

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

England & Wales - Charity number 1159584

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [08554307](#)

Registered 2014-12-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT TO RELIEVE NEED BY REASON OF DISABILITY AND ILL-HEALTH AMONG YOUNG DISABLED PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES AND/OR CARERS BY:A) PROVIDING EDUCATION AND INFORMATION TO SUPPORT AND ENABLE YOUNG DISABLED PEOPLE TO MAXIMISE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES;B) RAISING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE ISSUES AFFECTING YOUNG DISABLED PEOPLE, THEIR FAMILIES AND/OR CARERS;C) PROVIDING WORKSHOPS, FORUMS, ADVOCACY AND GENERAL SUPPORT FOR YOUNG DISABLED PEOPLE, THEIR FAMILIES AND/OR CARERS; ANDD) PROVIDING RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG DISABLED PEOPLE, THEIR FAMILIES AND/OR CARERS.

Activities: We are based in Southend and our services were formed in Southend on Sea with funding from Southend Borough Council. The aim of Friends and Places Together is to seek friendships for isolated and vulnerable people within our community. Primarily we offer support to young people from 13 to 25 years old but we have had many requests to support all people that are isolated.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Barking And Dagenham
- Havering
- Southend-on-sea

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£148,312	£163,674	-	-
2024-06-30	£162,721	£173,699	-	-
2023-06-30	£147,440	£146,447	-	-
2022-06-30	£163,087	£114,270	-	-
2021-06-30	£88,000	£112,000	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SATHYENDRAN RAVIRAJ		2018-02-02
Wendy Bennet		2021-12-05
asal janghorban		2025-07-21
james spencer		2024-12-30
paige dabbs		2025-03-30
rosie wagstaff		2025-02-09

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Income & Expenditure Report

Friends and Places Together

For the period 1 July 2025 to 27 March 2026

2026

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Income

DP Hours	99,034.25
Grant Income	14,545.94
Events Income	12,966.08
Charitable & Donations Income	535.79
Other Revenue	16,423.01
Total Income	143,505.07

Direct Expenditure

DP Wages	42,534.41
DP Expenses	2,032.66
Charitable Expenditure	2,094.51
Events Expenditure	9,053.61
Administration Costs	18.83
Consulting	1,900.50
Total Direct Expenditure	57,634.52

Indirect Expenditure

Advertising & Marketing	1,411.18
Audit & Accountancy fees	2,250.40
Bank Fees	15.22
Cleaning	70.89
Employers National Insurance	10,721.02
Entertainment-100% business	1,032.39
General Expenses	3,876.48
Insurance	579.36
IT Software and Consumables	846.67
Light, Power, Heating	2,594.53
Motor Vehicle Expenses	68.47
Printing & Stationery	1,259.67
Postage, Freight & Courier	114.49
Rent	5,900.00
Rates	413.00
Repairs & Maintenance	1,343.69
Salaries	35,366.77
Staff Training	176.00
Subscriptions	2,701.66
Telephone & Internet	1,753.09
Travel - National	1,398.61
Reserve Account Transfer	23,500.00
Total Indirect Expenditure	97,393.59

Net Surplus / (Deficit)

Net Surplus / (Deficit)

(11,523.04)

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REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 08554307 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1159584

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024
FOR
FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 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

Objectives and aims

The aim of the charity is:

To relieve need because of disability and ill health among young disabled people and their families and or carers by:

- a) providing friendship groups to support and enable young disabled people to maximise social inclusion opportunities.
- b) raising public awareness of the issues affecting young people, their families and carers.
- c) providing workshops, forums, advocacy and general support for young disabled people, their families and carers.
- d) providing out of school/holidays facilities and opportunities for young disabled people, their families and carers.

Significant activities

During the year the charity offered the following actions to meet its activities:

- a) providing personal assistance services to young adults to assist them to gain independent skills, confidence, assertive skills.
- b) training and pre-employment experiences for several service users.
- c) offering several short holiday breaks for service users.
- d) offering community building and inclusion.

Public benefit

The Trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charities Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

The Trustees always consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set for the charity.

In consideration of the significant activities stated the Trustees are satisfied the Charity meets all requirements for the provision of providing a Public Benefit.

