

FAIRFIELD ENVIRONMENT TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1153131

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	08488814
Registered	2013-07-30
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Bridge 5 Mill 22a Beswick Street Manchester M4 7HR
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Activities

Objects: A. THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY:I. THE PROMOTION OF WASTE REDUCTION, RE-USE RECLAMATION, RECYCLING, USE OF RECYCLED PRODUCTS AND THE USE OF SURPLUS;II. ADVANCING THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC ABOUT ALL ASPECTS OF WASTE GENERATION, WASTE MANAGEMENT AND WASTE RECYCLING.B. THE PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC BY:I. THE PRESERVATION, CONSERVATION AND THE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE PRUDENT USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES;II. THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE IN SOCIALLY AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES;III. THE PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE MEANS OF ACHIEVING ECONOMIC GROWTH AND REGENERATION.SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT MEANS ?DEVELOPMENT THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE PRESENT WITHOUT COMPROMISING THE ABILITY OF FUTURE GENERATIONS TO MEET THEIR OWN NEEDS.?C. THE PROMOTION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC OF URBAN OR RURAL REGENERATION IN AREAS OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEPRIVATION (AND IN PARTICULAR IN NORTH WEST ENGLAND) BY ALL OR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MEANS:I. THE RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT;II. THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, TRAINING OR RETRAINING, PARTICULARLY AMONG UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE, AND PROVIDING UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE WITH WORK EXPERIENCE;III. THE PROTECTION OR CONSERVATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT.

Activities: Through wholly-owned trading subsidiaries Bridge 5 Mill Limited and Kindling Trust Limited the charity provides office accommodation and conference venue for the voluntary / environmental sector at Bridge 5 Mill, Ancoats, Manchester; and delivers sustainable food projects, skills training and grows organic food, including by establishing the Kindling Farm at Barn Hey Farm, Tarbock .

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£4,745	£16,669	-	-
2024-05-31	£406	£14,889	-	-
2023-05-31	£58,430	£75,041	-	-
2022-05-31	£1,061,317	£1,079,748	£734,263	25
2021-05-31	£1,409,429	£1,365,329	£752,693	19

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CHRISTOPHER JOHN WALSH	Chair	2013-05-09
Helen Woodcock		2016-06-01
IAN TRIPPIER		2013-05-09
Neil James Corney		2016-05-27

Accounts

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Reference and administration information

Company number 08488814

Charity number 1153131

Registered office and operational address

Bridge 5 Mill, 22a Beswick Street, Ancoats, Manchester M4 7HR

Trustees

The trustees, who are also directors under company law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

Ian Trippier - Secretary

Neil Corney

Chris Walsh - Chair

Helen Woodcock

Darren Pegram (resigned 6/11/23)

Key management personnel

The key management personnel were the trustees.

Bankers

Co-operative Bank plc

Triodos Bank N.V.

Solicitors

Christopher Murphy

Whitehead's Solicitors

6 Water Street

Newcastle-under-Lyme

Staffordshire

ST5 1HR

Independent examiner

Patrick Morrello

Third Sector Accountancy Limited

Holyoake House

Hanover Street

Manchester M60 0AS.

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Trustees' annual report for the year ended 31 May 2023

The trustees present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2023. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

Reference and administrative information forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity are:

- a. The protection and preservation of the environment for the public benefit by:
 - i. the promotion of waste reduction, re-use reclamation, recycling use of recycled products and the use of surplus;
 - ii. advancing the education of the public about all aspects of waste generation, waste management and waste recycling.
- b. The promotion of sustainable development for the benefit of the public by:
 - i. the preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment and the prudent use of natural resources;
 - ii. the relief of poverty and the improvement of the conditions of life in socially and economically disadvantaged communities;
 - iii. the promotion of sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration.

Sustainable development means "development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".
- c. The promotion for the benefit of the public of urban or rural regeneration in areas of social and economic deprivation (and in particular in North West England) by all or any of the following means:
 - i. the relief of unemployment
 - ii. the advancement of education, training or retraining, particularly among unemployed people, and providing unemployed people with work experience;
 - iii. the protection or conservation of the environment.

Through its wholly-owned trading subsidiary Bridge 5 Mill Limited ("B5M") the charity provides serviced office accommodation, conference and meeting spaces for the voluntary and environmental sector in Bridge 5 Mill, Ancoats, Manchester.

Through its wholly-owned subsidiary The Kindling Trust Limited ("KT") the charity delivers sustainable food projects, improving health and well-being and increasing skills and knowledge through: education, volunteering opportunities, and increased access to fresh food. Additionally it is accomplishing all these charitable objects through its work to establish the Kindling Community Farm.

Through its wholly-owned trading subsidiary Fairfield Environmental Services Limited ("FES") the charity in the past provided a leading-edge waste re-use and recycling service at New Smithfield Market in East Manchester, however, FES activity ceased this activity during the previous year.

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Through all these enterprises it has created employment and volunteering opportunities and provided work-experience places to local residents and provided a home for a number of community and voluntary sector groups.

The trustees review the aims, objectives and activities of the charity each year. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period. The trustees report the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to those groups of people that it is set up to help. The review also helps the trustees ensure the charity's aims, objectives and activities remained focused on its stated purposes.

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

Achievements and performance

The charity's main activities and who it tries to help are described below. All its charitable activities focus on sustainability and are undertaken to further Fairfield Environment Trust's charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Financial performance

The charity's assets continue to be used by its trading subsidiaries.

Bridge 5 Mill continued to see an increase in income during the 22/23 financial year and at least 13 out of the 15 offices were occupied by tenants on any given month. Events bookings did not recover to pre-Covid levels but brought in some additional revenue for the Mill. The staff team worked on a new business plan to promote the workspaces and events spaces and some exciting new projects for the mill. However, the lift which is essential for tenants and full accessibility became unreliable, requiring a major fundraising drive for its refurbishment.

It was a busy year for the Kindling Trust with a wide range of events and activities at their Woodbank Community Food Hub site in Stockport, engaging over 1,000 people from local communities in sustainable food and farming. A particularly exciting development was that with the support of the Kindling Trust team, our sister organisation, Kindling Farm, purchased a farm at the end of March 2023!

Employment, Training and Volunteering

B5M and Kindling continued to provide its staff with additional training and to update mandatory training as required.

Charitable objectives and activities

The charity's environmental objects have been carried out in a number of ways through its wholly-owned subsidiaries:

Bridge 5 Mill Limited - offering environmentally friendly office and event space for those seeking it in Manchester, specifically for charities and social enterprises and by offering reduced rates for event space for these types of organisations, as well as community groups local to the Mill.

The Kindling Trust - held a number of community activities at Woodbank Community Food Hub to engage people in environmental and social issues. This included a wellbeing programme with Afghan refugees, focused on growing and cooking sustainable food and sharing a meal together; a range of community activities to engage the public that engaged over 1000 people in our communities; and educational and volunteering opportunities for over 160 people on the land and improving their wellbeing and sense of community. The Kindling Trust also continued work to establish the Kindling Community Farm where it aims to build on and expand these charitable activities.

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Financial review

The charity's main income derives from its ownership of its trading subsidiaries Fairfield Environmental Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited, receiving the subsidiaries' profit as a donation at the end of each financial year. The charity and the directors of the subsidiaries, which it appoints, are aware of the need to diversify the income of the subsidiaries and certain investments have been made to bring this about.

This year Fairfield Environment Trust received no additional grants to those mentioned in last year's accounts. The Kindling Trust was awarded an additional three year grant by the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust, towards its core costs.

Reserves policy

Fairfield Environment Trust is committed to maintaining the subsidiaries which carry out its charitable activities. These subsidiaries require a level of reserves, so our reserve policy is at a group level.

The reserves policy is based on 3 months group core costs which we estimate to be £50,000. This is based on the amount that would be needed to fill the gap in core salaries in the situation that Bridge 5 Mill were to have no event bookings over 3 months and a core wage to run down the activities of the other subsidiaries. Current free reserves are £30,000 which is still short of our target but a better position than last year. The trustees remain committed to reaching the desired level of reserves through our marketing strategy for Bridge 5 Mill and our fundraising strategy for the Kindling Trust and the group as a whole.

Fairfield Environment Trust has no employees or other financial commitments and has a limited but reasonably constant income from group companies, so does not need reserves of its own.

Risk management

Internal financial risks are controlled by the directors through the receipt of a monthly financial report from the General Manager encompassing management accounts, bank statements and reconciliation reports.

Internal control risks are managed by the adoption of a set of policies and procedures implemented by the General Manager covering Health and Safety and Standard Operating Procedures.

External risks to the charity are subject to constant review by the directors and will, in time, result in a strategic plan designed to minimise or eliminate their potential effects.

The charity trustees have given consideration to the major risks to which the charity is exposed and satisfied themselves that systems or procedures are established in order to manage those risks.

Plans for the future

The charity will continue with its current activities and attempt to diversify them through the development of additional services.

Some investment has been made by the charity in the Bridge 5 Mill Limited's building, and will continue to be invested in as we go forward to maximise income generated from the office and events spaces. Fairfield Environment Trust are staying up to date with the progress of the Kindling Farm as an official supporter member of Kindling Farm through a community shares investment.

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Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 15 April 2013 and registered as a charity on 30 July 2013.

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.

Members of the charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 May 2023 was 5. The trustees are members of the charity but this entitles them only to voting rights. The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 10 to the accounts.

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meets monthly. A General Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

Appointment of trustees

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the charity's articles are known as directors. Directors serve for three years with one third of the board of directors retiring every year. Directors are elected at the Annual General Meeting.

As disclosed in note 10, the Trustees received remuneration for their paid roles as employees of subsidiary companies. This did not include their duties as trustees and was a continuation of their paid roles within the organisations that have now become part of the group. None of the Trustees received any remuneration or benefits for their duties as Trustees. The payment of trustees is permitted by the charity's governing document.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are generally recruited from individuals who have had some previous experience of or involvement in the charity. New trustees are welcomed with an induction pack containing the Memorandum and Articles, latest published accounts and a set of the charity's adopted policies and procedures.

Related parties and relationships with other organisations

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work with the charity, except as disclosed above and in note 10. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. In the current year no such related party transactions were reported.

Remuneration policy for key management personnel

The charity was in the process of conducting a full staffing and structure review when the pandemic started, but the challenges and increased workload brought about by the pandemic and changing lockdown rules and regulations meant that we put this on hold. We have made some progress but aim to continue this review in the coming year. This will include a review of the pay scales with the levels of responsibility of the management personnel for each subsidiary. The pay scale reflects management level regarding number of staff, health and safety risk and responsibility and budget and financial management and responsibility.

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Statement of responsibilities of the trustees

The trustees (who are also directors of Fairfield Environment Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then 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 and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- There is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware
- The trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' annual report has been approved by the trustees on 26 / 02 / 2024 and signed on their behalf by



Helen Woodcock

Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Fairfield Environment Trust

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2023 set out on pages 8 to 20.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the 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 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.

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Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
(including Income and Expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 May 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Unrestricted funds £</i>	<i>Restricted funds £</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	36,715	-	36,715	965	-	965
Charitable activities	4	-	21,570	21,570	-	87,280	87,280
Other trading activities - discontinued operation	5	-	-	-	11,950	-	11,950
Investments	6	145	-	145	1,674	-	1,674
Total income		36,860	21,570	58,430	14,589	87,280	101,869
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	53,471	21,570	75,041	59,215	87,280	146,495
Total expenditure		53,471	21,570	75,041	59,215	87,280	146,495
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	8	(16,611)	-	(16,611)	(44,626)	-	(44,626)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year		(16,611)	-	(16,611)	(44,626)	-	(44,626)
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		548,182	-	548,182	592,808	-	592,808
Total funds carried forward		531,571	-	531,571	548,182	-	548,182

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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Balance Sheets
as at 31 May 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	445,688	451,459
Investments	40,002	40,002
Total fixed assets	485,690	491,461
Current assets		
Debtors	18,453	22,256
Cash at bank and in hand	29,325	40,244
Total current assets	47,778	62,500
Liabilities		
Creditors: amounts falling due in less than one year	(1,895)	(5,778)
Net current assets	45,883	56,722
Total assets less current liabilities	531,573	548,183
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-
Net assets	531,573	548,183
Funds of the charity:		
Restricted income funds	-	-
Unrestricted income funds	531,573	548,183
Total charity funds	531,573	548,183

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company.

