked as they are often self-supporting, self-sustaining and volunteer led. In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. By supporting local churches to better deliver their social action work across the breadth of this local communities we support the addressing of poverty and positively impact on the wellbeing of local residents.

Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices

Together Liverpool is fully committed to the importance of safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults and ensuring we work in a way that prioritises creating a safe, kind space for all by:

Promoting a safer environment and culture

Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults

Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation

Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.

Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.

Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

Reviewing the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Together Liverpool Strategic report on Activities

Progress and Highlights

2024 saw Together Liverpool begin the second phase of our Network of Kindness project following the successful securing of significant funding from the National Lottery. This phase will build on our previous work by supporting local faith communities to launch new social action projects, measure the impact they're making and develop existing projects.

As this report shows, we have made significant progress in our efforts to support local faith groups build more generous, just and kind communities. Our developing impact assessment work, growth in diversity of the Network of Kindness and encouraging independent evaluation of our work have been real highlights from 2024.

We're very grateful for the continued support of our funders as we enable local communities to work for justice.

'The work of Together Liverpool is not only impactful within their local context but also serves as a model for other communities seeking to address complex social challenges as well as informing our own practice within CUF. Their dedication to collaboration, inclusivity, and innovation exemplifies the values of the Church Urban Fund and the broader Together Network.' – Bishop Rob Wickham, Group CEO, Church Urban Fund

Highlights from 2024

- 22 projects launched
- 22 training events held with 870+ participants
- 460+ projects mapped
- 190+ Network of Kindness members
- 5340 meals provided
- Comms headlines

Network of Kindness

Network of Kindness membership has passed 190 in 2024. These members are taken from a diverse range of Christian denominations with all of the mainstream Christian traditions represented in addition to Pentecostal, ecumenical groups as well as those with no faith.

Amongst our new members this year, we are delighted to have welcomed:

- Divine Life Community Gospel Church
- Kensington Community Learning Centre CIC
- The Good Funeral Company
- Oasis Charitable Trust
- Resolve Poverty

Project Evaluation

As part of the conclusion of the first phase of the Network of Kindness, we engaged Dr Jane Hobson, an independent evaluation consultant, to assess the impact of our work.

Through 1-2-1 meetings, surveys and reviewing key performance indicators, it was identified that *'that Network membership has had a very positive impact on its members to date: increasing connection; creating opportunities for networking; providing rare spaces for reflection and exploration of social action themes that adapted to member needs; and developing and offering accessible and free training and resources on a variety of topics'*.

Key findings of this evaluation were:

- 85% of members believed they were adding value to each other's work
- 79% that more was being achieved together than alone
- 83% that the reputation of the network is increasingly positive
- 95% that they have engaged in useful sessions and events to help them develop their work

The findings of this evaluation have helped to shape the direction of the Network of Kindness with a renewed focus on impact assessment, diversifying membership and increasing our range of funding streams.

"Together Liverpool has enabled us to move this forward looking at the need locally beyond food and seeing how we can begin growing food, community gardens, sourcing financial support and wellbeing." - **Mark Wade, Network of Kindness member and Leader of Lifted in Wigan**

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Training and events

Across 2024 we have delivered an exciting and well received programme which has included 22 training events connecting with over 870 participants. We take a member-led approach to training and have valued suggestions and requests from the network. We have held sessions on subjects such as Trauma-Informed Practice, Social Value, Digital Inclusion and Impact Assessment as well as helping to organize and deliver events such as supporting prison leavers in HMP Altcourse.

"I would say to any one at church (who's looking at a workshop) you should do this because it's Together Liverpool, it's the Network of Kindness and I know they are really good. Kate Wharton, Network of Kindness member and Vicar of St Bart's Roby

Community Cohesion: Near Neighbours, Places of Welcome, Prison Leavers and Displaced People

We strengthened our work with faith communities to support vulnerable people. A highlight is our growing partnership with the HMP Liverpool Chaplaincy, through which we're helping establish a new multi-faith charity for prison leavers. We also focused on engagement with prison leavers, displaced people and victims of modern slavery (including those affected by county lines), building partnerships with groups such as Welcome Churches and the Welcome Directory, delivering training and backing new funding bids. Nationally, we took part in Places of Welcome and, for the first time, Near Neighbours. We launched four new Places of Welcome and continued to support the 18 previously started through our Network of Kindness. Through Near Neighbours, we helped faith communities develop cohesion projects; two secured government grants, and we facilitated community conversations in diverse neighbourhoods.

Launching New Projects

Over the course of this year, we have supported the launch of 22 new projects. These have been delivered through our Feast of Fun and Learning Community programmes. The projects launched include a summer holiday club for children facing holiday hunger, a café to support people living with dementia and their carers as well as a number of groups tackling loneliness in their communities.

Over the next 12 months, we plan to deliver Learning Communities in Ormskirk and West Derby. We are also building a partnership with an organisation who has significant connections into independent and black majority churches which will increase the range of groups that we're working with to enable new projects to launch. These partnerships take a long time to build but we're confident that the results will be greater support for those communities and an increasingly diverse network.

Through Feast of Fun, we continue to offer microgrants to Network of Kindness members so they can tackle holiday hunger in their communities. These grants have enabled:

- Projects to launch
- 5340 meals provided

During our Summer Feast of Fun programme, a total 1,580 people took part in the activities, including 814 children and 766 adults. Of the activities:

- 100% engaged with families in receipt of free school meals
- 100% engaged with single parent households
- 70% engaged with global majority households
- 30% engaged with LGBTQ+ young people or families
- 30% engaged with children with parents in prison
- 20% engaged with Asylum seekers and refugees

Over the next 12 months, we will support the delivery of 8750 meals during Easter & Summer holidays as well as October half term.

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Trustees' report continued

“You have enabled holiday events to go ahead that would not have happened without your funding. Your funding has enabled us to build relationships with new families and provided healthy food for many when we know that some of the families fed, would not be able to fund such meals.” - Feast of Fun – Project Leader

Faith in the City

Faith in the City (1985) was a landmark Church of England report on the realities of urban life and the Church’s role within it. As the 40th anniversary in 2025 invites reflection on what has changed—and what has not—it also calls us to reimagine how churches respond with hope, action and solidarity today.

Together Liverpool, in partnership with Churches Together in the Merseyside Region, is leading a 40th Anniversary project to learn from the past and shape future practice. A project lead was appointed in autumn 2024 to coordinate the work.

The project explores three themes: (1) moving from charity to solidarity; (2) the difference faith makes; and (3) effective engagement between faith communities and civic leaders. Launched in November 2024, the programme includes: the annual Micah Lecture at Liverpool Cathedral (19 June 2025) on the report’s legacy; the Archdiocese of Liverpool’s Social Action Conference (11 July 2025); and a 40th Anniversary Celebration and Manifesto launch in November 2025. The Metro Mayor, civic leaders, senior faith leaders, local communities and charity partners will join us as we present a manifesto co-created with faith communities, setting shared priorities for the Liverpool City Region.

Impact Assessment & Social Value

We’re developing this work in two connected strands.

1) Digital Impact Assessment Tool.

Following a formal procurement, we’ve partnered with Kaleidoscope to build a digital tool that lets local groups enter project data and receive automated impact reports and social value calculations. We’ll then be able to aggregate results by area, faith tradition and social action theme, giving a clearer picture of activity across the Network. A focus group of 11 organisations—spanning locations, project types and faith communities—are shaping the user experience, data sets and report design. We’ve also created training to help groups collect local data well and use their reports effectively. The tool is on track to launch in autumn 2025 and will be available to all Network of Kindness members.

2) Community of Practice on Social Value.

In parallel, we’re supporting a diverse cohort—including a women’s approved premises, an environmental charity, an ethical funeral provider, a racial justice project and a refugee support organisation—to explore what social value looks like in their contexts. As part of this, we’ve purchased a membership to Impact, a social value calculator, to provide each member with a robust valuation. The work is already fostering closer partnerships.

Together, these strands are building a more informed, reflective and confident network—better able to evidence change and shape future strategy.

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Trustees' report continued

Communications & Storytelling

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This year we produced nine Network of Kindness newsletters sharing news, events, stories and resources to support social action by our members and the wider community.

Our mailing list includes more than 800 subscribers. On social media we have almost 1,000 followers on Facebook and are growing new audiences on Instagram and BlueSky.

We have commissioned a new website, due to launch in the summer of 2025, to improve user experience, simplify navigation and surface key resources, community support initiatives and updates. The site strengthens Together Liverpool's identity as a lead organisation for community social action across the Diocese of Liverpool and improves the visibility of our team and trustees.

To amplify real-life impact we on track to deliver eighteen stories video-led Stories of Kindness, highlighting grassroots action by Network of Kindness members over the next two-and-a-half years, deepening relationships and inspiring collaboration.

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"It's good to read and hear about what's going on across the city and region and be provided with opportunities for funding and training." - **Network of Kindness member**

Charity Consultancy

In spring 2024 Micah Liverpool asked Together Liverpool to provide interim support while they recruited a new CEO. Our CEO was seconded to Micah for two days a week to strengthen financial management, fundraising and staffing, while developing project delivery. The consultancy fee backfilled capacity in our team so Together Liverpool's programme could continue as planned.

Working alongside trustees and senior staff, we helped redesign Micah's staff structure for greater financial stability, introduced improved financial processes and controls, and supported targeted fundraising. The restructuring and other cost-saving measures delivered approximately £50,000 in annual savings, and a further £67,000 of income was secured.

Volunteer engagement and training were also strengthened. A new volunteer forum was established to brief volunteers on service changes and staffing updates, and to provide a channel for feedback.

By the end of the consultancy the restructure was complete and a refreshed staff team was taking shape. Micah left the process with clearer roles, tighter financial oversight and an immediate improvement in sustainability—better positioned to serve communities when the new CEO takes post in 2025.

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Trustees' report continued

Goals for Charity Development for 2025

During 2025, Together Liverpool will seek to continue the development of our work by:

- Delivering Network of Kindness programme of training, events and microgrants
- Launching our new website and Impact Assessment Tool
- Developing our Network of Kindness Steering Group
- Delivering our Faith in the City Project
- Further strengthening financial sustainability of the charity

Financial Review

The operational surplus on the general fund during the year £60,717 (£33,421: 2023)

As at 31 December 2024 total unrestricted funds of £34,243 were held.

Risk Management

The trustees are developing an ongoing risk management strategy which comprises:

- an annual review of the principal risks and uncertainties that the charity faces;
- the establishment of policies, systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the annual review; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise or manage any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Financial sustainability continues to be a major risk. A key element in the management of financial risk is a regular review of available liquid funds to settle debts as they fall due, regular liaison with the bank and active management of trade debtors and creditors balances to ensure sufficient working capital by the charity.

The charity follows the staffing, health and safety, safeguarding, financial and all other guidance, policies and procedures outlined by its two partner organisations: the Diocese of Liverpool and Church Urban Fund.

Reserves policy

The charity's reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £79,893. The trustees have adopted a policy to retain sufficient funds to enable the smooth running of the charity and to enable an orderly winding up should that become necessary. The policy is reviewed regularly. The level of reserves to be maintained is 6 months of future budgeted core costs. Our working budget forecast our reserves to be £58,807 for 2024.

The year-end position is adequate for the revised level of activity and proposed staffing recruitment for 2025.

Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The trustees during the year were:

Name	Position	Dates Appointed
Ellen Loudon	Chair	2016
David Bishop		2016
Richard Bennett		2024 (reappointed)
Peter Bull		2020
Peter Spiers		2020
David Randall		2020
Lorna Randall		2020
Carolyn Spittle		2023
Pablo Guidi		2024

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Registered address

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Independent examiner

on behalf of:

Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service

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Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Bankers

Lloyds Bank
88-94 Church Street
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Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated 23 August 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. As amended on 20th March 2021.

