



Annual Report 2023/2024

Registered Charity No. 1152778

Company No. 5741949



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The Trustee Board presents its Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name:	Vocal Advocacy
Charity Registration Number:	1152778
Company registration number:	5741949
Registered Office:	Vocal Advocacy Room DS 034 Lower Close Studios Dartington Hall Totnes Devon TQ9 6EN

**Vocal Advocacy is a Company Limited by Guarantee and for the purposes of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Trustee directors are the members and have provided a limited personal guarantee.*

Trustee / directors	Janet Regan – Chair of Trustees Margaret Cushen – Treasurer Mary Dodson Jenny Lynch
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**Vocal Advocacy does not require an audit under Company Law or its Memorandum and Articles of Association*

Bankers:	Lloyds Bank 2 Palace Avenue Paignton TQ3 3ER
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Vocal Advocacy

Vocal Advocacy supports people who have a learning disability or communication difficulty to understand and exercise their rights, make informed decisions and speak up for themselves. In this year we celebrated 30 years of independent advocacy provision.

Vocal has always been a user led organisation; people who have used the service are actively encouraged to join as members and contribute to the management of the organisation, they are central to decision making. They, as experts by experience, support Vocal by providing feedback on new initiatives, business planning and ensure that the focus of the organisation is maintained.

Over recent years we have built on this; our members now write and deliver presentations about their work, they are instrumental in the production of our regular newsletters and in our social media presence. Alongside this they have supported Vocal in a variety of projects including fundraising, work for the NDTi and at a consultation event locally. They have taken part in initiatives that develop their own life skills and support peer and self-advocacy. We are proud of our achievement in being fully co-produced.

Members are involved at all areas of the organisation and there is a real sense of true co-production and shared ownership of Vocal Advocacy as an organisation.

QPM Assessor.

Statement by the Chair of Trustees

Vocal Advocacy's purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association are:

"The relief of persons with speech and communication difficulties by providing a service to assist those persons to realise their full potential and obtain their full rights as a citizen."

The Trustee Board meets on a regular basis to monitor operational and financial performance and to review Vocal's Strategic Plan with reference to its aims and objectives. During the year Jenny Lynch joined the board (bringing her extensive marketing experience) serving first on a shadow /co-opted basis and then being elected at the AGM.

Overall, this has been a very positive year for Vocal: alongside continuing to offer first rate statutory advocacy for people with Learning Disabilities, via our contracts in Devon and Torbay, we continued to embed and expand our grant funded projects focused on our strategic aims of long-term sustainability, service development and income generation.

This was the second year of our (3yrs) funding from Henry Smith Charity supporting the delivery of generic wide-ranging advocacy for people with a Learning Disability. We can now offer a much-needed service for people and issues outside the narrow remit of local authority contracts. Historically this support was an important part of our work, much valued and highly beneficial to the recipient's quality of life. However, as our L.A contacts changed to exclusively focus on the Care Act and safeguarding we did not have the resources to carry on this work at the volume required, we knew that there was unmet need and a significant gap

in provision emerged. This service is now fully established, with even greater than expected take-up, the service being delivered and developed by our highly skilled, committed and enthusiastic advocates.

Our professional and experienced advocacy team hold or are working towards the City and Guilds accredited advocacy qualification. Vocal continues to hold the Quality Performance Mark (QPM) for advocacy agencies issued by the NDTi.

2023/24 was also the second and final year of funding and mentoring/consultancy support from the Lloyds Bank Foundation Enhance scheme, aimed at expanding Vocal's capacity and long-term sustainability. Our Chief Officer has worked very closely with the Lloyds Grant Manager and external consultants to analyse options and develop an income generation plan. The first initiative, coming from this, was to establish and market a service for parents with a learning disability (going through care proceedings). With the enthusiastic and skilled drive of our new Advocacy Lead for Child Protection the project has taken off quickly with good take-up from solicitors, and consequent positive income generation. It rapidly became clear that to maximise take-up and financial opportunities we would need to appoint another advocate to support the work in the coming year.

As part of the income generation plan, the team also began to explore another work stream scoping the possibility of a training arm benefiting both people with communication difficulties and the agencies which support them. This work was in the very early stages, but we had moved into a limited pilot phase by the end of 2023/24.

Lloyds Bank Foundation were also offering us support to recruit trustees and to develop our board. They commissioned Reach Volunteering to search for trustees, and the Chief Officer and I have worked closely with them in drawing up person specifications and role descriptions. Our new trustee Jenny Lynch was recruited by this process and a further person came forward as a potential board member early in 2024.

I would like to formally thank the Lloyds Bank Foundation for all their support, both financial and (even more importantly) their developmental and mentoring advice and resources. This has been fundamental in enabling Vocal to reach a potentially much more sustainable financial position, with potential to continue delivering generic advocacy after the Henry Smith funding ends in May 2025. We are very grateful for their assistance.

Vocal continues to be an active member and Strategic Partner of Devon Advocacy Consortium. Working within DAC enhances our ability to support vulnerable people and access skills and expertise from colleagues working in a wide range of fields. The consortium's contract with Devon and Torbay local authorities was due to end on 31 March 2024, and subject to tender. Our Chief officer worked closely with the lead agency and other partners to put forward the consortium's bid, which was successful. This means that our main income source delivering Care Act and associated services in South Devon and Torbay is now secure until 2030.

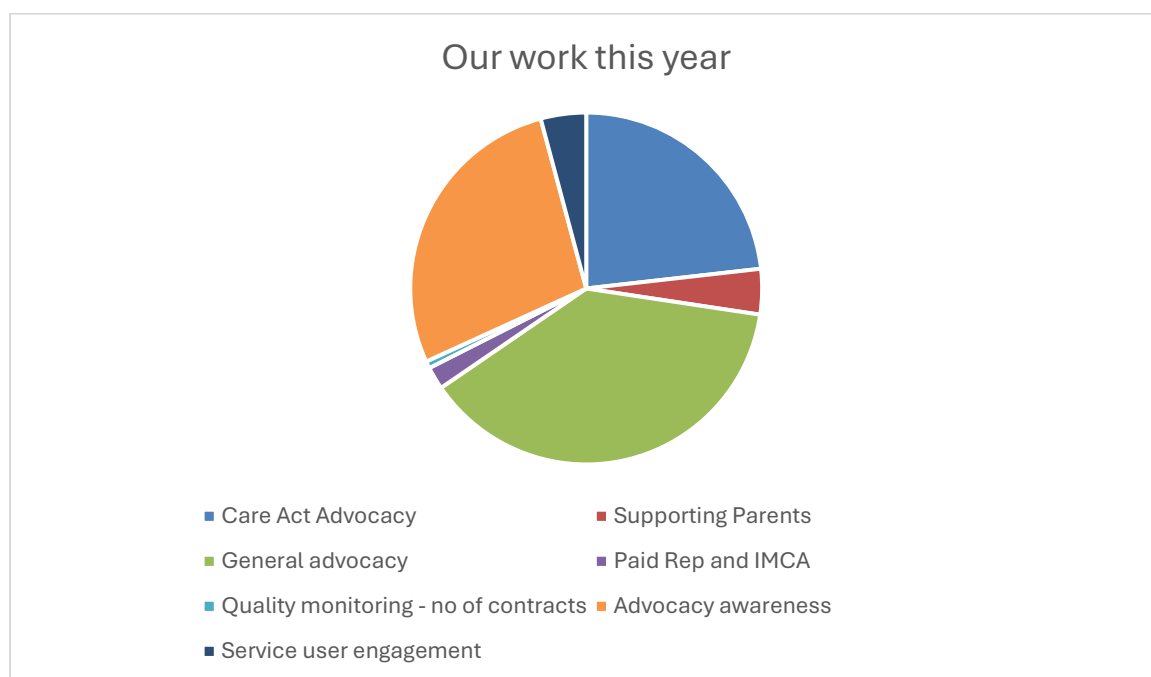
The next few years will remain challenging and exciting as we seek to sustain, maintain and develop our new services, support more people and ensure long-term financial sustainability.