For the financial year in question, the company was entitled to exemption from an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The notes on pages 10 to 20 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 26 / 02 / 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



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Helen Woodcock (Trustee)

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on October 2019 (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Fairfield Environment Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

b Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern.

c Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of a provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

d Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2023 (continued)

e Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

f Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Expenditure on charitable activities includes staff and administration costs relating to obtaining grant funding, paying grants and supporting the activities of the subsidiary companies, which carry out charitable activities on behalf of the charity. Included in the costs are the associated support costs.

g Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated as expenditure on charitable activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 7.

h Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

Freehold building	1% per annum
Plant and equipment	20% per annum

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i Fixed asset investments

The charity holds investments in the subsidiary companies and an equity investment. The investments are stated at cost.

The charity holds a £40,000 programme related equity investment in a community benefit society, Kindling Farm Limited (see note 10).

j Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

k Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

l Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions 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 and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

m Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the charity. The registered office address is disclosed on page 1.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2023 (continued)

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £
Donations from subsidiaries	36,715	-	36,715	965	-	965
Total	36,715	-	36,715	965	-	965

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £
Grants	-	21,570	21,570	-	87,280	87,280
Total	-	21,570	21,570	-	87,280	87,280

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>2022</i> £
Asset disposal	-	-	-	7,450	-	7,450
Equipment hire charges	-	-	-	4,500	-	4,500
	-	-	-	11,950	-	11,950

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2023 (continued)

6 Investment income

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>Total 2022</i> £
Income from bank deposits	145	-	145	1,674	-	1,674
	<u>145</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>1,674</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,674</u>

7 Cost of charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>2022</i> £
Staff costs	9,518	-	9,518	12,000	-	12,000
Professional fees	1,830	-	1,830	12,177	-	12,177
Operations and administration	7,315	-	7,315	8,205	-	8,205
Depreciation	5,771	-	5,771	13,833	-	13,833
Grants paid	29,037	21,570	50,607	13,000	87,280	100,280
	<u>53,471</u>	<u>21,570</u>	<u>75,041</u>	<u>59,215</u>	<u>87,280</u>	<u>146,495</u>

The grants were paid to The Kindling Trust Limited (£48,607) and Kindling Farm Limited (£2,000).

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2023 (continued)

8 Net income/(expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging/(crediting):	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation	5,771	13,833
Loss/(profit) on disposal of fixed assets	-	7,450
Interest payable	-	1,674
Auditor's remuneration - audit fees	-	4,000
Auditor's remuneration - accountancy fees	-	1,500
Independent examiner's remuneration	700	-
	<u>700</u>	<u>-</u>

9 Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Net wages	9,117	12,000
Payroll admin	34	-
	<u>9,151</u>	<u>12,000</u>

No employees has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2022: Nil).

The average number of staff employed by the charity during the period was 1 (2022: 1).

The key management personnel of the charity are trustees and the manager. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £9,151 (2022: £12,000).

Two trustees also received remuneration for their work for The Kindling Trust Limited (see note 10).

10 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions

In accordance with the charity's governing document, the following trustees received remuneration for carrying out the activities of the subsidiaries. No trustee was paid for their work as trustees.

The remuneration of trustees was as follows:

	Chris Walsh	Helen Woodcock	Amy Haigh
Employed by	The Kindling Trust Ltd	The Kindling Trust Ltd	Fairfield Environment Trust
Gross pay	17,159	19,041	9,151
Pension contributions	1,751	1,570	
Reimbursed expenses	3,535	20	

Apart from the above, neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2023 (continued)

10 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions - cont

The Kindling Trust Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of the charity. During the year the charity made grant payments totalling £50,607 (2022: £86,280) and paid £9,151 for wage recharges (2022: £12,000) to The Kindling Trust Limited. At the year end, £895 (2022: £778) was owed by the charity to the Kindling Trust Limited.

Fairfield Environment Trust held a loan of £15,000 (2022: £15,000) to its wholly owned subsidiary Bridge 5 Mill Limited. This loan is unsecured, interest free, and has no fixed repayment date. During the year, the charity made no payments to Bridge 5 Mill Limited (2022: £30).

Fairfield Environmental Services Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of the charity. At the year end, the balance of a loan made to Fairfield Environmental Services Limited by the charity was nil (2022: £4,160). Interest on the loan was payable at normal commercial rates. During the year, Fairfield Environmental Services Limited made payments totalling £35,715 (2022: £5,465) to the charity.

Fairfield Environmental Trust hold a £40,000 (2022: £40,000) equity investment in Kindling Farm Limited, a community benefit society. During the year a £2,000 donation was made by the charity to Kindling Farm Limited (2022: nil). Chris Walsh and Helen Woodcock are directors of Kindling Farm Limited.

Apart from the above, no trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2022: nil).

11 Corporation tax

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

The charity's trading subsidiaries gift aid available profits to the parent charity. No tax charges arose in the subsidiary companies.

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12 Fixed assets: tangible assets

The charity	Plant and equipment £	Land and buildings £	Total £
Cost			
At 01 June 2022	16,847	473,374	490,221
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 May 2023	16,847	473,374	490,221
Depreciation			
At 01 June 2022	13,202	25,560	38,762
Charge for the year	1,916	3,855	5,771
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 May 2023	15,118	29,415	44,533
Net book value			
At 31 May 2023	1,729	443,959	445,688
At 31 May 2022	3,645	447,814	451,459

13 Investments

	2023 £	2022 £
Share in Fairfield Environmental Services Limited	1	1
Share in Bridge 5 Mill Limited	1	1
Kindling Farm Limited	40,000	40,000
Cost at the end of the year	40,002	40,002

All investments are stated at cost.

The shares in Fairfield Environment Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited confer 100% ownership on the parent charity.

Kindling Farm Limited is a programme related investment. The shares are society shares and are not transferable but may be repaid. They give the charity only an insignificant voting power at the AGM of Kindling Farm Limited.

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11 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	-	13
Loans to subsidiaries	15,000	19,160
Other debtors	1,275	1,348
Prepayments and accrued income	2,178	1,735
	<u>18,453</u>	<u>22,256</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	895	778
Accruals	1,000	5,000
	<u>1,895</u>	<u>5,778</u>

13 Analysis of movements in group restricted funds

	Balance at 01 June 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 May 2023 £
Heritage Trust	-	21,570	(21,570)	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>21,570</u>	<u>(21,570)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Analysis of movements in restricted funds - comparative period

	Balance at 01 June 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 01 June 2022 £
Sustainable food production					
Heritage Trust	-	87,280	(87,280)	-	-
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>87,280</u>	<u>(87,280)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Name of
restricted fund
Heritage Trust

Description, nature and purposes of the fund

Heritage tree nursery: mitigating climate change and building biodiversity through edible trees

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14 Analysis of movement in unrestricted funds

	Balance at 01 June 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	As at 31 May 2023 £
General fund	96,724	36,862	(53,471)	5,771	85,886
Designated property assets fund	451,459	-	-	(5,771)	445,688
	548,183	36,862	(53,471)	-	531,574
	<i>Balance at 01 June 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>As at 01 June 2022 £</i>
General fund	114,104	101,869	(146,495)	27,246	96,724
Designated property assets fund	478,705	-	-	(27,246)	451,459
	592,809	101,869	(146,495)	-	548,183

Name of	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
General fund	The free reserves after allowing for all designated funds
Designated property assets fund	The fixed assets, net of related hire purchase liabilities, are essential for the future operation of the charity and so are excluded from free reserves.

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15 Analysis of net assets between funds

Current reporting period

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	-	445,688	-	445,688
Fixed asset investments	40,002	-	-	40,002
Net current assets/(liabilities)	45,883	-	-	45,883
Total	85,885	445,688	-	531,573

Previous reporting period

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	-	451,459	-	451,459
Fixed asset investments	40,002	-	-	40,002
Net current assets/(liabilities)	56,722	-	-	56,722
Total	96,724	451,459	-	548,183

16 Operating lease commitments

The group's total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases is as follows for each of the following periods:

	Property		Equipment	
	2023 £	2022 £	2023 £	2022 £
Less than one year	-	-	-	27,212
One to five years	-	-	-	40,818
	-	-	-	68,030

The charity had no commitments under non-cancellable operating leases.

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Company number: 08488814

Charity Number: 1153131

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Reference and administration information

Company number 08488814

Charity number 1153131

Registered office and operational address

Bridge 5 Mill, 22a Beswick Street, Ancoats, Manchester M4 7HR

Trustees

Trustees, who are also directors under company law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

Ian Trippier - Secretary

Neil Corney

Chris Walsh - Chair

Helen Woodcock

Darren Pegram

Lee Minchin (appointed 21 October 2021, resigned 1 January 2023))

Key management personnel

The key management personnel were Richard Garth Jones (manager of Fairfield Environmental Services Limited), and Helen Woodcock and Chris Walsh (managers of The Kindling Trust Limited), and the trustees.

Bankers

Co-operative Bank plc

Triodos Bank N.V.

Solicitors

Christopher Murphy

Whitehead's Solicitors

6 Water Street

Newcastle-under-Lyme

Staffordshire

ST5 1HR

Auditors

Third Sector Accountancy Limited, Holyoake House, Hanover Street, Manchester M60 0AS.

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Trustees' annual report for the year ended 31 May 2022

The trustees present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2022. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

Reference and administrative information forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity are:

- a. The protection and preservation of the environment for the public benefit by:
 - i. the promotion of waste reduction, re-use reclamation, recycling use of recycled products and the use of surplus;
 - ii. advancing the education of the public about all aspects of waste generation, waste management and waste recycling.
- b. The promotion of sustainable development for the benefit of the public by:
 - i. the preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment and the prudent use of natural resources;
 - ii. the relief of poverty and the improvement of the conditions of life in socially and economically disadvantaged communities;
 - iii. the promotion of sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration.

Sustainable development means "development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".
- c. The promotion for the benefit of the public of urban or rural regeneration in areas of social and economic deprivation (and in particular in North West England) by all or any of the following means:
 - i. the relief of unemployment
 - ii. the advancement of education, training or retraining, particularly among unemployed people, and providing unemployed people with work experience;
 - iii. the protection or conservation of the environment.

Through its wholly-owned trading subsidiary Fairfield Environmental Services Limited ("FES") the charity provided a leading-edge waste re-use and recycling service at New Smithfield Market in East Manchester specialising in fresh foodstuffs and their packaging. This activity was not considered to be a charitable activity due to the commercial manner in which it is carried out, and the income and expenditure has been included in "Income from other trading activities" and "Expenditure on raising funds" respectively. This activity ceased during the year.

Through its wholly-owned trading subsidiary Bridge 5 Mill Limited ("B5M") the charity provides serviced office accommodation, conference and meeting spaces for the voluntary and environmental sector in Bridge 5 Mill, Ancoats, Manchester.

Through its wholly-owned subsidiary The Kindling Trust Limited ("KT") the charity delivers sustainable food projects, improving health and well-being and increasing skills and knowledge through: education, volunteering opportunities, and increased access to fresh food. Additionally it is accomplishing all these charitable objects through its work to establish the Kindling Community Farm.

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Through all these enterprises it has created employment and volunteering opportunities and provided work-experience places to local residents and provided a home for a number of community and voluntary sector groups.

The trustees review the aims, objectives and activities of the charity each year. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period. The trustees report the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to those groups of people that it is set up to help. The review also helps the trustees ensure the charity's aims, objectives and activities remained focused on its stated purposes.

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

Achievements and performance

The charity's main activities and who it tries to help are described below. All its charitable activities focus on sustainability and are undertaken to further Fairfield Environment Trust's charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Financial performance

The charity's assets continue to be used by its trading subsidiaries. One subsidiary Fairfield Environmental Services Limited has recently lost a major contract with Manchester City Council which has led to it ceasing to trade at the end of this financial year. All its debts have been settled, all its residual income has been received and its bank balances and the realisation of the value of its residual assets will be received by the charity in due course.