Objects of the organisation

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

The purpose of Together Liverpool is to enhance the capacity of the Churches' mission and neighbourliness in the poorest communities in the diocesan area (their clergy, ministers, leaders, lay staff, volunteers, projects and people) engaging every Church in addressing poverty.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees on 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial accounts for each 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and 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 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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 and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board on

2025 and signed on behalf of the directors by:

Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Together Liverpool

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 set out on pages 13 to 22

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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, no matter has come to my attention:

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jane Williams
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Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Income from:					
Income from donations	(4)	650	-	650	2,076
Income from charitable activities	(5)	20,780	111,810	132,590	124,192
Other incoming resources	(6)	69	-	69	4,000
Total incoming resources		21,499	111,810	133,309	130,268
Resources expended					
Charitable activities	(7)	10,377	106,650	117,027	96,847
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources		11,122	5,160	16,282	33,421
Transfers between funds		89,169	(89,169)	-	-
Net movement in funds		100,291	(84,009)	16,282	33,421
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds as at 01 January 2024		(20,452)	129,603	109,151	75,730
Total funds as at 31 December 2024		79,839	45,594	125,433	109,151

The above statement includes all gains and losses recognised during the year.
All activities are regarded as continuing.
The Notes on pages 16 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

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Balance sheet

as at 31 December 2024

	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets (10)	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Current Assets				
Debtors and prepayments (11)	-	21,268	21,268	4,000
Cash at bank and in hand (12)	107,683	58,493	166,176	130,402
Total current assets	<u>107,683</u>	<u>79,761</u>	<u>187,444</u>	<u>134,402</u>
Current liabilities:				
amounts falling due within one year				
Creditors (due within one year) (13)	27,844	34,167	62,011	25,251
Total current liabilities	<u>27,844</u>	<u>34,167</u>	<u>62,011</u>	<u>25,251</u>
Net Assets	<u>79,839</u>	<u>45,594</u>	<u>125,433</u>	<u>109,151</u>
Funds of the charity				
Restricted Funds	-	45,594	45,594	129,603
Unrestricted funds	79,839	-	79,839	(20,452)
Total Funds (14)	<u>79,839</u>	<u>45,594</u>	<u>125,433</u>	<u>109,151</u>

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 December 2024

the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, and

the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act

the trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The notes on pages 16 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, were approved by the trustees on 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett
Trustee

Together Liverpool
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income/(expenditure) per SOFA	16,282	33,421
Depreciation	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(11) (17,268)	(4,000)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(13) 36,760	-
	<u>35,774</u>	<u>29,421</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash:	35,774	29,421
Total cash as at 01 January 2024	<u>130,402</u>	<u>100,981</u>
Total cash as at 31 December 2024	<u>166,176</u>	<u>130,402</u>

The notes on pages 16 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

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Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 Basis of preparation

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention,

1.1 with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- (a) The Charities Act 2011
- (b) The Companies Act 2006
- (c) The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS 102

(d) Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS 102) (effective January 2019)

1.3 The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102

1.4 The trustees consider that there are not material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2 Accounting Policies

2.1 Fund accounting

- (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.
- (b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor, or when funds are raised for specific purposes.
- (c) The purposes of the funds are shown in Note 7a.

2.2 Income

(a) Income is recognised and included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income; receipt is probable; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

(b) Where income has related expenditure (e.g. project activities), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

(c) Bank interest is recognised when credited to the account.

(d) Gift Aid, where appropriate, is recognised in the same accounting period as the donation to which it relates.

(e) Income, which is subject to conditions that the charity has yet to fulfil, or which is specifically for use in a future accounting period, is treated as deferred income.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

(a) Expenditure is recognised on the accruals basis.

(b) The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.

(c) Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay out resources.

(d) Governance costs include the costs of preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the cost of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

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Notes to the accounts

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2.4 Tangible Fixed Assets

(a) Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £250. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at their value on receipt.

Rates of depreciation

Equipment: 33% reducing balance

2.5 Debtors

(a) Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

(b) Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

2.6 Cash

(a) Cash comprises bank deposits repayable on demand and any short-term highly liquid investments with a maturity date of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.7 Creditors

(a) Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount.

(b) Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

2.8 Taxation

The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

3 Transactions with trustees and related parties

No trustees received any remuneration or expenses during the accounting period.

Owing to the nature of the charity's activities and the composition of the board of trustees (being drawn from local statutory and voluntary organisation), it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest. All transactions in which a trustee may have an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the charity's financial regulations and expenditure procedures. No transactions were identified which should be disclosed under FRS 102.

Together Liverpool
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for the year ended 31 December 2024

4 Income from donations and legacies	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Donations from individuals	650	-	650	2,076
	<u>650</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>2,076</u>
5 Income from charitable activities	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
National Lottery Fund	-	47,833	47,833	57,089
Near Neighbours	-	10,268	10,268	-
Transforming Plymouth	-	-	-	2,280
LDBF Grant: Fit for Mission	-	28,472	28,472	28,472
LDBF Grant: Bishop Grant	4,000	-	4,000	-
LCVS: Places of Worship grant	-	6,100	6,100	1,860
Lord Leverhulme	-	-	-	21,300
Feast of Fun	-	-	-	13,191
Imagine If	280	-	280	-
Eleanor Rathbone	-	5,000	5,000	-
Liverpool Cathedral: Micah	16,500	-	16,500	-
Meals & More	-	10,150	10,150	-
LDCSA	-	3,987	3,987	-
	<u>20,780</u>	<u>111,810</u>	<u>132,590</u>	<u>124,192</u>
6 Other Incoming resources from charitable activities	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Other incoming resources	69	-	69	4,000
	<u>69</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>4,000</u>

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for the year ended 31 December 2024

7 Expenditure of charitable activities

	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£
<u>Direct Costs</u>				
Salaries and NICs	(3) -	84,457	84,457	75,727
Staff Travel & Training	-	696	696	1,541
Telephone & Internet	-	606	606	175
Evaluation & Marketing	-	3,130	3,130	108
Publications & Subscriptions	-	1,653	1,653	2,059
Insurance	-	1,201	1,201	1,092
Van Expenses	-	97	97	849
Office Supplies	-	411	411	-
Conferences & Meeting fees	-	1,410	1,410	327
Professional Fees	-	5	5	-
Equipment	-	-	-	-
Project costs	10,377	12,296	22,673	14,463
Governance Costs	(8) -	688	688	508
Total resources expended	10,377	106,650	117,027	96,847

Together Liverpool
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for the year ended 31 December 2024

8 Governance Costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent Examiners' fee	675	495
Administration	13	13
	<u>688</u>	<u>508</u>
9 Staff costs and numbers	2024	2023
	£	£
Gross salaries	84,457	75,727
Employee Insurance	-	-
Employer's NI	-	-
Pensions	-	-
	<u>84,457</u>	<u>75,727</u>

No employee earned £60,000 per annum or more in the current accounting period
The average number of employees during the year was 2 FTE (2023: 2)

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for the year ended 31 December 2024

10 Tangible assets	Furniture & Equipment	Total
	£	£
<u>Cost</u>		
At 1 January 2024	1,285	1,285
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>		
At 1 January 2024	1,285	1,285
Charge for year	-	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
<u>Net book value</u>		
At 31 December 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1st January 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
11 Debtors and prepayments	2024	2023
	£	£
Debtors	21,268	4,000
Prepayments	-	-
	<u>21,268</u>	<u>4,000</u>
12 Cash at bank and in hand	2024	2023
	£	£
Business Reserve	84,795	59,249
Current Account	81,380	71,153
	<u>166,176</u>	<u>130,402</u>
13 Creditors and accruals	2024	2023
	£	£
Creditors	<u>62,011</u>	<u>25,251</u>
	62,011	25,251

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2024

14 Comparative income and expenditure by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Income from donations	650	-	-	2,076
Income from charitable activities	20,780	-	111,810	124,192
Other incoming resources	69	4,000	-	-
Total incoming resources	<u>21,499</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>111,810</u>	<u>126,268</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	<u>10,377</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>106,650</u>	<u>86,563</u>
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources	11,122	3,715	5,160	37,629
Transfers between funds	<u>(11,357)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,357</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	(235)	3,715	16,517	37,629
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds as at 01 January 2024	<u>(20,452)</u>	<u>(24,167)</u>	<u>129,603</u>	<u>91,974</u>
Total funds as at 31 December 2024	<u>(20,687)</u>	<u>(20,452)</u>	<u>146,120</u>	<u>129,603</u>

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England & Wales - Charity number 1151977

Accounts

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

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Greater Merseyside Community
Accountancy Service

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

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Together Liverpool

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2023, in compliance with S414C of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Structure, Governance and Management

Together Liverpool is a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Reference and Administrative Details

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Employees

The day to day operation of Together Liverpool is shared by staff members: James Green, Deb James, Joseph Cotrell and Merab Gill.

Employees are consulted on issues of concern to them by means of consultative meetings and regular staff meetings and have been kept informed on specific matters directly by Executive Director. Via regular supervision, staff are engaged and encouraged to identify training needs.

In accordance with the Diocese of Liverpool Equal Opportunity Policy, the Charity has an established fair employment practice in the recruitment, selection, retention and training. We are continuing to review and develop the diversity of our trustees, workforce and those we work closely with. We are seeking to more accurately reflect the communities we work with and will be seeking to particularly support those churches working with marginalised people groups.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Objectives and Activities

Together Liverpool exists to build a just, equal, and generous society where people are empowered to live life to the full.

Working with faith communities and charitable partners for the benefit of people of all faiths and none, we create networks of kindness, build relationships, share learning and campaign together; taking action to support those seeking social justice, those locked in poverty and tackling the root causes of inequality and disadvantage.

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively, by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

Through our work we seek to:

Organise, develop & establish Together Liverpool as a vehicle offering targeted support for identified church related projects working in key priority areas normally identified from good practice in the area covered;

Help individual churches to have a greater and more sustainable impact in tackling poverty in their community through resourcing and equipping;

Network churches together and support them to build relationships with other key stakeholders in the VCFSE

Enable churches to influence and shape social and economic policy;

Raise the profile of faith inspired social and community action which can be overlooked as they are often self-supporting, self-sustaining and volunteer led. In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. By supporting local churches to better deliver their social action work across the breadth of this local communities we support the addressing of poverty and positively impact on the wellbeing of local residents.

Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices

Together Liverpool is fully committed to the importance of safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults and ensuring we work in a way that prioritises creating a safe, kind space for all by:

Promoting a safer environment and culture

Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults

Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation

Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.

Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.

Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

Reviewing the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Together Liverpool Strategic report on Activities

Summary of work January 2023 to December 2023

6985 meals provided through our Feast of Fun Grants scheme

60 new Network of Kindness members welcomed

6 new Places of Welcome opened

Pantries that we supported to launch have saved over £1,000,000 for their members during their lifetime.

Produced 12 newsletters that have been read 6467 times.

Trained 18 groups to measure the impact of their social action work using our monitoring toolkit and training session.

30 training events with 815 participants

Through our Meet the Funders sessions, members have raised over £120,000

Progress and Highlights

As we approach the end of the first phase 3-year National Lottery funded 'Network of Kindness' we have proved our concept: Kindness works. As members have been supported to launch new social action projects, build relationships and develop existing work we've seen the power that kindness has on communities.

Through our work to develop social action plans, open Places of Welcome and network members together we've seen the resilience in our communities and the creative force to work for change. Through the connections made, new work started and training provided we are creating a more resilient and empowered group of social activists from across the Diocese of Liverpool. This Annual Report highlights the strengths in those communities as well as the potential the future holds for the development of the Network.

Membership of the Network of Kindness passed 100, we launched our first social action projects through our Learning Community process, delivered a wide range of training and networking events as well as continuing our social action planning work.

Amongst our new members this year, we are delighted to have welcomed:

The Ukrainian Catholic Church (Hub)

In Another Place (Hub)

Liverpool Dementia Action Alliance (Hub)

New Horizons (Project)

Hope Community Fridge (Project)

Toxteth Women's Centre (Project)

Training and Events

This year we've focussed on holding training and events to support faith communities to develop their working for justice. The themes for these events emerged through our social action planning as we identified under developed areas of social action, through conversation with our members and as we built relationships with potential partner organisations.

Across the course of the year we've held 22 events and training sessions, engaging with 691 participants. These events have enabled members to build relationships, share experiences from their own communities and learn from experts.

