FAIR FROME

England & Wales · Charity number 1156185

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2014-03-14
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Fair Frome Frome Town Hall Christchurch Street West Frome Somerset
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Activities

Objects: THE RELIEF OF POVERTY IN FROME AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS BY: THE PROVISION OF DIRECT SERVICES, THE COORDINATION OF VOLUNTARY AND CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS DEFINED BELOW: CHARITIES ARE ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES.VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS ARE INDEPENDENT ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR PURPOSES THAT ADD VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, OR A SIGNIFICANT SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY, AND WHICH ARE NOT PERMITTED BY THEIR CONSTITUTION TO MAKE A PROFIT FOR PRIVATE DISTRIBUTION.VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS DO NOT INCLUDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER STATUTORY AUTHORITIES.

Activities: To prevent and relieve financial, educational, social and health poverty for people living in Frome and the surrounding areas. This will be achieved through the provision of direct services and through the support and development of other organisations in such a way that they are able to identify and meet these needs including a Food bank, Furniture Bank and community meals.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£195,414	£259,186	-	-
2024-03-31	£270,532	£249,121	-	-
2023-03-31	£259,826	£161,012	-	-
2022-03-31	£152,098	£126,012	-	-
2021-03-31	£228,522	£197,626	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anne Marie Hills		2023-06-05
Beverley Goddard		2020-11-24
Carey Lawless-Heart		2025-05-19
Harry Andrew Durston		2025-10-13
Jane Battye		2024-07-01
LINZIE DAVIS		2023-06-05
Mark Symes		2026-05-11
Nigel Brown		2025-05-19
Philip Birch		2023-06-05
Rebecca Morland		2026-05-11
Riley Redfern		2026-05-11

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Accounts

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

FOR

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Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our aims and objectives

Fair Frome aims to prevent and relieve financial, educational, social and health poverty for people living in Frome and the surrounding areas. This will be achieved through the provision of direct services and through the support and development of other organisations in such a way that they are able to identify and meet these needs.

Our activities and how we work

Our Activities and How We Work

We continue to support local people through projects that provide help when it is needed. Our projects are funded by the generosity of our local councils, community groups, residents and local businesses who all donate so generously to our charity.

We currently have a small but important staff group, comprising of one full-time Senior Coordinator, an Assistant Coordinator working 4 days a week and a part-time furniture bank coordinator. We also pay for support from self-employed contractors on an hourly basis to cover our Food at Five project and other schemes. We have provided training for staff, volunteers and trustees in Safeguarding and other essential areas of work. All of our Trustees and Volunteers must have attended one of our Safeguarding courses.

Our volunteers remain at the heart of our work. We have had the support of over 50 volunteers including young people with additional needs as well as those completing their Duke of Edinburgh scheme, and have provided over 100 volunteer hours every week. Some of our volunteers have progressed to securing employment with the skills that they have gained from their experience with Fair Frome.

Fair Frome continues to act as an umbrella group, regularly bringing together local agencies working with people in poverty to share ideas and plan joint services. This proved to be especially useful during the latter stages of the pandemic and the continuing cost of living crisis. Fair Frome supports other groups and events in the town including the Carnival Club, 'Frome Christmas Get Together' and the Frome Children's Festival.

We also work with the local community to raise a voice against the causes of poverty and deprivation both locally and nationally and are affiliated to the Independent Food Aid Network (IFAN), The Equality Trust and the Living Wage Campaign.

Public benefit

The charity objectives and aims are performed with regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Our Achievements Over the Year

2024 marks the tenth year that Fair Frome has been in existence. For nearly two years the charity had been looking for new premises as we have outgrown our old home at the Elliott Building, tucked in behind the Town Hall. As reported earlier, particularly during the difficulties of COVID, the Elliott Building became extremely cramped and crowded. After searching and looking at scores of potential new premises, and again as reported in our Annual Report of last year, we eventually found somewhere suitable at Unit 7, Longacre on the Marston Trading Estate. The (almost) new build is substantially larger than the old Elliott Building, with room to accommodate our Furniture Bank as well as provide a home for our new Baby Basics Bank. In addition, there is also a kitchen as well as three separate offices for multiple uses including meeting rooms. An outside space for a garden is also available and we are in the process of making this into an attractive feature of the premises. For the Furniture Bank, finding new premises was particularly important as where the furniture was previously stored had become regularly flooded as well as being rodent-infested. Fair Frome now has the benefit of a 5 year lease for the premises which was signed in January 2023 (with a break clause after 3 years).

At the end of April 2023, during a one day operation we successfully transferred our main home from the Elliott Building to the Marston Trading Estate.

Upon moving in during the Spring of last year, the food shelving units were erected in the main body of the building. Crucially, we were able to erect a temporary dividing wall between what is now the Furniture Bank section, making it separate from the rest of the building. The whole of the inside was also painted, with a new heating system also installed. A new security system was also put in place, as were outside lighting units. To enhance the food provision, a large new refrigerator and a freezer unit was also installed.

We have also been extremely fortunate to have the offer from a local business owned by Mr Darren Bowsher to have installed for us at no charge, solar panels together with the appropriate and accompanying inverter and battery apparatus. This gift was extremely generous and during the next 12 months we look forward to seeing how our electricity expenditure can be reduced.

We have now been at our new home on the Marston Trading Estate for nearly a year and the reaction of both our users and clients has all been extremely positive. We have worked hard to ensure that upon entering the building, the atmosphere is as welcoming and warm as possible. Our new home is increasingly seen by other organisations as an excellent venue for meetings. We are particularly pleased to see that our new premises are increasingly being used by organisations such as the Inclusion and Homeless Health team to a counselling service for young mothers. As with our main reception area, we have made strenuous efforts to ensure that our meeting rooms are as welcoming as possible.

What of the Elliott Building? We had always been keen to provide a 'stepping stone' to help those using our Food Bank to get back on their feet. The idea of a Community Pantry seemed the ideal way to do this. Thus, when we moved out of the Elliott Building at the end of April we entered into negotiations with the owner of the Elliott Building, Frome Town Council and once a week we are now providing a Community Pantry service at the Elliott. We have a dedicated team of volunteers who are present to help clients not only with what they need for their nutritional needs, but also to help signpost on how other help may be available to them. The terms of the lease with Frome Town Council remain flexible to ensure that we are tied in to no long term legal commitment.

In the meantime, rising fuel bills and the cost of living crisis has ensured that our core activity of the Food Bank and all of our related services have seen increased demand. More of our clients remain in work (over 40%) but simply cannot afford to get by, facing high costs and low wages. Over the past year, set out below are just some of the tasks that we have managed to carry out:

- Food Bank-we have given out 1326 food parcels to individuals, couples and families over the year with additional items of fresh food such as eggs, milk, cheese, fresh fruit and vegetables.-Collected 38942kg of food and distributed 45430kgs of food through the Food Bank and local schools.
- Delivered over 150 Christmas Parcels
- Given out over 2509 vouchers through the food bank for fresh fruit and vegetables from a local shop
- Given out over 2471 meat vouchers for a local butcher to provide quality fresh food
- Given out over 1271 bread vouchers for a local baker to provide quality fresh bread
- Given away more than 300 toys and books for Christmas presents