Bridge 5 Mill continues to see an increase in income since the Covid 19. During the 21/22 financial year, at least 13 out of the 15 offices were occupied on any given month. An increase in event bookings has brought in even more revenue for the mill, which is forecast to become even more profitable now that the mill has three staff members (since July 2022); A building manager and a new communications officer. The new team are working on a new business plan that includes development plans for the building, a new pricing model for the function rooms, marketing strategies to promote the workspaces and rooms and some exciting new projects for the mill.

It's been a busy but exciting year for the Kindling Trust. After the last 2 (long) years we felt able to properly get back to engaging more people and extending our reach more widely in our communities; building community through food; sharing and building knowledge and skills; creating a buzzing, creative, welcoming community food hub and through this to find collective solutions to the many social and ecological challenges we face.

There is still a long way to go and, particularly in current times, it can feel like the challenges being thrown at our communities are relentless. But we have made incredible progress over the last year both in our work at Woodbank Community Food Hub and through our development work to establish Kindling Farm. The main highlights of the Kindling year include:

- Our Grow, Cook, Eat wellbeing sessions, with Kurdish refugees who have been living in a hotel, with no access to a kitchen or common space. The programme, involving gardening, cooking and sharing a meal together, has been a huge success and we have been taught lots of delicious Kurdish recipes.
- The community programme has really taken off with a whole range of workshops, courses and monthly events, engaging over 1000 people in sustainable food and farming.
- Our Community Garden producing over 40 varieties of fruit and veg; enough to share amongst our 16 or so Community Gardeners, to sell locally on our weekly stall and to turn into a range of delicious preserves.
- Great progress on the the FarmStart training programme and Market garden site, including:
 - An amazing team of 6 Farmstart trainees participating in the programme
 - Taking on 2 additional large double span polytunnels enabling us to start winter salad production for the first time

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- Training a further 9 people through our 4 day commercial organic growers course
- Being able to open up our Saturday Market Garden volunteering sessions to the public once again and engaging 166 participants.
- Training 245 people in tree grafting, planting and care
- Through our heritage fruit tree project engaging an incredible 10,000 people in fruit trees and sustainable food and farming (over the 15 month life of the project).
- Last but not least, our successful community shares campaign in 2021, to help establish Kindling Farm, raised over £1 million and engaged over 600 new Kindling Farm members!

Employment, Training and Volunteering

Until 31st. January in the year in question the charity's subsidiaries had an average staff of 19 employed staff. From 1st. February 2022 all staff employed BY FES were transferred under the TUPE regulations to Biffa Waste Services Ltd. B5M and Kindling continued to provide its staff with additional training and to update mandatory training as required.

Charitable objectives and activities

The charity's environmental objects have been carried out in a number of ways through its wholly-owned subsidiaries:

Bridge 5 Mill Limited - offering environmentally friendly office and event space for those seeking it in Manchester, specifically for charities and social enterprises by offering reduced rates for event space for these types of organisations.

The Kindling Trust - held a number of community activities at Woodbank Community Food Hub to engage people in environmental and social issues. This included a wellbeing programme with Kurdish refugees, focused on growing and cooking sustainable food and sharing a meal together; a range of community activities to engage the public that engaged over 1000 people in our communities; and educational and volunteering opportunities for over 160 people on the land and improving their wellbeing and sense of community. The Kindling Trust also continued work to establish the Kindling Community Farm where it aims to build on and expand these charitable activities.

Financial review

The charity's main income derives from its ownership of its trading subsidiaries Fairfield Environmental Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited. The charity hires out equipment it owns to its subsidiaries and also receives the subsidiaries' profit as a donation at the end of each financial year. The charity and the directors of the subsidiaries, which it appoints, are aware of the need to diversify the income of the subsidiaries and certain investments have been made to bring this about.

This year Fairfield Environment Trust received no additional grants to those mentioned in last year's accounts. The grants shown in these accounts are instalments of the Heritage Lottery Trust's Green Recovery Fund awarded in 2020/2021.

The Kindling Trust was awarded an additional grant by the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust, to review and evaluate the success of their work and aim to engage people in ecological and social change.

Reserves policy

Fairfield Environment Trust is committed to maintaining the subsidiaries which carry out its charitable activities. These subsidiaries require a level of reserves, so our reserve policy is at a group level.

The reserves policy is based on 3 months group core costs which we estimate to be £50,000. This is based on the amount that would be needed to fill the gap in core salaries in the situation that Bridge 5 Mill were to have no event bookings over 3 months and a core wage to run down the activities of the other subsidiaries. Current free reserves

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have risen over the year to £25,000 which is still short of our target but a better position than last year. The trustees remain committed to reaching the desired level of reserves through our marketing strategy for Bridge 5 Mill and our fundraising strategy for the Kindling Trust and the group as a whole.

Fairfield Environment Trust has no employees or other financial commitments and has a limited but reasonably constant income from group companies, so does not need reserves of its own.

Risk management

Internal financial risks are controlled by the directors through the receipt of a monthly financial report from the General Manager encompassing management accounts, bank statements and reconciliation reports.

Internal control risks are managed by the adoption of a set of policies and procedures implemented by the General Manager covering Health and Safety and Standard Operating Procedures.

External risks to the charity are subject to constant review by the directors and will, in time, result in a strategic plan designed to minimise or eliminate their potential effects.

The charity trustees have given consideration to the major risks to which the charity is exposed and satisfied themselves that systems or procedures are established in order to manage those risks.

Plans for the future

The charity will continue with its current activities and attempt to diversify them through the development of additional services.

Some investment has been made by the charity in the Bridge 5 Mill Limited's building, and will continue to be invested in as we go forward to maximise income generated from the office and events space. Fairfield Environment Trust are staying up to date with the progress of the Kindling Farm as an official supporter member of Kindling Farm through community shares investment.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 15 April 2013 and registered as a charity on 30 July 2013.

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.

Members of the charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 May 2022 was 6 (2021: 5). The trustees are members of the charity but this entitles them only to voting rights. The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 12 to the accounts.

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meets monthly. A General Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

Appointment of trustees

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the charity's articles are known as directors. Directors serve for three years with one third of the board of directors retiring every year. Directors are elected at the Annual General Meeting.

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As disclosed in note 12, the Trustees received remuneration for their paid roles as employees of subsidiary companies. This did not include their duties as trustees and was a continuation of their paid roles within the organisations that have now become part of the group. None of the Trustees received any remuneration or benefits for their duties as Trustees. The payment of trustees is permitted by the charity's governing document.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are generally recruited from individuals who have had some previous experience of or involvement in the charity. New trustees are welcomed with an induction pack containing the Memorandum and Articles, latest published accounts and a set of the charity's adopted policies and procedures.

Related parties and relationships with other organisations

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work with the charity, except as disclosed above and in note 12. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. In the current year no such related party transactions were reported.

Remuneration policy for key management personnel

The charity was in the process of conducting a full staffing and structure review when the pandemic started, but the challenges and increased workload brought about by the pandemic and changing lockdown rules and regulations meant that we put this on hold. We have made some progress but aim to continue this review in the coming year. This will include a review of the pay scales with the levels of responsibility of the management personnel for each subsidiary. The pay scale reflects management level regarding number of staff, health and safety risk and responsibility and budget and financial management and responsibility.

Statement of responsibilities of the trustees

The trustees (who are also directors of Fairfield Environment Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then 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 and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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- There is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware
- The trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Auditors

Third Sector Accountancy Limited were appointed as the charitable company's auditors in June 2019 and have expressed their willingness to continue in that capacity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' annual report has been approved by the trustees on 23 / 02 / 2023 and signed on their behalf by



Ian Trippier

Trustee

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Fairfield Environment Trust

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Fairfield Environment Trust (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 May 2022 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, The Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 May 2022, and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the group and parent charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate and sufficient accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies' regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the directors' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 6, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or the parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed auditor under the Companies Act 2006 and section 151 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with those Acts.

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Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

Capability of the audit in detecting irregularities, including fraud

Based on our understanding of the group and environment in which it operates, we identified the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to pension legislation, tax legislation, employment legislation, health and safety legislation, and other legislation specific to the industry in which the group operates, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Companies Act 2006, the reporting requirements under the Charities SORP and FRS102, and the Charities Act 2011.

We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principle risks were related to the pressure on management to achieve particular results. Audit procedures performed by the group engagement team included:

- Discussions with management including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance;
- Evaluating management's controls designed to prevent and detect irregularities;
- Identifying and testing journal entries; and
- Challenging assumptions and judgments made by management.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members and its trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

P Morrello

Patrick Morrello (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Third Sector Accountancy Limited, Statutory Auditor
Holyoake House, Hanover Street, Manchester M60 0AS

24 / 02 / 2023

Fairfield Environment Trust
Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
(including Income and Expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 May 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2022 £	<i>Unrestricted funds £</i>	<i>Restricted funds £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	3,983	3,200	7,183	17,284	2,868	20,152
Charitable activities	4	137,358	175,397	312,755	93,830	256,967	350,797
Other trading activities - discontinued operation	5	739,700	-	739,700	1,038,472	-	1,038,472
Investments	6	1,679	-	1,679	8	-	8
Total income		882,720	178,597	1,061,317	1,149,594	259,835	1,409,429
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds - discontinued operation	7	698,353	-	698,353	1,074,184	-	1,074,184
Charitable activities	8	133,728	247,667	381,395	104,267	186,878	291,145
Total expenditure		832,081	247,667	1,079,748	1,178,451	186,878	1,365,329
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	10	50,639	(69,070)	(18,431)	(28,857)	72,957	44,100
Transfer between funds		(4,534)	4,534	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds for the year		46,105	(64,536)	(18,431)	(28,857)	72,957	44,100
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		595,311	157,382	752,693	624,168	84,425	708,593
Total funds carried forward		641,416	92,846	734,262	595,311	157,382	752,693

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

Fairfield Environment Trust
Company number 08488814
Balance Sheets
as at 31 May 2022

		The group		The Charity	
	Note	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	14	488,314	549,482	451,458	478,704
Investments	15	45,000	45,000	40,002	40,002
Total fixed assets		533,314	594,482	491,460	518,706
Current assets					
Stock	18	20,285	2,666	-	-
Debtors	19	64,397	43,169	22,256	24,513
Cash at bank and in hand		235,360	411,120	40,244	76,121
Total current assets		320,042	456,955	62,500	100,634
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due in less than one year	20	(87,129)	(231,822)	(5,778)	(8,156)
Net current assets		232,913	225,133	56,722	92,478
Total assets less current liabilities		766,227	819,615	548,182	611,184
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	21	(31,964)	(66,922)	-	(18,377)
Net assets		734,263	752,693	548,182	592,807
Funds of the charity:					
Restricted income funds	22	92,846	157,382	-	-
Unrestricted income funds	23	641,417	595,311	548,182	592,807
Total charity funds		734,263	752,693	548,182	592,807

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company.

The notes on pages 14 to 34 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 23 / 02 / 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



Helen Woodcock (Trustee)

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Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ending 31 May 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	27	(185,956)	127,788
<i>Cash flows from investing activities:</i>			
Dividends, interest, and rents from investments		1,679	8
Proceeds from sale of tangible fixed assets		47,600	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(4,126)	(40,611)
Cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		45,153	(40,603)
<i>Cash flows from financing activities:</i>			
Repayment of borrowing		(34,957)	(19,743)
Investments in community shares		-	(45,000)
Cash inflows from new borrowing		-	41,552
Cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		(34,957)	(23,191)
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(175,760)	63,994
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		411,120	347,126
Total cash equivalents at the end of the year		235,360	411,120

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Fairfield Environment Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

b Group financial statements

These financial statements consolidate the results of the charitable company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Fairfield Environmental Services Limited, The Kindling Trust Limited, and Bridge 5 Mill Limited on a line by line basis. A separate Statement of Financial Activities and Income and Expenditure account are not presented for the charity itself following exemptions afforded by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

c Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern.

d Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of a provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

e Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

f Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

g Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Costs of raising funds comprise the costs of commercial trading including the the materials management business in the subsidiary company, Fairfield Environmental Services Limited, and the associated support costs.
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of of the sustainable food production activities undertaken by the subsidiary company, The Kindling Trust Limited, and the costs of running the sustainable venu and office space run by the subsidiary company, Bridge 5 Mill Limited. These activities all further the purposes of the charity. Included in the costs are the associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

h Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 9.

i Operating leases

Operating leases are leases in which the title to the assets, and the risks and rewards of ownership, remain with the lessor. Rental charges are charged on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

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j Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

Freehold building	1% per annum
Plant and equipment	20% per annum
Vehicles	20% per annum

k Fixed asset investments

The charity holds investments in the subsidiary companies and an equity investment. Kindling Trust also holds an equity investment.