These events have covered themes such as:

Housing and Land

Welcoming Displaced People

Sustaining Spirituality

Network

The Cost of Living Crisis

Impact Assessment Training

County Lines

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Trustees' report continued

Impact Assessment

Using our own impact assessment toolkit, we have trained 26 groups this year to measure the impact of their work. The toolkit, co-designed with members, offers various methods for impact measurement, including comments boxes, post-it notes, buttons in jars, focus groups, and forums. It was designed to be simple for any group to use while gathering useful data in their context. We also developed a training session to help groups collect and understand their data. Feedback has been positive, with users appreciating the ability to celebrate and share the impact of their work in their communities.

We have developed a funding proposal to further establish this as a digital tool, which will provide users with infographic impact assessment reports and social value calculations. This digital tool will help us better understand the impact of faith communities across different social action themes, faith groups, and geographic areas.

Learning Communities & Social Action Planning

Supporting local groups to develop their social action plans has been a key focus for us over the last year. We are on track to exceed our target of working with 75% of Liverpool Diocesan deaneries over three years. We've turned these social action plans into maps that show which social justice themes are well addressed and which are underrepresented. These maps initiate community-led conversations about neighbourhood strengths and needs, rather than making recommendations.

We have also created diocesan-wide themed maps to identify underrepresented social justice themes. This has shown strong engagement in tackling social isolation but less in areas like modern slavery. Using this data, we applied for funding to provide county lines awareness training and to support social action projects addressing these issues, including training for welcoming displaced people.

The social action plans have become essential tools for effective future planning. This work has highlighted a focus on housing, land, and modern slavery. The plans have also catalysed the development of Learning Communities, which combine social action planning, community surveys, and parish statistics into four half-day sessions on launching sustainable social action projects.

We have delivered these sessions to 77 participants from 13 churches in Sefton North Deanery, resulting in seven new social action projects. Currently, we are working with 26 participants from 10 churches in Huyton, expecting to launch 10 new projects. We are engaging with four more deaneries to schedule this work in their communities.

During our initial delivery, we identified improvements for greater impact. We updated Learning Community 3 from a paper-based format to a 'market-place' with stalls on various topics like safeguarding, volunteer recruitment, and funding. This change provides a more engaging experience, facilitating better knowledge sharing among participants.

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Trustees' report continued

Communications

Together Liverpool is amplifying our voice as a trusted advocate for social justice across all communication channels. Our communication efforts have yielded significant results, notably:

Raising Awareness: We've raised awareness of Network of Kindness activities, ensuring our audience is informed and engaged.

Sharing Resources: Our communications provide valuable resources, empowering our audience to make a difference in their communities.

Amplifying Stories and Campaigns: We share impactful stories and campaigns about social justice, inspiring collective efforts.

Together Liverpool is strengthening our voice as a trusted and effective advocate for social justice, across all our communication channels.

Through our website, newsletters, and social media platforms, we are committed to connecting and empowering our audience with resources for meaningful social action. We actively promote positive change through raising awareness of social justice initiatives and sharing resources.

Newsletters: In 2023 Together Liverpool delivered 11 Network of Kindness newsletters reaching an audience of over 900 subscribers. With an average read rate of 35.16%, the newsletters were read 6,467 times, generating 2,595 link clicks.

Social media: There is a growing interest in Together Liverpool's on-line content, contributing to enhanced visibility and engagement for the charity. In 2023 X/Twitter posts generated 53,330 impressions with an average 3.34% engagement rate. On Facebook content reached an audience of 12,200, generating 1,378 engagements. Our YouTube videos garnered 1,121 views, with a total watch time of 51.7 hours, and an average view duration of 2.46 minutes.

Goals for Charity Development for 2024

1. Successful completion of National Lottery aims and objectives.

As we enter the final quarter of our National Lottery funded project 'Network of Kindness' a key organisational priority is the successful completion of this project. This will lead to a clear focus on launching new places of welcome, social action planning and our independent project evaluation. We are on track to either meet or exceed all outcomes.

2. Development of the Network

We have made significant strides in growing the Network of Kindness across our region. Our membership of over 100 is testament to the reach and quality of support that is being made available. We want to further embed this work to ensure a solid foundation for years to come. This means across 3 years we will:

- Develop Learning Communities to deepen impact and improve the sustainability of the charity and subsidiary projects.
- Develop Community of Practice to enhance capacity, deepen relationships and share learning around key areas such as impact measurement, fundraising and Equality Diversity and Inclusion (EDI).
- Develop paid-for or funded components for members so we can improve training and learning opportunities.
- Securing Meet the Funders and Feast of Fun as sustainable parts of our work.
- Developing Communications

3. Increasing Diversity and Inclusion

As well as enabling the Network of Kindness membership to be more diverse, we want to support a greater diversity of projects and people. This means across 3 years we will:

- Growing & diversifying membership to 300 members.
- Increase Network of Kindness engagement with a wider range of faith groups.
- Hosting training so our members work is more accessible, inclusive and welcoming to the global majority and LGBTQ+ communities.
- Support faith groups to engage in a wider range of social action projects including tackling modern slavery, supporting prison leavers and issues of housing and land.

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Trustees' report continued

4. Understanding Impact

We will work to better understand the impact that we're making through our work as well as the difference our members are making too. This means across 3 years we will:

- Support faith communities to better understand their impact, social value and generate income for Together Liverpool.
- Further understanding our impact
- Develop case studies to celebrate the difference our members are making in their communities.

5. Building Sustainability and Viability

To deliver the Network of Kindness we'll need to develop the way we're operating. We will strengthen our governance arrangements and improve our financial sustainability so that we can be here to support the Network in the long term. That means we will:

- Strengthen Governance
 - o We will form a steering group made up of Network of Kindness members.
 - o Improve representation of a wider range of faith communities on our board of trustees.
- Financial sustainability
 - o We will apply for continued grant funding as well as seeking to diversify our income streams.

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Trustees' report continued

Financial Review

The operational surplus on the general fund during the year £29,421 ((£21,370): 2023)

As at 31 December 2023 total unrestricted funds of £31,646 were held.

Risk Management

The trustees are developing an ongoing risk management strategy which comprises:

- an annual review of the principal risks and uncertainties that the charity faces;
- the establishment of policies, systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the annual review; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise or manage any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Financial sustainability continues to be a major risk. A key element in the management of financial risk is a regular review of available liquid funds to settle debts as they fall due, regular liaison with the bank and active management of trade debtors and creditors balances to ensure sufficient working capital by the charity.

The charity follows the staffing, health and safety, safeguarding, financial and all other guidance, policies and procedures outlined by its two partner organisations: the Diocese of Liverpool and Church Urban Fund.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £31,646. The trustees have adopted a policy to retain sufficient funds to enable the smooth running of the charity and to enable an orderly winding up should that become necessary. The policy is reviewed regularly. The level of reserves to be maintained is 6 months of future budgeted core costs. Our working budget forecast our reserves to be £51,511 for 2024.

The year-end position is adequate for the revised level of activity and proposed staffing recruitment for 2024.

Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The trustees during the year were:

Name	Position	Dates
Ellen Loudon	Chair	
David Bishop		
Richard Bennett		
Peter Bull		
Peter Spiers		
David Randall		
Lorna Randall		
Carolyn Spittle		appointed 28th February 2023

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Registered address

St James' House
20 St James Road
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Merseyside
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Independent examiner

on behalf of:

Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service

Beacon Building
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St Helens
WA10 1TF

Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Bankers

Lloyds Bank
88-94 Church Street
Liverpool
L1 3HD

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated 23 August 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. As amended on 20th March 2021.

Objects of the organisation

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

The purpose of Together Liverpool is to enhance the capacity of the Churches' mission and neighbourliness in the poorest communities in the diocesan area (their clergy, ministers, leaders, lay staff, volunteers, projects and people) engaging every Church in addressing poverty.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees on 27th September 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial accounts for each 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and 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 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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 and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board on 27th September 2024 and signed on behalf of the directors by:

Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Together Liverpool

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2023 set out on pages 13 to 22

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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, no matter has come to my attention:

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jane Williams
MAAT
Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service
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27th September 2024

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
Income from:					
Income from donations	(4)	-	2,076	2,076	4,192
Income from charitable activities	(5)	-	124,192	124,192	67,489
Other incoming resources	(6)	4,000	-	4,000	-
Total incoming resources		<u>4,000</u>	<u>126,268</u>	<u>130,268</u>	<u>71,681</u>
Resources expended					
Charitable activities	(7)	<u>285</u>	<u>96,563</u>	<u>96,847</u>	<u>93,051</u>
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources		3,715	29,706	33,421	(21,370)
Transfers between funds		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		3,715	29,706	33,421	(21,370)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds as at 01 January 2023		<u>43,378</u>	<u>32,352</u>	<u>75,730</u>	<u>97,100</u>
Total funds as at 31 December 2023		<u>47,094</u>	<u>62,058</u>	<u>109,151</u>	<u>75,730</u>

The above statement includes all gains and losses recognised during the year.
All activities are regarded as continuing.
The Notes on pages 16 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Balance sheet

as at 31 December 2023

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets	(10) -	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Current Assets				
Debtors and prepayments	(11) 4,000	-	4,000	-
Cash at bank and in hand	(12) 68,344	62,058	130,402	100,981
Total current assets	<u>72,344</u>	<u>62,058</u>	<u>134,402</u>	<u>100,981</u>
Current liabilities:				
amounts falling due within one year				
Creditors (due within one year)	(13) 25,251	-	25,251	25,251
Total current liabilities	<u>25,251</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,251</u>	<u>25,251</u>
Net Assets	<u>47,093</u>	<u>62,058</u>	<u>109,151</u>	<u>75,730</u>
Funds of the charity				
Restricted Funds	-	62,058	62,058	32,352
Unrestricted funds	47,094	-	47,094	43,378
Total Funds	(14) <u>47,094</u>	<u>62,058</u>	<u>109,151</u>	<u>75,730</u>

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 December 2023

the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, and

the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act

the trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The notes on pages 16 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, were approved by the trustees on 27th September 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett
Trustee

Together Liverpool
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income/(expenditure) per SOFA	33,421	(21,370)
Depreciation	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(11) (4,000)	-
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(13) -	(67,537)
	<u>29,421</u>	<u>(88,907)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash:	29,421	(88,907)
Total cash as at 01 January 2023	<u>100,981</u>	<u>189,888</u>
Total cash as at 31 December 2023	<u>130,402</u>	<u>100,981</u>

The notes on pages 16 to 22 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2023

1 Basis of preparation

These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention,

1.1 with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:

- (a) The Charities Act 2011
- (b) The Companies Act 2006
- (c) The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS 102

(d) Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS 102) (effective January 2019)

1.3 The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102

1.4 The trustees consider that there are not material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2 Accounting Policies

2.1 Fund accounting

- (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.
- (b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor, or when funds are raised for specific purposes.
- (c) The purposes of the funds are shown in Note 7a.

2.2 Income

- (a) Income is recognised and included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income; receipt is probable; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
- (b) Where income has related expenditure (e.g. project activities), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.
- (c) Bank interest is recognised when credited to the account.
- (d) Gift Aid, where appropriate, is recognised in the same accounting period as the donation to which it relates.
- (e) Income, which is subject to conditions that the charity has yet to fulfil, or which is specifically for use in a future accounting period, is treated as deferred income.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

- (a) Expenditure is recognised on the accruals basis.
- (b) The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.
- (c) Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay out resources.
- (d) Governance costs include the costs of preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the cost of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Together Liverpool

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2023

2.4 Tangible Fixed Assets

(a) Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £250. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at their value on receipt.

Rates of depreciation

Equipment: 33% reducing balance

2.5 Debtors

(a) Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

(b) Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

2.6 Cash

(a) Cash comprises bank deposits repayable on demand and any short-term highly liquid investments with a maturity date of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.7 Creditors

(a) Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount.

(b) Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

2.8 Taxation

The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

3 Transactions with trustees and related parties

No trustees received any remuneration or expenses during the accounting period.

Owing to the nature of the charity's activities and the composition of the board of trustees (being drawn from local statutory and voluntary organisation), it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest. All transactions in which a trustee may have an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the charity's financial regulations and expenditure procedures. No transactions were identified which should be disclosed under FRS 102.