All our activities are focused on supporting vulnerable people to speak up for themselves and be heard when decisions are being made about their lives. The trustees have considered the public benefit of the work of the charity; the details are outlined in the following report.

Janet Regan
Chair of Trustees

Who has Benefited from our Service?

Over the years Vocal has evolved to meet the changing needs of the people who use our service and to reflect the changes in local and national policy. The main focus of our work has always been in the provision of independent issued based advocacy. Vocal is now able to support people who are eligible for statutory advocacy, require the support of general 1:1, peer or self-advocacy, support parents with child protection issues, provide monitoring of care packages, training and support service user engagement.



Whilst the number of people who received support from a Care Act Advocate has increased in this year, our focus on increasing accessibility of advocacy for those who do not meet eligibility for a Care Act Advocate means that this now presents as a smaller proportion of our work. We have launched two new initiatives this year that will mean that we are able to support more people in a broader remit.

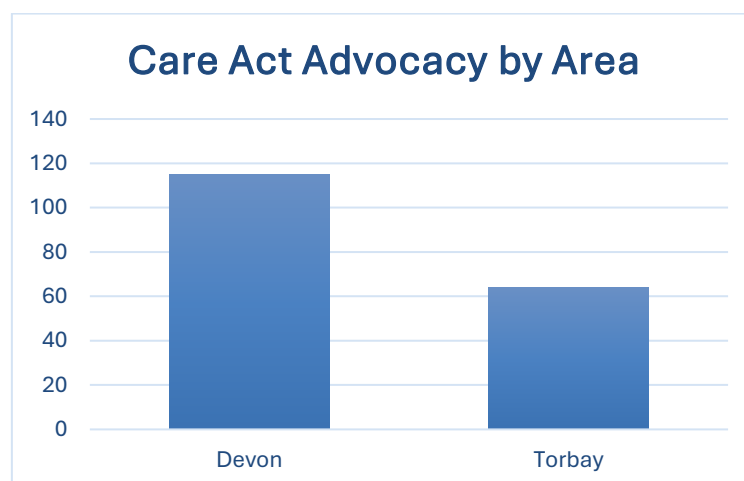
Statutory Advocacy – The Care Act 2014

Independent Care Act Advocacy (ICAA)

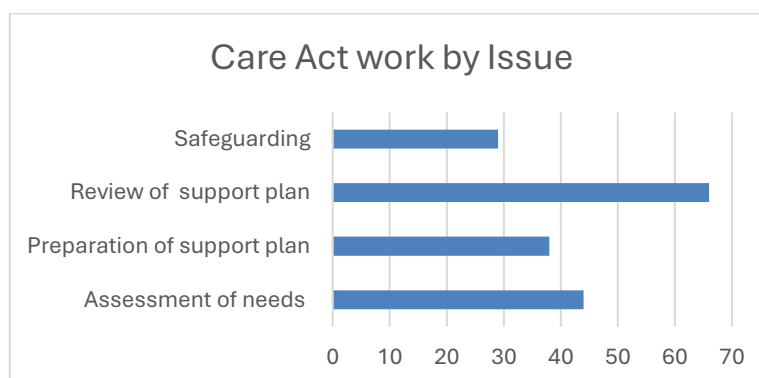
Our statutory work is commissioned by South Devon and Torbay Care Trust and Devon County Council via the Devon Advocacy Consortium.

The Local Authority have a legal responsibility to appoint an Independent Care Act Advocate (ICCA) to support people who have a substantial difficulty in engaging with the Local Authority process (assessment of needs, preparation of care and support plan, review of the plan, safeguarding or carers assessment) and where there is no one appropriate to support them.

The following graph demonstrates our work to provide advocacy for those who were eligible under The Care Act 2014. The graph does not reflect the actual need for support; the amount of support we can offer is limited by the size of the contract with the Devon Advocacy Consortium.



Referrals to support people in Devon have always exceeded the number of people requiring support in Torbay. Interestingly in this year referrals from both areas were greater in number than in previous years.



In this year the number of referrals received to support people with the safeguarding process has remained similar to previous years, however the number of referrals to support people

with a review of their care and support plan has increased significantly from last year and also higher than previously recorded.

A 30 year old lady with a recently acquired brain injury was referred for support with a review of her care package. Her needs assessments and care package stated that she would be enabled to regain skills with rehabilitation, however she was residing in a care home for older people where rehab opportunities were not available. Advocacy enabled her to get her voice heard during the review. Her wish to move to a rehab facility in The Midlands, where she would be living with people her own age and supported to regain skills and independence was approved and she moved successfully.

Feedback

- The advocate worked in such a personable way with the client. She took the time to get to know him and made his wishes extremely clear to me. She has been a great resource when conversing with the care provider.
- The advocacy worked well; the advocate made me aware of some processes that needed to be done.
- Very worthwhile for the client. I have worked with the advocate before and find her approach to getting a client's views extremely good.
- The advocate was very good and helped a potentially tricky situation turn out very positive.

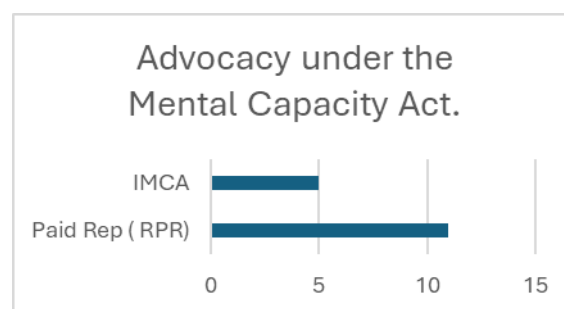
Statutory Advocacy- Mental Capacity Act

Paid Representative Role (RPR)

The Mental Capacity Act also allows for safeguards to be put in place to protect people who need to be deprived of their liberty (DoLS). A standard authorization is put in place. People who are deprived of their liberty may not have anyone suitable that they know to represent them. If this is the case, the Local Authority have a duty to appoint a Paid Representative. Vocal advocates have provided this role to people living in Devon and Torbay for several years. Frequently, the people receiving this service are re-referred to us following the renewal of the Standard Authorisation.

Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA)

There are some occasions where a person referred to advocacy under The Care Act become eligible for advocacy under the Mental Capacity Act. In these cases, an Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA) must be appointed. Vocal is now able to provide this service.



Having the flexibility to be able to support people in the role of ICAA, RPR and IMCA enables our advocates to develop a really good understanding of the person and their situation and ensures that as their needs change (and their entitlement to differing types of advocacy) they can continue to receive a high standard and continuity of service provision.

The advocates meet the needs of those who use the service, they take the time to get to know them, to build rapport and identify and respond to individual communication needs.

Senior Social Worker – Adults with Disabilities Team

Feedback

- I was able to have a detailed conversation about my patient's issues - looked at them in a very holistic way - I was reassured that my decision not to medically intervene was confirmed as being in the patient's best interests. It is great to have an independent person look at it from the patient's point of view and best interests. (IMCA)
- Excellent communication and very person centred. (RPR)
- The IMCA service was very efficient and always made sure the client's voice was heard and expressed any concerns. (Health and Social Care Representative)
- The legal team have provided their feedback on the information provided and firstly, thank you for your work with P stating "Nice to see alternate communication methods being used. It shows that it is person centred and that P has been supported to be involved as much as he is able." (RPR)

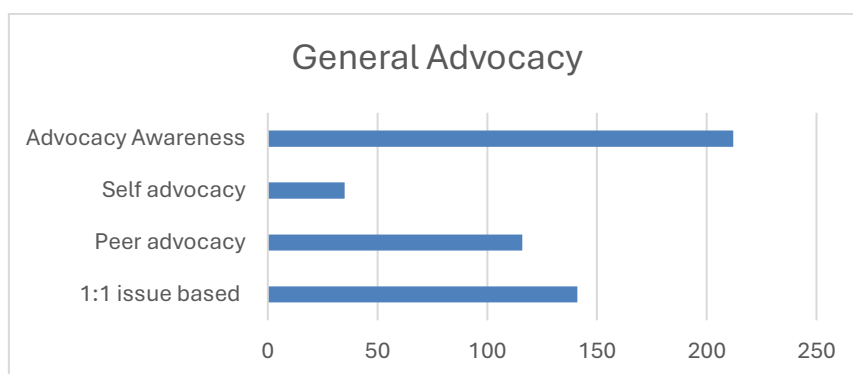
General Advocacy

Vocal provide general advocacy for those who have a learning disability and need advocacy support but who are not eligible for advocacy under The Care Act. This is possible due to grant funding provided by the Henry Smith Charity. This funding is in place until May 2025.