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost but eliminated on consolidation.

The charity holds a £40,000 programme related equity investment in a community benefit society, Kindling Farm Limited. The subsidiary, The Kindling Trust Limited, holds a £5,000 equity investment in Kindling Farm Limited (see note 15).

l Stock

Stock is included at the lower of cost or net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first in, first out basis. Net realisable value is the price at which stocks can be sold in the normal course of business after allowing for the costs of realisation.

In this period the largest stock item was trees purchased as part of the heritage lottery project. The cost of stock recognised in the accounts is simply the cost of the rootstock and scions. The cost of grafting, planting, and caring for the young trees has not been recognised, because these costs were part of a larger volunteer project with many other outputs, and most of the actual work was done by volunteers. The cost of wages for co-ordinating the volunteers and managing the project was over £90k.

m Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

n Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

o Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions 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 and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

p Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

q Pensions

Employees of the charity are entitled to join a defined contribution scheme. The charity's contribution is restricted to the contributions disclosed in note 11. There were no outstanding contributions at the year end. The costs of the defined contribution scheme are included within support and governance costs and allocated to the funds of the charity using the methodology set out in note 9.

2 Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the charity. The registered office address is disclosed on page 1.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	<i>Unrestricted £</i>	<i>Restricted £</i>	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
Donations - sustainable food production	3,983	3,200	7,183	17,284	2,868	20,152
Total	3,983	3,200	7,183	17,284	2,868	20,152

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	<i>Unrestricted £</i>	<i>Restricted £</i>	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
<i>Sustainable food production</i>						
Grants	27,837	175,397	203,234	-	256,967	256,967
Charitable trading:						
Events and programme fees	3,550	-	3,550	3,345	-	3,345
Consultancy	417	-	417	991	-	991
Vegetable sales	16,335	-	16,335	10,046	-	10,046
	48,139	175,397	223,536	14,382	256,967	271,349
<i>Sustainable venue and office space</i>						
Charitable trading:						
Events	2,264	-	2,264	-	-	-
Office rentals and services	86,381	-	86,381	56,664	-	56,664
Other income	574	-	574	22,784	-	22,784
	89,219	-	89,219	79,448	-	79,448
Total	137,358	175,397	312,755	93,830	256,967	350,797

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	2021 £
Sustainable waste management - discontinued in year	720,075	-	720,075	1,037,653	-	1,037,653
Asset disposal	12,924	-	12,924	-	-	-
Other income	4,659	-	4,659	561	-	561
Tuck shop sales	2,042	-	2,042	258	-	258
	739,700	-	739,700	1,038,472	-	1,038,472

6 Investment income

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2022 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>Total 2021</i> £
Income from bank deposits	1,679	-	1,679	8	-	8
	1,679	-	1,679	8	-	8

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

7 Cost of raising funds

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 £
<i>Sustainable waste management - discontinued in year</i>						
Wages	316,664	-	316,664	450,175	-	450,175
Premises	37,894	-	37,894	76,364	-	76,364
Vehicles and equipment	157,607	-	157,607	173,522	-	173,522
Waste disposal	101,012	-	101,012	249,241	-	249,241
Insurance	(26)	-	(26)	16,995	-	16,995
Other costs	21,024	-	21,024	13,751	-	13,751
Depreciation	11,197	-	11,197	34,020	-	34,020
	<u>645,372</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>645,372</u>	<u>1,014,068</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,014,068</u>
<i>Sustainable venue and office space</i>						
Cost of goods sold - tuck shop	<u>4,645</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,645</u>	<u>357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>357</u>
Support costs	45,181	-	45,181	56,064	-	56,064
Governance costs	3,155	-	3,155	3,695	-	3,695
	<u>698,353</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>698,353</u>	<u>1,074,184</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,074,184</u>
	<u><u>698,353</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>698,353</u></u>	<u><u>1,074,184</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,074,184</u></u>

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

8 Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Sustainable food production £	Sustainable venue and office space £	Total 2022 £	<i>Sustainable food production £</i>	<i>Sustainable venue and office space £</i>	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
Staff costs	167,113	15,504	182,617	106,697	36,882	143,579
Premises	941	2,260	3,201	141	1,076	1,217
Equipment and vehicle rental	14,797	-	14,797	10,397	-	10,397
Cost of sales	-	123	123	-	2	2
Repairs and maintenance	833	23,680	24,513	3,159	18,196	21,355
Insurance	(1,119)	798	(321)	3,585	1,029	4,614
Miscellaneous	1,961	5	1,966	1,589	305	1,894
Office costs	2,824	7,360	10,184	3,976	6,489	10,465
Professional fees	10,708	1,976	12,684	2,248	605	2,853
Training	9,298	-	9,298	4,212	-	4,212
Vehicle costs	1,598	-	1,598	987	-	987
Licences	400	-	400	433	-	433
Advertising, promotion and marketing	3,711	1,208	4,919	4,153	647	4,800
Bad debts	8,850	21,531	30,381	(6,876)	611	(6,265)
Depreciation	12,774	6,648	19,422	6,892	6,779	13,671
Grants paid - Veg Box People	14,000	-	14,000	-	-	-
Other project costs	15,927	-	15,927	35,142	-	35,142
Irrecoverable VAT	4,807	-	4,807	6,208	-	6,208

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities (continued)

	Sustainable food production £	Sustainable venue and office space £	Total 2022 £	<i>Sustainable food production £</i>	<i>Sustainable venue and office space £</i>	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
Support costs (see note 9)	28,629	405	29,034	24,367	9,909	34,276
Governance costs (see note 9)	1,706	139	1,845	962	343	1,305
	299,758	81,637	381,395	208,272	82,873	291,145
Restricted expenditure	247,667	-	247,667	186,878	-	186,878
Unrestricted expenditure	52,091	81,637	133,728	21,394	82,873	104,267
	299,758	81,637	381,395	208,272	82,873	291,145

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

9 Analysis of governance and support costs

	Support £	Governance £	Total 2022 £	Support £	Governance £	Total 2021 £
Staff costs	59,613	-	59,613	77,590	-	77,590
Repairs	3,800	-	3,800	7,372	-	7,372
Insurance	2,429	-	2,429	1,481	-	1,481
Miscellaneous	306	-	306	991	-	991
Office costs	893	-	893	120	-	120
Professional fees	7,177	5,000	12,177	2,600	5,000	7,600
Depreciation	-	-	-	186	-	186
	74,218	5,000	79,218	90,340	5,000	95,340
Allocated as follows, in proportion to staff costs:						
Raising funds	45,181	3,155	48,336	56,064	3,695	59,759
Sustainable food production	28,629	1,706	30,335	24,367	962	25,329
Sustainable venue and office space	405	139	544	9,909	343	10,252
	74,215	5,000	79,215	90,340	5,000	95,340

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

10 Net income/(expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging/(crediting):	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation	29,684	47,876
Loss/(profit) on disposal of fixed assets	(12,924)	-
Interest payable	1,674	2,905
Operating lease rentals:		
Property	5,491	76,364
Auditor's remuneration - audit fees	5,000	4,000
Auditor's remuneration - accountancy fees	1,600	1,000
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11 Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	467,037	560,175
Social security costs	30,317	39,200
Pension costs	45,057	55,854
Other staff costs	18,477	15,849
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	560,888	671,078
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No employees has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2021: Nil).

The average number of staff employed by the group during the period was 30 (2021: 31).

The average number of staff employed by the charity during the period was 1 (2021: Nil).

The key management personnel of the charity are trustees and the managers of the three subsidiaries. In one of the subsidiaries, the managers were paid trustees. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £112,719 (2021: £100,982).

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

12 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions

In accordance with the charity's governing document, the following trustees received remuneration for carrying out the activities of the subsidiaries. No trustee was paid for their work as trustees.

The remuneration of trustees was as follows:

	Chris Walsh	Helen Woodcock	Lee Minchin
Employed by	The Kindling Trust Ltd	The Kindling Trust Ltd	FES
Gross pay	21,373	19,098	13,301
Pension contributions	2,181	1,446	1,400
Reimbursed expenses	4,417	700	-

Apart from the above, neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year.

Chris Walsh and Helen Woodcock are directors of Veg Box People Limited. During the year, The Kindling Trust Limited made sales of £5,571 (2021: £4,485) to Veg Box People Limited, and Veg Box People Limited made sales of £749 (2021: £2,283) to The Kindling Trust Limited. At the year end, £829 (2021: nil) was owed by Veg Box People to the Kindling Trust. Fairfield Environmental Services Limited made sales of nil (2021: £14,000) to Veg Box People Limited. Bridge 5 Mill Limited made sales of £30 (2021: nil) to Veg Box People Limited. All these sales were on normal commercial terms. All these sales were on normal commercial terms.

Fairfield Environment Trust held a loan of £15,000 (2021: £15,000) to its wholly owned subsidiary Bridge 5 Mill Limited. This loan is unsecured, interest free, and has no fixed repayment date.

During the year, Fairfield Environment Trust disposed of assets through its wholly owned subsidiary Fairfield Environmental Services. The disposals in effect constitute a loan of £4,160 (2021: £6,182) to the subsidiary. This loan is unsecured, interest free, and has no fixed repayment date. The Kindling Trust Limited made sales to Fairfield Environment Trust of £778 (2021: nil) on normal commercial terms.

During the year, the subsidiary Kindling Trust received a £4,329 (2021: nil) rent rebate from Bridge 5 Mill in consideration of unpaid work undertaken by Chris Walsh and Helen Woodcock on behalf of the charity.

Fairfield Environmental Trust hold a £40,000 (2021: nil) equity investment in Kindling Farm Limited, a community benefit society. A £5,000 (2021: nil) investment in Kindling Farm Limited is held by the The Kindling Trust Limited. Chris Walsh and Helen Woodcock are directors of Kindling Farm Limited.

The Kindling Trust Limited made an unsecured loan of £10,000 to Veg Box People Limited, a company of which Helen Woodcock and Chris Walsh are directors. The loan is for no fixed term and no interest is charged. The loan has been provided against as there is some doubt about the company's ability to repay the loan. The loan is in support of the charitable objectives of the parent charity.

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During the year, Helen Woodcock was a director of The Landworker's Alliance. During the year, The Kindling Trust Limited received a grant of £1,000 (2021: nil) from The Landworker's Alliance, and made sales to The Landworker's Alliance of £100 (2021: nil). Bridge 5 Mill and made sales to The Landworker's Alliance of £361 (2021: nil). All these sales were on normal commercial terms. All these sales were on normal commercial terms.

Apart from the above, no trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2021: nil).

13 Corporation tax

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

The charity's trading subsidiaries gift aid available profits to the parent charity. No tax charges arose in the subsidiary companies.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

14 Fixed assets: tangible assets

The group	Vehicles £	Plant and equipment £	Land and buildings £	Total £
Cost				
At 01 June 2021	52,640	240,006	473,374	766,020
Additions	-	4,126	-	4,126
Disposals	(36,940)	(163,432)	-	(200,372)
At 31 May 2022	15,700	80,700	473,374	569,774
Depreciation				
At 01 June 2021	35,863	158,970	21,705	216,538
Charge for the year	6,306	20,457	3,855	30,618
Disposals	(35,569)	(130,127)	-	(165,696)
At 31 May 2022	6,600	49,300	25,560	81,460
Net book value				
At 31 May 2022	9,100	31,400	447,814	488,314
At 31 May 2021	16,777	81,036	451,669	549,482

Net book value of group plant and equipment subject to hire purchase agreements was £56,227 (2021: £75,307).