Together Liverpool
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2023

4 Income from donations and legacies	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Donations from individuals	-	2,076	2,076	4,192
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,076</u>	<u>2,076</u>	<u>4,192</u>
5 Income from charitable activities	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Joseph Rank Trust	-	-	-	10,000
National Lottery Fund	-	57,089	57,089	50,926
Micah Insurance	-	-	-	1,243
Transforming Plymouth	-	2,280	2,280	5,320
LDBF Grant: Fit for Mission	-	28,472	28,472	-
LCVS: Places of Worship grant	-	1,860	1,860	-
Lord Leverhulme	-	21,300	21,300	-
Feast of Fun	-	13,191	13,191	-
Church Urban Fund	-	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>124,192</u>	<u>124,192</u>	<u>67,489</u>
6 Other Incoming resources from charitable activities	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Other incoming resources	4,000	-	4,000	-
	<u>4,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>-</u>

Together Liverpool
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2023

7 Expenditure of charitable activities

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£
<u>Direct Costs</u>				
Salaries and NICs (3)	-	75,727	75,727	62,755
Staff Travel & Training	-	1,541	1,541	1,279
Telephone & Internet	-	175	175	209
Evaluation & Marketing	-	108	108	209
Publications & Subscriptions	-	2,059	2,059	1,843
Insurance	-	1,092	1,092	960
Van Expenses	-	849	849	1,205
Professional fees, consultancy	-	-	-	3,000
Conferences & Meeting fees	-	327	327	3,371
Small Grants	-	-	-	15,945
Equipment	-	-	-	1,767
Project costs	285	14,178	14,463	-
Governance Costs (8)	-	508	508	508
Total resources expended	285	96,563	96,847	93,051

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2023

8 Governance Costs	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent Examiners' fee	495	495
Administration	13	13
	<u>508</u>	<u>508</u>
9 Staff costs and numbers	2023	2022
	£	£
Gross salaries	75,727	54,284
Employee Insurance	-	215
Employer's NI	-	3,961
Pensions	-	4,294
	<u>75,727</u>	<u>62,755</u>

No employee earned £60,000 per annum or more in the current accounting period
The average number of employees during the year was 2 FTE (2022: 2)

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2023

10 Tangible assets	Furniture & Equipment	Total
	£	£
<u>Cost</u>		
At 1 January 2023	1,285	1,285
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>		
At 1 January 2023	1,285	1,285
Charge for year	-	-
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
<u>Net book value</u>		
At 31 December 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1st January 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
11 Debtors and prepayments	2023	2022
	£	£
Debtors	4,000	-
Prepayments	-	-
	<u>4,000</u>	<u>-</u>
12 Cash at bank and in hand	2023	2022
	£	£
Business Reserve	59,249	-
Current Account	71,153	100,981
	<u>130,402</u>	<u>100,981</u>
13 Creditors and accruals	2023	2022
	£	£
Creditors	25,251	25,251
	<u>25,251</u>	<u>25,251</u>

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2023

14 Comparative income and expenditure by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Income from donations	-	4,192	2,076	-
Income from charitable activities	-	1,243	124,192	66,246
Other incoming resources	4,000	-	-	-
Total incoming resources	4,000	5,435	126,268	66,246
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	285	4,992	96,563	88,059
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources	3,715	443	29,706	(21,813)
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	3,715	443	29,706	(21,813)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds as at 01 January 2023	43,378	42,935	32,352	54,165
Total funds as at 31 December 2023	47,093	43,378	62,058	32,352

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Accounts

Together Liverpool

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A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022



Greater Merseyside Community
Accountancy Service

Together Liverpool

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Together Liverpool

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2022, in compliance with S414C of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Structure, Governance and Management

Together Liverpool is a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association. During 2021 the charity's relationship with CUF shifted from being a joint venture to Together Liverpool becoming a member of CUF's Together Network.

These trustees include:

Ellen Loudon
David Bishop
Richard Bennett
Peter Bull
Peter Spiers
David Randall
Lorna Randall

Reference and Administrative Details

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2022

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Employees

The day to day operation of Together Liverpool is shared by staff members: James Green (started March 2022), Deb James, Joseph Cotrell (started September 2022), Merab Gill (started September 2022), Kate Eaglestone (resigned June 2022).

Employees are consulted on issues of concern to them by means of consultative meetings and regular staff meetings and have been kept informed on specific matters directly by Executive Director. Via the supervision regular supervision, staff are engaged and encouraged to identify training needs.

In accordance with the Diocese of Liverpool Equal Opportunity Policy, the Charity has an established fair employment practice in the recruitment, selection, retention and training. We are continuing to review and develop the diversity of our trustees, workforce and those we work closely with. We are seeking to more accurately reflect the communities we work with and will be seeking to particularly support those churches working with marginalised people groups.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Objectives and Activities

Together Liverpool exists to build a just, generous and equal society. Whilst our roots lie in the Church of England we seek to work with a wide range of organisations for the benefits of those living in our diocese.

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively, by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

Through our work we seek to:

- Organise, develop & establish Together Liverpool as a vehicle offering targeted support for identified church related projects working in key priority areas normally identified from good practice in the area covered;
- Help individual churches to have a greater and more sustainable impact in tackling poverty in their community through resourcing and equipping;
- Network churches together and support them to build relationships with other key stakeholders in the VCFSE
- Enable churches to influence and shape social and economic policy;
- Raise the profile of faith inspired social and community action which can be overlooked as they are often self-supporting, self-sustaining and volunteer led. In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. By supporting local churches to better deliver their social action work across the breadth of this local communities we support the addressing of poverty and positively impact on the wellbeing of local residents.

Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices

Together Liverpool is fully committed to the importance of safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults and ensuring we work in a way that prioritises creating a safe, kind space for all by:

Promoting a safer environment and culture.

Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.

Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.

Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.

Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

Reviewing the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

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Trustees' report continued

Together Liverpool Strategic report on Activities

Progress

2022 marked the second year of the Network of Kindness and significant developments in our way of working, outlined below. The Network of Kindness was funded by a number of grant providers including National Lottery, Joseph Rank, LDBF and Feeding Britain. During the year we've also supported LDBF in their 'Fit for Mission' project and we are finalising a funding agreement that will see Together Liverpool become the partner for the delivery of 125 new social action projects over the next 7 years.

In March 2022 we were joined by our new Executive Director, James Green and in September by our new Social Action Lead Office Joseph Cottrell. Alongside the existing team and trustees much of this year's work has been to simplify the pathways for groups to work with Together Liverpool, build a longer term relationship and enable us to therefore work at greater pace and scale across the Diocese.

Over the last 12 months a key part of this has been to develop a clear pathway to enable groups to go beyond mapping and listening in their communities, to launch new social action projects and develop of existing work. We now divide our initial work into two stages. The first is listening which includes our Community Survey and mapping exercise. The second stage is a series of 4 learning communities that are designed to facilitate the launch of new projects and the development of existing work. The Learning Communities provide a context for planning and embedding our 4 principles for sustainable social action; Listening, Connecting, Equipping and Campaigning. Through the Learning Communities groups are resourced with tools to measure their impact and the difference they're making in their community. We're also writing 'How to...' guides to support groups to setup common social action projects and connect them with partners organisations who are able to help.

Groups are then invited to become members of the Network of Kindness where they are placed into ongoing Communities of Practice. These Communities of Practice are run online and draw people together who are involved in the same social action theme (i.e. Food, Finance and Social Isolation) to build relationships, share what's being learnt and, over time, campaign together.

Below are some of the highlights of our work from the last 12 months. We're grateful to our funders for their generous support of our work for the last 3 years and the way they've made the growth, development and impact of our work possible.

Highlights from 2022

Pantries – We supported the launch of three community food pantries which, as of August 2022, have 812 members. We're delighted to report that in August alone these pantries saved their members £49,056.28 and saw an average of 763 households attend across all sites.

Feast of Fun – Through Feast of Fun we awarded 24 grants totalling £5770 to churches who worked in local partnerships to reach approximately 2600 people including 675 children and 221 young people with food and activities during school holidays.

Network of Kindness Celebration – We held an in-person Network of Kindness Celebration in October 2022, during which we shared stories of social action projects, built connections between organisations and discussed future plans for the Network development

Launch Membership to the Network of Kindness – At the Celebration we launched membership to the Network of Kindness and we've welcomed 24 Champions, 10 Projects and 13 Hubs. These groups are taken from across the breadth of the Diocese of Liverpool and represent a growing number of churches, charities and individual activists.

COPs implementation – We've delivered our first Community of Practice for Food, Mental Health, Children and Youth, Social Isolation, Financial Inclusion for members. During these sessions we discussed and agreed the topics we'll explore in the COPs that follow.

Develop Learning Community model – We have developed our principles-led curriculum for our Learning Communities. These sessions will include resourcing groups to measure their impact, guiding through our 'Project Launch Guide' and connecting to key local partners. We've signed 3 deaneries up to this process and we're in active and positive conversation with a further 3.

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Trustees' report continued

Mapping Deaneries – We've mapped 57 social action projects across the last 12 months. We've organised these projects around key social action themes so local groups can better understand where there is significant work taking place and what gaps there are in provision. This allows them to better plan emerging work and development through our Learning Community's.

Cost of Living Assembly 1 & 2 – We launch a new series of 'Cost of Living Assembly's' and hosted one in September 2022 and another in January 2023. In the first session we discussed the likely impact of the crisis and how groups might respond. In the second we moved on to hear from 3 key local groups about their response and invited others to discuss in groups what they were doing in response. Over 60 people attended across the two events.

Building Partnerships – We're working hard to make meaningful connections between infrastructure and resourcing organisations to local faith groups. To this end we've supported Kids Matter to better understand our local context, hosted an online meeting attend by 8 groups which has led to the multiple further conversations and a significant local partner in their work. They will now build on this work by recruiting a local worker. We've supported Leeds based charity Zarach to develop a local partnership that will enable them to tackle 'bed poverty' in Liverpool. We've formed a new partnership with Meals & More to facilitate the delivery of 1500 meals during the upcoming Easter holidays. We've begun conversations with Life with Kindness, a local mental health CIC and Welcome Churches about how we can work collaboratively to bring their expertise to Network of Kindness members.

Events – We partnered with Christian Aid to host 'After the Flood', which gathered 30 climate activists to explore the intersection between racial justice and climate change. We also supported William Bell, Christian Aid's Head of Middle East Policy and Advocacy, as he presented Christian Aids new report 'Where is Palestine? A story of loss, inequality and failure'. Both of these events engaged grassroots activists and served to deepen our critical thinking and relationships as we explored complex issues together.

Communications - We sent out 15 newsletters sharing news, events, stories, resources, and campaigns about social action during the year, reaching an average audience of 908 recipients. Our social media following has grown to 1,660 across Twitter and Facebook via which we've reached an audience of 67,162 people resulting in 2,401 interactions.

Storytelling – We continue to amplify the voices of local activists and projects. We achieved this by producing 3 videos focusing on projects supported by the Network of Kindness. The highlight projects were a pantry in St Helens, a community garden in Wigan and a Place of Welcome in Southport. These videos were shown at our Celebration as well as being made available to the groups for their own use

Trainee Clergy Training – We've delivered two sessions to two different groups of curates around developing their understanding of poverty in their community, the role of the church in responding and considering what they might practically do. Across the sessions we've trained 16 curates.

Real Conversations – Through a joint bid with other Together Network members we have access funding from central governments Faith New Deal. We hosted community conversations which gathered over 150 participants across 6 locations in 12 meetings to discuss their communities. This work amplified the voices of some of the most vulnerable in their community.

Places of Welcome – We've supported two new Places of Welcome to open in the last year, and delivered an information session on Places of Welcome to groups interested in this programme to help tackle social isolation.

We continue to work towards structural changes to systems which create and embed inequalities. We are part of the VS6 group, representing faith-based organisations across the City Region, the City Region's Poverty and Life chances group. Through VS6 we supported the writing of a paper on 'Sustainable and Affordable Food for Liverpool City Region: Recommendations for Change' We continue to support campaigns to influence public policy and champion justice for all including No Child Left Behind's 'Free School Meals for All' and the Clewer Initiatives 'Make it Slavery free' campaigns.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Goals for charity development in 2023

In 2023 we intend to continue building on the solid foundation we've laid so far. We will be focussing on:

- Growing our Network of Kindness members to 150 champions, projects and hubs. This will enable us to develop connections between members across the diocese and facilitate greater peer to peer learning and support through our Community of Practice work.
- Develop Communities of Practice in underdeveloped social action themes within churches such as displaced people and county lines.
- Deliver Learning Communities across 4 deaneries and engaging approximately 60 churches in that process.
- Mapping social action projects in a further 5 key geographical areas in the diocese.
- Launch 12 new Places of Welcome.
- Expand our offer to Members including Feast of Fun and our new 'Meet the Funders' series.
- Identify new opportunities for us to resource Network of Kindness members in their social action
- Secure a new funding streams to replace the National Lottery grant as we enter into the final funding year from them.