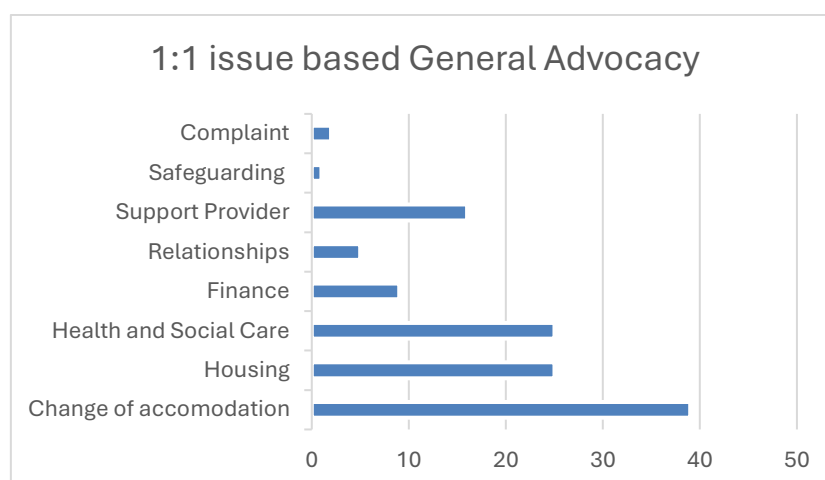
We have found that in raising the profile of advocacy we have highlighted that people are not aware of their rights or how to navigate 'the system', they don't realise that they can make a change or challenge and don't have the support in place to facilitate this. As a result of our advocacy awareness raising initiatives, people are now increasingly aware of the role of an advocate, how they can help and importantly how to access our support.

There has been a definite correlation between the awareness raising initiatives and the number of referrals received for general advocacy.

The number of people that we have supported this year is far greater than we predicted; We have held more advocacy awareness raising sessions and as a result, 292 people have benefited from our general advocacy service, and a further 209 from awareness raising.



There is greater take up of self or peer advocacy than we had anticipated. Introducing IPAD/tablet use has really streamlined our work and reduced time. Our clients can access relevant information much more easily. This has shortened the advocacy time taken on each case and has promoted independence.



The largest part of our work is to support people who have issues with their housing or wish to move and to access health and social care. In these cases, we support people to access the services that they need to enable to make the changes that they would like.

Vocal's delivery model means that our advocates can support people with both general advocacy and statutory advocacy. This means that when a person's advocacy needs change from general advocacy to being eligible for statutory advocacy, the person does not need to change advocate or begin a new relationship with another person, they are already supported by someone who knows them well. This is crucial for our client group. As the relationship is already established it means that the advocacy work can be completed more quickly and efficiently.

During one of our drop in sessions we received a self-referral from a lady wishing to regain control of her finances. Her financial matters were being managed by the Local Authority Court of Protection team. This had been the case for many years, the client felt she now had a better understanding of her finances and wanted more control.

The advocate worked with the lady to support her to understand the legal safeguards that were in place and that she had a right to ask for the decision to be revisited. A new Mental Capacity assessment was requested, the social worker who completed the assessments deemed the lady to have capacity in all areas. An application, containing the new assessments, has now been submitted to the Court of Protection to bring the court order to an end and return full control of finances to the lady.

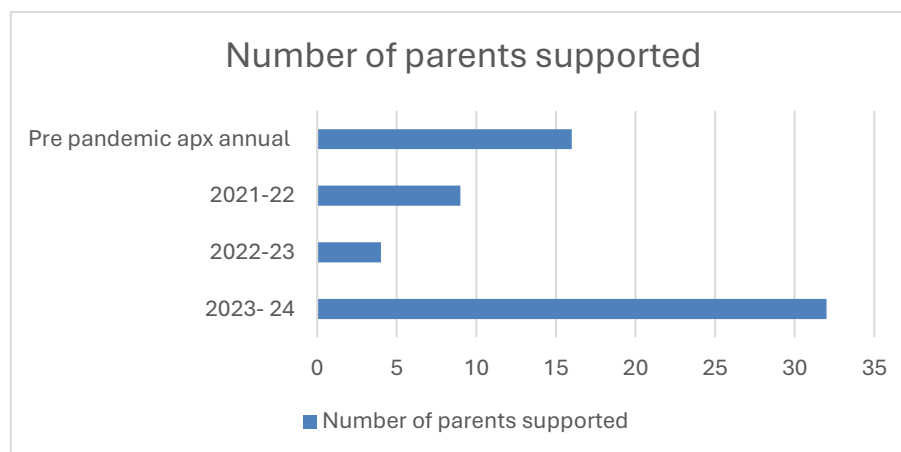
Feedback

- Thank you for attending the meeting yesterday and supporting my daughter. Communication is so difficult for her. She is beginning to realise she does have a voice and can convey what she wants with your help. Again, thank you very much for all the support you given X. We may need you help again in the future! (Parent)
- Pleased everything got sorted with the help of X. Without her help I was not being heard by social services. (Client)
- My advocate was a real star. Not only did the situation get resolved, but I also realised I really felt that X took my concerns into consideration and supported me all the way through. I would recommend X again if I were to need Vocal's assistance. Thank you so much. (Client)

Supporting Parents

Our work in this area is to support parents who have a learning disability or a cognitive difficulty in understanding their responsibilities as parents, engage with the local authority, understand their concerns and if necessary, instruct their legal representatives and attend court proceedings.

Typically, pre-pandemic we would offer our support to approximately 16 parents each year. As the referral rates dropped in 2022 and again in 2023, we knew that there was unmet need. To address this we used grant funding, provided by the Lloyds Bank Foundation, to launch our supporting parents project. The impact of that project is clear to see in 2023-24.



The success of this project in year 1 has been such that we have appointed a second advocate, parents who had previously used our service assisting us in the recruitment of this team member.

Referral to support parents who had separated, as the LA were looking to take their children into foster care. The parents worked together with the support of the advocate and devised a plan that enabled the children to remain at home safely and for the parents to have joint custody. The plan approved by the LA and the courts.