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- Been part of the team to organise the Frome Chriistmas Get-Together this year in 3 locations which is now providing 250 meals as well as company during Christmas Day
- Food at Five- Not only have our team provided over 120 hot meals every week in 3 different geographic areas of the town, free to anyone on benefits or low income, but in addition, the chance to meet and speak with other people in a warm space providing a hot sit down meal in an inviting environment
- Holiday Hunger (now re-named Holiday Lunches). We have provided an average of 35 meals per session 3 times a week during the school holidays, combined with activities delivered by our project partner Purple Elephant, to referred families
- Furniture Bank. We have provided support to over 168 households in the Frome area. We have repaired cookers and washing machines where possible. Refurbished and repaired free white goods and household items of furniture have been delivered to individuals, couples and families, thus saving them from landfill. This service has been enhanced as unlike in previous years, the Furniture Bank is now part of our new premises at Longacre with its separate space in a clean, dry and safe environment
- Assistance Scheme. During the year we have continued to provide school uniforms. We have also provided vouchers for clothes and shoes, particularly as we see family budgets squeezed. We have also provided key items such as transport for appointments, carpets and other essential items to referred families. Frome Lions and the local Rotary Clubs and Inner Wheel have been essential in providing us with funding for the more expensive items
- Our Baby Bank continues to prosper during its third year of existence, providing essentials from nappies and formula milk to buggies and stairgates to referred families
- Food for schools. We have delivered additional food parcels to Frome schools for families on Free School Meals
- Through our targeted purchasing policy, where possible we have ensured that we have supported local businesses

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Looking to the Future-A Message from our Chair

As indicated above, much of our efforts in the past year has been dedicated to establishing ourselves in our new home on the Marston Trading Estate as well as seeing the successful launch of the Community Pantry. However, the last twelve months have also seen a significant change on the membership of our Board of Trustees, with new trustees being appointed (for details please see page 5 in this Report). After several years serving as trustees, in January 2023 Karen Stewart and John Killah were appointed as Joint Chairs of the charity. On the expiry of her time as trustee, Karen resigned as a trustee in January 2024, although we are delighted to report that Karen is continuing as a volunteer for Fair Frome, a role that she has undertaken for many years. In January 2024 John Killah was appointed as our Chair of Trustees for the next twelve months. Our finances remain sound. Throughout the past year we have also been conscious that it is good practice for a Charity to review its reserves policy every few years. There remains the necessity of balancing the spending of funds that donors provide to us and at the same time being prudent in being able to meet the financial challenges that lie ahead. At the commencement of a new financial year, we remain conscious that not only have we committed to a five year lease of our new premises (with some of those linked costs yet to be paid), but are also going ahead with new projects such as the Community Pantry at our old home in the old Elliott Building. During the current financial year the Trustees will adopt a Fair Frome Reserve Policy, to help ensure that we continue to have a sustainable and sound financial future.

Looking at the year ahead and reflecting on the patterns that we see within our own organisation, regretfully we believe that the cost of living crisis will continue to have a profound impact on all of our work. It is not only ourselves who are of this view, but also most other like organisations who are responsible for running a food bank and/or related activities. It seems inevitable that throughout the next 12 months there is likely to be a greater demand on our services with fewer financial and other resources coming our way. Thus, our continual reviews of our finances and our ability to meet the challenges ahead.

However, notwithstanding the increasing financial pressures that are likely to be coming our way, we are determined to continue with our 'can do' attitude towards meeting local challenges. As just an example of this, at the beginning of a new financial year, we are already exploring the possibility of starting a breakfast club for local schools where sadly this service is no longer available directly within the educational setting.

It is therefore even more important that at this stage we thank all of our many supporters and friends who have helped us over the past year, from local Councils, particularly at Frome Town Council, other charities and local organisations such as Rotary, Frome Lions and Inner Wheel. The business community in and around Frome has been instrumental in helping us grow stronger. Most of all, Fair Frome has been most reliant on the people who both live or work in the town and its surrounding areas. Whether by occasional donations of food at the supermarket or by a monthly standing order, without the people of Frome it would not be possible for Fair Frome to meet the many challenges that lie ahead. During the next financial year we are planning to give a more formal expression of thanks to all our supporters and volunteers. But in the meantime, a huge 'thank you' to all!

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our reserves policy

We hold reserves so that we can keep running our services even if our income from donations drops, or something unexpected happens. Trustees review our reserves policy at least annually and decide on the appropriate level of reserves to hold.

At the end of the last financial year, 31 March 2025, our total funds were £202,366.

Some of these are funds are not accessible for us to spend. For example, our fixed assets of £15,775 cannot be easily turned into cash without selling the assets that we hold.

The funds that are available to us total £186,591. All these reserves are 'unrestricted' but our policy is to designate reserves for specific purposes.

The Trustees agreed to hold a 'crisis fund' of circa £1,000 per month which we could use to buy additional food if needed during the cost of living crisis. This accounts for £12,000 of our reserves. We aim to hold this reserve until demand for our services starts to fall.

We are also holding a reserve for maintaining or replacing property and other assets. This reserve is for costs over and above our operational expenditure. Our current reserve for property and assets is £10,000.

Our main reserve is for operational costs if our income drops. We aim to keep six to twelve months' expenditure as a reserve for this purpose (between £125,000 and £250,000, based on our latest expenditure forecast). As at 31 March 2025, we have £164,591 available in reserves for this, equivalent to over seven months' operational expenditure.

The Trustees consider that these reserves reflect the particular circumstances of Fair Frome as at 31 March 2025, but will review reserves annually or more frequently if circumstances change.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1156185

Principal address

Frome Town Hall
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Frome
Somerset
BA11 1EB

Trustees

FAIR FROME

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner
Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
Bath
BA1 2NE

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 28 July 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

J Battye - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAIR FROME

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Fair Frome
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Fair Frome (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Matthew Small FCA

Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
Bath
BA1 2NE

4 August 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		**194,044**	-	**194,044**	268,403
Investment income	2	**1,370**	-	**1,370**	1,696
Other income		-	-	-	433
Total		**195,414**	-	**195,414**	270,532
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General activity		**254,293**	-	**254,293**	242,662
Other		**4,893**	-	**4,893**	6,459
Total		**259,186**	-	**259,186**	249,121
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		**(63,772)**	-	**(63,772)**	21,411
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		**266,138**	-	**266,138**	244,727
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**202,366**	-	**202,366**	266,138

The notes form part of these financial statements

FAIR FROME

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	**15,775**	-	**15,775**	20,667
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	**4,559**	-	**4,559**	4,285
Cash at bank and in hand		**188,627**	-	**188,627**	248,856
		193,186	-	**193,186**	253,141
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	**(6,595)**	-	**(6,595)**	(7,670)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**186,591**	-	**186,591**	245,471
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**202,366**	-	**202,366**	266,138
NET ASSETS		**202,366**	-	**202,366**	266,138
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				**202,366**	266,138
TOTAL FUNDS				**202,366**	266,138

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 28 July 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

J Battye - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit account interest	1,370	1,696

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	268,403	-	268,403
Investment income	1,696	-	1,696
Other income	433	-	433
Total	270,532	-	270,532
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General activity	242,662	-	242,662
Other	6,459	-	6,459
Total	249,121	-	249,121
NET INCOME	21,411	-	21,411
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	244,727	-	244,727
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	266,138	-	266,138

The figures contained in this note relate to the financial year ending 31 March 2024.

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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	**13,365**	**21,772**	**2,604**	**37,741**
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2024	**10,626**	**5,443**	**1,005**	**17,074**
Charge for year	**410**	**4,082**	**400**	**4,892**
At 31 March 2025	**11,036**	**9,525**	**1,405**	**21,966**
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2025	**2,329**	**12,247**	**1,199**	**15,775**
At 31 March 2024	2,739	16,329	1,599	20,667

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	**4,559**	4,285

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	**4,462**	6,568
Other creditors	**2,133**	1,102
	6,595	7,670

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	**266,138**	**(63,772)**	**202,366**
TOTAL FUNDS	**266,138**	**(63,772)**	**202,366**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	**195,414**	**(259,186)**	**(63,772)**
TOTAL FUNDS	**195,414**	**(259,186)**	**(63,772)**

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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	244,727	21,411	266,138
TOTAL FUNDS	244,727	21,411	266,138

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	270,532	(249,121)	21,411
TOTAL FUNDS	270,532	(249,121)	21,411

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	244,727	(42,361)	202,366
TOTAL FUNDS	244,727	(42,361)	202,366

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	465,946	(508,307)	(42,361)
TOTAL FUNDS	465,946	(508,307)	(42,361)