Financial Review

The operational deficit on the general fund during the year (£21,370) ((£13,561): 2021)

As at 31 December 2022 total unrestricted funds of £43,378 were held.

Risk Management

The trustees are developing an ongoing risk management strategy which comprises:

- an annual review of the principal risks and uncertainties that the charity faces;
- the establishment of policies, systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the annual review; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise or manage any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Financial sustainability continues to be a major risk. A key element in the management of financial risk is a regular review of available liquid funds to settle debts as they fall due, regular liaison with the bank and active management of trade debtors and creditors balances to ensure sufficient working capital by the charity.

The charity follows the staffing, health and safety, safeguarding, financial and all other guidance, policies and procedures outlined by its two partner organisations: the Diocese of Liverpool and Church Urban Fund.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £42,093. The trustees have adopted a policy to retain sufficient funds to enable the smooth running of the charity and to enable an orderly winding up should that become necessary. The policy is reviewed regularly. The level of reserves to be maintained is 6 months of future budgeted core costs. Our working budget forecast our reserves to be £54,752 for 2022.

The year-end position is adequate for the revised level of activity and proposed staffing recruitment for 2023.

Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The trustees during the year were:

Name	Position	Dates
Ellen Loudon	Chair	
David Bishop		
Richard Bennett		
Peter Bull		
Peter Spiers		
David Randall		
Lorna Randall		

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Registered address

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L1 7BY

Independent examiner

on behalf of:

Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service

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WA10 1TF

Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Bankers

Lloyds Bank
88-94 Church Street
Liverpool
L1 3HD

Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated 23 August 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. As amended on 20th March 2021.

Objects of the organisation

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

The purpose of Together Liverpool is to enhance the capacity of the Churches' mission and neighbourliness in the poorest communities in the diocesan area (their clergy, ministers, leaders, lay staff, volunteers, projects and people) engaging every Church in addressing poverty.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees on 12th September 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett

Richard Bennett
Trustee

Ellen Loudon

Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial accounts for each 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and 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 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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 and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board on 12th September 2023 and signed on behalf of the directors by:

Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Together Liverpool

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2022 set out on pages 11 to 20

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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, no matter has come to my attention:

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jane Williams

Jane Williams
MAAT
Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service
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WA8 6DB

12th September 2023

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
Income from:					
Income from donations	(4)	4,192	-	4,192	300
Income from charitable activities	(5)	1,243	66,246	67,489	120,269
Other incoming resources	(6)	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		5,435	66,246	71,681	120,569
Resources expended					
Charitable activities	(7)	4,992	88,059	93,051	134,129
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources		443	(21,813)	(21,370)	(13,560)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		443	(21,813)	(21,370)	(13,560)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds as at 01 January 2022		42,935	54,165	97,100	110,660
Total funds as at 31 December 2022		43,378	32,352	75,730	97,100

The above statement includes all gains and losses recognised during the year.
All activities are regarded as continuing.
The Notes on pages 14 to 20 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool
Charity number 1151977
A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148
Balance sheet
as at 31 December 2022

	2022 Unrestricted £	2022 Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets (10)	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Current Assets				
Debtors and prepayments (11)	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (12)	68,629	32,352	100,981	189,887
Total current assets	68,629	32,352	100,981	189,887
Current liabilities: amounts falling due within one year				
Creditors (due within one year) (13)	25,251	-	25,251	92,788
Total current liabilities	25,251	-	25,251	92,788
Net Assets	43,378	32,352	75,730	97,099
Funds of the charity				
Restricted Funds	-	32,352	32,352	54,165
Unrestricted funds	43,378	-	43,378	42,935
Total Funds (14)	43,378	32,352	75,730	97,100

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 December 2022

the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, and

the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act

the trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The notes on pages 14 to 20 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, were approved by the trustees on 12th September 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett

Richard Bennett
Trustee

Together Liverpool
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income/(expenditure) per SOFA	(21,370)	(13,560)
Depreciation	0	53
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(11) 0	8,984
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(13) (67,537)	70,911
	<u>(88,907)</u>	<u>66,388</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash:	(88,907)	66,388
Total cash as at 01 January 2022	<u>189,888</u>	<u>123,500</u>
Total cash as at 31 December 2022	<u>100,981</u>	<u>189,888</u>

The notes on pages 14 to 20 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 Basis of preparation

- These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention,
- 1.1** with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:
- (a) The Charities Act 2011
 - (b) The Companies Act 2006
 - (c) The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS 102
 - (d) Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS 102) (effective January 2015)
- 1.3** The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102
- 1.4** The trustees consider that there are not material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2 Accounting Policies

2.1 Fund accounting

- (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.
- (b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor, or when funds are raised for specific purposes.
- (c) The purposes of the funds are shown in Note 7a.

2.2 Income

- (a) Income is recognised and included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income; receipt is probable; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
- (b) Where income has related expenditure (e.g. project activities), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.
- (c) Bank interest is recognised when credited to the account.
- (d) Gift Aid, where appropriate, is recognised in the same accounting period as the donation to which it relates.
- (e) Income, which is subject to conditions that the charity has yet to fulfil, or which is specifically for use in a future accounting period, is treated as deferred income.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

- (a) Expenditure is recognised on the accruals basis.
- (b) The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.
- (c) Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay out resources.
- (d) Governance costs include the costs of preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the cost of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Together Liverpool

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2022

2.4 Tangible Fixed Assets

(a) Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £250. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at their value on receipt.

Rates of depreciation

Equipment: 33% reducing balance

2.5 Debtors

(a) Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

(b) Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

2.6 Cash

(a) Cash comprises bank deposits repayable on demand and any short-term highly liquid investments with a maturity date of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.7 Creditors

(a) Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount.

(b) Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

2.8 Taxation

The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

3 Transactions with trustees and related parties

No trustees received any remuneration or expenses during the accounting period.

Owing to the nature of the charity's activities and the composition of the board of trustees (being drawn from local statutory and voluntary organisation), it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest. All transactions in which a trustee may have an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the charity's financial regulations and expenditure procedures. No transactions were identified which should be disclosed under FRS 102.

Together Liverpool
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2022

4 Income from donations and legacies	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Donations from individuals	4,192	-	4,192	300
	<u>4,192</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,192</u>	<u>300</u>

5 Income from charitable activities	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Joseph Rank Trust	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
National Lottery Fund	-	50,926	50,926	28,819
Albert Gubay Charitable Foundation	-	-	-	30,000
Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance	-	-	-	8,500
Micah Insurance	1,243	-	1,243	1,450
Feeding Britain	-	-	-	25,000
EL Rathbone	-	-	-	1,500
Transforming Plymouth	-	5,320	5,320	-
Church Urban Fund	-	-	-	15,000
	<u>1,243</u>	<u>66,246</u>	<u>67,489</u>	<u>120,269</u>

6 Other Incoming resources from charitable activities	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
	Other incoming resources	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Together Liverpool
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2022

7 Expenditure of charitable activities

	2022	2022	2022	2021
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£
<u>Direct Costs</u>				
Salaries and NICs	(3) 216	62,539	62,755	67,535
Sessional Workers	-	-	-	2,040
Staff Travel & Training	-	1,279	1,279	500
Recruitment	-	-	-	196
Telephone & Internet	-	209	209	134
Evaluation & Marketing	-	209	209	1,070
External fundraising	-	-	-	1,035
Expenses	-	-	-	96
Publications & Subscriptions	-	1,843	1,843	1,424
Insurance	-	960	960	1,516
Van Expenses	-	1,205	1,205	1,698
Professional fees, consultancy	-	3,000	3,000	-
Conferences & Meeting fees	87	3,284	3,371	117
Projects / Set Up Costs	-	-	-	38,752
Small Grants	4,575	11,370	15,945	15,473
Equipment	114	1,653	1,767	2,087
Depreciation	-	-	-	53
Governance Costs	(8) -	508	508	403
Total resources expended	4,992	88,059	93,051	134,129

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for the year ended 31 December 2022

8 Governance Costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Independent Examiners' fee	495	360
Administration	13	43
	<u>508</u>	<u>403</u>
9 Staff costs and numbers	2022	2021
	£	£
Gross salaries	54,284	57,882
Employee Insurance	215	258
Employer's NI	3,961	4,198
Pensions	4,294	5,197
	<u>62,755</u>	<u>67,535</u>

No employee earned £60,000 per annum or more in the current accounting period
The average number of employees during the year was 2 FTE (2021: 2)

Together Liverpool
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2022

10 Tangible assets	Furniture & Equipment	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£
At 1 January 2022	1,285	1,285
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>		
At 1 January 2022	1,285	1,285
Charge for year	-	-
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
<u>Net book value</u>		
At 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1st January 2018	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
11 Debtors and prepayments	2022	2021
	£	£
Debtors	-	-
Prepayments	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
12 Cash at bank and in hand	2022	2021
	£	£
Current Account	100,981	189,887
	<u>100,981</u>	<u>189,887</u>
13 Creditors and accruals	2022	2021
	£	£
Creditors	25,251	92,788
	<u>25,251</u>	<u>92,788</u>

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2022

14 Comparative income and expenditure by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Income from donations	4,192	300	-	-
Income from charitable activities	1,243	8,500	66,246	111,769
Other incoming resources	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources	5,435	8,800	66,246	111,769
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	4,992	7,227	88,059	126,902
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources	443	1,573	(21,813)	(15,133)
Transfers between funds	-	(69,298)	-	69,298
Net movement in funds	443	(67,725)	(21,813)	54,165
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds as at 01 January 2022	42,935	110,660	54,165	-
Total funds as at 31 December 2022	43,378	42,935	32,352	54,165

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Accounts

Together Liverpool

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Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021



Greater Merseyside Community
Accountancy Service

Together Liverpool

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

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Together Liverpool

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2021, in compliance with S414C of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Structure, Governance and Management

Together Liverpool is a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association. During 2021 the charity's relationship with CUF shifted from being a joint venture to Together Liverpool becoming a member of CUF's Together Network.

These trustees include:

Reverend Ellen Loudon
Canon Professor Hilary Russell
David Bishop
Richard Anthony Bennett
Andrea McGanity
Peter Bull
Peter Hendry Spiers
David Anthony Randall
Lorna Mary Randall

Reference and Administrative Details

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2021

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Employees

The day to day operation of Together Liverpool is shared by staff members: Naomi Maynard (resigned October 2021), Deb James, Kate Eaglestone (started January 2021) and Kevin Peacock (resigned May 2021). In addition, Adeyinka Olushonde works as a freelance project worker.

Employees are consulted on issues of concern to them by means of consultative meetings and regular staff meetings and have been kept informed on specific matters directly by the Chair of Trustees. Via the staff appraisal and supervision system, staff are engaged and encouraged to identify training needs.

In accordance with the Diocese of Liverpool Equal Opportunity Policy, the Charity has an established fair employment practice in the recruitment, selection, retention and training. We are continuing to review and develop the diversity of our trustees, workforce and those we work closely with. We are seeking to more accurately reflect the communities we work with and will be seeking to particularly support those churches working with marginalised people groups.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Objectives and Activities

Together Liverpool exists to build a just, generous and equal society. Whilst our roots lie in the Church of England we seek to work with a wide range of organisations for the benefits of those living in our diocese.

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively, by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

Through our work we seek to:

- Organise, develop & establish Together Liverpool as a vehicle offering targeted support for identified church related projects working in key priority areas normally identified from good practice in the area covered;
- Help individual churches to have a greater and more sustainable impact in tackling poverty in their community through resourcing and equipping;
- Network churches together and support them to build relationships with other key stakeholders in the VCFSE
- Enable churches to influence and shape social and economic policy;
- Raise the profile of faith inspired social and community action which can be overlooked as they are often self-supporting, self-sustaining and volunteer led. In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. By supporting local churches to better deliver their social action work across the breadth of this local communities we support the addressing of poverty and positively impact on the wellbeing of local residents.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Together Liverpool Strategic report on Activities

Progress

2021 saw Together Liverpool begin our Lottery funded 'Network of Kindness' project and continue to focus on our emergency response to the Covid19 pandemic. The Network of Kindness was match funded by a series of grants providers including Joseph Rank Trust and LDBF who also provided in-kind support.