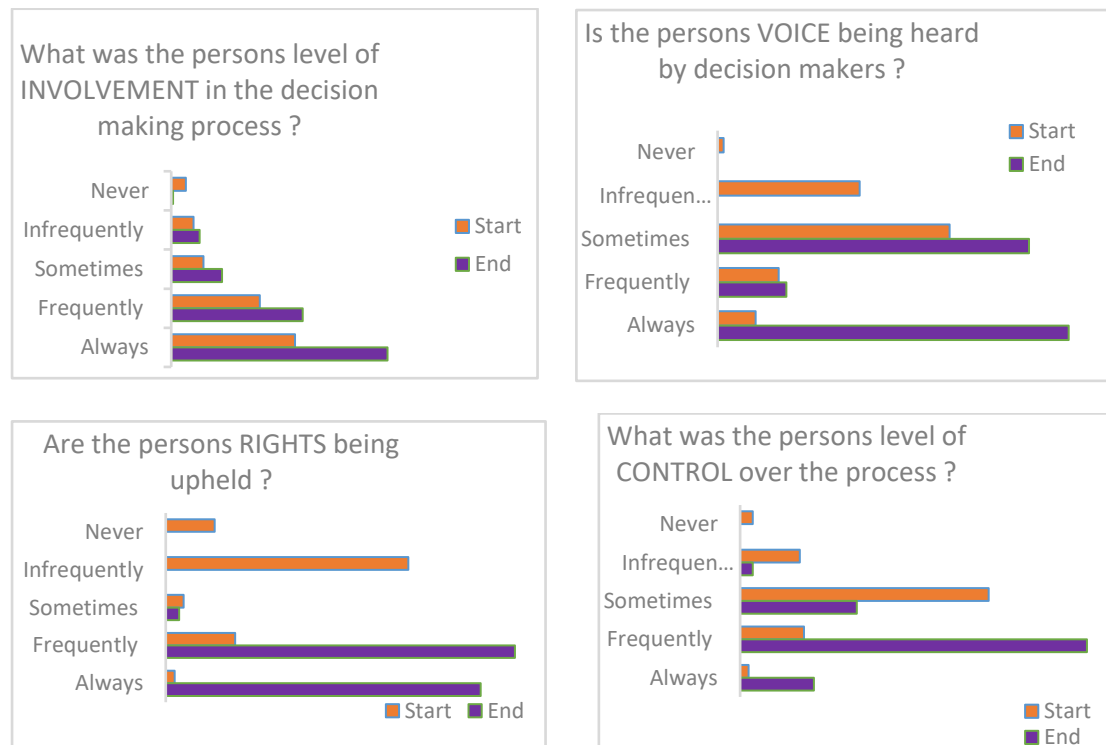
Feedback

- The Vocal Advocacy team provide an invaluable service to some of the most vulnerable people in our community. In my experience clients have benefitted from their experience and support both in and out of Court and I would not hesitate to refer further clients to this service. The referral process is uncomplicated, and the team are both responsive and flexible. (Legal Rep)
- Your service and breakdowns are straight forward and easy to understand. Really appreciate your time. (Parent)
- Again, I have to mention that my client was glowing about you both and how you've supported him at Court. (Legal Rep)
- The client you have been working with has spoken highly of your service. (Legal Rep)

The Benefits of Advocacy

We monitor the impact of the work that we do in several ways. We ask the advocate to make a professional judgment at the start and end of each piece of work to identify the impact of advocacy.

We ask 4 questions:



The graphs show there is a definite shift in all areas from never/infrequently/sometimes to frequently or always. As a result of our work people are more involved in the decision-making process, their voice is heard by decision makers, their rights are upheld and in the vast majority of cases the person had a greater level of control over the process.

Advocates work really hard to ensure that people have as much choice and control as possible

QPM Assessor

In addition, we ask, at the end of each case:

Did our involvement affect the decision made?

- Is the person protected from abuse?
- Did the person gain independence?
- Is the person more confident to self-advocate?

In all cases the answer was yes.

Vocal Training

Vocal has always offered bespoke training courses, in advocacy awareness to local providers and the people who use their services.

In this year we launched a pilot, funded with grant funding from the Lloyds Bank Foundation to enable us to provide training for a broad spectrum of people in a variety of subjects, including food hygiene, kitchen safety, cooking, gardening, personal relationships, money management, employability skills and advocacy.

The pilot is very much in its infancy. However during this time, we have gained accreditation with AQA and collaborated with provider organisations to deliver a suite of 74 accredited training courses designed to empower individuals with essential skills and knowledge. Whilst ensuring participants receive a well-rounded education that meets accredited standards and fosters personal and professional growth.

Through these courses, Vocal has supported 22 individuals gain the tools they need to succeed whilst demonstrating their own abilities to be proactive and impactful members of their communities.

Feedback

- Vocals training courses are great, lots of choice and fully accessible for those who have more complex needs. (Provider)
- This makes achieving accredited training possible for all. (Provider)
- I've learned lots of new things, I'm so proud of my certificates. (Student)

Other Work

Supporting other Organisations with User Engagement.

Our service user engagement initiatives on behalf of other providers have increased this year. Local providers commission Vocal to facilitate service user engagement within their own organisations, this has included facilitating house meetings, completing satisfaction surveys, supporting people to attend and contribute to their organisational meetings where there is a focus on user engagement at a managerial level, and to support people to complete satisfaction surveys as part of the organisation's quality monitoring process.

Our team was also invited to support the Local Authority to facilitate community engagement events which will help to shape the local learning disability strategy for the coming years.

Quality Assurance

Vocal is commissioned by local providers and the Local Authority to complete quality audit work that enables them to monitor the quality of the service delivered. We complete 'spot checks' which take place at a frequency agreed with the commissioners, these can be unannounced visits where we spend time talking with the clients, staff and reviewing records.

We attend reviews if this is appropriate. We give both positive and negative feedback to the commissioners and the service providers, following our visits. This is particularly helpful to 'out of county' authorities who have placed people locally, where it is not cost effective for them to travel to visit the individual on a regular basis or for authorities placing people with complex needs who required additional monitoring.

Our own Quality Assurance

Vocal has systems in place to monitor and improve the quality of the service that is provided. In addition, at the end of each piece of work satisfaction surveys are sent out, the feedback we get is really positive. All the feedback we received confirmed that the people who used Vocal felt that their advocates listened to them and treated them well. All would use Vocal again in the future if they needed to.

Any complaints received or concerns raised are thoroughly investigated and learning identified to ensure we can develop practice and share learning.

The Quality Performance Mark for advocacy agencies (QPM) is a quality assessment and assurance system for providers of independent advocacy, it provides a robust benchmark to assess advocacy services. To gain the award organisations must complete a rigorous self-assessment, policy review and site visit by the assessor. The QPM is awarded to organisations who can demonstrate they are providing excellent services. Vocal achieved this award for the second time in October 2021. It is valid for 3 years. A copy of the report is available on request.

Data Protection

Vocal has policies and procedures in place to ensure the protection of personal and sensitive data. These are subject to regular review in light of the GDPR which came into effect on 25th May 2018 and the data protection Act 2018.

Managing Risk

Vocal policy and procedures ensure that risk management strategies are in place to support the staff and the organisation. These include safeguarding, safe recruitment, lone working, health and safety and environmental risk assessments. These are subject to regular review and updates. Operational risks are reviewed and monitored as part of the organisation's strategic plan.

Vocal Advocacy have developed a clear framework of policies in consultation with staff, members and trustees to provide a governance and management structure that enable the service to flourish.

QPM Assessor.

Our Plans for the Future

To continue to provide a high standard of service and support that meets the standards detailed in the Advocacy Charter and Code of Practice for advocates.

To expand our income generation initiatives to provide sufficient income to enable us to continue to provide general advocacy beyond the life of the grant funding that is in place.

To extend our offer to support more parents with child protection and for this support to be offered at an earlier stage in the process.

To continue and expand our pilot to provide training that is valued and meaningful to the people who complete it.

To continue to work with providers to accredit the support that they offer.

Treasurers Financial Statement

Vocal's financial situation continues to be stable. We carried some of the Lloyds Foundation grant forward from last year investing it in income generating activities. We used Lloyds offers of support for organisational development well throughout the year. This support has been without cost to us and of enormous value.

The Henry Smith funding for general advocacy continued to provide sessions in our traditional geography, we hope to expand this in the next year, the last year of this grant.

The Devon Advocacy Consortium has been given a new contract to provide statutory advocacy from 2024, funding for Care Act advocacy is secure, for the next six years.

This financial security will allow us to invest reserves in further development of our income generating activities, to fund our general advocacy provision.