Grantmaking

The charity does not make grants to other persons or organisations.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable / fundraising activities

- a) We are now operating back to full capacity and have regained all our previous clients pre covid.
- b) We have new referrals from social services and from Essex County Council as well as Southend Local Authority.
- c) Clients are using their direct payment hours to pay for our services.
- d) We have reviewed our hourly rate on all group activities and have reduced £8.00 per hour to make services more affordable to clients who do not receive direct payments.
- e) Clients are using one to one hours even if they are meeting up with their friends during daytime activities this was agreed by social services to enable us to financially manage the services and core costs.
- f) Our core model has been clear that we only offer friendship to small groups, and we provide a limited number of gatherings.
- g) We have been successful in small bids which has helped cover some of the costs for work carried out by the coordinator. We have some bids agreed for activities to reduce cost to the clients. This has come about due to the cost-of-living crisis.
- h) We have managed to increase the pay to our staff and we have maintained a healthy reserves to meet future challenges.
- i) The CEO has managed to negotiate several rental agreements of the head office to cover some of its running costs through sub-letting and hiring. We rented out office space to another group for £240 a month.
- j) We have been successful in increasing our direct payments through small friendship groups for the last year.
- k) We have successfully provided a number of community fundraising activities to raise money to celebrate our 10 year anniversary in December 2024.
- l) We have updated all our support plans and back up information for all our clients as well as keeping our processes and procedures that govern us and keeps the service within set boundaries.
- m) We now have regular monthly activities for over 25 year old groups and looking at more activities that the community can attend.
- n) We have set up regular monthly groups in the evenings and weekends which has been successful and sustainable. We have now 10 groups that meet at the weekend over the month.
- o) We have recruited a business administrator in April 2023 which has helped with the growth and expansion of the service. This has taken off some of the administration so that more referrals can be assessed and processed.
- p) We are expanding our social media presence and marketing our services to potential customers.
- q) We have brought in new referrals due to our work in schools and colleges and raising awareness.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The charity aims to hold cash reserves of £25,000 within the bank account in order to cover expenses required in a period of wind down or reduced funding. The charity is pleased to report it currently meets this target and continues to monitor the level of reserve funds required.

Funds in deficit

No funds were in deficit during the year or at the year end.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The charity sources trustees with the skills required to fill skills gaps in the charity from advertisements with local voluntary services associations and by current trustees approaching suitable persons. The charity is currently recruiting new trustees.

Organisational structure

Chief Executive Officer - Denise Nygate

Coordinator - Michelle Thompson

The officers above manage and coordinate the day to day operation of the staff and volunteers of the charity to perform the activities of the charity.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charity has in place an induction and training programme for new trustees to ensure they gain an understanding of the board's activities, responsibilities and undertakings while ensuring their compliance to prevailing rules and regulations.

Related parties

The charity maintains a register of business interests of which any possible related party transactions are brought to the attention of the trustees at a meeting and adequate procedures followed.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

08554307 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1159584

Registered office

Turnpike House
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Trustees

W M Bennett
S Raviraj
I Jones
C J Woollard
J Spencer (appointed 26.4.24)
J M Jackson (appointed 7.3.24)

Independent Examiner

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 7 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

S Raviraj
S Raviraj (Mar 20, 2025 10:32 GMT)

S Raviraj - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

Stephen Pearce
Stephen Pearce (Mar 20, 2025 12:26 GMT)

Stephen Pearce ACA FCCA

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7 March 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		1,055	-	1,055	936
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		159,863	-	159,863	144,379
Other trading activities	2	1,327	-	1,327	1,922
Investment income	3	476	-	476	203
Total		<u>162,721</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>162,721</u>	<u>147,440</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		<u>173,699</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,699</u>	<u>146,447</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(10,978)	-	(10,978)	993
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		78,706	-	78,706	82,374
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>67,728</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>67,728</u></u>	<u><u>83,367</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET

30 JUNE 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	5,555	-	5,555	6,137
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	6,702	-	6,702	4,803
Cash at bank		66,252	-	66,252	82,241
		<u>72,954</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,954</u>	<u>87,044</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(10,781)	-	(10,781)	(9,814)
		<u>62,173</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62,173</u>	<u>77,230</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>62,173</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62,173</u>	<u>77,230</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>67,728</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>67,728</u>	<u>83,367</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>67,728</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>67,728</u>	<u>83,367</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				<u>67,728</u>	<u>83,367</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>67,728</u>	<u>83,367</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 7 March 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:


S Raviraj (Mar 20, 2025 10:32 GMT)

S Raviraj - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

Improvements to property	- 15% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Taxation

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fundraising events	1,327	1,922

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	476	203

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	1,182	1,260

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2024 nor for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2024 nor for the year ended 30 June 2023.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Direct delivery staff	7	6

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	936	-	936
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	144,379	-	144,379
Other trading activities	1,922	-	1,922
Investment income	203	-	203
Total	<u>147,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>147,440</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	146,447	-	146,447