The charity	Vehicles £	Plant and equipment £	Land and buildings £	Total £
Cost				
At 01 June 2021	36,940	93,262	473,374	603,576
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	(36,940)	(76,415)	-	(113,355)
At 31 May 2022	-	16,847	473,374	490,221
Depreciation				
At 01 June 2021	32,065	71,102	21,705	124,872
Charge for the year	3,506	6,472	3,855	13,833
Disposals	(35,570)	(64,372)	-	(99,942)
At 31 May 2022	1	13,202	25,560	38,763
Net book value				
At 31 May 2022	(1)	3,645	447,814	451,458
At 31 May 2021	4,875	22,160	451,669	478,704

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2022 (continued)

15 Investments

	The group		The charity	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Share in Fairfield Environmental Services Limited	-	-	1	1
Share in Bridge 5 Mill Limited	-	-	1	1
Kindling Farm Limited	45,000	45,000	40,000	40,000
Cost at the end of the year	45,000	45,000	40,002	40,002

All investments are stated at cost.

The shares in Fairfield Environment Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited confer 100% ownership on the parent charity.

Kindling Farm Limited is a programme related investment. The shares are society shares and are not transferable but may be repaid. They give the charity only an insignificant voting power at the AGM of Kindling Farm Limited.

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16 Subsidiary undertakings

The Charitable company owns the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of Fairfield Environmental Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited. It is also the sole guarantee member of The Kindling Trust Limited. All three subsidiary companies are registered in England.

Available profits are gift aided to the charitable company. A summary of the results of the subsidiaries is shown below:

	Company number 7865231 Fairfield Environmental Services Limited (discontinued January 2022)		Company number 6136029 The Kindling Trust Limited		Company number 10111644 Bridge 5 Mill Limited	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Profit and loss account						
Turnover	756,011	1,098,506	247,162	297,649	103,252	86,806
Expenditure	(696,111)	(1,111,188)	(303,059)	(211,959)	(80,094)	(77,037)
Donation to parent charity	(965)	-	-	-	-	(27,895)
Net profit	£ 58,935	£ (12,682)	£ (55,897)	£ 85,690	£ 23,158	£ (18,126)
Balance sheet						
Fixed assets	-	24,398	40,853	49,891	1,003	1,489
Current assets	67,054	117,491	128,231	214,858	95,693	72,595
Creditors due in less than one year	12,214	(153,878)	(26,439)	(66,207)	(21,687)	(12,645)
Owed to parent (due in less than one year)	(63,873)	(6,182)	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)
Creditors due in more than one year	-	(25,370)	-	-	(31,964)	(41,552)
	£15,395	(£43,541)	£142,645	£198,542	£28,045	£4,887
Called up share capital	1	1	-	-	1	1
Profit and loss account	15,394	(43,542)	142,645	198,542	28,044	4,886
	£15,395	(£43,541)	£142,645	£198,542	£28,045	£4,887

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17 Parent charity

The parent charity's gross income and the results for the year are as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Gross income	101,869	163,893
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	(44,625)	(10,785)

18 Stock

	The group		The charity	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Stock of goods held for resale	-	570	-	-
Tuck shop	641	-	-	-
Stock of trees to be donated or sold	19,644	2,096	-	-
	<u>20,285</u>	<u>2,666</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

19 Debtors

	The group		The charity	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Trade debtors	26,404	27,189	13	1,000
Loans to subsidiaries	-	-	19,160	21,182
Other debtors	7,237	2,632	1,348	2,331
Prepayments and accrued income	30,756	13,348	1,735	-
	<u>64,397</u>	<u>43,169</u>	<u>22,256</u>	<u>24,513</u>

20 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	The group		The charity	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	8,792	84,572	778	3,156
Accruals	45,825	74,559	5,000	5,000
Other creditors	3,894	5,286	-	-
Taxation and social security costs	18,364	39,068	-	-
Hire purchase creditor	-	19,743	-	-
Bounce back loan	8,850	-	-	-
Pension contributions	1,404	8,594	-	-
	<u>87,129</u>	<u>231,822</u>	<u>5,778</u>	<u>8,156</u>

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21 Creditors: amounts falling after more than one year

	The group		The charity	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Hire purchase creditors	-	25,370	-	18,377
Bounce back loan	31,964	41,552	-	-
	<u>31,964</u>	<u>66,922</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,377</u>

The bank loan is unsecured. The amount repayable in instalments after more than five years is £8,850.

22 Analysis of movements in group restricted funds

	Balance at 01 June 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 May 2022 £
Sustainable food production					
The Green Recovery					
Challenge Fund	33,544	107,850	(141,467)	73	-
Joseph Rowntree					
Charitable Trust	4,001	-	(8,462)	4,461	-
Postcode Local Trust	19,962	-	(6,778)		13,184
 The Big Lottery -					
Reaching Communities	70,917	67,547	(70,245)	-	68,219
Founding Supporters	19,333	3,200	(20,715)	-	1,818
Landworkers' Alliance					
	1,625	-	-	-	1,625
Unicorn Grocery	8,000	-	-	-	8,000
Total	<u>157,382</u>	<u>178,597</u>	<u>(247,667)</u>	<u>4,534</u>	<u>92,846</u>

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Analysis of movements in restricted funds - comparative period

	Balance at 01 June 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 01 June 2021 £
<i>Sustainable food production</i>					
<i>The Green Recovery Challenge Fund</i>	-	107,850	(74,306)	-	33,544
<i>Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust</i>	-	40,000	(35,999)	-	4,001
<i>Postcode Local Trust</i>	-	19,962		-	19,962
<i>The Big Lottery - Reaching Communities</i>	62,335	85,155	(76,573)	-	70,917
<i>Founding Supporters</i>	16,465	2,868	-	-	19,333
<i>Landworkers' Alliance</i>	1,625	-	-	-	1,625
<i>Unicorn Grocery</i>	4,000	4,000	-	-	8,000
Total	84,425	259,835	(186,878)	-	157,382

Name of restricted fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
The Green Recovery Challenge Fund	To engage communities in sustainable food and farming and work with them to graft and plant 12,000 heritage fruit trees; to establish a pioneering fruit tree nursery of heritage varieties for the Northwest; and to enhance wildlife habitats on the site. Funded by the Heritage Trust.
Joseph Rowntree Charitable trust	Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust funded the Kindling Trust from their Sustainable Futures strand, for a contribution to core costs.
Postcode Local Trust	To engage the community in their work to establish Kindling Farm
The Big Lottery - Reaching Communities	Establishing sustainable and fair food system
Founding Supporters	Founding Supporters are individuals that make donations to Kindling Trust to support the development of the future Kindling Farm.
Landworkers' Alliance	Towards farm incubator network project
Unicorn Grocery	For establishing a packing area at FarmStart project

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23 Analysis of movement in group unrestricted funds

	Balance at 01 June 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	As at 31 May 2022 £
General fund	113,880	882,722	(832,081)	(11,418)	153,103
Designated property assets fund	481,431	-	-	6,884	488,314
	595,311	882,722	(832,081)	(4,534)	641,417
	<i>Balance at 01 June 2020 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>As at 01 June 2021 £</i>
General fund	131,268	1,149,594	(1,178,451)	11,469	113,880
Designated property assets fund	492,900	-	-	(11,469)	481,431
	624,168	1,149,594	(1,178,451)	-	595,311

Name of	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
General fund	The free reserves after allowing for all designated funds
Designated property assets fund	The fixed assets, net of related hire purchase liabilities, are essential for the future operation of the charity and so are excluded from free reserves.

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24 Analysis of group net assets between funds

Current reporting period

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	-	488,314	-	488,314
Net current assets/(liabilities)	140,067	-	92,846	232,913
Creditors of more than one year	(31,964)	-	-	(31,964)
Total	153,103	488,314	92,846	734,263

Previous reporting period

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	594,482	-	-	594,482
Net current assets/(liabilities)	79,220	(11,469)	157,382	225,133
Creditors of more than one year	(25,370)	-	-	(25,370)
Total	648,332	(11,469)	157,382	794,245

25 Operating lease commitments

The group's total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases is as follows for each of the following periods:

	Property		Equipment	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
Less than one year	-	-	-	27,212
One to five years	-	-	-	40,818
	-	-	-	68,030

The charity had no commitments under non-cancellable operating leases.

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26 Contingent liability

At the financial year end, Bridge 5 Mill was subject to a compensation claim following an incident at the building. The subsidiary agreed to the claim, and a final determination of the compensation of £33,551 was agreed and settled in October 2022. The compensation payment was covered by the subsidiary's insurance policy.

27 Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	(18,431)	44,100
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charge	30,618	47,877
Loss/(profit) on sale of fixed assets	(12,924)	
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(1,679)	(8)
Decrease/(increase) in stock	(17,619)	(2,096)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(21,228)	(11,929)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(144,693)	49,844
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	(185,956)	127,788

FAIRFIELD ENVIRONMENT TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1153131

Accounts

Company number: 08488814

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Group report and financial statements

For the year ended 31 May 2021

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Reference and administration information

Company number 08488814

Charity number 1153131

Registered office and operational address

Bridge 5 Mill, 22a Beswick Street, Ancoats, Manchester M4 7HR

Trustees

Trustees, who are also directors under company law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report were as follows:

Ian Trippier - Secretary

Neil Corney

Chris Walsh - Chair

Helen Woodcock

Darren Pegram

Lee Minchin (appointed 21 October 2021)

Key management personnel

The key management personnel were Michelle Lannaway (manager of Bridge 5 Mill Limited); Richard Garth Jones (manager of Fairfield Environmental Services Limited), and Helen Woodcock and Chris Walsh (managers of The Kindling Trust Limited), and the trustees.

Bankers

Co-operative Bank plc

Triodos Bank N.V.

Solicitors

Christopher Murphy

Whitehead's Solicitors

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Newcastle-under-Lyme

Staffordshire

ST5 1HR

Auditor

Third Sector Accountancy Limited, Holyoake House, Hanover Street, Manchester M60 0AS.

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Trustees' annual report for the year ended 31 May 2021

The trustees present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2021. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

Reference and administrative information forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity are:

- a. The protection and preservation of the environment for the public benefit by:
 - i. the promotion of waste reduction, re-use reclamation, recycling use of recycled products and the use of surplus;
 - ii. advancing the education of the public about all aspects of waste generation, waste management and waste recycling.
- b. The promotion of sustainable development for the benefit of the public by:
 - i. the preservation, conservation and the protection of the environment and the prudent use of natural resources;
 - ii. the relief of poverty and the improvement of the conditions of life in socially and economically disadvantaged communities;
 - iii. the promotion of sustainable means of achieving economic growth and regeneration.

Sustainable development means "development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".
- c. The promotion for the benefit of the public of urban or rural regeneration in areas of social and economic deprivation (and in particular in North West England) by all or any of the following means:
 - i. the relief of unemployment
 - ii. the advancement of education, training or retraining, particularly among unemployed people, and providing unemployed people with work experience;
 - iii. the protection or conservation of the environment.

Through its wholly-owned trading subsidiary Fairfield Environmental Services Limited ("FES") the charity provides a leading-edge waste re-use and recycling service at New Smithfield Market in East Manchester specialising in fresh foodstuffs and their packaging. This activity is not considered to be a charitable activity due to the commercial manner in which it is carried out, and the income and expenditure has been included in "Income from other trading activities" and "Expenditure on raising funds" respectively.

Through its wholly-owned trading subsidiary Bridge 5 Mill Limited ("B5M") the charity provides serviced office accommodation, conference and meeting spaces for the voluntary and environmental sector in Bridge 5 Mill, Ancoats, Manchester.

Through its wholly-owned subsidiary The Kindling Trust Limited ("KT") the charity delivers sustainable food projects, improving health and well-being and increasing skills and knowledge through: education, volunteering opportunities, and increased access to fresh food. Additionally it is accomplishing all these charitable objects through its work to establish the Kindling Community Farm.