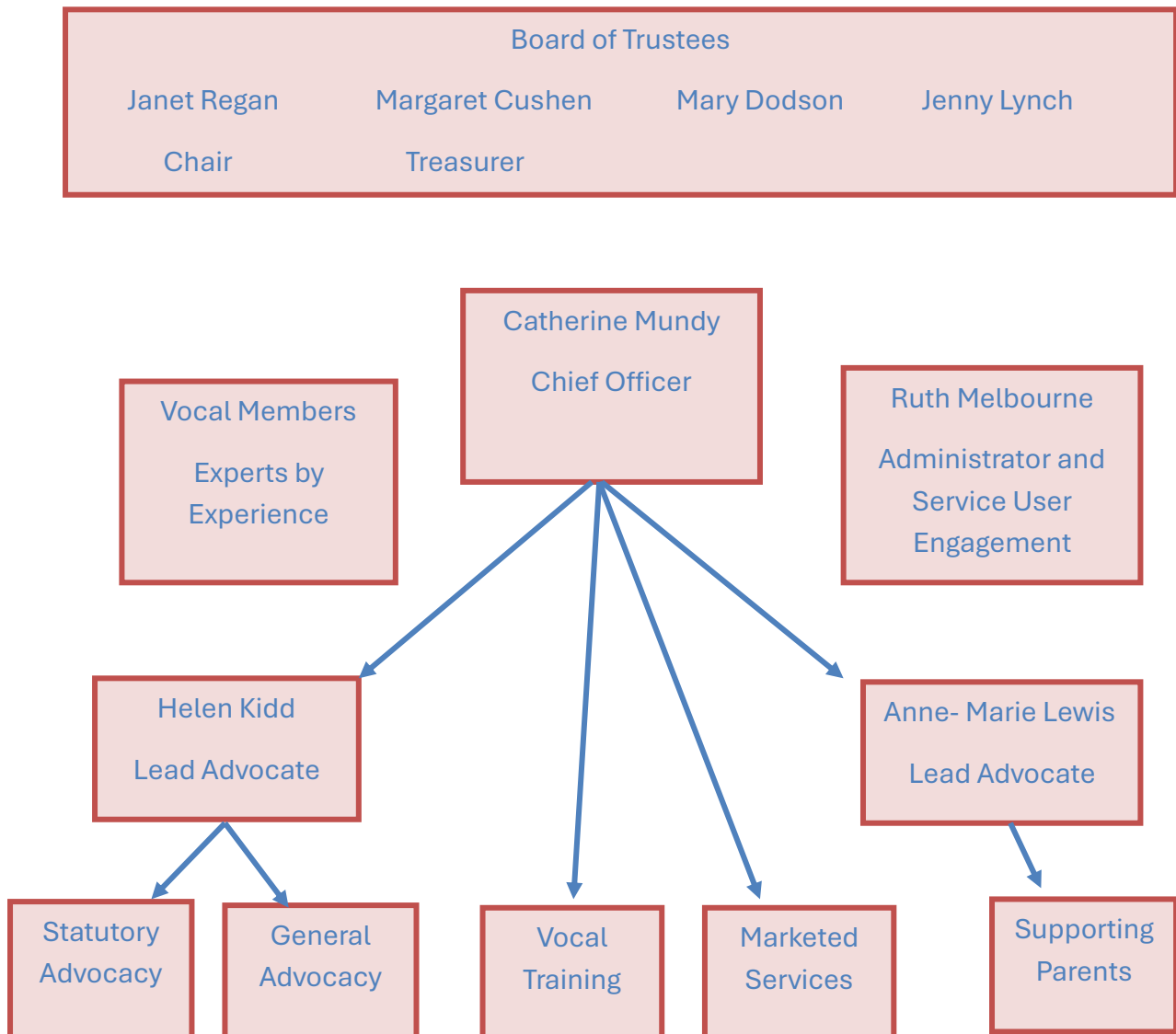
We will update the business plan in 2024; to give us short, medium and long- term goals for income generation to enable the organisation to provide all forms of advocacy in our catchment area, we will seek to expand the offer of general advocacy.

Margaret Cushen

Treasurer

Vocal Advocacy

Organisational structure





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Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date		01-Apr-23	To	Period end date	31-Mar-24

Section A Statement of financial activities

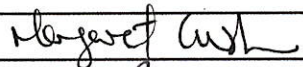
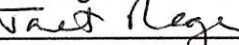
Recommended categories by activity	Guidance Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
		£ F01	£ F02	£ F03	£ F04	£ F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)						
Income and endowments from:						
Grants	S01	140,658	-	-	140,658	102,200
Charitable activities	S02	29,273	-	-	29,273	9,578
Other trading activities	S03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	S04	768	-	-	768	171
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	-	-	-	-	-
Total	S07	170,699	-	-	170,699	111,949
Resources expended (Note 6)						
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	S08	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	S09	158,797	-	-	158,797	106,583
Separate material item of expense	S10	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S11	-	-	-	-	-
Total	S12	158,797	-	-	158,797	106,583
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)						
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S13	11,902	-	-	11,902	5,366
	S14	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)	S15	11,902	-	-	11,902	5,366
Extraordinary items	S16	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers between funds	S17	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S18	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S19	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	S20	11,902	-	-	11,902	5,366
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	S21	74,710	-	-	74,710	69,344
Total funds carried forward	S22	86,612	-	-	86,612	74,710

Section B

Balance sheet

	Guidance Notes					
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total this year	Total last year
		£ F01	£ F02	£ F03	£ F04	£ F05
Fixed assets						
Intangible assets (Note 15)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets (Note 14)	B02	645	-	-	645	891
Heritage assets (Note 16)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17)	B04	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	B05	645	-	-	645	891
Current assets						
Stocks (Note 18)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 19)	B07	12,148	-	-	12,148	5,120
Investments (Note 17.4)	B08	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 24)	B09	80,317	-	-	80,317	101,248
Total current assets	B10	92,465	-	-	92,465	106,368
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 20)	B11	6,498	-	-	6,498	32,549
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B12	85,967	-	-	85,967	73,819
Total assets less current liabilities	B13	86,612	-	-	86,612	74,710
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 20)	B14	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities	B15	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	B16	86,612	-	-	86,612	74,710
Funds of the Charity						
Endowment funds (Note 27)	B17	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 27)	B18	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	B19	86,612	-	-	86,612	74,710
Revaluation reserve	B20	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds	B21	86,612	-	-	86,612	74,710

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
	MARGARET CUSHMAN	26/09/2024
	JANET REGAN	26/09/2024

Note 1 Basis of preparation

This section should be completed by all charities.

1.1 Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- and with* ☒ the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014
- and with* ☒ the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.*

Yes

* -Tick as appropriate

1.2 Going concern

If there are material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, please provide the following details or state "Not applicable", if appropriate:

An explanation as to those factors that support the conclusion that the charity is a going concern;

The charity has sufficient financial resources to carry on its activities for the next twelve months

Disclosure of any uncertainties that make the going concern assumption doubtful;

Not applicable

Where accounts are not prepared on a going concern basis, please disclose this fact together with the basis on which the trustees prepared the accounts and the reason why the charity is not regarded as a going concern.

1.3 Change of accounting policy

The accounts present a true and fair view and the accounting policies adopted are those outlined in note ().

Yes* ☒ No* ☐ * -Tick as appropriate

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of the change in accounting policy;	
(ii) the reasons why applying the new accounting policy provides more reliable and more relevant information; and	
(iii) the amount of the adjustment for each line affected in the current period, each prior period presented and the aggregate amount of the adjustment relating to periods before those presented, 3.44 FRS 102 SORP.	

1.4 Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period (3.46 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes* ☒ No* ☐ * -Tick as appropriate

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of any changes;	
(ii) the effect of the change on income and expense or assets and liabilities for the current period; and	
(iii) where practicable, the effect of the change in one or more future periods.	

1.5 Material prior year errors

No material prior year error have been identified in the reporting period (3.47 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes* ☒ No* ☐ * -Tick as appropriate

Please disclose:

(i) the nature of the prior period error;	
(ii) for each prior period presented in the accounts, the amount of the correction for each account line item affected; and	
(iii) the amount of the correction at the beginning of the earliest prior period presented in the accounts.	

Note 2**Accounting policies**

Please complete this note when first reporting under FRS2102. Section 35 of FRS102, requires 3 reconciliations to be presented, if all are applicable.