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued				
		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME		993	-	993
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward		82,374	-	82,374
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>83,367</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,367</u>
 8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
		Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £
				Totals £
COST				
At 1 July 2023		11,332	446	3,192
Additions		-	-	600
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 30 June 2024		11,332	446	3,792
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 July 2023		6,304	379	2,150
Charge for year		754	17	411
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 30 June 2024		7,058	396	2,561
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 June 2024		4,274	50	1,231
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 30 June 2023		5,028	67	1,042
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
 9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
			2024	2023
			£	£
Trade debtors			4,241	4,448
Other debtors			2,461	355
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
			6,702	4,803
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	969	-
Other creditors	8,512	9,189
Accruals and deferred income	1,300	625
	<u>10,781</u>	<u>9,814</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.23	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	78,706	(10,978)	67,728
	<u>78,706</u>	<u>(10,978)</u>	<u>67,728</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	162,721	(173,699)	(10,978)
	<u>162,721</u>	<u>(173,699)</u>	<u>(10,978)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.22	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	82,374	993	83,367
	<u>82,374</u>	<u>993</u>	<u>83,367</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	147,440	(146,447)	993
	<u>147,440</u>	<u>(146,447)</u>	<u>993</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	At 1.7.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	82,374	(9,985)	72,389
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>82,374</u>	<u>(9,985)</u>	<u>72,389</u>

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	310,161	(320,146)	(9,985)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>310,161</u>	<u>(320,146)</u>	<u>(9,985)</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2024.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	1,055	936
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	1,327	1,922
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	476	203
Charitable activities		
Activity income	139,678	126,129
Grants	20,185	18,250
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	159,863	144,379
Total incoming resources	<hr/>	<hr/>
	162,721	147,440
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	121,683	95,055
Social security	1,608	-
Pensions	2,007	1,634
Rent (net of subletting)	3,506	982
Light and heat	3,247	3,647
Activity costs	12,726	14,604
Printing, postage and stationery	3,255	1,110
Telephone	1,917	1,623
Consultancy fees	1,180	883
Subscriptions	3,908	3,779
Staff training	1,690	1,868
Repairs and renewals	3,330	4,217
Insurance	719	640
Advertising and promotion	1,028	1,309
General expenses	5,925	6,863
Travelling expenses	951	817
Computer software	1,146	2,183
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,182	1,261
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	171,008	142,475
 Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	91	138
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	2,600	2,500
Carried forward	2,600	2,500

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Governance costs		
Brought forward	2,600	2,500
Legal fees	-	1,334
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	2,600	3,834
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Total resources expended	173,699	146,447
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Net (expenditure)/income	(10,978)	993
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England & Wales - Charity number 1159584

Accounts

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023
FOR
FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The aim of the charity is:

To relieve need because of disability and ill health among young disabled people and their families and or carers by:

- a) providing friendship groups to support and enable young disabled people to maximise social inclusion opportunities.
- b) raising public awareness of the issues affecting young people, their families and carers.
- c) providing workshops, forums, advocacy and general support for young disabled people, their families and carers.
- d) providing out of school/holidays facilities and opportunities for young disabled people, their families and carers.

Significant activities

During the year the charity offered the following actions to meet its activities:

- a) providing personal assistance services to young adults to assist them to gain independent skills, confidence, assertive skills.
- b) training and pre-employment experiences for several service users.
- c) offering several short holiday breaks for service users.
- d) offering community building and inclusion.

Public benefit

The Trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charities Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

The Trustees always consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set for the charity.

In consideration of the significant activities stated the Trustees are satisfied the Charity meets all requirements for the provision of providing a Public Benefit.

Grantmaking

The charity does not make grants to other persons or organisations.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable / fundraising activities

- a) We are now operating back to full capacity and have regained all our previous clients pre covid.
- b) We have new referrals from social services and from Essex County Council as well as Southend Local Authority.
- b) Clients are using their direct payment hours to pay for our services.
- c) We have reviewed our hourly rate on all group activities and have reduced it from £15.61 to £8.00 per hour to make services more affordable to clients who do not receive direct payments.
- d) Clients are using one to one hours even if they are meeting up with their friends during daytime activities this was agreed by social services during covid to enable us to financially manage the services and core costs.
- e) Our core model has been clear that we only offer friendship to small groups, and we provide a limited number of gatherings.
- f) We have been successful in small bids totalling £18,250 which has helped cover some of the costs for work carried out by the coordinator. We have some bids agreed for activities to reduce cost to the clients. This has come about due to the cost-of-living crisis.
- g) We have managed to increase the pay to our staff and we have maintained a healthy reserves to meet future challenges.
- h) The CEO has managed to negotiate several rental agreements of the head office to cover some of its running costs through sub-letting and hiring. We rented out office space to another group for £240 a month and a drop in service rented the unit on Tuesday mornings for £180 a month.
- i) We have been successful in increasing our direct payments through small friendship groups for the last year. We now have 54 small friendship groups of people that meet throughout the week.
- j) We have successfully provided 3 community fundraising events which had generated £1,708.
- k) We have updated all our support plans and back up information for all our clients as well as keeping our processes and procedures that govern us and keeps the service within set boundaries.
- l) We are looking at developing services for the over 25 years age group and have started to research unmet needs in other areas,
- m) We have set up regular monthly groups in the evenings and weekends which has been successful and sustainable. We have now 10 groups that meet at the weekend over the month.
- n) We have recruited a business administrator in April 2023 which has helped with the growth and expansion of the service. This has taken off some of the administration so that more referrals can be assessed and processed.
- o) We are expanding our social media presence and marketing our services to potential customers.
- p) We have brought in new referrals due to our work in schools and colleges and raising awareness.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The charity aims to hold cash reserves of £25,000 within the bank account in order to cover expenses required in a period of wind down or reduced funding. The charity is pleased to report it currently meets this target and continues to monitor the level of reserve funds required.