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9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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	2025	2024
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**46,761**	69,436
Gift aid	**4,559**	4,341
Grants	**38,280**	104,178
Local giving	**96,337**	84,652
Sundry income	**8,107**	5,796
	194,044	268,403
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	**1,370**	1,696
Other income		
Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets	**-**	433
Total incoming resources	**195,414**	270,532
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	**61,451**	54,773
Pensions	**1,815**	1,706
Insurance	**2,328**	2,354
Light and heat	**3,860**	6,535
Telephone	**1,145**	1,166
Postage and stationery	**724**	694
Advertising	**152**	918
Charitable expenditure	**130,865**	120,179
Repairs & maintenance	**2,440**	9,233
Motor expenses	**2,131**	2,903
Travel and subsistence	**191**	153
Rent	**31,877**	27,668
Computer expenses	**723**	70
Sundry expenses	**1,002**	2,191
Subscriptions	**749**	613
Training	**2,674**	2,901
Garden expenses	**3,348**	841
Cleaning & waste	**5,669**	5,708
	253,144	240,606
Other		
Fixtures and fittings depreciation	**411**	483
Motor vehicles depreciation	**4,082**	5,443
Computer equipment depreciation	**400**	533
	4,893	6,459

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	**97**	184
Governance costs		
Independent examination fee	**600**	552
Legal and professional fees	**452**	1,320
	1,052	1,872
Total resources expended	**259,186**	249,121
Net (expenditure)/income	**(63,772)**	21,411

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our aims and objectives

Fair Frome aims to prevent and relieve financial, educational, social and health poverty for people living in Frome and the surrounding areas. This will be achieved through the provision of direct services and through the support and development of other organisations in such a way that they are able to identify and meet these needs.

Our activities and how we work

Our Activities and How We Work
We continue to support local people through projects that provide help when it is needed. Our projects are funded by the generosity of our local councils, community groups, residents and local businesses who all donate so generously to our charity.

We currently have a small but important staff group, comprising of one full-time Senior Coordinator, an Assistant Coordinator working 4 days a week and a part-time furniture bank coordinator. We also pay for support from self-employed contractors on an hourly basis to cover our Food at Five project and other schemes. We have provided training for staff, volunteers and trustees in Safeguarding and other essential areas of work. All of our Trustees and Volunteers must have attended one of our Safeguarding courses.
Our volunteers remain at the heart of our work. We have had the support of over 50 volunteers including young people with additional needs as well as those completing their Duke of Edinburgh scheme, and have provided over 100 volunteer hours every week. Some of our volunteers have progressed to securing employment with the skills that they have gained from their experience with Fair Frome.

Fair Frome continues to act as an umbrella group, regularly bringing together local agencies working with people in poverty to share ideas and plan joint services. This proved to be especially useful during the latter stages of the pandemic and the continuing cost of living crisis. Fair Frome supports other groups and events in the town including the Carnival Club, 'Frome Christmas Get Together' and the Frome Children's Festival.

We also work with the local community to raise a voice against the causes of poverty and deprivation both locally and nationally and are affiliated to the Independent Food Aid Network (IFAN), The Equality Trust and the Living Wage Campaign.

Public benefit

The charity objectives and aims are performed with regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Our Achievements Over the Year

2024 marks the tenth year that Fair Frome has been in existence. For nearly two years the charity had been looking for new premises as we have outgrown our old home at the Elliott Building, tucked in behind the Town Hall. As reported earlier, particularly during the difficulties of COVID, the Elliott Building became extremely cramped and crowded. After searching and looking at scores of potential new premises, and again as reported in our Annual Report of last year, we eventually found somewhere suitable at Unit 7, Longacre on the Marston Trading Estate. The (almost) new build is substantially larger than the old Elliott Building, with room to accommodate our Furniture Bank as well as provide a home for our new Baby Basics Bank. In addition, there is also a kitchen as well as three separate offices for multiple uses including meeting rooms. An outside space for a garden is also available and we are in the process of making this into an attractive feature of the premises. For the Furniture Bank, finding new premises was particularly important as where the furniture was previously stored had become regularly flooded as well as being rodent-infested. Fair Frome now has the benefit of a 5 year lease for the premises which was signed in January 2023 (with a break clause after 3 years).

At the end of April 2023, during a one day operation we successfully transferred our main home from the Elliott Building to the Marston Trading Estate.

Upon moving in during the Spring of last year, the food shelving units were erected in the main body of the building. Crucially, we were able to erect a temporary dividing wall between what is now the Furniture Bank section, making it separate from the rest of the building. The whole of the inside was also painted, with a new heating system also installed. A new security system was also put in place, as were outside lighting units. To enhance the food provision, a large new refrigerator and a freezer unit was also installed.

We have also been extremely fortunate to have the offer from a local business owned by Mr Darren Bowsher to have installed for us at no charge, solar panels together with the appropriate and accompanying inverter and battery apparatus. This gift was extremely generous and during the next 12 months we look forward to seeing how our electricity expenditure can be reduced.

We have now been at our new home on the Marston Trading Estate for nearly a year and the reaction of both our users and clients has all been extremely positive. We have worked hard to ensure that upon entering the building, the atmosphere is as welcoming and warm as possible. Our new home is increasingly seen by other organisations as an excellent venue for meetings. We are particularly pleased to see that our new premises are increasingly being used by organisations such as the Inclusion and Homeless Health team to a counselling service for young mothers. As with our main reception area, we have made strenuous efforts to ensure that our meeting rooms are as welcoming as possible.

What of the Elliott Building? We had always been keen to provide a 'stepping stone' to help those using our Food Bank to get back on their feet. The idea of a Community Pantry seemed the ideal way to do this. Thus, when we moved out of the Elliott Building at the end of April we entered into negotiations with the owner of the Elliott Building, Frome Town Council and once a week we are now providing a Community Pantry service at the Elliott. We have a dedicated team of volunteers who are present to help clients not only with what they need for their nutritional needs, but also to help signpost on how other help may be available to them. The terms of the lease with Frome Town Council remain flexible to ensure that we are tied in to no long term legal commitment.

In the meantime, rising fuel bills and the cost of living crisis has ensured that our core activity of the Food Bank and all of our related services have seen increased demand. More of our clients remain in work (over 40%) but simply cannot afford to get by, facing high costs and low wages. Over the past year, set out below are just some of the tasks that we have managed to carry out:

- Food Bank-we have given out 1326 food parcels to individuals, couples and families over the year with additional items of fresh food such as eggs, milk, cheese, fresh fruit and vegetables.-Collected 38942kg of food and distributed 45430kgs of food through the Food Bank and local schools.
- Delivered over 150 Christmas Parcels
- Given out over 2509 vouchers through the food bank for fresh fruit and vegetables from a local shop
- Given out over 2471 meat vouchers for a local butcher to provide quality fresh food
- Given out over 1271 bread vouchers for a local baker to provide quality fresh bread
- Given away more than 300 toys and books for Christmas presents

- Been part of the team to organise the Frome Chriistmas Get-Together this year in 3 locations which is now providing 250 meals as well as company during Christmas Day
- Food at Five- Not only have our team provided over 120 hot meals every week in 3 different geographic areas of the town, free to anyone on benefits or low income, but in addition, the chance to meet and speak with other people in a warm space providing a hot sit down meal in an inviting environment
- Holiday Hunger (now re-named Holiday Lunches). We have provided an average of 35 meals per session 3 times a week during the school holidays, combined with activities delivered by our project partner Purple Elephant, to referred families
- Furniture Bank. We have provided support to over 168 households in the Frome area. We have repaired cookers and washing machines where possible. Refurbished and repaired free white goods and household items of furniture have been delivered to individuals, couples and families, thus saving them from landfill. This service has been enhanced as unlike in previous years, the Furniture Bank is now part of our new premises at Longacre with its separate space in a clean, dry and safe environment
- Assistance Scheme. During the year we have continued to provide school uniforms. We have also provided vouchers for clothes and shoes, particularly as we see family budgets squeezed. We have also provided key items such as transport for appointments, carpets and other essential items to referred families. Frome Lions and the local Rotary Clubs and Inner Wheel have been essential in providing us with funding for the more expensive items
- Our Baby Bank continues to prosper during its third year of existence, providing essentials from nappies and formula milk to buggies and stairgates to referred families
- Food for schools. We have delivered additional food parcels to Frome schools for families on Free School Meals
- Through our targeted purchasing policy, where possible we have ensured that we have supported local businesses