2.1 RECONCILIATION WITH PREVIOUS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE

Please provide a description of the nature of each change in accounting policy

Reconciliation of funds per previous GAAP to funds determined under FRS 102

	Start of period £	End of period £
Fund balances as previously stated		
Adjustments:		

Fund balance as restated

Reconciliation of net income/(net expenditure) per previous GAAP to net income/(net expenditure) under FRS 102

	End of £
Net income/(expenditure) as previously stated	
Adjustments:	

Previous period net income/(expenditure) as
restated

Note 2 Accounting policies**2.2 INCOME**

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those ticked "No" or "N/a". Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. 	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legacies	In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP). Legacies are included in the SoFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Government grants	The charity has received government grants in the reporting period	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Donated goods	Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so. The cost of any stock of goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries is deemed to be the fair value of those gifts at the time of their receipt and they are recognised on receipt. In the reporting period in which the stocks are distributed, they are recognised as an expense at the carrying amount of the stocks at distribution. Donated goods for resale are measured at fair value on initial recognition, which is the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale, and recognised in 'Income from other trading activities' with the corresponding stock recognised in the balance sheet. On its sale the value of stock is charged against 'Income from other trading activities' and the proceeds from sale are also recognised as 'Income from other trading activities'. Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are recognised as tangible fixed assets and included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Donated services and facilities	Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably. Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Support costs	The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.	Yes	No	N/a
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Income from membership subscriptions	Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies. Membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other	Yes	No	N/a
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Yes	No	N/a

benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

Settlement of insurance claims

Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

Investment gains and losses

This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

2.3 EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition

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

Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Grants with performance conditions

Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.

Grants payable without performance conditions

Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.

Redundancy cost

The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Deferred income

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

Creditors

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

Provisions for liabilities

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

Basic financial instruments

The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 11.7 FRS102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS102 SORP.

2.4 ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least

They are valued at cost.

The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 9.2.

Intangible fixed assets

The charity has intangible fixed assets, that is, non-monetary assets that do not have physical substance but are identifiable and are controlled by the charity through custody or legal rights. The amortisation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 9.5

They are valued at cost.

Heritage assets

The charity has heritage assets, that is, non-monetary assets with historic, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities that are held and maintained principally for their contribution to knowledge and culture. The depreciation rates and methods used as disclosed in note 9.6.1.4.

They are valued at cost.

Investments

Fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end. The same treatment is applied to unlisted investments unless fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment.

Investments held for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than 1 year are treated as current asset investments

Stocks and work in progress

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

Goods or services provided as part of a charitable activity are measured at net realisable value based on the service potential provided by items of stock.

Work in progress is valued at cost less any foreseeable loss that is likely to occur on the contract.

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Yes No N/a

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Yes No N/a

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Yes No N/a

Debtors

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

Yes	No	N/a
		✓

Current asset investments

The charity has investments which it holds for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date less than one year. These include cash on deposit and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.

Yes	No	N/a
		✓

They are valued at fair value except where they qualify as basic financial instruments.

Yes	No	N/a
		✓

POLICIES ADOPTED
ADDITIONAL TO OR
DIFFERENT FROM
THOSE ABOVE

Note 3

Analysis of income

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £	Prior year £
	Analysis					
Grants:	Donations and gifts	2,543	-	-	2,543	1,172
	Gift Aid	574	-	-	574	538
	Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
	General grants provided by government/other charities	137,541	-	-	137,541	100,490
	Membership subscriptions and sponsorships which are in substance donations	-	-	-	-	-
	Donated goods, facilities and services	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	140,658	-	-	140,658	102,200
Charitable activities:	Miscellaneous small advocacy contracts and other income	29,273	-	-	29,273	9,354
	Fundraising events	-	-	-	-	224
		-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	29,273	-	-	29,273	9,578
Other trading activities:	Small lottery	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
Income from investments:	Interest income	768	-	-	768	171
	Dividend income	-	-	-	-	-
	Rental and leasing income	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	768	-	-	768	171
Separate material item of income:		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
Other:	Conversion of endowment funds into income	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a tangible fixed asset held for charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
	Gain on disposal of a programme related investment	-	-	-	-	-
	Royalties from the exploitation of intellectual property rights	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		170,699	-	-	170,699	111,949

Other information:

All income in the prior year was unrestricted except for:
(please provide description and amounts)

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the reporting period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Where any endowment fund is converted into income in the prior period, please give the reason for the conversion.

Within the income items above the following items are material: (please disclose the nature, amount and any prior year amounts)

Note 4

Analysis of receipts of government grants

	Description	This year £
Government grant 1	Local authority advocacy contracts	69,638
Government grant 2	Local authority coronavirus grants	-
Government grant 3		-
Other		-
	Total	69,638

	Description	Last year £
Government grant 1	Local authority advocacy contracts	62,843
Government grant 2	Local authority coronavirus grants	-
Government grant 3		-
Other		-
	Total	62,843

	This year	Last year
<i>Please provide details of any unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to grants that have been recognised in income.</i>		

	This year	Last year
<i>Please give details of other forms of government assistance from which the charity has directly benefited.</i>		

Note 5 Donated goods, facilities and services

	This year £	Last year £
Seconded staff	-	-
Use of property	-	-
Other	-	-

	This year	Last year
Please provide details of the accounting policy for the recognition and valuation of donated goods, facilities and services.		
Please provide details of any unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attaching to resources from donated goods and services not recognised in income.		
Please give details of other forms of other donated goods and services not recognised in the accounts, eg contribution of unpaid volunteers.		

Note 6

Analysis of expenditure

Analysis	This year				Last year			
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £	Unrestricted funds	Restricted income funds	Endowment funds	Total funds £
Expenditure on raising funds:								
Incurred seeking donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incurred seeking grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating membership schemes and social lotteries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Staging fundraising events	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising agents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating charity shops	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating a trading company undertaking non-charitable trading activity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advertising, marketing, direct mail and publicity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Start up costs incurred in generating new source of future income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Database development costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portfolio management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of obtaining investment advice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment administration costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intellectual property licencing costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent collection, property repairs and maintenance charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure on raising funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities:								
Direct advocacy costs	104,738	-	-	104,738	44,870	-	-	44,870
Indirect advocacy costs, general and administrative expenses	54,059	-	-	54,059	61,713	-	-	61,713
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure on charitable activities	158,797	-	-	158,797	106,583	-	-	106,583
Separate material item of expense								
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other								
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	158,797	-	-	158,797	106,583	-	-	106,583

Other information:

Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Activity or programme	This year				Last year			
	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding of activities	Support Costs	Total this year	Activities undertaken directly	Grant funding of activities	Support Costs	Total last year
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Activity 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Activity 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note 7 Extraordinary items

Please explain the nature of each extraordinary item occurring in the period.

	Description	This year £	Last year £
Extraordinary item 1		-	-
Extraordinary item 2		-	-
Extraordinary item 3		-	-
Extraordinary item 4		-	-
Total extraordinary items		-	-

Section C

Notes to the accounts

Note 8 Funds received as agent

8.1 Please complete this note if the charity has agreed to administer the funds of another entity as its agent. Note: If a charity is acting as an agent, it should not recognise the income in the Statement of Financial Activities or the Balance Sheet.

Description/name of party	Related party (Yes or No)	Amount received		Amount paid out		Balance held at period end	
		This year	Last year	This year	Last year	This year	Last year
		£	£	£	£	£	£
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-	-	-	-

8.2 Where a consortia or similar arrangement exists whereby 2 or more charities co-operate to achieve economies in the purchase of goods or services, please disclose details of any balances outstanding between any participating members.

Description/name of party	Balance held at period end	
	This year	Last year
	£	£
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total		-

Section C

Notes to the accounts

Note 9 Support Costs

Please complete this note if the charity has analysed its expenses using activity categories and has support costs.

This year

Support cost (examples)	Raising funds £	Activity 1 £	Activity 2 £	Activity 3 £	Grand total £	Basis of allocation (Describe method)
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

Last year

Support cost (examples)	Raising funds £	Activity 1 £	Activity 2 £	Activity 3 £	Grand total £	Basis of allocation (Describe method)
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	

Please provide details of the accounting policy adopted for the apportionment of costs between activities and any estimation techniques used to calculate their apportionment.