Funds in deficit

No funds were in deficit during the year or at the year end.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The charity sources trustees with the skills required to fill skills gaps in the charity from advertisements with local voluntary services associations and by current trustees approaching suitable persons. The charity is currently recruiting new trustees.

Organisational structure

Chief Executive Officer - Denise Nygate

Coordinator - Michelle Thompson

The officers above manage and coordinate the day to day operation of the staff and volunteers of the charity to perform the activities of the charity.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charity has in place an induction and training programme for new trustees to ensure they gain an understanding of the board's activities, responsibilities and undertakings while ensuring their compliance to prevailing rules and regulations.

Related parties

The charity maintains a register of business interests of which any possible related party transactions are brought to the attention of the trustees at a meeting and adequate procedures followed.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

08554307 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

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Registered office

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M Wilson (resigned 21.6.23)
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 2 November 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023


Saty Raviraj (Nov 2, 2023 18:28 GMT)

S Raviraj - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.


Stephen Pearce (Nov 3, 2023 08:47 GMT)

Stephen Pearce ACA FCCA

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2 November 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		936	-	936	4,479
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		144,379	-	144,379	151,155
Other trading activities	2	1,922	-	1,922	7,447
Investment income	3	203	-	203	6
Total		<u>147,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>147,440</u>	<u>163,087</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		<u>146,447</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>146,447</u>	<u>115,770</u>
NET INCOME		993	-	993	47,317
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		82,374	-	82,374	35,057
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>83,367</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>83,367</u></u>	<u><u>82,374</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

BALANCE SHEET
30 JUNE 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	6,137	-	6,137	7,397
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	4,803	-	4,803	3,721
Cash at bank		82,241	-	82,241	80,218
		<u>87,044</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>87,044</u>	<u>83,939</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(9,814)	-	(9,814)	(8,962)
		<u>77,230</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>77,230</u>	<u>74,977</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>83,367</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,367</u>	<u>82,374</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>83,367</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,367</u>	<u>82,374</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>83,367</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,367</u>	<u>82,374</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				<u>83,367</u>	<u>82,374</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>83,367</u>	<u>82,374</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 2 November 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:


Saty Raviraj (Nov 2, 2023 18:28 GMT)

S Raviraj - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

Improvements to property	- 15% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

Taxation

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

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2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising events	1,922	7,447

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Deposit account interest	203	6

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023	2022
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	1,260	1,537

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2023 nor for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2023 nor for the year ended 30 June 2022.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Direct delivery staff	6	6

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	4,479	-	4,479
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	124,930	26,225	151,155
Other trading activities	7,447	-	7,447
Investment income	6	-	6
Total	<u>136,862</u>	<u>26,225</u>	<u>163,087</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	89,545	26,225	115,770

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7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET INCOME		47,317	-	47,317
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward		35,057	-	35,057
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>82,374</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,374</u>
8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023	11,332	446	3,192	14,970
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 July 2022	5,417	353	1,803	7,573
Charge for year	887	26	347	1,260
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 30 June 2023	6,304	379	2,150	8,833
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30 June 2023	5,028	67	1,042	6,137
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
At 30 June 2022	5,915	93	1,389	7,397
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			2023	2022
			£	£
Trade debtors			4,448	3,721
Other debtors			355	-
			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
			<u>4,803</u>	<u>3,721</u>

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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	-	250
Social security and other taxes	-	1,305
Other creditors	9,189	6,157
Accruals and deferred income	625	1,250
	<u>9,814</u>	<u>8,962</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.22	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	82,374	993	83,367
	<u>82,374</u>	<u>993</u>	<u>83,367</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	147,440	(146,447)	993
	<u>147,440</u>	<u>(146,447)</u>	<u>993</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.21	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	35,057	47,317	82,374
	<u>35,057</u>	<u>47,317</u>	<u>82,374</u>