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Looking to the Future-A Message from our Chair

As indicated above, much of our efforts in the past year has been dedicated to establishing ourselves in our new home on the Marston Trading Estate as well as seeing the successful launch of the Community Pantry. However, the last twelve months have also seen a significant change on the membership of our Board of Trustees, with new trustees being appointed (for details please see page 5 in this Report). After several years serving as trustees, in January 2023 Karen Stewart and John Killah were appointed as Joint Chairs of the charity. On the expiry of her time as trustee, Karen resigned as a trustee in January 2024, although we are delighted to report that Karen is continuing as a volunteer for Fair Frome, a role that she has undertaken for many years. In January 2024 John Killah was appointed as our Chair of Trustees for the next twelve months.
Our finances remain sound. Throughout the past year we have also been conscious that it is good practice for a Charity to review its reserves policy every few years. There remains the necessity of balancing the spending of funds that donors provide to us and at the same time being prudent in being able to meet the financial challenges that lie ahead. At the commencement of a new financial year, we remain conscious that not only have we committed to a five year lease of our new premises (with some of those linked costs yet to be paid), but are also going ahead with new projects such as the Community Pantry at our old home in the old Elliott Building. During the current financial year the Trustees will adopt a Fair Frome Reserve Policy, to help ensure that we continue to have a sustainable and sound financial future.

Looking at the year ahead and reflecting on the patterns that we see within our own organisation, regretfully we believe that the cost of living crisis will continue to have a profound impact on all of our work. It is not only ourselves who are of this view, but also most other like organisations who are responsible for running a food bank and/or related activities. It seems inevitable that throughout the next 12 months there is likely to be a greater demand on our services with fewer financial and other resources coming our way. Thus, our continual reviews of our finances and our ability to meet the challenges ahead.

However, notwithstanding the increasing financial pressures that are likely to be coming our way, we are determined to continue with our 'can do' attitude towards meeting local challenges. As just an example of this, at the beginning of a new financial year, we are already exploring the possibility of starting a breakfast club for local schools where sadly this service is no longer available directly within the educational setting.

It is therefore even more important that at this stage we thank all of our many supporters and friends who have helped us over the past year, from local Councils, particularly at Frome Town Council, other charities and local organisations such as Rotary, Frome Lions and Inner Wheel. The business community in and around Frome has been instrumental in helping us grow stronger. Most of all, Fair Frome has been most reliant on the people who both live or work in the town and its surrounding areas. Whether by occasional donations of food at the supermarket or by a monthly standing order, without the people of Frome it would not be possible for Fair Frome to meet the many challenges that lie ahead. During the next financial year we are planning to give a more formal expression of thanks to all our supporters and volunteers. But in the meantime, a huge 'thank you' to all!

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our reserves policy

We hold reserves so that we can keep running our services even if our income from donations drops, or something unexpected happens. Trustees review our reserves policy at least annually and decide on the appropriate level of reserves to hold.

At the end of the last financial year (31 March 2024) our total funds were £266,138.

Some of these are funds are not accessible for us to spend. For example, our fixed assets of £20,667 cannot be easily turned into cash without selling the assets that we hold.

The funds that are available to us total £244,000. All these reserves are 'unrestricted' but our policy is to designate reserves for specific purposes.

The Trustees agreed to hold a 'crisis fund' of circa £1,000 per month which we could use to buy additional food if needed during the cost of living crisis. This accounts for £12,000 of our reserves. We aim to hold this reserve until demand for our services starts to fall.

We are also holding a reserve for maintaining or replacing property and other assets. This reserve is for costs over and above our operational expenditure. Our current reserve for property and assets is £10,000.

Our main reserve is for operational costs if our income drops. We aim to keep six to twelve months' expenditure as a reserve for this purpose (between £125,000 and £250,000, based on our latest expenditure forecast). As at 31 March 2024, we have £222,000 available in reserves for this, equivalent to over ten months' operational expenditure.

The Trustees consider that these reserves reflect the particular circumstances of Fair Frome as at 31 March 2024, but will review reserves annually or more frequently if circumstances change.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1156185

Principal address

Frome Town Hall
Christchuch Street West
Frome
Somerset
BA11 1EB

Trustees

J A Killah
K L Stewart (resigned 8.1.24)
R J Cannings (resigned 21.12.23)
S L Perrett (resigned 27.11.23)
B Goddard
P Birch (appointed 5.6.23)
A Hills (appointed 5.6.23)
J Drake (appointed 5.6.23)
L Davis (appointed 5.6.23)
N Willis (appointed 5.6.23)
R Taylor (appointed 1.7.24)
K Clancy (appointed 1.7.24)
J Battye (appointed 1.7.24)
J Gardiner (appointed 10.7.24)

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
Independent Examiner
Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
Bath
BA1 2NE

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9th September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

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J A Killah - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAIR FROME

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Fair Frome
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Fair Frome (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

M G Small

Matthew Small FCA

Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
Bath
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Date: 23/9/2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	**2024 Total funds £**	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		**268,403**	**-**	**268,403**	259,259
Investment income	2	**1,696**	**-**	**1,696**	567
Other income		**433**	**-**	**433**	-
Total		**270,532**	**-**	**270,532**	259,826
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General activity		**242,662**	**-**	**242,662**	160,025
Other		**6,459**	**-**	**6,459**	987
Total		**249,121**	**-**	**249,121**	161,012
NET INCOME		**21,411**	**-**	**21,411**	98,814
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		**244,727**	**-**	**244,727**	145,913
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**266,138**	**-**	**266,138**	244,727

The notes form part of these financial statements

FAIR FROME

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	**20,667**	-	**20,667**	4,475
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	**4,285**	-	**4,285**	5,533
Cash at bank and in hand		**248,856**	-	**248,856**	241,617
		253,141	-	**253,141**	247,150
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	**(7,670)**	-	**(7,670)**	(6,898)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**245,471**	-	**245,471**	240,252
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**266,138**	-	**266,138**	244,727
NET ASSETS		**266,138**	-	**266,138**	244,727
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				**266,138**	244,727
TOTAL FUNDS				**266,138**	244,727

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 9th September 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

J A Killah - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	-	15% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	-	25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	25% on reducing balance

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	**1,696**	567

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2024 nor for the year ended 31 March 2023.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	259,259	-	259,259
Investment income	567	-	567
Total	259,826	-	259,826
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General activity	160,025	-	160,025
Other	987	-	987
Total	161,012	-	161,012
NET INCOME	98,814	-	98,814
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	145,913	-	145,913
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	244,727	-	244,727

The figures contained in this note relate to the financial year ending 31 March 2023.