Section C**Notes to the accounts****Note 10** Details of certain items of expenditure**10.1 Fees for examination of the accounts**

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner. If nothing was paid please enter '0' in the appropriate box(es).

Independent examiner's fees

Assurance services other than audit or independent examination

Tax advisory fees

Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner

This year £	Last year £
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

Note 11

Paid employees

Please complete this note if the charity has any employees.

11.1 Staff Costs

Salaries and wages

Social security costs

Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)

Other employee benefits

Total staff costs

This year £	Last year £
125,731	82,715
-	-
4,534	1,028
-	-
130,265	83,743

This year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

None

Last year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

None

Please give details of the number of employees whose total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) fell within each band of £10,000 from £60,000 upwards. If there are no such transactions, please enter 'true' in the box provided.

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000

TRUE

Band	Number of employees	
	This year	Last year
£60,000 to £69,999	-	-
£70,000 to £79,999	-	-
£80,000 to £89,999	-	-
£90,000 to £99,999	-	-
£100,000 to £109,999	-	-

Please provide the total amount paid to key management personnel (includes trustees and senior management) for their services to the charity. For specific amounts paid to trustees, see Note 28.

This year £	Last year £
-	-

11.2 Average head count in the year

The parts of the charity in which the employees work

	This year Number	Last year Number
Fundraising	-	-
Charitable Activities	7	6
Governance	-	-
Other	-	-
Total	7	6

11.3 Ex-gratia payments to employees and others (excluding trustees)

Please complete if an ex-gratia payment is made.

Please explain the nature of the payment

This year	
Last year	

Please state the legal authority or reason for making the payment

This year	
Last year	

Please state the amount of the payment (or value of any waiver of a right to an asset)

This year £	Last year £
-	-

11.4 Redundancy payments

Please complete if any redundancy or termination payment is made in the period.

Total amount of payment

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-

The nature of the payment (cash, asset etc.)

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The extent of redundancy funding at the balance sheet date

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-

Please state the accounting policy for any redundancy or termination payments

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Note 12 Defined contribution pension scheme or defined benefit scheme accounted for as a defined contribution scheme.

12.1 Please complete this note if a defined contribution pension scheme is operated.

Amount of contributions recognised in the SOFA as an expense

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-

Please explain the basis for allocating the liability and expense of defined contribution pension scheme between activities and between restricted and unrestricted funds.

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12.2 Please complete this section where the charity participates in a defined benefit pension plan but is unable to ascertain its share of the underlying assets and liabilities.

Please confirm that although the scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution plan, it is a defined benefit plan.

Please provide such information as is available about the plan's surplus or deficit and the implications, if any, for the reporting charity for this year and last year, if different

12.3 Please complete this section where the charity participates in a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan that is accounted for as a defined contribution plan.

Describe the extent to which the charity can be liable to the plan for other entities' obligations under the terms and conditions of the multi-employer plan. If this is different for last year, provide details

Provide an explanation of how any liability arising from an agreement with a multi-employer plan to fund a deficit has been determined. If this is different for last year, provide details

Note 13 Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

This year:**13.1 Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)**

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs	Total
			£	£
Activity or project 1	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 2	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 3	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 4	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

13.2 Grants made to institutions

My charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking. Details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution is available on the charity's web site.	Yes	Please provide details of charity's URL.
	No	Provide details below

Names of institution	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions in reporting period		-
Other unanalysed grants		-
TOTAL GRANTS PAID		-

Last year:

13.3 Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs £	Total £
Activity or project 1	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 2	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 3	-	-	-	-
Activity or project 4	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-

Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

13.4 Grants made to institutions

My charity has made grants to particular institutions that are material in the context of its grantmaking. Details of the institution supported, purpose of the grant and total paid to each institution is available on the charity's web site.

Yes	Please provide details of charity's URL.
No	Provide details below

Names of institution	Purpose	Total amount of grants paid £
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
		-
Total grants to institutions in reporting period		-
Other unanalysed grants		-
TOTAL GRANTS PAID		-

Note 14 Tangible fixed assets*Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets***14.1 Cost or valuation**

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	-	-	13,597	13,597
Additions	-	-	-	220	220
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	13,817	13,817

14.2 Depreciation and impairments

**Basis	SL or RB (Straight Line or Reducing Balance)	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB
** Rate				SL - 25%	

At beginning of the year	-	-	-	12,706	12,706
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	466	466
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	13,172	13,172

14.3 Net book value

Net book value at the beginning of the year	-	-	-	891	891
Net book value at the end of the year	-	-	-	645	645

14.4 Impairment

This year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.

Last year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.

14.5 Revaluation

If an accounting policy of revaluation is adopted, please provide:

the effective date of the revaluation

the name of independent valuer, if applicable

the methods applied and significant assumptions

the carrying amount that would have been recognised had the assets been carried under the cost model.

This year	Last year
-	-

14.6 Other disclosures

(i) Please state the amount of borrowing costs, if any, capitalised in the construction of tangible fixed assets and the capitalisation rate used.

(ii) Please provide the amount of contractual commitments for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets.

(iii) Details of the existence and carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment to which the charity has restricted title or that are pledged as security for liabilities.

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-
-	-

* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, what is the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, what is the percentage annual deduction.

Note 15 Intangible assets
Please complete this note if the charity has any intangible assets
15.1 Cost or valuation

	Research & development	Patents and trademarks	Other	Total
	£	£	£	£
At beginning of the year	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Revaluations	-	-	-	-
Transfers *	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	-

15.2 Amortisation and impairments

	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	Straight Line ("SL") or Reducing Balance ("RB")
**Basis					
** Rate					
At beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Amortisation	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-
At end of year	-	-	-	-	-

15.3 Net book value

Net book value at the beginning of the year	-	-	-	-
Net book value at the end of the year	-	-	-	-

15.4 Accounting policy

Please disclose the accounting policy for intangible fixed assets including:

Reasons for choosing amortisation rates

Policies for the recognition of any capital development

15.5 Impairment

This year:

Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.

Last year:

Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.

15.6 Revaluation

If an accounting policy of revaluation is adopted, please provide:

	This year	Last year
the effective date of the revaluation		
the name of independent valuer, if applicable		
the methods applied		
the carrying amount that would have been recognised had the assets been carried under the cost model.		

15.7 Other disclosures

(i) If your intangible asset was acquired by way of grant, provide value on initial recognition and carrying amount of the asset.

(ii) Details of the carrying amounts of any intangible assets to which the charity has restricted title or that are pledged as security for liabilities.

(iii) Please provide the amount of contractual commitments for the acquisition of intangible assets.

(iv) State the amount of research and development expenditure recognised as expenditure in the year.

(v) Please detail the headings in the SOFA in which a charge for amortisation of intangible assets is included.

(vi) For any material intangible assets, please provide a description, its carrying amount and any remaining amortisation period.

* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Please indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also please indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, what is the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, what is the percentage annual deduction.

Note 17 Investment assets

Please complete this note if the charity has any investment assets.

17.1 Fixed assets investments (please provide for each class of investment)

	Cash & cash equivalents	Listed investments	Investment properties	Social investments	Other	Total
Carrying (fair) value at beginning of period	101,248	-	-	-	-	101,248
Add: additions to investments during period*		-	-	-	-	-
Less: disposals at carrying value	-	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Impairments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Add: Reversal of impairments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Add/(deduct): transfer in/(out) in the period	- 20,931	-	-	-	-	20,931
Add/(deduct): net gain/(loss) on revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carrying (fair) value at end of year	80,317	-	-	-	-	80,317

*Please specify additions resulting from acquisitions through business combinations, if any.

Please note that Fair Value in this context is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable and willing parties in an arm's length transaction. For traded securities, the fair value is the value of the security quoted on the London Stock Exchange Daily Official List or equivalent. For other assets where there is no market price on a traded market, it is the trustees' or valuers' best estimate of fair value.