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	136,862	(89,545)	47,317
Restricted funds			
Natonal Lottery	26,225	(26,225)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>163,087</u>	<u>(115,770)</u>	<u>47,317</u>

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

	At 1.7.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	35,057	48,310	83,367
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>35,057</u>	<u>48,310</u>	<u>83,367</u>

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	284,302	(235,992)	48,310
Restricted funds			
Natonal Lottery	26,225	(26,225)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>310,527</u>	<u>(262,217)</u>	<u>48,310</u>

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12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2023.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	936	4,479
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	1,922	7,447
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	203	6
Charitable activities		
Activity income	126,129	96,470
Grants	18,250	54,685
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	144,379	151,155
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Total incoming resources	147,440	163,087
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	95,055	79,679
Pensions	1,634	986
Rent (net of subletting)	982	2,015
Light and heat	3,647	2,543
Activity costs	14,604	7,698
Printing, postage and stationery	1,110	1,779
Telephone	1,623	1,074
Consultancy fees	883	-
Subscriptions	3,779	2,987
Motor expenses	-	335
Staff training	1,868	422
Repairs and renewals	4,217	2,583
Insurance	640	629
Advertising and promotion	1,309	728
General expenses	6,863	2,261
Travelling expenses	817	3,002
Computer software	2,183	1,391
Improvements to property	887	1,044
Fixtures and fittings	27	31
Motor vehicles	-	(31)
Computer equipment	347	462
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	142,475	111,618
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	138	152

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Finance		
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	2,500	2,500
Legal fees	1,334	1,500
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	3,834	4,000
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Total resources expended	146,447	115,770
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Net income	993	47,317
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England & Wales - Charity number 1159584

Accounts

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Objectives and aims

The aim of the charity is:

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- b) raising public awareness of the issues affecting young people, their families and carers.
- c) providing workshops, forums, advocacy and general support for young disabled people, their families and carers.
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Public benefit

The Trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charities Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

The Trustees always consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set for the charity.

In consideration of the significant activities stated the Trustees are satisfied the Charity meets all requirements for the provision of providing a Public Benefit.

Grantmaking

The charity does not make grants to other persons or organisations.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable / fundraising activities

- a) We have doubled our charitable activities income through a mixture of grants / trusts / fundraising and from clients direct payments, we are seeking further development of the charity to expand outside of Essex.
- b) We have been successful in bringing back all our previous clients pre covid apart from two people who wanted one to one hours and not meeting up with friends.
- c) We have new referrals from social services and from Essex County Council as well as Southend Local Authority.
- d) Clients are using their direct payment hours to pay for our services, this has nearly doubled from last years figures.
- e) Clients are using one to one hours even if they are meeting up with their friends, this was agreed by social services during covid to enable us to financially manage the services and core costs.
- f) Our core model has been clear that we only offer friendship to small groups, and we provide a limited number of gatherings.
- g) Although our lottery funding came to an end in March 2022, we have managed to seek other funding opportunities to replace this income.
- h) We have managed to be successful with several grants and trusts which has enabled us to increase pay to staff and we have maintained a healthy reserves to meet future challenges.
- i) The CEO has managed to negotiate a number of rental agreements of the head office to cover some of its costs through sub-letting and hiring. We rented out office space to another group for £240 a month and a drop in service rented the unit on Tuesday mornings for £180 a month.
- j) We have been successful in increasing our direct payments through small friendship groups for the last year. We now have 65 small friendship groups of people that meet throughout the week.
- k) We have successfully raised £54k as well as £10k from the Essex Community Fund and a further Southend Social Investment grant of £10k. Having been successful in securing additional grant funding this has taken the pressure off us as a charity to be able to concentrate on the people we support.
- l) We have clear processes and procedures that govern us and keeps the service within set boundaries, whilst also updating the financial processes and procedures to ensure robust financial control for an organisation of this size.
- m) We are looking at developing services for the over 25 years age group and have started to research unmet needs.
- n) We had an Abba night at the casino which raised funds £1,800 and brought in new people to the charity.
- o) Our head office lease came to an end in February 2022 and we successfully manage to secure the lease for a further 3 years on the same terms and conditions.
- p) We managed to recruit two apprentices which helped with staff costs as they were employed on an apprenticeship wage.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The charity aims to hold cash reserves of £25,000 within the bank account in order to cover expenses required in a period of wind down or reduced funding. The charity is pleased to report it currently meets this target and continues to monitor the level of reserve funds required.

Funds in deficit

No funds were in deficit during the year or at the year end.

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The charity sources trustees with the skills required to fill skills gaps in the charity from advertisements with local voluntary services associations and by current trustees approaching suitable persons. The charity is currently recruiting new trustees.