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Through all these enterprises it has created employment and volunteering opportunities and provided work-experience places to local residents and provided a home for a number of community and voluntary sector groups.

The trustees review the aims, objectives and activities of the charity each year. This report looks at what the charity has achieved and the outcomes of its work in the reporting period. The trustees report the success of each key activity and the benefits the charity has brought to those groups of people that it is set up to help. The review also helps the trustees ensure the charity's aims, objectives and activities remained focused on its stated purposes.

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives that have been set.

Achievements and performance

The charity's main activities and who it tries to help are described below. All its charitable activities focus on sustainability and are undertaken to further Fairfield Environment Trust's charitable purposes for the public benefit.

Financial performance

The charity's assets rented out to its trading subsidiary Fairfield Environmental Services Limited ("FES") have yielded most of the charity's income.

The last financial year has been one of major upheaval with the forced relocation of the businesses operational site and the Covid 19 pandemic. Manchester City council requested that we move to a new operational base on the market to facilitate a new infrastructure development. This was a major undertaking which has now been completed within the budget provided by MCC.

The other significant factor was the Covid pandemic where operational and haulage changes were required as a result of social distancing requirements. We ceased to depackage fruit and veg. waste and sent all produce to be processed at the local AD facility in Trafford. This saved considerable labour costs and haulage costs as we previously hauled naked waste to a plant in North Wales.

Further refinements to operational systems saw increased productivity and reduced both labour and repair /maintenance costs for plant and machinery. Savings were also made on insurance.

Increased productivity meant we were able to reduce employee numbers over the year which was achieved due to natural wastage. All health and safety, first aid and driver training was refreshed where required. The biannual inspection by the Health and Safety executive was a complete success with no improvements required. Volumes of material processed remain the same as previous years with the total volume recycled remaining around 85%.

The main financial challenge was to remain profitable and overturn the accumulated negative balance sheet of recent years. This was achieved despite the volatility in the markets for recycle and leaves the business in a solid position to start repaying loans and make a significant contribution to FET next year.

Bridge 5 Mill continued to be adversely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. All the office spaces in the Mill were fully let, although some tenants gave up leases due to working from home, new tenants moved into office space. The Mill now has a more diverse range of tenants. Unfortunately, due to Covid we had to restructure our staffing, with some staff moving onto new jobs and 2 staff being made redundant. One new staff position was created to support the Mill and tenants. Almost no events took place due to Covid. Trustees are hopeful that as restrictions ease we will see a gradual return of bookings for our event spaces, and a new publicity and marketing plan is being developed.

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For the Kindling Trust, as with most (if not all) organisations, the pandemic continued to have an impact on project delivery in 2021. The main challenge was in not being able to hold indoor cooking activities and in the limitation on numbers for our community events, however, as activity at Kindling's Woodbank Community Food Hub is largely based outdoors, we were able to continue supporting our stakeholders as much as we possibly could. The main highlights of the Kindling year include:

- Reopening a revised programme of well-being gardening sessions, in August 2020, which was hugely beneficial (to participants and the team alike!)
- The monthly community programme being able to respond to the growing 'lockdown' interest in organic gardening, improving wildlife habitats and sustainable food and farming
- The community garden team thriving and really embracing their role to supply lovely organic and very local veg through the weekly on-site veg stall
- A very popular 'Do you want to be a farmer' session in October 2020, where we had to divide into 2 different groups due to so much interest.
- A great team of trainees on our FarmStart training programme and an increase in our veg sales from the training site
- An amazing show of commitment from our land army of volunteers, who really enjoyed the opportunity to get out and support the new trainee growers during lockdown
- Our Green Recovery funding success at the end of December 2020, which got us off to a flying start in Spring 2021 with 12,000 heritage fruit trees to graft in 15 months via numerous community workshops and activities.
- Last but not least, our work to support the establishment of Kindling Farm, including the launch in April 2021 of a 3 month community shares campaign to buy a 100+ acre farm and establish a pioneering agroforestry farm for the Northwest.

Employment, Training and Volunteering

For the year in question the charity's subsidiaries had an average staff of 19 employed staff. The reduction from previous years has been achieved largely through natural wastage arising out of a change in practice at Fairfield Environmental Services. FES, B5M and Kindling continued to provide its staff with additional training and to update mandatory training as required.

Charitable objectives and activities

The charity's environmental objects have been carried out in a number of ways through its wholly-owned subsidiaries:

Bridge 5 Mill Limited - offering environmentally friendly office and event space for those seeking it in Manchester, specifically for charities and social enterprises by offering reduced rates for event space for these types of organisations.

The Kindling Trust - held a number of community activities at Woodbank Community Food Hub to engage people in environmental and social issues. This included a social prescribing programme for people suffering from ill health and social isolation, a range of community activities to engage the public and volunteering opportunities engaging over 150 people on the land and improving their wellbeing and sense of community. The Kindling Trust also continued work to establish the Kindling Community Farm where it aims to build on and expand these charitable activities.

Financial review

The charity's main income derives from its ownership of its trading subsidiaries Fairfield Environmental Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited. The charity hires out equipment it owns to its subsidiaries and also receives the

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subsidiaries' profit as a donation at the end of each financial year. The subsidiaries hold a substantial local authority contract which is subject to periodic review. The charity and the directors of the subsidiaries, which it appoints, are aware of the need to diversify the income of the subsidiaries and certain investments have been made to bring this about. This year Fairfield Environment Trust was awarded two grants of:

- £215,700 from the Heritage Lottery Trust's Green Recovery Fund, for the Kindling Trust Limited to graft and plant 12,000 heritage fruit trees and engage 3,000 people in sustainable food and farming. Half of this grant was received in this financial year.
- £19,962 from the Postcode Local Trust, for the Kindling Trust Limited to engage the community in their work to establish Kindling Farm.

Additionally the Kindling Trust we generously offered an extension of their core funding from the Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust, to support them through the challenges of the pandemic.

Reserves policy

Fairfield Environment Trust is committed to maintaining the subsidiaries which carry out its charitable activities. These subsidiaries require a level of reserves, so our reserve policy is at a group level.

The reserves policy is based on 3 months group core costs which we estimate to be £50,000. This is based on the amount that would be needed to fill the gap in core salaries in the situation that Bridge 5 Mill were to have no event bookings over 3 months and a core wage to run down the activities of the other subsidiaries. Current free reserves have risen over the year to £90,942 after allowing for reserves tied up in fixed assets (the designated funds). The trustees remain committed to reaching the desired level of reserves through our marketing strategy for Bridge 5 Mill, our diversification strategy for Fairfield Environment Services and our fundraising strategy for the Kindling Trust and the group as a whole.

Fairfield Environment Trust has no employees or other financial commitments and has a limited but reasonably constant income from group companies, so does not need reserves of its own.

Risk management

Internal financial risks are controlled by the directors through the receipt of a monthly financial report from the General Manager encompassing management accounts, bank statements and reconciliation reports.

Internal control risks are managed by the adoption of a set of policies and procedures implemented by the General Manager covering Health and Safety and Standard Operating Procedures.

External risks to the charity are subject to constant review by the directors and will, in time, result in a strategic plan designed to minimise or eliminate their potential effects.

The charity trustees have given consideration to the major risks to which the charity is exposed and satisfied themselves that systems or procedures are established in order to manage those risks.

Plans for the future

The charity will continue with its current activities and attempt to diversify them through the development of additional services. FES has been successful in repairing the balance sheet and moving back to profitability. However, volatility in the recycle market remains an issue but generally, income has been higher in the last financial year. The FES focus for the next year will be on the continued successful delivery of MCC contract TC014 whilst

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positioning ourselves for a successful bid to win the next contract. We will also continue to look for other opportunities to diversify our activities and increase our customer base.

Some investment has been made by the charity in the Bridge 5 Mill Limited's building, and will continue to be invested in as we go forward to maximise income generated from the office and events space. Fairfield Environment Trust are staying up to date with the progress of the Kindling Farm and in this year became an official supporter member of Kindling Farm through community shares investment.

Structure, governance and management

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 15 April 2013 and registered as a charity on 30 July 2013.

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.

Members of the charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the charity in the event of winding up. The total number of such guarantees at 31 May 2018 was 4 (2018: 4). The trustees are members of the charity but this entitles them only to voting rights. The trustees have no beneficial interest in the charity.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no benefits from the charity. Any expenses reclaimed from the charity are set out in note 12 to the accounts.

The board of trustees administers the charity. The board normally meets monthly. A General Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operations of the charity.

Appointment of trustees

As set out in the Articles of Association trustees are elected annually by the members of the charitable company attending the Annual General meeting. The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the charity's articles are known as directors. Directors serve for three years with one third of the board of directors retiring every year. Directors are elected at the Annual General Meeting.

As disclosed in note 12, the Trustees received remuneration for their paid roles as employees of subsidiary companies. This did not include their duties as trustees and was a continuation of their paid roles within the organisations that have now become part of the group. None of the Trustees received any remuneration or benefits for their duties as Trustees. The payment of trustees is permitted by the charity's governing document.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees are generally recruited from individuals who have had some previous experience of or involvement in the charity. New trustees are welcomed with an induction pack containing the Memorandum and Articles, latest published accounts and a set of the charity's adopted policies and procedures.

Related parties and relationships with other organisations

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work with the charity, except as disclosed above and in note 12. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager with any service providers must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. In the current year no such related party transactions were reported.

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Remuneration policy for key management personnel

The charity was in the process of conducting a full staffing and structure review when the pandemic started, but the challenges and increased workload brought about by the pandemic and changing lockdown rules and regulations meant that we put this on hold. Our aim is to continue this review in the coming year. This will include a review of the pay scales with the levels of responsibility of the management personnel for each subsidiary. The pay scale reflects management level regarding number of staff, health and safety risk and responsibility and budget and financial management and responsibility.

Statement of responsibilities of the trustees

The trustees (who are also directors of Fairfield Environment Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then 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 and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- There is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware
- The trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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Auditors

Third Sector Accountancy Limited were re-appointed as the charitable company's auditors and have expressed their willingness to continue in that capacity.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees' annual report has been approved by the trustees on 25 / 02 / 2022 and signed on their behalf by



Ian Trippier

Trustee

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members and Trustees of Fairfield Environment Trust

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Fairfield Environment Trust (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 May 2021 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, The Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 May 2021, and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and parent charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the group and parent charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate and sufficient accounting records have not been kept by the parent charitable company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies' regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the directors' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 6, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the group's and parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the group or the parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed auditor under the Companies Act 2006 and section 151 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with those Acts.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members and Trustees of Fairfield Environment Trust

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below.

Capability of the audit in detecting irregularities, including fraud

Based on our understanding of the group and environment in which it operates, we identified the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to pension legislation, tax legislation, employment legislation, health and safety legislation, and other legislation specific to the industry in which the group operates, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Companies Act 2006, the reporting requirements under the Charities SORP and FRS102, and the Charities Act 2011.