Much of our work through 2021 focussed on providing a significant emergency response during the pandemic. Much of our efforts centred around food, which proved to be a major focus for our work in the last year. We supported the distribution of emergency food parcels, set-up of eight new food pantries and managed a Feast of Fun grants scheme for food activities reaching thousands of children.

We have made important progress developing our strategic aims and articulating values and our staff teams has grown in order to deliver the Network of Kindness. In December our Trustees appointed a new Executive Director who will start work with us in spring 2022. This follows the departure of our Just Finance Lead Executive and Food Insecurity Lead Executive who have both stepped into opportunities to grow projects in their specialist areas with partner organisations, and we're grateful they remain in our growing network.

Our new Social Action Lead Development Officer has developed new mechanisms to enhance our asset-based community development approach to connecting and enhancing social action amongst churches and communities. As you will read this has included the piloting of community survey for churches, the development of social action plans, and mapping.

We have undergone significant development in the structure of Together Liverpool as an organisation, including the re-defining of our governance arrangements with the Church Urban Fund, who remain a member alongside the Diocese of Liverpool, although no longer a direct funder.

We continue to work hard to build on and develop partnerships with other organisations. In particular our work to launch Feeding Liverpool as an independent charity so that food insecurity in Liverpool can be better addresses was a source of significant pride. We're also grateful for the continued support of CUF, Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance, St Helens & Halton VCA, Liverpool Diocesan Council for Social Aid as well as VS6.

Highlights January 2021 to Jan 2022

- **Winter Boost** - April 2021 saw the completion of the Winter Boost Project which supplemented 13,800 food bank parcels with extra fresh fruit, vegetables, eggs and tinned fish, to boost the vitamin and mineral intake of Liverpool's most vulnerable families in acute food crisis, in partnership with Feeding Liverpool, North & South Liverpool Foodbanks, and Micah Liverpool.
- **Covid Cash Courses** – April 2021 saw the completion of our year-long Covid Cash Course programme. These free on-line sessions reached 170 community leaders with education to support those experiencing financial insecurity due to the pandemic.
- **Food Pantries** – from April 2021 to January 2022 We have either directly funded or supported the set-up of nine new community food pantries in South Liverpool and Wigan, and St Helens. These pantries are currently reaching more than 1,059 members, saving each member an average £14.29 from their weekly shopping bills. This amounted to more than £42,000 saved over three months in South Liverpool and Wigan alone, Aug-Nov 2021.
- **Feast of Fun**– We distributed £14,500 in grants of between £75 and £500 to 42 churches to run food and community activities for families, in February 2021 and summer 2021. These included cooking classes, breakfast and holiday clubs, packed lunches and food parcels. These activities reached 5,660 people including 3,314 children and involved 362 volunteers.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

- **Social Action Plans** – We have completed 71 Social Action Plans for individual projects at churches in two Deaneries. This new mechanism was launched in summer 2021 to monitor and evaluate local social action projects, and support them to grow and connect with others
- **Community surveys** – This summer we piloted a bespoke Community Survey for churches, designed to provide a unique insight into local community assets and need, and support church members to engage with the social and justice issues within their communities.
- **Let's Talk Money Course** – We have launched the roll out of this new course aimed at supporting 14 to 21-year olds in the transition to independent budgeting. During the past 6 months we have begun training school chaplains and vicars to deliver the course. Currently 2 school chaplains in Wigan and 4 church leaders in St Helens are delivering in their areas.
- **Growing Good course** - We have introduced over 20 churches to this national Church Urban Fund training course supporting the effective running of social action projects.
- **Networking Kindness** – In the last year we have carried out 148 individual engagements with churches across the Diocese of Liverpool area. Our team has networked with more than 130 local, regional and national organisations, and made 110 Network of Kindness connections – linking up churches, community groups and charities to grow social action.
- **Mapping** – We have launched a mapping exercise to focus on each geographical Deanery area to evaluate what projects are ongoing, encourage more collaboration and signposting, identify gaps in provision and avoid duplication.
- **Storytelling:** We have produced 14 newsletters each reaching an audience of 900+ subscribers with community resource information, advice on change-making events, funding and volunteer opportunities. We have significantly increased awareness of our work and the work of our partners in the media including regional ITV, BBC, print and on-line publications.
- We also have a growing voice on social media, with an average monthly reach of 54,000 impressions on Twitter and growing activity on YouTube and Facebook, where we share stories about social action projects as well as on our website.
- **Good Food Plan** – We engaged 300 people co-hosting the launch of the Good Food Plan and pledge event at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral, including providing media and video support to this trailblazing food alliance led by our partners Feeding Liverpool and backed by both the Bishop and Archbishop of Liverpool. This partnership continues as we support the development of emerging food alliances across the Diocese of Liverpool area.
- **Events** - We provided video support to amplify the voice of social justice activists speaking about Modern Slavery, Racial Equality, Displaced People, Nuclear Disarmament and Disability Rights at a Peace Vigil in Liverpool Cathedral. We were instrumental in organising and promoting two events to raise awareness of climate justice around the Cop26 conference, engaging a total 3,200 people with activities at Liverpool Cathedral.

We continue to work towards structural changes to systems which create and embed inequalities. We are part of the VS6 group, representing faith-based organisations across the City Region, the City Region's Poverty and Life chances group and Liverpool's Covid Food Insecurity taskforce. We continue to support campaigns to influence public policy and champion justice for all including Reset the Debt, Plenty to Share, Stop the Traffik, and Right to Food.

The pandemic has presented challenges, leading to much of our work has being focused on food insecurity as urgent need. Continuing uncertainty around restrictions meant we needed also to be agile in funding projects such as Feast of Fun activities, with options for these to be hosted on-line; it has meant cancelling or postponing some in-person events such as a Modern Slavery vigil, and it has been a challenge for the Places of Welcome loneliness projects we helped launch pre-pandemic to re-open as hoped.

An ongoing challenge remains securing match funding for our National Lottery grant for the next two years, and we are most grateful for the Joseph Rank Trust funding to help achieve this in 2022.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Goals for Charity Development for 2021/22

2022 will be a key year for Together Liverpool. We are delighted our new Chief Executive will join us in Spring 2022 to lead the Network of Kindness project on to the next stage of growth as we migrate from direct delivery of projects, to refocus on strategic network facilitation.

Overall our goal for 2022 is to establish the Network of Kindness, with our core roles being to listen to the experience of those in our local communities, connect and equip churches, communities and charities with partners and resources, and influence to speak truth to power, and address poverty and injustice.

In our existing streams of work for the year we hope to:

- Develop our pathways for working with churches
- Develop our social action planning work to enable churches to launch new social action projects and
- Launch our Network and clarify the model for adding value to those who we're working with.
- Develop Fundraising strategy and improve financial sustainability
- Celebrate 'Network of Kindness'

Financial Review

The operational deficit on the general fund during the year (£13,561) (surplus £79,287: 2020) As at 31 December 2021 total unrestricted funds of £42,935 were held

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £42,935. The trustees have adopted a policy to retain sufficient funds to enable the smooth running of the charity and to enable an orderly winding up should that become necessary. The policy is reviewed regularly. The level of reserves to be maintained is 6 months of future budgeted core costs. The trustees estimate this to be approximately £54,250 for 2021.

The year-end position is adequate for the revised level of activity and proposed staffing recruitment for 2022.

Risk Management

The trustees are developing an ongoing risk management strategy which comprises:

- an annual review of the principal risks and uncertainties that the charity faces;
- the establishment of policies, systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the annual review; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise or manage any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Financial sustainability continues to be a major risk. A key element in the management of financial risk is a regular review of available liquid funds to settle debts as they fall due, regular liaison with the bank and active management of trade debtors and creditors balances to ensure sufficient working capital by the charity.

The charity follows the staffing, health and safety, safeguarding, financial and all other guidance, policies and procedures outlined by its two partner organisations: the Diocese of Liverpool and Church Urban Fund.

Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The trustees during the year were:

Name	Position	Dates
Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon	Chair	
Canon Professor Hilary Russell		resigned October 2021
David Bishop		
Richard Anthony Bennett	Company secretary	
Andrea Mcganity		resigned October 2021
Peter Bull		
Peter Hendry Spiers		
David Anthony Randall		
Lorna Mary Randall		

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

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Independent examiner

on behalf of:

Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service

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Reference and Administrative Details
Together Liverpool
Charity number 1151977
A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Bankers

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Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated 23 August 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

Objects of the organisation

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

The purpose of Together Liverpool is to enhance the capacity of the Churches' mission and neighbourliness in the poorest communities in the diocesan area (their clergy, ministers, leaders, lay staff, volunteers, projects and people) engaging every Church in addressing poverty.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees on 30th September 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett

Richard Bennett
Company Secretary

Rev Dr Cannon Ellen Loudon

Rev Canon Dr Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial accounts for each 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and 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 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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 and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board on 30th September 2022 and signed on behalf of the directors by:

Rev Dr Cannon Ellen Loudon

Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Together Liverpool

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2021 set out on pages 10 to 19

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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, no matter has come to my attention:

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jane Williams
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30th September 2022

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Income from:					
Income from donations	(4)	300	-	300	570
Income from charitable activities	(5)	8,500	111,769	120,269	134,435
Other incoming resources	(6)	-	-	-	900
Total incoming resources		<u>8,800</u>	<u>111,769</u>	<u>120,569</u>	<u>135,905</u>
Resources expended					
Charitable activities	(7)	<u>7,227</u>	<u>126,902</u>	<u>134,129</u>	<u>56,618</u>
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources		1,573	(15,134)	(13,561)	79,287
Transfers between funds		<u>(69,298)</u>	<u>69,298</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(67,725)	54,165	(13,561)	79,287
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds as at 01 January 2021		<u>110,660</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,660</u>	<u>31,373</u>
Total funds as at 31 December 2021		<u>42,935</u>	<u>54,165</u>	<u>97,615</u>	<u>110,660</u>

The above statement includes all gains and losses recognised during the year.
All activities are regarded as continuing.
The Notes on pages 14 to 19 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool
Charity number 1151977
A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148
Balance sheet
as at 31 December 2021

	2021 Unrestricted £	2021 Restricted £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Assets (10)	-	-	-	53
Total fixed assets	-	-	-	53
Current Assets				
Debtors and prepayments (11)	-	-	-	8,984
Cash at bank and in hand (12)	135,722	54,165	189,887	123,500
Total current assets	135,722	54,165	189,887	132,483
Current liabilities: amounts falling due within one year				
Creditors (due within one year) (13)	92,788	-	92,788	21,876
Total current liabilities	92,788	-	92,788	21,876
Net Assets	42,934	54,165	97,099	110,660
Funds of the charity				
Restricted Funds	-	54,165	54,165	-
Unrestricted funds	42,935	-	42,935	110,660
Total Funds (14)	42,935	54,165	97,099	110,660

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 December 2021

the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, and

the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act

the trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, were approved by the trustees on 30th September 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett
Company Secretary

Together Liverpool
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income/(expenditure) per SOFA	(13,561)	79,287
Depreciation	53	50
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(11) 8,984	(8,984)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(13) 70,911	3,113
	<u>66,387</u>	<u>73,466</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash:	66,387	73,466
Total cash as at 01 January 2021	<u>123,500</u>	<u>50,034</u>
Total cash as at 31 December 2021	<u>189,887</u>	<u>123,500</u>

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2021

1 Basis of preparation

- These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention,
- 1.1** with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:
- (a) The Charities Act 2011
 - (b) The Companies Act 2006
 - (c) The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS 102
 - (d) Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS 102) (effective January 2015)
- 1.3** The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102
- 1.4** The trustees consider that there are not material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2 Accounting Policies

2.1 Fund accounting

- (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.
- (b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor, or when funds are raised for specific purposes.
- (c) The purposes of the funds are shown in Note 7a.