Organisational structure

Chief Executive Officer - Denise Nygate

Coordinator - Michelle Thompson

The officers above manage and coordinate the day to day operation of the staff and volunteers of the charity to perform the activities of the charity.

Induction and training of new trustees

The charity has in place an induction and training programme for new trustees to ensure they gain an understanding of the board's activities, responsibilities and undertakings while ensuring their compliance to prevailing rules and regulations.

Related parties

The charity maintains a register of business interests of which any possible related party transactions are brought to the attention of the trustees at a meeting and adequate procedures followed.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

08554307 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1159584

Registered office

Turnpike House
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Trustees

W M Bennett
S Raviraj
M Wilson
L Brown (resigned 10.2.22)
I Jones (appointed 21.3.22)
C J Woollard (appointed 2.3.22)

Independent Examiner

Stephen Pearce ACA FCCA
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FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

SRaviraj
SRaviraj (Mar 13, 2023 15:21 GMT)

S Raviraj - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.

Stephen Pearce

Stephen Pearce (Mar 13, 2023 15:22 GMT)

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10 March 2023

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		4,479	-	4,479	277
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		124,930	26,225	151,155	88,094
Other trading activities	2	7,447	-	7,447	-
Investment income	3	6	-	6	58
Total		<u>136,862</u>	<u>26,225</u>	<u>163,087</u>	<u>88,429</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		88,045	26,225	114,270	112,199
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		48,817	-	48,817	(23,770)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		35,057	-	35,057	58,827
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>83,874</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,874</u>	<u>35,057</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

BALANCE SHEET
30 JUNE 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	7,397	-	7,397	9,223
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	3,721	-	3,721	2,622
Cash at bank		80,218	-	80,218	36,481
		<u>83,939</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,939</u>	<u>39,103</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(8,962)	-	(8,962)	(13,269)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>74,977</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,977</u>	<u>25,834</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>82,374</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,374</u>	<u>35,057</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>82,374</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,374</u>	<u>35,057</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				<u>82,374</u>	<u>35,057</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>82,374</u>	<u>35,057</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2022.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10 March 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

S Raviraj - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

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

Taxation

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

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fundraising events	7,447	-

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Deposit account interest	6	58

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2022	2021
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	1,537	1,982

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2022 nor for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2022 nor for the year ended 30 June 2021.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
Direct delivery staff	6	10

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	277	-	277
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	59,063	29,031	88,094
Investment income	58	-	58
Total	59,398	29,031	88,429
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	83,168	29,031	112,199
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(23,770)	-	(23,770)

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued			Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward			58,827	-	58,827
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			<u>35,057</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,057</u>
8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS					
	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1 July 2021	11,332	446	900	3,192	15,870
Disposals	-	-	(900)	-	(900)
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At 30 June 2022	11,332	446	-	3,192	14,970
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DEPRECIATION					
At 1 July 2021	4,373	322	611	1,341	6,647
Charge for year	1,044	31	-	462	1,537
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	(611)	-	(611)
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At 30 June 2022	5,417	353	-	1,803	7,573
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NET BOOK VALUE					
At 30 June 2022	5,915	93	-	1,389	7,397
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At 30 June 2021	6,959	124	289	1,851	9,223
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9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR					
				2022	2021
				£	£
Trade debtors				3,721	2,622
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	250	-
Social security and other taxes	1,305	4,985
Other creditors	6,157	7,034
Accruals and deferred income	1,250	1,250
	<u>8,962</u>	<u>13,269</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.21	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.22
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	35,057	47,317	82,374
	<u>35,057</u>	<u>47,317</u>	<u>82,374</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	136,862	(89,545)	47,317
Restricted funds			
National Lottery	26,225	(26,225)	-
	<u>163,087</u>	<u>(115,770)</u>	<u>47,317</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.20	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	58,827	(23,770)	35,057
	<u>58,827</u>	<u>(23,770)</u>	<u>35,057</u>

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	59,398	(83,168)	(23,770)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery	29,031	(29,031)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>88,429</u>	<u>(112,199)</u>	<u>(23,770)</u>

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

	At 1.7.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	58,827	23,547	82,374
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>58,827</u>	<u>23,547</u>	<u>82,374</u>