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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2023	**13,365**	**6,000**	**657**	**20,022**
Additions	**-**	**21,772**	**1,947**	**23,719**
Disposals	**-**	**(6,000)**	**-**	**(6,000)**
At 31 March 2024	**13,365**	**21,772**	**2,604**	**37,741**
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2023	**10,142**	**4,933**	**472**	**15,547**
Charge for year	**484**	**5,443**	**533**	**6,460**
Eliminated on disposal	**-**	**(4,933)**	**-**	**(4,933)**
At 31 March 2024	**10,626**	**5,443**	**1,005**	**17,074**
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2024	**2,739**	**16,329**	**1,599**	**20,667**
At 31 March 2023	3,223	1,067	185	4,475

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	**4,285**	5,533

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	**6,568**	5,746
Other creditors	**1,102**	1,152
	7,670	6,898

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	**244,727**	**21,411**	**266,138**
TOTAL FUNDS	**244,727**	**21,411**	**266,138**

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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	**270,532**	**(249,121)**	**21,411**
TOTAL FUNDS	**270,532**	**(249,121)**	**21,411**

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	145,913	98,814	244,727
TOTAL FUNDS	145,913	98,814	244,727

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	259,826	(161,012)	98,814
TOTAL FUNDS	259,826	(161,012)	98,814

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	145,913	120,225	266,138
TOTAL FUNDS	145,913	120,225	266,138

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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	530,358	(410,133)	120,225
TOTAL FUNDS	530,358	(410,133)	120,225

9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2024.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**69,436**	104,284
Gift aid	**4,341**	5,533
Grants	**104,178**	28,802
Local giving	**84,652**	116,870
Sundry income	**5,796**	3,770
	268,403	259,259
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	**1,696**	567
Other income		
Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets	**433**	-
Total incoming resources	**270,532**	259,826
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	**54,773**	41,545
Pensions	**1,706**	1,063
Insurance	**2,354**	1,975
Light and heat	**6,535**	1,449
Telephone	**1,166**	415
Postage and stationery	**694**	1,186
Advertising	**918**	255
Charitable expenditure	**120,179**	76,172
Repairs & maintenance	**9,233**	9,745
Furniture storage	**-**	3,000
Motor expenses	**2,903**	2,150
Travel and subsistence	**153**	93
Rent	**27,668**	12,843
Computer expenses	**70**	376
Sundry expenses	**2,191**	1,340
Subscriptions	**613**	370
Training	**2,901**	1,173
Garden expenses	**841**	-
Cleaning & waste	**5,708**	-
	240,606	155,150
Other		
Fixtures and fittings depreciation	**483**	569
Motor vehicles depreciation	**5,443**	356
Computer equipment depreciation	**533**	62
	6,459	987

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	**184**	87
Governance costs		
Independent examination fee	**552**	564
Legal and professional fees	**1,320**	4,224
	1,872	4,788
Total resources expended	**249,121**	161,012
Net income	**21,411**	98,814

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1156185

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Our Achievements Over the Year

2023 marks the ninth year that Fair Frome has been in existence. For nearly two years the charity has been looking for new premises as we have outgrown our old home at the Elliott Building, tucked in behind the Town Hall. Particularly during the difficulties of COVID, the Elliott Building became extremely cramped and crowded. After searching and looking at scores of potential new premises, we eventually found somewhere suitable at Unit 7, Longacre on the Marston Trading Estate. The new build is substantially larger than the old Elliott Building, with room to accommodate our Furniture Bank as well as provide a home for our new Baby Basics Bank. In addition, there is also a kitchen as well as three separate offices for multiple uses including meeting rooms. An outside space for a garden is also available. For the Furniture Bank, finding new premises was particularly important as where the furniture was previously stored had become regularly flooded as well as being rodent-infested. The Trustees are delighted to report that a 5 year lease for the premises was signed in January 2023 (with a break clause after 3 years). As at the 31 March, the new premises were being refurbished and kitted out ready for use not only as a Food Bank but also for the other services that Fair Frome were already providing or had hopes of providing in the near future. It is planned that the Furniture Bank will have its own separate area. The planned date for moving from the Elliott Building to our new home is the end of April.

Until that date at the end of April, the Food Bank will remain at the Elliott Building. However, with the agreement of our landlords of the Elliott Building, Frome Town Council, once we have moved to our new Unit at Longacre we shall remain in possession of the Elliott Building with plans to open a Community Pantry during the early summer of 2023.

In the meantime, whilst we plan for our move and future commitments, rising fuel bills and the cost of living crisis has ensured that our core activity of the Food Bank and related services have seen increased demand. More of our clients remain in work (over 40%) but simply cannot afford to get by, facing high costs and low wages. Over the past year, set out below are just some of the tasks that we have managed to carry out:

- Food Bank-we have given out 1373 food parcels to 560 individuals, 245 couples, 568 families over the year with additional items of fresh food such as eggs, milk cheese, fresh fruit and vegetables.
- Collected and distributed 45,030 kgs of food through the Food Bank and local schools.
- Delivered over 200 Christmas Parcels
- Given out over 2634 vouchers through the food bank, for fresh fruit and vegetables from a local shop.
- Given out over 2520 meat vouchers for a local butcher to provide quality and fresh food
- Given out over 1175 bread vouchers for a local baker to provide quality and fresh bread
- Gifted more than 300 toys and books wrapped and personally addressed Christmas presents
- Been part of the team delivering the Frome Christmas Get-Together this year in 3 locations which is now providing 180 meals as well as company during Christmas Day
- Food at Five. Not only have our team provided over 100 hot meals every week in 3 different geographic areas of the town, free to anyone on benefits or low income, but in addition, the chance to meet and speak with other people in a warm space providing a hot sit down meal in an inviting environment
- Holiday Hunger. We have provided an average of 35 meals per session 3 times a week during the school holidays combined with activities delivered by our partner Purple Elephant, to referred families
- Furniture Bank. Despite the difficulties over issues of storage, we have still nevertheless provided support to over 120 households in the Frome area. We have repaired cookers and washing machines where possible. Refurbished and repaired free white goods and household items of furniture have been referred to individuals, couples and families, thus saving them from landfill
- Assistance Scheme. During the year we have continued to provide school uniforms. We have also provided vouchers for clothes and school, particularly as we see family budgets squeezed. We have also provided key and essential items such as transport for appointments, laptops, carpets and other essential items to referred families. Frome Lions and the local Rotary Clubs and Inner Wheel have been essential in providing us with funding for the more expensive items
- Our Baby Basics Bank was started in December 2022 providing essentials like formula milk and nappies to cots and buggies to referred families
- Food for schools. We have delivered additional food parcels to Frome schools for families on Free School Meals
- Through our targeted purchasing policy, where possible we have ensured that we have supported local businesses.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE
Looking to the Future - A Message from our Joint Chairs

As indicated above, much of our efforts in the past year has been dedicated to both finding and securing larger and better premises. However, the last twelve months have also seen a significant change on the membership of our Board of Trustees. After founding and leading Fair Frome for nearly 9 years, Bob Ashford resigned as both Chair and Trustee in January 2023. A huge vote of gratitude and thanks must go not only to Bob, but also the other trustees who resigned in January after so many years of service to Fair Frome. Karen Stewart now steps up from Vice Chair to Joint Chair together with John Killah, who has already served as a Trustee since 2019. The departure of Bob and the other trustees has meant that the start of the financial year ended 31st March 2024 has meant that Fair Frome now has the opportunity to search for and select new trustees with different skills and expertise.

Our finances remain sound. Throughout the past year we have also been conscious that it is good practice for a Charity to review its reserves policy every few years. There remains the necessity of balancing the spending of funds that donors provide to us and at the same time being prudent in being able to meet the financial challenges that lie ahead. At the commencement of a new financial year, we remain conscious that not only have we committed to a five year lease of our new premises (with some of those linked costs yet to be paid), but are also going ahead with new projects such as the Community Pantry at our old home in the old Elliott Building.

FAIR FROME

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Our reserves policy

We hold reserves so that we can keep running our services even if our income from donations drops, or something unexpected happens. Trustees review our reserves policy annually and decide on the appropriate level of reserves to hold.

At the end of the last financial year (31 March 2023) our total funds were £244,727.

Some of these are reserves are not accessible for us to spend. Our fixed assets of £4,475 cannot be easily turned into cash without selling the assets that we hold.

The remaining reserves available total £240,252. All these reserves are 'unrestricted' but our policy is to designate reserves for specific purposes.

At 31 March 2023, we were holding £8,000 to set up the Community Pantry, relating to a grant that we received.

Our main reserve is for operational costs if our income drops. We aim to keep six to twelve months' expenditure as a reserve for operational costs. Given the uncertainty caused by the ongoing cost of living crisis, Trustees agreed to hold twelve months' expenditure as a reserve at present. This amounts to £200,000 based on our latest expenditure forecast.