We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principle risks were related to the pressure on management to achieve particular results. Audit procedures performed by the group engagement team included:

- Discussions with management including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance;
- Evaluating management's controls designed to prevent and detect irregularities;
- Identifying and testing journal entries; and
- Challenging assumptions and judgments made by management.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members and its trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body and the charitable company's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

P Morrello

Patrick Morrello (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Third Sector Accountancy Limited, Statutory Auditor
Holyoake House, Hanover Street, Manchester M60 0AS

25 / 02 / 2022

Fairfield Environment Trust
Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities
(including Income and Expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 May 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2020 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	17,284	2,868	20,152	480	2,384	2,864
Charitable activities	4	93,830	256,967	350,797	173,766	146,072	319,838
Other trading activities	5	1,038,472	-	1,038,472	1,017,237	-	1,017,237
Investments	6	8	-	8	-	-	-
Total income		1,149,594	259,835	1,409,429	1,191,483	148,456	1,339,939
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	7	1,074,184	-	1,074,184	1,005,284	-	1,005,284
Charitable activities	8	104,267	186,878	291,145	158,812	143,258	302,070
Total expenditure		1,178,451	186,878	1,365,329	1,164,096	143,258	1,307,354
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	10	(28,857)	72,957	44,100	27,387	5,198	32,585
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	(3,134)	3,134	-
Net movement in funds for the year		(28,857)	72,957	44,100	24,253	8,332	32,585
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		624,168	84,425	708,593	599,915	76,093	676,008
Total funds carried forward		595,311	157,382	752,693	624,168	84,425	708,593

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

Fairfield Environment Trust
Company number 08488814
Balance Sheets
as at 31 May 2021

		The group		The Charity	
	Note	2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	14	549,482	556,748	478,704	484,629
Investments	15	45,000	-	40,002	2
Total fixed assets		594,482	556,748	518,706	484,631
Current assets					
Stock	18	2,666	570	-	-
Debtors	19	43,169	31,240	24,513	62,893
Cash at bank and in hand		411,120	347,126	76,121	61,124
Total current assets		456,955	378,936	100,634	124,017
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due in less than one year	20	(231,822)	(181,978)	(8,156)	(5,060)
Net current assets		225,133	196,958	92,478	118,957
Total assets less current liabilities		819,615	753,706	611,184	603,588
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	21	(66,922)	(45,113)	-	-
Net assets		752,693	708,593	611,184	603,588
Funds of the charity:					
Restricted income funds	22	157,382	84,425	-	-
Unrestricted income funds	23	595,311	624,168	611,184	603,588
Total charity funds		752,693	708,593	611,184	603,588

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and constitute the annual accounts required by the Companies Act 2006 and are for circulation to members of the company.

The notes on pages 14 to 34 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the trustees on 25 / 02 / 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



Helen Woodcock (Trustee)

Fairfield Environment Trust

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ending 31 May 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	27	127,788	107,650
<i>Cash flows from investing activities:</i>			
Dividends, interest, and rents from investments		8	-
Proceeds from sale of tangible fixed assets		-	-
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(40,611)	(5,826)
Cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		(40,603)	(5,826)
<i>Cash flows from financing activities:</i>			
Repayment of borrowing		(19,743)	(18,141)
Investments in community shares		(45,000)	-
Cash inflows from new borrowing		41,552	-
Cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		(23,191)	(18,141)
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the year		63,994	83,683
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		347,126	263,443
Total cash equivalents at the end of the year		411,120	347,126

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Fairfield Environment Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

b Group financial statements

These financial statements consolidate the results of the charitable company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Fairfield Environmental Services Limited, The Kindling Trust Limited, and Bridge 5 Mill Limited on a line by line basis. A separate Statement of Financial Activities and Income and Expenditure account are not presented for the charity itself following exemptions afforded by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

c Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern.

d Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

Income received in advance of a provision of a specified service is deferred until the criteria for income recognition are met.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

e Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

f Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity.

g Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Costs of raising funds comprise the costs of commercial trading including the the materials management business in the subsidiary company, Fairfield Environmental Services Limited, and the associated support costs.
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of of the sustainable food production activities undertaken by the subsidiary company, The Kindling Trust Limited, and the costs of running the sustainable venue and office space run by the subsidiary company, Bridge 5 Mill Limited. These activities all further the purposes of the charity. Included in the costs are the associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

h Allocation of support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. The bases on which support costs have been allocated are set out in note 9.

i Operating leases

Operating leases are leases in which the title to the assets, and the risks and rewards of ownership, remain with the lessor. Rental charges are charged on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

j Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £500 or more are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

Freehold building	1% per annum
Plant and equipment	20% per annum
Vehicles	20% per annum

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

k Fixed asset investments

The charity holds investments in the subsidiary companies and an equity investment. Kindling Trust also holds an equity investment.

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost but eliminated on consolidation.

The charity holds a £40,000 programme related / mixed motive equity investment in a community benefit society, Kindling Farm Limited. The subsidiary, The Kindling Trust Limited, holds a £5,000 equity investment in Kindling Farm Limited (see note 15).

l Stock

Stock is included at the lower of cost or net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first in, first out basis. Net realisable value is the price at which stocks can be sold in the normal course of business after allowing for the costs of realisation. Provision is made where necessary for obsolete, slow moving, and defective stocks. Donated items of stock are recognised at fair value which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay for the items on the open market.

m Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

n Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

o Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions 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 and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

p Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

q Pensions

Employees of the charity are entitled to join a defined contribution scheme. The charity's contribution is restricted to the contributions disclosed in note 11. There were no outstanding contributions at the year end. The costs of the defined contribution scheme are included within support and governance costs and allocated to the funds of the charity using the methodology set out in note 9.

2 Legal status of the charity

The charity is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the charity. The registered office address is disclosed on page 1.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Donations - sustainable food production	17,284	2,868	20,152	480	2,384	2,864
Total	17,284	2,868	20,152	480	2,384	2,864

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
<i>Sustainable food production</i>						
Grants	-	256,967	256,967	-	146,072	146,072
Charitable trading:						
Events and programme fees	3,345	-	3,345	4,574	-	4,574
Consultancy	991	-	991	10,538	-	10,538
Vegetable sales	10,046	-	10,046	4,611	-	4,611
	14,382	256,967	271,349	19,723	146,072	165,795
<i>Sustainable venue and office space</i>						
Charitable trading:						
Events	-	-	-	62,744	-	62,744
Office rentals and services	56,664	-	56,664	90,597	-	90,597
Other income	22,784	-	22,784	702	-	702
	79,448	-	79,448	154,043	-	154,043
Total	93,830	256,967	350,797	173,766	146,072	319,838

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

5 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	2020 £
Sustainable waste management	1,037,653	-	1,037,653	1,014,055	-	1,014,055
Other income	561	-	561	194	-	194
Tuck shop sales	258	-	258	2,988	-	2,988
	1,038,472	-	1,038,472	1,017,237	-	1,017,237

6 Investment income

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £	<i>Unrestricted</i> £	<i>Restricted</i> £	<i>Total 2020</i> £
Income from bank deposits	8	-	8	-	-	-
	8	-	8	-	-	-

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

7 Cost of raising funds

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2020 £
<i>Sustainable waste management</i>						
Wages	450,175	-	450,175	457,656	-	457,656
Premises	76,364	-	76,364	76,364	-	76,364
Vehicles and equipment	173,522	-	173,522	153,665	-	153,665
Waste disposal	249,241	-	249,241	175,825	-	175,825
Insurance	16,995	-	16,995	17,571	-	17,571
Other costs	13,751	-	13,751	17,603	-	17,603
Depreciation	34,020	-	34,020	34,646	-	34,646
	<u>1,014,068</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,014,068</u>	<u>933,330</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>933,330</u>
<i>Sustainable venue and office space</i>						
Cost of goods sold - tuck shop	<u>357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>357</u>	<u>4,165</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,165</u>
Support costs	56,064	-	56,064	64,133	-	64,133
Governance costs	3,695	-	3,695	3,656	-	3,656
	<u>1,074,184</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,074,184</u>	<u>1,005,284</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,005,284</u>
	<u><u>1,074,184</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,074,184</u></u>	<u><u>1,005,284</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>1,005,284</u></u>

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

8 Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

	Sustainable food production £	Sustainable venue and office space £	Total 2021 £	<i>Sustainable food production £</i>	<i>Sustainable venue and office space £</i>	<i>Total 2020 £</i>
Staff costs	106,697	36,882	143,579	74,107	62,111	136,218
Premises	141	1,076	1,217	(85)	1,275	1,190
Equipment and vehicle rental	10,397	-	10,397	7,802	-	7,802
Cost of sales	-	2	2	-	11,421	11,421
Repairs and maintenance	3,159	18,196	21,355	1,437	30,684	32,121
Insurance	3,585	1,029	4,614	965	921	1,886
Miscellaneous	1,589	305	1,894	435	-	435
Office costs	3,976	6,489	10,465	3,579	6,683	10,262
Professional fees	2,248	605	2,853	2,854	753	3,607
Training	4,212	-	4,212	5,207	-	5,207
Vehicle costs	987	-	987	1,073	-	1,073
Licences	433	-	433	391	-	391
Advertising, promotion and marketing	4,153	647	4,800	575	342	917
Bad debts	(6,876)	611	(6,265)	30	3,996	4,026
Depreciation	6,892	6,779	13,671	5,187	6,891	12,078
Other project costs	35,142	-	35,142	19,929	-	19,929
Irrecoverable VAT	6,208	-	6,208	-	-	-

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities (continued)

	Sustainable food production £	Sustainable venue and office space £	Total 2021 £	<i>Sustainable food production £</i>	<i>Sustainable venue and office space £</i>	<i>Total 2020 £</i>
Support costs (see note 9)	24,367	9,909	34,276	28,541	23,622	52,163
Governance costs (see note 9)	962	343	1,305	732	612	1,344
	208,272	82,873	291,145	152,759	149,311	302,070
Restricted expenditure	186,878	-	186,878	143,258	-	143,258
Unrestricted expenditure	21,394	82,873	104,267	9,501	149,311	158,812
	208,272	82,873	291,145	152,759	149,311	302,070

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

9 Analysis of governance and support costs

	Support £	Governance £	Total 2021 £	Support £	Governance £	Total 2020 £
Staff costs	77,590	-	77,590	105,065	-	105,065
Repairs	7,372	-	7,372	4,465	-	4,465
Insurance	1,481	-	1,481	2,073	-	2,073
Miscellaneous	991	-	991	459	-	459
Office costs	120	-	120	120	-	120
Professional fees	2,600	5,000	7,600	370	5,000	5,370
Training	-	-	-	2,655	-	2,655
Travel	-	-	-	625	-	625
Depreciation	186	-	186	464	-	464
	90,340	5,000	95,340	116,296	5,000	121,296
Allocated as follows, in proportion to staff costs:						
Raising funds	56,064	3,695	59,759	64,133	3,656	67,789
Sustainable food production	24,367	962	25,329	28,541	732	29,273
Sustainable venue and office space	9,909	343	10,252	23,622	612	24,234
	90,340	5,000	95,340	116,296	5,000	121,296

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

10 Net income/(expenditure) for the year

This is stated after charging/(crediting):	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation	47,876	47,704
Loss/(profit) on disposal of fixed assets	-	-
Interest payable	2,905	3,852
Operating lease rentals:		
Property	76,364	76,364
Auditor's remuneration - audit fees	4,000	4,000
Auditor's remuneration - accountancy fees	1,000	1,000
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

11 Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	560,175	590,839
Social security costs	39,200	39,971
Pension costs	55,854	61,221
Other staff costs	15,849	6,908
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	671,078	698,939
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

No employees has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2020: Nil).

The average number of staff employed by the group during the period was 30 (2020: 31).

The average number of staff employed by the charity during the period was Nil (2020: Nil).

The key management personnel of the charity are trustees and the managers of the three subsidiaries. In one of the subsidiaries, the managers were paid trustees. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £100,982 (2020: £102,376).

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

12 Trustee remuneration and expenses, and related party transactions

In accordance with the charity's governing document, the following trustees received remuneration for carrying out the activities of the subsidiaries. No trustee was paid for their work as trustees.

The remuneration of trustees was as follows:

	Chris Walsh	Helen Woodcock
Employed by	The Kindling Trust Ltd	The Kindling Trust Ltd
Gross pay	16,664	16,090
Pension contributions	1,700	1,307
Reimbursed expenses	925	-

Apart from the above, neither the trustees nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year.

Chris Walsh and Helen Woodcock were directors of Veg Box People Limited. During the year, The Kindling Trust Limited made sales of £4,485 (2020: £1,150) to Veg Box People Limited, and Veg Box People Limited made sales of £2,283 (2020: £3,375) to The Kindling Trust Limited. Fairfield Environmental Services Limited made sales of £14,000 to Veg Box People Limited. All these sales were on

Fairfield Environment Trust made a loan of £15,000 (2019: £15,000) to its wholly owned subsidiary Bridge 5 Mill Limited. This loan is unsecured, interest free, and has no fixed repayment date.

Fairfield Environmental Trust hold a £40,000 (2020: nil) equity investment in Kindling Farm Limited, a community benefit society. A £5,000 (2020: nil) investment in Kindling Farm Limited is held by the The Kindling Trust Limited. Chris Walsh and Helen Woodcock are directors of Kindling Farm Limited.