2.2 Income

- (a) Income is recognised and included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income; receipt is probable; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
- (b) Where income has related expenditure (e.g. project activities), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.
- (c) Bank interest is recognised when credited to the account.
- (d) Gift Aid, where appropriate, is recognised in the same accounting period as the donation to which it relates.
- (e) Income, which is subject to conditions that the charity has yet to fulfil, or which is specifically for use in a future accounting period, is treated as deferred income.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

- (a) Expenditure is recognised on the accruals basis.
- (b) The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.
- (c) Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay out resources.
- (d) Governance costs include the costs of preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the cost of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

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for the year ended 31 December 2021

2.4 Tangible Fixed Assets

(a) Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £250. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at their value on receipt.

Rates of depreciation

Equipment: 33% reducing balance

2.5 Debtors

(a) Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

(b) Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

2.6 Cash

(a) Cash comprises bank deposits repayable on demand and any short-term highly liquid investments with a maturity date of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.7 Creditors

(a) Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount.

(b) Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

2.8 Taxation

The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

3 Transactions with trustees and related parties

No trustees received any remuneration or expenses during the accounting period.

Owing to the nature of the charity's activities and the composition of the board of trustees (being drawn from local statutory and voluntary organisation), it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest. All transactions in which a trustee may have an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the charity's financial regulations and expenditure procedures. No transactions were identified which should be disclosed under FRS 102.

Together Liverpool
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2021

4 Income from donations and legacies	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Donations from individuals	300	-	300	570
	<u>300</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>570</u>
5 Income from charitable activities	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Joseph Rank Trust	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
LCR Cares	-	-	-	10,900
Lottery COVID 19	-	-	-	40,400
LDCSA: Fundraising	-	-	-	10,000
LDCSA: Core	-	-	-	5,000
National Lottery Fund	-	28,819	28,819	28,819
Raft Foundation	-	-	-	4,000
Albert Gubay	-	30,000	30,000	5,000
LDBF	8,500	-	8,500	8,500
Micah Insurance	-	1,450	1,450	484
Feeding Britain	-	25,000	25,000	-
EL Rathbone	-	1,500	1,500	-
Archdiocese - Feeding Liverpool	-	-	-	7,582
Church Urban Fund	-	15,000	15,000	3,750
	<u>8,500</u>	<u>111,769</u>	<u>120,269</u>	<u>134,435</u>
6 Other Incoming resources from charitable activities	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Other incoming resources	-	-	-	900
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>900</u>

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for the year ended 31 December 2021

7 Expenditure of charitable activities

	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£
<u>Direct Costs</u>				
Salaries and NICs	(3) 6,336	61,199	67,535	25,101
Sessional Workers	-	2,040	2,040	-
Staff Travel & Training	163	337	500	1,228
Recruitment	-	196	196	140
Telephone & Internet	-	134	134	-
Evaluation & Marketing	-	1,070	1,070	-
External fundraising	-	1,035	1,035	-
Expenses	-	96	96	511
Publications & Subscriptions	119	1,305	1,424	-
Insurance	-	1,516	1,516	1,620
Van Expenses	146	1,552	1,698	8,261
Professional fees	-	-	-	1,000
Conferences & Meeting fees	-	117	117	377
Projects / Set Up Costs	367	38,385	38,752	15,227
Small Grants	-	15,473	15,473	-
Equipment	-	2,087	2,087	2,515
Depreciation	53	-	53	50
Governance Costs	(8) 43	360	403	588
Total resources expended	7,227	126,902	134,129	56,618

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for the year ended 31 December 2021

8 Governance Costs	2021	2020
	£	£
Independent Examiners' fee	360	575
Administration	43	13
	<u>403</u>	<u>588</u>
9 Staff costs and numbers	2021	2020
	£	£
Gross salaries	57,882	21,929
Employee Insurance	258	68
Employer's NI	4,198	1,540
Pensions	5,197	1,564
	<u>67,535</u>	<u>25,101</u>

No employee earned £60,000 per annum or more in the current accounting period
The average number of employees during the year was 1 FTE (2020: 1)

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2021

10 Tangible assets	Furniture & Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 January 2021	1,285	1,285
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2021	1,232	1,232
Charge for year	53	53
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1st January 2018	<u>53</u>	<u>53</u>
11 Debtors and prepayments	2021	2020
	£	£
Debtors	-	8,984
Prepayments	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>8,984</u>
12 Cash at bank and in hand	2021	2020
	£	£
Current Account	189,887	123,500
	<u>189,887</u>	<u>123,500</u>
13 Creditors and accruals	2021	2020
	£	£
Creditors	92,788	21,876
	<u>92,788</u>	<u>21,876</u>

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2021

14 Comparative income and expenditure by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Income from donations	300	570	-	-
Income from charitable activities	8,500	17,734	111,769	116,700
Other incoming resources	-	900	-	-
Total incoming resources	8,800	19,204	111,769	116,700
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	7,227	-	126,902	56,616
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources	1,573	19,204	(15,134)	60,084
Transfers between funds	(69,298)	60,084	69,298	(60,084)
Net movement in funds	(67,725)	79,288	54,165	-
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds as at 01 January 2021	110,660	31,372	-	-
Total funds as at 31 December 2021	42,935	110,660	54,165	-

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Accounts

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020



Greater Merseyside Community
Accountancy Service

Together Liverpool

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

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Together Liverpool

Trustees' Report

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2020, in compliance with S414C of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Structure, Governance and Management

Together Liverpool is a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Throughout 2020 the charity was a joint venture between the Diocese of Liverpool and Church Urban Fund. During the course of the year we explored the possible rearticulating of these significant relationships. This led to us eventually making changes to our governance structure in Jan 2021 – this will not be formally reported on in this year's statement but should be noted here.

Overall direction and supervision of the activities of the Association is exercised by the board of Trustees: Ellen Loudon (Chair) Richard Bennett (Treasurer, Company Secretary who also serves as clerk to the Trustees). Other Trustees: Pete Spiers, Peter Bull, Hilary Russell, Lorna Randall, Dave Randall, Andrea McGanity, David Bishop.

The day to day operation of Together Liverpool is shared by staff members: Naomi Maynard, Deb James (from November 2020) and Kevin Peacock (from October 2020). In addition, Adeyinka Olushonde as a freelance project worker.

Risk Management

The trustees are developing an ongoing risk management strategy which comprises:

- an annual review of the principal risks and uncertainties that the charity faces;
- the establishment of policies, systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the annual review; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise or manage any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

This work has identified that financial sustainability is the major financial risk. A key element in the management of financial risk is a regular review of available liquid funds to settle debts as they fall due, regular liaison with the bank and active management of trade debtors and creditors balances to ensure sufficient working capital by the charity.

The charity follows the staffing, health and safety, safeguarding, financial and all other guidance, policies and procedures outlined by its two partner organisations: the Diocese of Liverpool and Church Urban Fund.

Employees and Volunteers

Employees are consulted on issues of concern to them by means of consultative meetings and regular staff meetings and have been kept informed on specific matters directly by the Chair of Trustees. Via the staff appraisal and supervision system, staff are engaged and encouraged to identify training needs.

In accordance with the Diocese of Liverpool Equal Opportunity Policy, the Charity has an established fair employment practice in the recruitment, selection, retention and training.

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Trustees' report continued

Objectives and Activities

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively, by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

The purpose of Together Liverpool is to enhance the capacity of the Churches' mission and neighbourliness in the poorest communities in the diocesan area (their clergy, ministers, leaders, lay staff, volunteers, projects and people), engaging every Church in addressing poverty.

Our aim is to:

- Organise, develop & establish Together Liverpool as a vehicle offering targeted support for identified church related projects working in key priority areas normally identified from good practice in the area covered;
- Help individual churches to have a greater and more sustainable impact in tackling poverty in their community;
- Nurture useful, relevant networking and connecting between project practitioners, key third sector infra-structure bodies, local statutory services, and other Voluntary/Community/Faith Organisations to provoke collaboration, maximise resources and develop effective dialogue with other sectors.

Our vision is to:

- Enable churches to make a greater contribution to the social and spiritual transformation of communities in the whole of our Diocesan Area;
- Support churches and faith-based organisations' response to poverty and marginalisation – through management, direct funding, development work and networking to key sources of infrastructure and other specialist support;
- Enable churches to influence and shape social and economic policy;
- Raise the profile of faith inspired social and community action which can be overlooked as they are often self-supporting, self-sustaining and volunteer led.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Public Benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Our work is marked by:

- The excellent performance of networking and community development through the work of the Network of Kindness, specifically through our work on food poverty and financial inclusion.
- Our newsletter connects individuals, churches and community groups to social justice projects, funding opportunities shared and new projects initiated.
- Time given as volunteers by our Trustees and others in local churches and community groups
- Our ecumenical commitment: to advocate notably in the areas of social justice, fairness and social inclusion;
- Community Engagement: we are connecting into diverse communities through our Network of Kindness

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Together Liverpool Strategic report on Activities

Progress

Together Liverpool equips churches, communities and charities across the area of the Diocese of Liverpool, to bring hope, resources and support so they can make a bigger difference in their communities. In February 2020 we were awarded £30,000 in unrestricted funding spread over three years from the Joseph Rank Trust, with a first payment of £10,000 in February 2020. This funding has been vital to ensuring our survival, as we started 2020 with a funding shortfall of around £21,000 against a predicted expenditure of around £45,000 and just £23,000 secured for our other core funders, the Church Urban Fund, The Diocese of Liverpool and The Bishop's Fund. The Joseph Rank Trust grant was crucial to plugging this financial 'survival' gap, and enabled us to continue to deliver and begin to expand our social action projects, including activities in our key areas of food insecurity, financial inclusion, modern slavery and loneliness.

The Covid-19 pandemic has undoubtedly brought unprecedented challenges and the charity has responded well to the practical needs of those we engage with. Our core funding and effective partnership with churches and organisations has enabled us to act with agility, responding to areas of significant need in communities across the region. It has been a year of rebuilding leading to what we hope will be substantial growth in 2021, as we have been awarded a significant National Lottery grant (£165,652 over three years) to grow the 'Network of Kindness' across the region – connecting and developing social action amongst churches and communities. This grant, and an interim Covid Lottery Grant, has enabled us to grow our staff team from 1 part time member of staff to 4 part time staff members, and as you will read, significantly expand our reach. This blessing has also had its challenges, with the main grant start date initially postponed due to the pandemic to April 2021

Highlights for 2020 - January 2020 – December 2020

Growing the Network of Kindness: We have connected with 51 parishes during the early months of the pandemic as part of a Diocese-wide listening project to find out how social action projects were coping with the pandemic, and offer practical advice, connections and support. Our team has also offered more in depth, personalised support to six parishes with their social action, whilst as part of our Network of Kindness stories initiatives we have listened and told the stories of 8 social action projects across the area of the Diocese of Liverpool. This year we have produced 18 newsletters, including monthly bulletins with community resource information, advice on change-making events, funding and volunteer opportunities, plus occasional special focus bulletins such as with details of Covid support. We have also worked in partnership with Civil Society Consulting to support their project identifying and nurturing leaders in the BAME community. Significant strands of this network have included:

Food insecurity: Purchased and supported the distribution of over 24,000 food parcels and 3,000 cooked meals, supporting over 10,500 households in Liverpool, through our partnership with Feeding Liverpool (April – September) and partnered with Feeding Liverpool and others on the Winter Boost project (November 2020 – April 2021), ensuring households experiencing acute food crises across Liverpool receive fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs. . By early 2021, the project had supported 3,297 people, including 1,169 children. We also supported the facilitation of a Vulnerable Adults and Food Insecurity group (March 2020), and our staff members chaired the Liverpool City Region Affordable and Sustainable Food Assembly (October 2020). We have also supported the development of food pantries within Liverpool.

Together Liverpool

Trustees' report continued

Financial inclusion: Delivered 15 free on-line Covid Cash Courses, reaching a total 162 beneficiaries, all either individuals struggling as a result of the pandemic, or church and community leaders from other charities and housing associations who support people experiencing financial insecurity. Appointed a Just Finance Lead to take this work forward in 2021.

Modern Slavery: Supported the development of a Modern Slavery network who have hosted events such as an online vigil and modern slavery awareness courses.