The Trustees also agreed to hold a 'crisis fund' of £1,000 per month which we could use to buy additional food if needed during the cost of living crisis. This accounts for a further £12,000 of our reserves. We aim to hold this reserve until demand for our services starts to fall.

We are also holding a reserve for maintaining or replacing property and other assets. This reserve is for costs over and above our operational expenditure. Our current reserve for property and assets is £20,000. The first call on this reserve is likely to be to replace the furniture bank van in the next twelve months.

This means that the reserves that we aim to hold total £240,000, against an available fund of £240,252. The Trustees consider that this reflects the particular circumstances of Fair Frome at 31 March 2023, but will keep reserves under review as circumstances change.

Looking at the year ahead and reflecting on the patterns that we see within our own organisation, regretfully we believe that the cost of living crisis will continue to have a profound impact on all of our work.

It is therefore even more important that at this stage we thank all of our many supporters and friends who have helped us over the past year, from local Councils, particularly at Frome Town Council, other charities and local organisations such as Rotary, Frome Lions and Inner Wheel. The business community in and around Frome has been instrumental in helping us grow stronger. Most of all, Fair Frome has been most reliant on the people who both live or work in the town and its surrounding areas. Whether by occasional donations of food at the supermarket or by a monthly standing order, without the people of Frome it would not be possible for Fair Frome to meet the many challenges that lie ahead. So, a huge 'thank you' to all!

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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1156185

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FAIR FROME

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Trustees
J A Killah
K L Stewart
R J Cannings
M Dorrington (resigned 23.1.23)
B Ashford (resigned 23.1.23)
R Ramsden (resigned 23.1.23)
S L Perrett
K Huckle (resigned 23.1.23)
S Butler (resigned 23.1.23)
C Whitlard (resigned 23.1.23)
B Goddard
P Birch (appointed 5.6.23)
A Hills (appointed 5.6.23)
J Drake (appointed 5.6.23)
L Davis (appointed 5.6.23)
N Willis (appointed 5.6.23)

Independent Examiner
Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 16th October 23 and signed on its behalf by:

....
J A Killah - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FAIR FROME

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Fair Frome
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Fair Frome (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement
Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

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M G Small

Matthew Small FCA

Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
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Date: 31 OCTOBER 2023

FAIR FROME

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		**259,259**	-	**259,259**	152,088
Investment income	2	**567**	-	**567**	10
Total		**259,826**	-	**259,826**	152,098
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General activity		**160,025**	-	**160,025**	124,785
Other		**987**	-	**987**	1,227
Total		**161,012**	-	**161,012**	126,012
NET INCOME		**98,814**	-	**98,814**	26,086
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		**145,913**	-	**145,913**	119,827
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**244,727**	-	**244,727**	145,913

The notes form part of these financial statements

FAIR FROME

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	**2023 Total funds £**	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	**4,475**	-	**4,475**	5,462
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	**5,533**	-	**5,533**	-
Cash at bank and in hand		**241,617**	-	**241,617**	140,991
		247,150	-	**247,150**	140,991
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	**(6,898)**	-	**(6,898)**	(540)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**240,252**	-	**240,252**	140,451
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**244,727**	-	**244,727**	145,913
NET ASSETS		**244,727**	-	**244,727**	145,913
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				**244,727**	145,913
TOTAL FUNDS				**244,727**	145,913

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on .... and were signed on its behalf by:

....
J A Killah - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	567	10

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	152,088	-	152,088
Investment income	10	-	10
Total	152,098	-	152,098
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General activity	124,785	-	124,785
Other	1,227	-	1,227
Total	126,012	-	126,012
NET INCOME	26,086	-	26,086
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	119,827	-	119,827
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	145,913	-	145,913

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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	13,365	6,000	657	20,022
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2022	9,573	4,577	410	14,560
Charge for year	569	356	62	987
At 31 March 2023	10,142	4,933	472	15,547
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2023	3,223	1,067	185	4,475
At 31 March 2022	3,792	1,423	247	5,462

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade debtors	5,533	-

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	5,746	-
Other creditors	1,152	540
	6,898	540

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	145,913	98,814	244,727
TOTAL FUNDS	145,913	98,814	244,727

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	259,826	(161,012)	98,814
TOTAL FUNDS	259,826	(161,012)	98,814

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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	119,827	26,086	145,913
TOTAL FUNDS	119,827	26,086	145,913

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	152,098	(126,012)	26,086
TOTAL FUNDS	152,098	(126,012)	26,086

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	119,827	124,900	244,727
TOTAL FUNDS	119,827	124,900	244,727

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	411,924	(287,024)	124,900
TOTAL FUNDS	411,924	(287,024)	124,900

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9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

FAIR FROME

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**104,284**	46,921
Gift aid	**5,533**	-
Grants	**28,802**	16,425
Local giving	**116,870**	86,132
Sundry income	**3,770**	2,610
	259,259	152,088
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	**567**	10
Total incoming resources	**259,826**	152,098
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	**41,545**	36,684
Pensions	**1,063**	1,010
Insurance	**1,975**	902
Light and heat	**1,449**	552
Telephone	**415**	688
Postage and stationery	**1,186**	531
Advertising	**255**	171
Charitable expenditure	**76,172**	71,248
Repairs & maintenance	**9,745**	-
Furniture storage	**3,000**	3,000
Motor expenses	**2,150**	1,474
Travel and subsistence	**93**	-
Rent	**12,843**	4,290
Computer expenses	**376**	1,198
Sundry expenses	**1,340**	1,761
Subscriptions	**370**	110
Training	**1,173**	506
	155,150	124,125
Other		
Fixtures and fittings depreciation	**569**	670
Motor vehicles depreciation	**356**	475
Computer equipment depreciation	**62**	82
	987	1,227
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	**87**	-

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FAIR FROME

England & Wales - Charity number 1156185

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1156185

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

FOR

FAIR FROME

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our aims and objectives

Fair Frome aims to prevent and relieve financial, educational, social and health poverty for people living in Frome and the surrounding areas. This will be achieved through the provision of direct services and through the support and development of other organisations in such a way that they are able to identify and meet these needs.

Our activities and how we work

We support local people through projects that provide help when it is needed. Our projects are funded by the generosity of local Councils, community Groups, residents and businesses who donate to our charity.

We have a small but important staff group, comprising a full-time coordinator on a 50/50 job share, a five-hour week Volunteer Coordinator and a part-time furniture bank coordinator. We also pay for support from self-employed contractors on an hourly basis to cover our Food at Five project and other more minor schemes. We have provided training for staff, volunteers and trustees in Safeguarding and other essential areas of work.

Our volunteers are at the heart of our work. We have supported over 40 volunteers including young people with additional needs and those completing their Duke of Edinburgh scheme, and provided over 100 volunteer hours every week. Some of our volunteers have gone on to employment with the skills they have gained from their experience with Fair Frome.

Fair Frome acts as an umbrella group, regularly bringing together local agencies working with people in poverty to share ideas and plan joint services. This has been especially useful during the pandemic and cost of living crisis. We support other groups and events in the town including the Carnival Club, 'Frome Christmas Get Together', Frome Children's Festival, etc.

We also work with the local community to raise a voice against the causes of poverty and deprivation locally and nationally and are affiliated to the Independent Food Aid Network (IFAN), The Living Wage Campaign and The Equality Trust.

Public benefit

The charity objectives and aims are performed with regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Our Achievements Over the Year

This year marks the eighth year that Fair Frome has been in existence. During these years we have consolidated our existing services such as our food bank, Food at Five, Holiday Hunger and the furniture bank. We have also grown and adapted to meet new demands. During the year ending March 2022 the Covid 19 pandemic continued to seriously impact our services and service users. This was in addition to the continuing reasons why people need our services such as the local low pay/ high-cost environment, ongoing housing shortages and high rents and welfare benefits which fall short of real need.