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	196,260	(172,713)	23,547
Restricted funds			
National Lottery	55,256	(55,256)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>251,516</u>	<u>(227,969)</u>	<u>23,547</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2022.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	4,479	277
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	7,447	-
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	6	58
Charitable activities		
Activity income	96,470	59,063
Grants	54,685	29,031
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	151,155	88,094
Total incoming resources	<hr/>	<hr/>
	163,087	88,429
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	79,679	71,332
Social security	-	1,050
Pensions	986	3,314
Rent	2,015	5,702
Light and heat	2,543	2,799
Activity costs	7,698	2,643
Printing, postage and stationery	1,779	723
Telephone	1,074	1,992
Subscriptions	2,987	3,223
Motor expenses	335	2,657
Staff training	422	373
Repairs and renewals	2,583	2,677
Insurance	629	539
Advertising and promotion	728	715
General expenses	2,261	2,298
Travelling expenses	3,002	827
Computer software	1,391	650
Consultancy and professional fees	-	3,843
Improvements to property	1,044	1,228
Fixtures and fittings	31	42
Motor vehicles	(31)	96
Computer equipment	462	616
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	111,618	109,339
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	152	-

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Finance		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	2,500	2,860
Total resources expended	<u>114,270</u>	<u>112,199</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>48,817</u>	<u>(23,770)</u>

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Friends & Places Together Final Accounts Y.E 30.06.2022

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England & Wales - Charity number 1159584

Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 08554307 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1159584

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021
FOR
FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 June 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

Objectives and aims

The aim of the charity is:

To relieve need because of disability and ill health among young disabled people and their families and or carers by:

- a) providing friendship groups to support and enable young disabled people to maximise social inclusion opportunities.
- b) raising public awareness of the issues affecting young people, their families and carers.
- c) providing workshops, forums, advocacy and general support for young disabled people, their families and carers.
- d) providing out of school/holidays facilities and opportunities for young disabled people, their families and carers.

Significant activities

During the year the charity offered the following actions to meet its activities:

- a) providing personal assistance services to young adults to assist them to gain independent skills, confidence, assertive skills.
- b) training and pre-employment experiences for several service users.
- c) offering several short holiday breaks for service users.
- d) offering community building and inclusion.

Public benefit

The Trustees have referred to the guidance in the Charities Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities.

The Trustees always consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set for the charity.

In consideration of the significant activities stated the Trustees are satisfied the Charity meets all requirements for the provision of providing a Public Benefit.

Grantmaking

The charity does not make grants to other persons or organisations.

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable / fundraising activities

- a) Clients who use Direct payment funding for our services, are finding that payments have been reduced year on year. This is in part was due to Covid when clients were unable to use all their hours. Some families are not applying for direct payments and are choosing to pay for our support themselves but reducing the number of hours they request.
- b) Our core service model is now delivered by supporting friendships and a social life for young people. This focus is a slight change to our previous model and has resulted in an initial reduction in referrals due to the clear objectives of small group friendships, rather than one to one provision or large group activities
- c) There have been service interruptions and disruption due to Covid restrictions reducing the availability of activities and social gatherings.
- d) We were limited in our fundraising opportunities over this period, we did manage to raise £800 from an Abba charity evening.
- e) We have not been actively marketing our services or promoting ourselves in the community during times of Covid restrictions.
- f) Many clients and parents continue to have high levels of anxiety relating to coming outdoors as Covid restrictions are lifted.
- g) The total number of supported clients over 18 years of age remains the same but with less total hours. The number of under 18s using the service has reduced, we are seeking more new referrals from this age group.
- h) Due to the revised service model the charity has increased "shared hours with friends" funded by direct payments and significantly reduced one to one hours.
- i) We were successful in securing Lottery funding for three years of £100,000 starting from April 2019, this comes to an end in March 2022.
- j) The lottery has been understanding over this period and were in regular contact with us.
- k) We have reviewed the sustainability of the charity in preparation for the end of lottery funding in March 2022. Due to Covid restrictions we have not managed to fully implement our service model of shared hours. This period of transition to shared hours has been agreed by Southend Borough Council and will be kept under review.
- l) We have reduced staffing costs - Fundraising, Facebook and Activity Coordinators are no longer job roles and these posts have been made redundant.
- m) All staff were brought out of furlough.
- n) Some reduction in client numbers have been due to local authority advice to parents that, due to Covid restrictions, their children could only attend activities with one service provider.
- o) The cost of the increasing energy prices is expected to have an impact on the running costs of the office / venue.
- p) Some income has been received from the rental of the office / venue.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

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M Wilson
L Brown (appointed 2.11.20) (resigned 10.2.22)

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER


REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 3 March 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Saty Raviraj (Mar 4, 2022 12:41 GMT)

S Raviraj - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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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3 March 2022

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		277	-	277	491
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		59,063	29,031	88,094	132,774
Other trading activities	2	-	-	-	15,138
Investment income	3	58	-	58	52
Total		<u>59,398</u>	<u>29,031</u>	<u>88,429</u>	<u>148,455</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Charitable activities		83,168	29,031	112,199	162,324
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(23,770)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(23,770)</u>	<u>(13,869)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		58,827	-	58,827	72,696
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>35,057</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>35,057</u></u>	<u><u>58,827</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

