

# **Together Liverpool**

Charity number 1151977

A Company limited by guarantee number 8190148

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

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

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# **Together Liverpool**

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## **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.

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## **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

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### 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

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### 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.

# Together Liverpool

## Trustees' report continued

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*"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.

# Together Liverpool

## Trustees' report continued

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### Communications & Storytelling

#### Communications & Storytelling

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 are 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.



# **Together Liverpool**

## **Trustees' report continued**

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### **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**

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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:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Dates Appointed</b>
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**

St James' House  
20 St James Road  
Liverpool  
Merseyside  
L1 7BY

#### **Independent examiner**

on behalf of:

#### **Greater Merseyside Community Accountancy Service**

Beacon Building  
College Street  
St Helens  
WA10 1TF

## **Reference and Administrative Details**

### **Together Liverpool**

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#### **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 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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WA8 6DB

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

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

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

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## Balance sheet

as at 31 December 2024

		2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible Assets	(10)	-	-	-	-
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		-	-	-	-
<b>Current Assets</b>					
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
<b>Total current assets</b>		107,683	79,761	187,444	134,402
<b>Current liabilities:</b>					
<b>amounts falling due within one year</b>					
Creditors (due within one year)	(13)	27,844	34,167	62,011	25,251
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		27,844	34,167	62,011	25,251
<b>Net Assets</b>		79,839	45,594	125,433	109,151
<b>Funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted Funds		-	45,594	45,594	129,603
Unrestricted funds		79,839	-	79,839	(20,452)
<b>Total Funds</b>	(14)	79,839	45,594	125,433	109,151

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
	£	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
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>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash:</b>	35,774	29,421
<b>Total cash as at 01 January 2024</b>	<u>130,402</u>	<u>100,981</u>
<b>Total cash as at 31 December 2024</b>	<u>166,176</u>	<u>130,402</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 2024

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#### 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 2024**

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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.

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<b>4 Income from donations and legacies</b>	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>
<b>5 Income from charitable activities</b>	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>
<b>6 Other Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>	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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**7 Expenditure of charitable activities**

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		2024 Unrestricted funds	2024 Restricted funds	2024 Total funds	2023 Total funds
		£	£	£	£
<b><u>Direct Costs</u></b>					
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
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>10,377</b>	<b>106,650</b>	<b>117,027</b>	<b>96,847</b>

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<b>8 Governance Costs</b>	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent Examiners' fee	675	495
Administration	13	13
	<u>688</u>	<u>508</u>
<b>9 Staff costs and numbers</b>	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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<b>10 Tangible assets</b>	<b>Furniture &amp; Equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
<u><b>Cost</b></u>	£	£
At 1 January 2024	1,285	1,285
Additions	-	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,285</u>
<u><b>Depreciation</b></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><b>Net book value</b></u>		
At 31 December 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1st January 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>11 Debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Debtors	21,268	4,000
Prepayments	-	-
	<u>21,268</u>	<u>4,000</u>
<b>12 Cash at bank and in hand</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Business Reserve	84,795	59,249
Current Account	81,380	71,153
	<u>166,176</u>	<u>130,402</u>
<b>13 Creditors and accruals</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Creditors	62,011	25,251
	<u>62,011</u>	<u>25,251</u>

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**14 Comparative income and expenditure by fund type**

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