Apart from the above, no trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2020: nil).

13 Corporation tax

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

The charity's trading subsidiaries gift aid available profits to the parent charity. No tax charges arose in the subsidiary companies.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 May 2021 (continued)

14 Fixed assets: tangible assets

The group	Vehicles £	Plant and equipment £	Land and buildings £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 June 2020	47,961	217,161	473,374	738,496
Additions	14,000	26,611	-	40,611
Disposals	(9,321)	(3,766)	-	(13,087)
At 31 May 2021	52,640	240,006	473,374	766,020
Depreciation				
At 1 June 2020	38,207	125,691	17,850	181,748
Charge for the year	6,977	37,045	3,855	47,877
Disposals	(9,321)	(3,766)	-	(13,087)
At 31 May 2021	35,863	158,970	21,705	216,538
Net book value				
At 31 May 2021	16,777	81,036	451,669	549,482
At 31 May 2020	9,754	91,470	455,524	556,748

Net book value of group plant and equipment subject to hire purchase agreements was £56,227 (2020: £75,307).

Plant and equipment with net book value £20,637 was sold after the year end for £36,000, following the discontinuation of the Manchester Markets contract.

The charity	Vehicles £	Plant and equipment £	Land and buildings £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 June 2020	36,940	72,472	473,374	582,786
Additions	-	20,790	-	20,790
At 31 May 2021	36,940	93,262	473,374	603,576
Depreciation				
At 1 June 2020	27,188	53,119	17,850	98,157
Charge for the year	4,877	17,983	3,855	26,715
At 31 May 2021	32,065	71,102	21,705	124,872
Net book value				
At 31 May 2021	4,875	22,160	451,669	478,704
At 31 May 2020	9,752	19,353	455,524	484,629

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15 Investments

	The group		The charity	
	2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £
Share in Fairfield Environmental Services Limited	-	-	1	1
Share in Bridge 5 Mill Limited	-	-	1	1
Kindling Farm Limited	45,000	-	40,000	-
Cost at the end of the year	45,000	-	40,002	2

All investments are stated at cost.

The shares in Fairfield Environment Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited confer 100% ownership on the parent charity.

Kindling Farm Limited is a programme related investment. The shares are society shares and are not transferable but may be repaid. They give the charity only an insignificant voting power at the AGM of Kindling Farm Limited.

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16 Subsidiary undertakings

The Charitable company owns the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of Fairfield Environmental Services Limited and Bridge 5 Mill Limited. It is also the sole guarantee member of The Kindling Trust Limited. All three subsidiary companies are registered in England.

Available profits are gift aided to the charitable company. A summary of the results of the subsidiaries is shown below:

	Company number 7865231		Company number 6136029		Company number 10111644	
	Fairfield Environmental Services		The Kindling Trust Limited		Bridge 5 Mill Limited	
	Limited					
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Profit and loss account						
Turnover	1,098,506	1,103,549	297,649	173,599	86,806	173,860
Expenditure	(1,111,188)	(1,069,134)	(211,959)	(168,212)	(77,037)	(150,405)
Donation to parent charity	-	-	-	-	(27,895)	(8,427)
Net profit	<u>£ (12,682)</u>	<u>£ 34,415</u>	<u>£ 85,690</u>	<u>£ 5,387</u>	<u>£ (18,126)</u>	<u>£ 15,028</u>
Balance sheet						
Fixed assets	24,398	58,450	49,891	11,172	1,489	2,496
Current assets	117,491	157,853	214,858	114,281	72,595	45,315
Creditors due in less than one year	(153,878)	(156,053)	(66,207)	(12,601)	(12,645)	(9,798)
Owed to parent (due in less than one year)	(6,182)	(45,996)	-	-	(15,000)	(15,000)
Creditors due in more than one year	(25,370)	(45,113)	-	-	(41,552)	-
	<u>(£43,541)</u>	<u>(£30,859)</u>	<u>£198,542</u>	<u>£112,852</u>	<u>£4,887</u>	<u>£23,013</u>
Called up share capital	1	1	-	-	1	1
Profit and loss account	(43,542)	(30,860)	198,542	112,582	4,886	23,012
	<u>(£43,541)</u>	<u>(£30,859)</u>	<u>£198,542</u>	<u>£112,582</u>	<u>£4,887</u>	<u>£23,013</u>

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17 Parent charity

The parent charity's gross income and the results for the year are as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Gross income	163,893	45,977
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	(10,785)	(22,245)

18 Stock

	The group		The charity	
	2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £
Stock of goods held for resale	570	570	-	-
Stock of trees to be donated or sold	2,096	-	-	-
	<u>2,666</u>	<u>570</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

19 Debtors

	The group		The charity	
	2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £
Trade debtors	27,189	20,102	1,000	-
Loans to subsidiaries	-	-	21,182	60,996
Other debtors	2,632	605	2,331	416
Prepayments and accrued income	13,348	10,533	-	1,481
	<u>43,169</u>	<u>31,240</u>	<u>24,513</u>	<u>62,893</u>

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20 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	The group		The charity	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Trade creditors	84,572	44,812	3,156	60
Accruals	74,559	74,062	5,000	5,000
Other creditors	5,286	5,099	-	-
Taxation and social security costs	39,068	34,664	-	-
Hire purchase creditor	19,743	18,161	-	-
Pension contributions	8,594	5,180	-	-
	<u>231,822</u>	<u>181,978</u>	<u>8,156</u>	<u>5,060</u>

21 Creditors: amounts falling after more than one year

	The group		The charity	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Hire purchase creditors	25,370	45,113	-	-
Bounce back loan	41,552			
	<u>66,922</u>	<u>45,113</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The bank loan is unsecured. The amount repayable in instalments after more than five years is £8,008.

22 Analysis of movements in group restricted funds

	Balance at 1 June 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 May 2021 £
Sustainable food production					
The Green Recovery					
Challenge Fund		107,850	(74,306)		33,544
Joseph Rowntree					
Charitable Trust	-	40,000	(35,999)		4,001
Postcode Local Trust	-	19,962			19,962
The Big Lottery -					
Reaching					
Communities	62,335	85,155	(76,573)	-	70,917
Founding Supporters	16,465	2,868		-	19,333
Landworkers'					
Alliance	1,625		-	-	1,625
Unicorn Grocery	4,000	4,000	-	-	8,000
Total	<u>84,425</u>	<u>259,835</u>	<u>(186,878)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>157,382</u>

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Analysis of movements in restricted funds - comparative period

	Balance at 1 June 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 1 June 2020 £
Sustainable food production					
Feeding Stockport	124	-	-	(124)	-
Growing Livelihoods	894	-	-	(894)	-
Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust	2,236	25,142	(28,699)	1,321	-
Stockport MBC social prescribing	(353)	-	-	353	-
Awards for All	3,357	-	(3,667)	310	-
Postcode Local Trust The Big Lottery - Reaching	999	-	(3,158)	2,159	-
Communities	54,741	90,306	(82,712)	-	62,335
Founding Supporters	14,095	2,383	(13)	-	16,465
Landworkers'	-	1,625	-	-	1,625
Unicorn Grocery Garfield Weston Foundation	-	4,000	-	-	4,000
	-	25,000	(25,009)	9	-
Total	76,093	148,456	(143,258)	3,134	84,425

Name of restricted fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
Feeding Stockport	A grant from the Soil Association as part of the national Sustainable Food Cities programme to run a series of educational and community engagement events.
Growing Livelihoods	The end part of a grant from the Carnegie Trust UK for Kindling to engage people in their FarmStart programme
The Green Recovery Challenge Fund	to engage communities in sustainable food and farming and work with them to graft and plant 12,000 heritage fruit trees; to establish a pioneering fruit tree nursery of heritage varieties for the Northwest; and to enhance wildlife habitats on the site.
Joseph Rowntree Charitable trust	Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust funded the Kindling Trust from their Sustainable Futures strand, for a contribution to core costs.
Land Army	Remaining funding granted to us by Unicorn Grocery Co-operative's 1% fund to run our volunteering days to support our new organic growers on our FarmStart training programme
Postocde Local Trust	To engage the community in their work to establish Kindling Farm

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Awards for All	Social prescribing programme
Postcode Local Trust	Establishing sustainable and fair food system
The Big Lottery - Reaching Communities	Establishing sustainable and fair food system
Stockport MBC social prescribing	The last part of a grant for Kindling to pilot a social prescribing programme (centred around growing veg, cooking and sharing a meal as group) with referrals from local GPs in Stockport
Founding Supporters	Founding Supporters are individuals that make donations to Kindling Trust to support the development of the future Kindling Farm.
Landworkers' Alliance	towards farm incubator network project
Unicorn Grocery	for establishing a packing area at FarmStart project
Garfield Weston Foundation	for core costs Woodbank Community Food Hub

23 Analysis of movement in group unrestricted funds

	Balance at 1 June 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	As at 31 May 2021 £
General fund	131,268	1,149,594	(1,178,451)	(11,469)	90,942
Designated property assets fund	492,900	-	-	11,469	504,369
	<u>624,168</u>	<u>1,149,594</u>	<u>(1,178,451)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>595,311</u>
	<u><u>624,168</u></u>	<u><u>1,149,594</u></u>	<u><u>(1,178,451)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>595,311</u></u>
	<i>Balance at 1 June 2019 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers £</i>	<i>As at 1 June 2020 £</i>
General fund	1,805	1,191,483	(1,164,096)	102,076	131,268
Designated property assets fund	598,110	-	-	(105,210)	492,900
	<u>599,915</u>	<u>1,191,483</u>	<u>(1,164,096)</u>	<u>(3,134)</u>	<u>624,168</u>
	<u><u>599,915</u></u>	<u><u>1,191,483</u></u>	<u><u>(1,164,096)</u></u>	<u><u>(3,134)</u></u>	<u><u>624,168</u></u>

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Name of	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
General fund	The free reserves after allowing for all designated funds
Designated property assets fund	The fixed assets, net of related hire purchase liabilities, are essential for the future operation of the charity and so are excluded from free reserves.

24 Analysis of group net assets between funds

Current reporting period

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	45,113	504,369	-	549,482
Net current assets/(liabilities)	67,751	-	157,382	225,133
Creditors of more than one year	(66,922)	-	-	(66,922)
Total	90,942	504,369	157,382	752,693

Previous reporting period

	General fund £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	556,748	-	-	556,748
Net current assets/(liabilities)	217,743	(105,210)	84,425	196,958
Creditors of more than one year	(45,113)	-	-	(45,113)
Total	729,378	(105,210)	84,425	708,593

25 Operating lease commitments

The group's total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases is as follows for each of the following periods:

	Property		Equipment	
	2021 £	2020 £	2021 £	2020 £
Less than one year	-	76,364	27,212	27,212
One to five years	-	-	40,818	68,030
	-	76,364	68,030	95,242

Agreement was reached in December 2021 to novate all equipment held under the existing operating lease agreement to the new Manchester Markets contractor - see note 28.

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The charity had no commitments under non-cancellable operating leases.

26 Contingent liability

Bridge 5 Mill is currently subject to a compensation claim following an incident at the building. The subsidiary has agreed to the claim, and is currently waiting for a final determination of the compensation amount, currently estimated at £30,000. The Bridge 5 Mill board expect the cost of the compensation to be covered by the subsidiary's insurance policy.

27 Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	44,100	32,585
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charge	47,877	47,188
Loss/(profit) on sale of fixed assets		
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(8)	-
Decrease/(increase) in stock	(2,096)	267
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(11,929)	26,489
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	49,844	1,121
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	127,788	107,650

28 Post Balance Sheet Events

After the end of the period the subsidiary company Fairfield Environmental Services Limited was informed that it had not won the tender for the waste management services at Manchester Markets. The current contract finished in January 2022.

The company has little other business activity and it is possible that the company will cease trading.

The staff were transferred to the successful bidder under a TUPE arrangement. The company and parent charity has been able to dispose of assets used for this business, and has novated the contract for leased equipment. There is therefore little immediate financial impact on the charity or the group. The cessation of this subsidiary will not affect the ability of the charity or the group to continue as a going concern.