This year also saw the start of the cost-of-living crisis. The end of the Universal Credit uplift saw an immediate increase in demand for our services as a result. Other factors such as rising inflation and the lack of affordable rented or social housing has also led to families paying more from their benefits on food and housing or being faced with moving away from Frome.
As we go forward we expect to see demand continue to rise and we will do everything we can with our local partners and the wider community to meet that demand.

In the last year, Fair Frome has:
- Given out 943 food parcels to referred individuals, couples and families in addition to food supplied to schools who requested it for vulnerable families.
- Given out 2115 vouchers for fruit and veg for a local shop to supplement food parcels.
- Started another voucher scheme for a local butcher and given out 1,727 vouchers over the course of the year.
- Provided 4,126 hot meals over the course of the year in 3 different areas of the town, free to anyone on benefits or low income through our Food at Five Takeaway project. This now runs throughout the year.
- Provided through our Holiday Hunger project 780 lunches combined with activities provided by the local charity Purple Elephant. These were free to children and adults from referred families.
- Provided free white goods and household furniture to referred families through our Furniture Bank and prevented waste through recycling.
- Organised and paid for repairs to washing machines and cookers
- Through our Assistance Scheme:
- Provided essential items such as school uniforms, vouchers for clothes and shoes, refurbished laptops, carpets, baby equipment, cookers, and fridges to referred families. We have also helped with moving costs. We are grateful to Frome Lions, the Rotary Clubs in Frome, and local businesses who have worked with us to provide funding for the more expensive items.
- Food for Schools; during lockdowns delivered additional food parcels to Frome schools for families on Free School Meals.
- Brought together other local agencies and community groups regularly to identify concerns and find solutions around poverty and homelessness.
- Supplied Christmas presents and toys to referred families as well as over 300 extra Christmas Food parcels.
- Worked with one of our partners Frome Football Club to distribute 100 football shirts and match tickets to children that access our services
- Distributed 250 free Marcus Rashford books to referred children
- Supported local businesses through our purchasing and voucher schemes.
- Campaigned on issues relating to local poverty, including the retention of Free School Meals during school holidays, and with the Local Citizens Advice to provide a benefits system which meets local needs.
- We have also campaigned for better access to local businesses and shops for those with hidden or visible disabilities.

FAIR FROME

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE
This year has also seen us begin our search for new premises. The current building is unfit for our needs and our wish to increase our services to meet new demands. To this end we have partnered with the local Lions, Rotary and Inner Wheel clubs whose support has been invaluable.

Our finances remain sound. Trustees have always worked to maintain a reserve which can sustain our staff group and projects for at least a year as well as being ready to assist the purchase or refurbishment of our proposed new home. Every new project we have established has been checked against our finances and the sustainability issue. We have received Covid 19 related funding from Councils and other organisations and have very welcome continuing support from Frome Town Council through a grant. We continue to seek and obtain other funding through multiple sources. These include direct fundraising, minor grants, support from businesses, other local charities and direct debits and individual donations. Again, this has been a conscious decision by Trustees as a part of our "local strategies, local solutions" strategy which not only spreads financial risk but also connects the local community with issues relating to poverty and the means to help.

The cost of living crisis will continue to have a profound impact on our work. With our committed staff group, volunteers and Trustees and the support of the strong local community we will face those challenges as we have others and do all in our power to maintain and grow services to meet need.

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 23 JANUARY 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

K Stewart
....
Fair Frome Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FAIR FROME

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M G Small

Matthew Small FCA
ICAEW
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Date: 30/1/2023

FAIR FROME

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		152,088	-	152,088	228,336
Investment income	2	10	-	10	186
Total		152,098	-	152,098	228,522
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General activity		124,125	-	124,125	195,556
Other		1,887	-	1,887	2,070
Total		126,012	-	126,012	197,626
NET INCOME		26,086	-	26,086	30,896
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		119,827	-	119,827	88,931
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		145,913	-	145,913	119,827

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	5,462	-	5,462	6,689
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		140,991	-	140,991	113,679
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(540)	-	(540)	(541)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		140,451	-	140,451	113,138
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		145,913	-	145,913	119,827
NET ASSETS		145,913	-	145,913	119,827
FUNDS	7				
Unrestricted funds				145,913	119,827
TOTAL FUNDS				145,913	119,827

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 23 JANUARY 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

K Stewart.
Fair Frome Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deposit account interest	10	186

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	228,336	-	228,336
Investment income	186	-	186
Total	228,522	-	228,522
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General activity	195,556	-	195,556
Other	2,070	-	2,070
Total	197,626	-	197,626
NET INCOME	30,896	-	30,896
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	88,931	-	88,931
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	119,827	-	119,827

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	13,365	6,000	657	20,022
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2021	8,903	4,102	328	13,333
Charge for year	670	475	82	1,227
At 31 March 2022	9,573	4,577	410	14,560
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2022	3,792	1,423	247	5,462
At 31 March 2021	4,462	1,898	329	6,689

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Other creditors	540	541

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	119,827	26,086	145,913
TOTAL FUNDS	119,827	26,086	145,913

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	152,098	(126,012)	26,086
TOTAL FUNDS	152,098	(126,012)	26,086

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	88,931	30,896	119,827
TOTAL FUNDS	88,931	30,896	119,827

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	228,522	(197,626)	30,896
TOTAL FUNDS	228,522	(197,626)	30,896

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	88,931	56,982	145,913
TOTAL FUNDS	88,931	56,982	145,913

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	380,620	(323,638)	56,982
TOTAL FUNDS	380,620	(323,638)	56,982

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8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	46,921	86,182
Grants	16,425	19,780
Local giving	86,132	122,063
Sundry income	2,610	311
	152,088	228,336
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	10	186
Total incoming resources	152,098	228,522
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	36,684	37,646
Pensions	1,010	2,288
Insurance	902	888
Light and heat	552	572
Telephone	688	374
Postage and stationery	531	555
Advertising	171	342
Charitable expenditure	71,248	140,463
Furniture storage	3,000	3,000
Motor expenses	1,474	1,125
Rent	4,290	4,128
Computer expenses	1,198	868
Sundry expenses	1,761	1,307
Subscriptions	110	368
Training	506	1,632
	124,125	195,556
Other		
Accountancy fees	660	540
Fixtures and fittings depreciation	670	787
Motor vehicles depreciation	475	633
Computer equipment depreciation	82	110
	1,887	2,070
Total resources expended	126,012	197,626
Net income	26,086	30,896

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FAIR FROME

England & Wales - Charity number 1156185

Accounts

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

FOR

FAIR FROME

Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
Bath
BA1 2NE

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Our aims and objectives

Fair Frome aims to prevent and relieve financial, educational, social and health poverty for people living in Frome and the surrounding areas. This will be achieved through the provision of direct services and through the support and development of other organisations in such a way that they are able to identify and meet these needs.

Our activities and how we work

We support local people through projects that provide help when it is needed. Our projects are funded by the generosity of local Councils, community Groups, residents and businesses who donate to our charity.

We have a small but important staff group, comprising a full-time coordinator on a 50/50 job share, and a part-time furniture bank coordinator. We also pay for support from self-employed contractors on an hourly basis to cover our Food at Five Takeaway project and other more minor schemes.

Our volunteers are at the heart of our work. We have supported over 30 volunteers, and provided over 100 volunteer hours every week. Some of our volunteers have gone on to employment with the skills they have gained from their experience with Fair Frome.

Fair Frome acts as an umbrella group bringing together local agencies working with people in poverty to share ideas and plan joint services. This has been especially useful during the ongoing pandemic. We support other groups and events in the town including the Carnival Club, 'Big Xmas Get Together' etc.

We also work with the local community to raise a voice against the causes of poverty and deprivation locally and nationally and are affiliated to the Independent Food Advisory Network (IFAN), The Living Wage Campaign and The Equality Trust.