BALANCE SHEET

30 JUNE 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	9,223	-	9,223	9,353
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	2,622	-	2,622	3,556
Cash at bank		36,481	-	36,481	46,559
		<u>39,103</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,103</u>	<u>50,115</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(13,269)	-	(13,269)	(641)
		<u>25,834</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,834</u>	<u>49,474</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>25,834</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,834</u>	<u>49,474</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>35,057</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,057</u>	<u>58,827</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>35,057</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,057</u>	<u>58,827</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				<u>35,057</u>	<u>58,827</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>35,057</u>	<u>58,827</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements


FRIENDS AND PLACES TOGETHER

BALANCE SHEET - continued

30 JUNE 2021

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 3 March 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:


Saty Raviraj (Mar 4, 2022 12:41 GMT)

S Raviraj - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

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

Taxation

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fundraising events	-	15,138
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Deposit account interest	58	52
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	1,982	1,832
Deficit on disposal of fixed assets	-	392
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30 June 2021 nor for the year ended 30 June 2020.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30 June 2021 nor for the year ended 30 June 2020.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
Direct delivery staff	10	13
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	491	-	491
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	98,434	34,340	132,774
Other trading activities	15,138	-	15,138
Investment income	52	-	52
Total	<u>114,115</u>	<u>34,340</u>	<u>148,455</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activities	127,984	34,340	162,324
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<u>(13,869)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,869)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>72,696</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,696</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>58,827</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>58,827</u></u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST					
At 1 July 2020	11,332	446	900	1,340	14,018
Additions	-	-	-	1,852	1,852
At 30 June 2021	<u>11,332</u>	<u>446</u>	<u>900</u>	<u>3,192</u>	<u>15,870</u>
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 July 2020	3,145	280	515	725	4,665
Charge for year	1,228	42	96	616	1,982
At 30 June 2021	<u>4,373</u>	<u>322</u>	<u>611</u>	<u>1,341</u>	<u>6,647</u>
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 30 June 2021	<u><u>6,959</u></u>	<u><u>124</u></u>	<u><u>289</u></u>	<u><u>1,851</u></u>	<u><u>9,223</u></u>
At 30 June 2020	<u><u>8,187</u></u>	<u><u>166</u></u>	<u><u>385</u></u>	<u><u>615</u></u>	<u><u>9,353</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade debtors	2,622	3,556

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Social security and other taxes	4,985	(255)
Other creditors	7,034	271
Accruals and deferred income	1,250	625
	<u>13,269</u>	<u>641</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.7.20	Net movement in funds	At 30.6.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	58,827	(23,770)	35,057
	<u>58,827</u>	<u>(23,770)</u>	<u>35,057</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	59,398	(83,168)	(23,770)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery	29,031	(29,031)	-
	<u>88,429</u>	<u>(112,199)</u>	<u>(23,770)</u>

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.7.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	72,696	(13,869)	58,827
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>72,696</u>	<u>(13,869)</u>	<u>58,827</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,115	(127,984)	(13,869)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery	34,340	(34,340)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>148,455</u>	<u>(162,324)</u>	<u>(13,869)</u>

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

	At 1.7.19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.6.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	72,696	(37,639)	35,057
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>72,696</u>	<u>(37,639)</u>	<u>35,057</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

11. 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	173,513	(211,152)	(37,639)
Restricted funds			
National Lottery	63,371	(63,371)	-
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>236,884</u>	<u>(274,523)</u>	<u>(37,639)</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2021.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	277	491
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	-	15,138
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	58	52
Charitable activities		
Activity income	59,063	88,434
Grants	29,031	44,340
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	88,094	132,774
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Total incoming resources	88,429	148,455
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	71,332	96,714
Social security	1,050	2,431
Pensions	3,314	3,446
Rent	5,702	778
Light and heat	2,799	2,335
Activity costs	2,643	24,408
Printing, postage and stationery	723	3,297
Telephone	1,992	2,489
Subscriptions	3,223	3,329
Motor expenses	2,657	8,007
Staff training	373	1,031
Repairs and renewals	2,677	3,961
Insurance	539	607
Advertising and promotion	715	526
General expenses	2,298	2,214
Travelling expenses	827	875
Computer software	650	1,473
Consultancy and professional fees	3,843	15
Improvements to property	1,228	1,445
Fixtures and fittings	42	54
Motor vehicles	96	129
Computer equipment	616	204
Carried forward	109,339	159,768

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Charitable activities		
Brought forward	109,339	159,768
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	392
	<u>109,339</u>	<u>160,160</u>
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	-	239
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	2,860	1,925
Total resources expended	<u>112,199</u>	<u>162,324</u>
Net expenditure	<u>(23,770)</u>	<u>(13,869)</u>

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