Loneliness: Supported the growth of the Places of Welcome network, which provides neighbourhoods with places where all people feel safe to belong, connect and contribute. In March 2020, we delivered two Places of Welcome training and networking events attended by 100 people from churches and community groups wishing to explore potential to set up as part of this growing network, and as a result supported the establishment of ten new Places of Welcome.

As a staff team, we also continue to connect with local and national structures as we work towards structural changes to systems which create and embed inequalities. We sit on the VS6 group, representing faith-based organisations across the City Region, the City Region's Poverty and Life chances group, Liverpool's Poverty Action Group and Liverpool's Covid Food Insecurity taskforce.

Challenges: Covid-19 Response

Like many across the charity sector, this year has also brought specific pandemic-related challenges. These have included the cancelling of some of our Modern Slavery events and pausing of the Vulnerable Adults and Food insecurity group. The pandemic also led to a delay in initiating our National Lottery funding, which in turn delayed the recruitment to our team, as we sought to react and reshape during the first few months of the pandemic, with our final staff member due to start in March 2021.

Goals for Charity Development for 2020/21

In the next year we aim to:

- Continue to review the development of the capacity of the Charity
- Spend time together with staff planning the work of the Charity as we move into the next phase of development of the Network of Kindness
- Recruit three more trustees to enable the flourishing of the next iteration of the Charity
- Review policies and risk register in line with charitable obligations

Financial review

The operational surplus on the general fund during the year £79,287 (£24,663: 2019)

As at 31 December 2020 total funds of £110,660 were held.

The overall fund balance has increased in light of restructuring. The year-end position is adequate for the revised level of activity and proposed staffing recruitment for 2021.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £50,576

The trustees have adopted a policy to retain sufficient funds to enable the smooth running of the charity and to enable an orderly winding up should that become necessary. The policy is reviewed regularly. The level of reserves to be maintained is 6 months of future budgeted core costs. The trustees estimate this to be approximately £28,308 for 2020.

Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

The trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are pleased to present their report and financial statements together with the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The trustees during the year were:

Name	Position	Dates
Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon	Chair	
Canon Professor Hilary Russell		
Sibylle Nothhelfer-Batten		resigned 3 June 2020
David Bishop		
Richard Anthony Bennett	Company secretary	appointed 1 June 2019
Andrea Mcgainity		appointed 1 June 2020
Peter Bull		appointed 1 June 2020
Peter Hendry Spiers		appointed 1 June 2020
David Anthony Randall		appointed 1 June 2020
Lorna Mary Randall		appointed 1 June 2020

Method of appointment

Any person who is willing to act as a Director, and who is permitted by law to do so, may be appointed to be a Director by resolution of the Directors.

Registered address

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Independent examiner

on behalf of:

Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service

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Reference and Administrative Details

Together Liverpool

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

Bankers

Lloyds Bank
88-94 Church Street
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Governing document

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated 23 August 2012. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

Objects of the organisation

The Objects of the charity are to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of Christian based charities in the furtherance of their objects or any one of them, mainly but not exclusively by the provision of information, advice, support and infrastructure provision, and the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually through the provision of grants, goods or services.

The purpose of Together Liverpool is to enhance the capacity of the Churches' mission and neighbourliness in the poorest communities in the diocesan area (their clergy, ministers, leaders, lay staff, volunteers, projects and people) engaging every Church in addressing poverty.

Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees on 23rd August 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett

Richard Bennett
Company Secretary

Rev Canon Dr Ellen Loudon

Rev Canon Dr Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial accounts for each 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and 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 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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 and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board on 23rd August 2021 and signed on behalf of the directors by:

Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon

Reverend Canon Dr Ellen Loudon
Chair of Trustees

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of Together Liverpool

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2020 set out on pages 10 to 19

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as 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, no matter has come to my attention:

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met; or

2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Jane Williams

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23rd August 2021

Together Liverpool
Statement of Financial Activities
(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	2020 Unrestricted funds £	2020 Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
Income from:					
Income from donations	(4)	570	-	570	435
Income from charitable activities	(5)	17,734	116,700	134,434	40,350
Other incoming resources	(6)	900	-	900	-
Total incoming resources		19,204	116,700	135,904	40,785
Resources expended					
Charitable activities	(7)	-	56,616	56,616	16,122
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources		19,204	60,084	79,288	24,663
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		19,204	60,084	79,288	24,663
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds as at 01 January 2020		31,373	-	31,373	6,710
Total funds as at 31 December 2020		50,576	60,084	110,660	31,373

The above statement includes all gains and losses recognised during the year.
All activities are regarded as continuing.
The Notes on pages 14 to 19 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool
Charity number 1151977
A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148
Balance sheet
as at 31 December 2020

		2020	2020	2020	2019
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	(10)	53	-	53	103
Total fixed assets		<u>53</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>103</u>
Current Assets					
Debtors and prepayments	(11)	8,500	484	8,984	-
Cash at bank and in hand	(12)	63,900	59,600	123,500	50,034
Total current assets		<u>72,399</u>	<u>60,084</u>	<u>132,483</u>	<u>50,034</u>
Current liabilities:					
amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors (due within one year)	(13)	21,876	-	21,876	18,763
Total current liabilities		<u>21,876</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,876</u>	<u>18,763</u>
Net Assets		<u>50,576</u>	<u>60,084</u>	<u>110,660</u>	<u>31,373</u>
Funds of the charity					
Restricted Funds		-	60,084	60,084	-
Unrestricted funds		50,576	-	50,576	31,373
Total Funds	(14)	<u>50,576</u>	<u>60,084</u>	<u>110,660</u>	<u>31,373</u>

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) confirm that for the year ended 31 December 2020

the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, and

the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act

the trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form an integral part of these accounts.

These accounts, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, were approved by the trustees on 23rd August 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Richard Bennett

Richard Bennett
Company Secretary

Together Liverpool
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 December 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income/(expenditure) per SOFA	79,288	24,663
Depreciation	50	50
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(11) (8,984)	-
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(13) 3,113	(40,934)
	<u>73,467</u>	<u>(16,221)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash:	73,467	(16,221)
Total cash as at 01 January 2020	<u>50,034</u>	<u>66,255</u>
Total cash as at 31 December 2020	<u>123,500</u>	<u>50,034</u>

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form an integral part of these accounts.

Together Liverpool

Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2020

1 Basis of preparation

- These accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention,
- 1.1** with items recognised at cost or transaction value, unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s), in accordance with:
- (a) The Charities Act 2011
 - (b) The Companies Act 2006
 - (c) The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland: FRS 102
 - (d) Accounting & Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (Charities SORP FRS 102) (effective January 2015)
- 1.3** The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102
- 1.4** The trustees consider that there are not material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2 Accounting Policies

2.1 Fund accounting

- (a) Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.
- (b) Restricted funds are those that may only be used for specific purposes. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor, or when funds are raised for specific purposes.
- (c) The purposes of the funds are shown in Note 7a.

2.2 Income

- (a) Income is recognised and included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the income; receipt is probable; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
- (b) Where income has related expenditure (e.g. project activities), the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.
- (c) Bank interest is recognised when credited to the account.
- (d) Gift Aid, where appropriate, is recognised in the same accounting period as the donation to which it relates.
- (e) Income, which is subject to conditions that the charity has yet to fulfil, or which is specifically for use in a future accounting period, is treated as deferred income.

2.3 Expenditure and liabilities

- (a) Expenditure is recognised on the accruals basis.
- (b) The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.
- (c) Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay out resources.
- (d) Governance costs include the costs of preparation and examination of the statutory accounts, the cost of trustee meetings and the cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

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for the year ended 31 December 2020

2.4 Tangible Fixed Assets

(a) Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £250. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at their value on receipt.

Rates of depreciation

Equipment: 33% reducing balance

2.5 Debtors

(a) Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

(b) Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

2.6 Cash

(a) Cash comprises bank deposits repayable on demand and any short-term highly liquid investments with a maturity date of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.7 Creditors

(a) Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount, usually the invoice amount.

(b) Accrued charges are normally valued at their settlement amount.

2.8 Taxation

The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

3 Transactions with trustees and related parties

No trustees received any remuneration or expenses during the accounting period.

Owing to the nature of the charity's activities and the composition of the board of trustees (being drawn from local statutory and voluntary organisation), it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a trustee may have an interest. All transactions in which a trustee may have an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the charity's financial regulations and expenditure procedures. No transactions were identified which should be disclosed under FRS 102.

Together Liverpool
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2020

4 Income from donations and legacies	2020	2020	2020	2019
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Donations from individuals	570	-	570	435
	<u>570</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>570</u>	<u>435</u>

5 Income from charitable activities	2020	2020	2020	2019
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Awards for All	-	-	-	9,350
Joseph Rank Trust	-	10,000	10,000	-
LCR Cares	-	10,900	10,900	-
Lottery COVID 19	-	40,400	40,400	-
LDCSA: Fundraising	-	10,000	10,000	-
LDCSA: Core	5,000	-	5,000	-
National Lottery Fund	-	28,819	28,819	-
Raft Foundation	-	4,000	4,000	-
Albert Gubay	-	5,000	5,000	-
LDBF	8,500	-	8,500	-
Micah Insurance	484	-	484	-
Leverhulme	-	-	-	5,000
Archdiocese - Feeding Liverpool	-	7,582	7,582	6,000
Church Urban Fund	3,750	-	3,750	20,000
	<u>17,734</u>	<u>116,700</u>	<u>134,434</u>	<u>40,350</u>

6 Other Incoming resources from charitable activities	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
	Other incoming resources	900	-	900
	<u>900</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>-</u>

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7 Expenditure of charitable activities

	2020	2020	2020	2019
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds
	£	£	£	£
<u>Direct Costs</u>				
Salaries and NICs	(3) -	25,101	25,101	10,775
Staff Travel & Training	-	1,228	1,228	350
Recruitment	-	140	140	-
Printing & Stationery	-	-	-	410
Expenses	-	511	511	1,579
Publications & Subscriptions	-	-	-	19
Insurance	-	1,620	1,620	1,255
Van Expenses	-	8,261	8,261	-
Professional fees	-	1,000	1,000	-
Conferences & Meeting fees	-	377	377	1,053
Projects / Set Up Costs	-	15,226	15,226	631
Equipment	-	2,515	2,515	-
Depreciation	50	-	50	50
Governance Costs	(8) -	588	588	-
Total resources expended	50	56,566	56,616	16,122

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8 Governance Costs	2020	2019
	£	£
Independent Examiners' fee	575	-
Administration	13	-
	<u>588</u>	<u>-</u>
9 Staff costs and numbers	2020	2019
	£	£
Gross salaries	21,929	8,305
Employee Insurance	68	-
Employer's NI	1,540	-
Pensions	1,564	2,471
	<u>25,101</u>	<u>10,775</u>

No employee earned £60,000 per annum or more in the current accounting period
The average number of employees during the year was 1 FTE (2019: 1)

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for the year ended 31 December 2020

10 Tangible assets	Furniture & Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 January 2020	1,285	1,285
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2020	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2020	1,182	1,182
Charge for year	50	50
At 31 December 2020	<u>1,232</u>	<u>1,232</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2020	<u>53</u>	<u>53</u>
At 1st January 2018	<u>103</u>	<u>103</u>
11 Debtors and prepayments	2020	2019
	£	£
Debtors	8,984	-
Prepayments	-	-
	<u>8,984</u>	<u>-</u>
12 Cash at bank and in hand	2020	2019
	£	£
Current Account	123,500	50,034
	<u>123,500</u>	<u>50,034</u>
13 Creditors and accruals	2020	2019
	£	£
Creditors	21,876	18,763
	<u>21,876</u>	<u>18,763</u>

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(Including Income & Expenditure Account)
for the year ended 31 December 2020

14 Comparative income and expenditure by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Income from:				
Income from donations	570	435	-	-
Income from charitable activities	17,734	20,000	116,700	20,350
Other incoming resources	900	-	-	-
Total incoming resources	19,204	20,435	116,700	20,350
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	-	122	56,616	16,000
Net incoming / (outgoing) resources	19,204	20,313	60,084	4,350
Transfers between funds	4,350	-	(4,350)	-
Net movement in funds	23,554	20,313	55,734	4,350
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds as at 01 January 2020	27,023	6,710	4,350	-
Total funds as at 31 December 2020	50,577	27,023	60,084	4,350