Public benefit

The charity objectives and aims are performed with regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE
Our Achievements Over the Year

This year marks the seventh year that Fair Frome has been in existence. During these years we have consolidated our existing services such as our food bank, Food at Five, Holiday Hunger and the furniture bank. We have also grown and adapted to meet new demands. During the year ending 31 March 2021 the Covid 19 pandemic seriously impacted our services and service users. This was in addition to the continuing reasons why people need our services such as the local low pay/ high-cost environment, ongoing housing shortages and high rents and welfare benefits which fall short of real need. At the very start of the pandemic many of our volunteers left as they were at higher risk or lived with families with acute health needs. This necessitated us recruiting a substantial new cohort of volunteers at the very point when demand for our services soared, and we needed to radically reassess how we were going to continue to provide our services safely. We achieved this with the help our staff, volunteers, trustees, and the local community. Fair Frome was one of the few local service delivery organisations whose doors remained open throughout lockdowns.
The support we have received within the town has been vital in enabling us with our volunteers and other partner organisations to adapt and provide the basic services essential to help to keep individuals and families afloat.
It has meant that in the last year, Fair Frome has:

- Through our Food Bank we received 1,224 referrals, an increase of 33% over last year, and delivered food, including additional fresh food, either via the regular sessions or through home deliveries to those families shielding during lockdowns.
- Given out over 2,000 vouchers through the food bank for fresh fruit and veg from a local shop and starting a similar scheme for fresh meat from a local butcher in January this year
- Provided over 100 hot meals every week in 3 different areas of the town, free to anyone on benefits or low income through our Food at Five Takeaway project. This now runs throughout the year.
- Provided through our Holiday Hunger an average of 30 meals per session 3 times per week in school holidays combined with activities provided by the local charity Purple Elephant. These were free to children with families on low incomes
- Provided free white goods and household furniture to referred families through our Furniture Bank and prevented waste through recycling.
- Through our Assistance Scheme:
  - o Provided over 50 laptops through schools and the Frome Learning Partnership for children being home schooled during lockdowns and school closures.
  - o Provided essential items such as school uniforms, cookers, fridges and many other essential items to referred families. We are grateful to Frome Lions, the Rotary Clubs in Frome, and local businesses who have worked with us to provide funding for the more expensive items.
- Food for Schools; during lockdowns delivered additional food parcels to Frome schools for families on Free School Meals.
- Given Supermarket Gift tokens via schools to over 800 children on Free School Meals during 3 school holidays allowing families to "Shop with dignity and choice".
- Brought together other local agencies and community groups regularly to identify concerns and find solutions around poverty and homelessness.
- Supplied Christmas presents and toys to referred families as well as over 300 extra Christmas Food parcels.
- Supported local businesses through our purchasing and voucher schemes.
- Campaigned on issues relating to local poverty, including the retention of Free school Meals during school holidays and with the Local Citizens Advice to provide a benefits system which meets local needs.
- We have also campaigned for better access to local businesses and shops for those with hidden or visible disabilities.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Our finances remain sound. Trustees have always worked to maintain a reserve which can sustain our staff group and projects for at least a year. Every new project we have established has been checked against our finances and the sustainability issue. We have received Covid 19 related funding from Councils and other organisations and have very welcome continuing support from Frome Town Council through a grant. We continue to seek and obtain other funding through multiple sources. These include direct fundraising, minor grants, support from businesses and direct debits and individual donations. Again, this has been a conscious decision by Trustees as a part of our "local strategies, local solutions" strategy which not only spreads financial risk but also connects the local community with issues relating to poverty and the means to help.

The Trustees recognise the growing need for the services that Fair Frome provides. We also are aware of opportunities to extend the scope of our services, or to reach other parts of our community. We are considering what resources we will need to best serve the community in the future. This includes a review of our current workplaces, to provide an inclusive. accessible environment where people are treated with respect and dignity.

The Pandemic will continue to have a profound impact on our work. With our committed staff group, volunteers and Trustees and the support of the strong local community we will face those challenges as we have others and do all in our power to maintain and grow services to meet need.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1156185

Principal address

Frome Town Hall
Christchuch Street West
Frome
Somerset
BA11 1EB

Trustees

Independent Examiner

Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
Bath
BA1 2NE

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10 January 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

B Ashford - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Fair Frome

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Fair Frome (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Matthew Small FCA
ICAEW
Berkeley Hall Marshall Limited
6 Charlotte Street
Bath
BA1 2NE

12 January 2022

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	**2021 Total funds £**	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		**228,336**	**-**	**228,336**	87,171
Investment income	2	**186**	**-**	**186**	-
Total		**228,522**	**-**	**228,522**	87,171
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
General activity		**195,556**	**-**	**195,556**	78,131
Other		**2,070**	**-**	**2,070**	2,279
Total		**197,626**	**-**	**197,626**	80,410
NET INCOME		**30,896**	**-**	**30,896**	6,761
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		**88,931**	**-**	**88,931**	82,170
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		**119,827**	**-**	**119,827**	88,931

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	**2021 Total funds £**	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	5	**6,689**	**-**	**6,689**	8,219
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		**113,679**	**-**	**113,679**	81,252
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	**(541)**	**-**	**(541)**	(540)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**113,138**	**-**	**113,138**	80,712
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**119,827**	**-**	**119,827**	88,931
NET ASSETS		**119,827**	**-**	**119,827**	88,931
FUNDS	7				
Unrestricted funds				**119,827**	88,931
TOTAL FUNDS				**119,827**	88,931

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10 January 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

B Ashford - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
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Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	-	15% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	-	25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	-	25% on reducing balance

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits
The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

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2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deposit account interest	186	-

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds
	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	87,171	-	87,171
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
General activity	78,131	-	78,131
Other	2,279	-	2,279
Total	80,410	-	80,410
NET INCOME	6,761	-	6,761
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	82,170	-	82,170
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	88,931	-	88,931

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5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021	**13,365**	**6,000**	**657**	**20,022**
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 April 2020	**8,116**	**3,469**	**218**	**11,803**
Charge for year	**787**	**633**	**110**	**1,530**
At 31 March 2021	**8,903**	**4,102**	**328**	**13,333**
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 March 2021	**4,462**	**1,898**	**329**	**6,689**
At 31 March 2020	5,249	2,531	439	8,219

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021 £	2020 £
Other creditors	**541**	540

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	**88,931**	**30,896**	**119,827**
TOTAL FUNDS	**88,931**	**30,896**	**119,827**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	**228,522**	**(197,626)**	**30,896**
TOTAL FUNDS	**228,522**	**(197,626)**	**30,896**

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	82,170	6,761	88,931
TOTAL FUNDS	82,170	6,761	88,931

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	87,171	(80,410)	6,761
TOTAL FUNDS	87,171	(80,410)	6,761

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	82,170	37,657	119,827
TOTAL FUNDS	82,170	37,657	119,827

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	315,693	(278,036)	37,657
TOTAL FUNDS	315,693	(278,036)	37,657

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8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2021.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	**86,182**	36,224
Grants	**19,780**	18,500
Local giving	**122,063**	20,298
Sundry income	**311**	1,813
Fundraising	**-**	10,336
	228,336	87,171
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	**186**	-
Total incoming resources	**228,522**	87,171
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	**37,646**	30,168
Pensions	**2,288**	1,209
Insurance	**888**	788
Light and heat	**572**	308
Telephone	**374**	291
Postage and stationery	**555**	914
Advertising	**342**	76
Charitable expenditure	**140,463**	32,667
Furniture storage	**3,000**	3,765
Motor expenses	**1,125**	1,240
Travel and subsistence	**-**	174
Rent	**4,128**	4,631
Computer expenses	**868**	496
Sundry expenses	**1,307**	540
Subscriptions	**368**	434
Training	**1,632**	430
	195,556	78,131
Other		
Accountancy fees	**540**	420
Fixtures and fittings depreciation	**787**	926
Motor vehicles depreciation	**633**	844
Computer equipment depreciation	**110**	89
	2,070	2,279
Total resources expended	**197,626**	80,410
Net income	**30,896**	6,761

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