17.2 Please provide a breakdown of investments shown above agreeing with the balance sheet row B04 differentiating between those held at fair value and those held at cost less impairment.

This year:

Analysis of investments

Cash or cash equivalents

Listed investments

Investment properties

Social investments

Other investments

Total

Grand total (Fair value at year end+Cost less impairment)

Fair value at year end	Cost less impairment
£	£
80,317	80,317
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	80,317
	80,317

Last year:

Analysis of investments

Cash or cash equivalents

Listed investments

Investment properties

Social investments

Other investments

Total

Grand total (Fair value at year end+Cost less impairment)

Fair value at year end	Cost less impairment
£	£
101,248	101,248
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	101,248
	101,248

17.3 If your charity holds investment properties, please complete the following note:

	This year	Last year
(i) Explain the methods and significant assumptions in determining the fair value of investment property held by the charity		
(ii) Name or independent valuer, if applicable, and relevant qualifications		
(iii) Provide details of any restrictions on the ability to realise investment property or on the remittance of income or disposal proceeds		
(iv) Explain any contractual obligations for the purchase, construction or development of investment property or for repairs, maintenance or enhancements		

17.4 Please provide a breakdown of current asset investments, if applicable, agreeing with the balance sheet.

Analysis of current asset investments

	This year	Last year
	£	£
Cash or cash equivalents	80,317	101,248
Listed investments	-	-
Investment properties	-	-
Social investments	-	-
Other investments	-	-
Total	80,317	101,248

17.5 Guarantees

	This year	Last year
Please provide details and amount of any guarantee made to or on behalf of a third party		
Name of the entity or entities benefitting from those guarantees		
Please explain how the guarantee furthers the charity's aims		

17.6 Concessionary loans

Amount of concessionary loans made (Multiple loans made may be disclosed in aggregate provided that such aggregation does not obscure significant information).

Description	This year £	Last year £
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

Amount of concessionary loans received (Multiple loans received may be disclosed in aggregate provided that such aggregation does not obscure significant information).

Description	This year £	Last year £
	-	-
	-	-
	-	-
Total	-	-

Terms and conditions eg interest rate, security provided

Value of any concessionary loans which have been committed but not taken up at the reporting date

Amounts payable within 1 year

Amounts payable after more than 1 year

Amounts receivable within 1 year

Amounts receivable after more than 1 year

This year	Last year

17.7 Additional information

Please provide information about the significance of investments to the charity's financial position or performance eg. terms and conditions of loans or the use of hedging to manage financial risk.

For all investments measured at fair value, the basis for determining the value, including any assumptions applied when using a valuation technique.

Where a charity has provided financial assets as a form of security, the carrying amount of the financial asset pledged as security and the terms and conditions relating to its pledge.

This year	Last year

Section C

Notes to the accounts

(cont)

Note 19 Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

19.1 Analysis of debtors

Trade debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Other debtors

Total

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-
10,687	3,453
1,462	1,667
12,149	5,120

Please complete 19.2 where a material debtor is recoverable more than a year after the reporting date.

19.2 Analysis of debtors recoverable in more than 1 year (included in debtors above)

Trade debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Other debtors

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
Total	-

Note 20**Creditors and accruals**

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

20.1 Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Accruals for grants payable	-	-	-	-
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	-	-	-	-
Payments received on account for contracts or performance-related grants	4,100	32,202	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	2,398	347	-	-
Taxation and social security	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	-	-	-	-
Total	6,498	32,549	-	-

20.2 Deferred income

Please complete this note if the charity has deferred income.

Please explain the reasons why income is deferred.

This year	Last year

Movement in deferred income account

Balance at the start of the reporting period
 Amounts added in current period
 Amounts released to income from previous periods
 Balance at the end of the reporting period

This year £	Last year £
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

Note 21 Provisions for liabilities and charges

Please complete this note if you have included in charity expenditure any provisions. A provision is made when the charity has a liability of uncertain timing or amount.

21.1 Movements in recognised provisions and funding commitment during the period

Balance at the start of the reporting period
 Amounts added in current period
 Amounts charged against the provision in the current period
 Unused amounts reversed during the period
 Balance at the end of the reporting period

This year £	Last year £
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

21.2 Please provide:

- a brief description of any obligations on the balance sheet and the expected amount and timing of resulting payments;

- an indication of the uncertainties about the amount or timing of those outflows; and

- the amount of any expected reimbursement, stating the amount of any asset that has been recognised for that expected reimbursement.

This year

Last year

21.3 For any funding commitment that is not recognised as a liability or provision, provide details of commitment made, the time frame of that commitment, any performance-related conditions and details of how the commitment will be funded (with contracts for capital expenditure separately identified).

This year

Last year

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21.4 Where unrestricted funds have been designated to a fund commitment, please disclose the nature of any amounts designated and the likely timing of that expenditure.

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Section C**Notes to the accounts****(cont)****Note 24****Cash at bank and in hand**

Short term cash investments (less than 3 months maturity date)
Short term deposits
Cash at bank and on hand
Other
Total

This year £	Last year £
-	-
-	-
80,317	101,248
-	-
80,317	101,248

Note 27 Charity funds

27.1 Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

Please give details of the movements of material individual funds in the reporting period together with a balancing figure for 'Other funds'. The 'Total funds' figure below should reconcile to 'Total funds' in the balance sheet.

* Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendable endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
Lloyds Bank Foundation	R		29,202	-	29,202	-	-	-
Henry Smith	R		-	39,800	35,700	-	-	4,100
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
Other funds	N/a	N/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds			29,202	39,800	64,902	-	-	4,100

Section C Notes to the accounts (cont)

Note 27 Charity funds (cont)

27.2 Details of material funds held and movements during the PREVIOUS reporting period

Please give details of the movements of material individual funds in the reporting period together with a balancing figure for 'Other funds'. The 'Total funds' figure below should reconcile to 'Total funds' in the balance sheet.

* Key: PE - permanent endowment funds; EE - expendable endowment funds; R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and U - unrestricted funds

Fund names	Type PE, EE R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund balances brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
Lloyds Bank Foundation	R		22,000	27,250	20,048	-	-	29,202
Henry Smith	R		-	39,600	39,600	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-	-	-
Other funds	N/a	N/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds			22,000	66,850	59,648	-	-	29,202

Note 28 Transactions with trustees and related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in guidance notes) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box or "False" if there are transactions to report.

28.1 Trustee remuneration and benefits**This year**

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity (True or False)

TRUE

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value				
		Remuneration	Pension contribution	Redundancy (including loss of office)/ex gratia	Other	TOTAL
		£	£	£	£	£
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.

Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.

Last year

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with their charity or a related entity (True or False)

TRUE

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value				
		Remuneration	Pension contribution	Redundancy (including loss of office)/ex gratia	Other	TOTAL
		£	£		£	£
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.

Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.

28.2 Trustees' expenses

If the charity has paid trustees expenses for fulfilling their duties, details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box below. If there are transactions to report, please enter "False".

No trustee expenses have been incurred (True or False)

TRUE

Type of expenses reimbursed	This year	Last year
	£	£
Travel	-	-
Subsistence	-	-
Accommodation	-	-
Other (please specify):	-	-
	-	-
TOTAL	-	-

Please provide the number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity

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28.3 Transaction(s) with related parties

Please give details of any transaction undertaken by (or on behalf of) the charity in which a related party has a material interest, including where funds have been held as agent for related parties. If there are no such transactions, please enter 'true' in the box provided.

This year

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period (True or False)

TRUE

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.

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For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.

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Last year

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period (True or False)

TRUE

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.

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For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.

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Note 29	Additional Disclosures
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The following are significant matters which are not covered in other notes and need to be included to provide a proper understanding of the accounts. If there is insufficient room here, please add a separate sheet.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Vocal Advocacy

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1152778

Set out on pages

Standard Accounts Template

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 03 / 2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

13 / 06 / 2024

Name:

Nicholas Millard

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

F.M.A.A.T.

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.