

THE ROBIN CENTRE
(Charitable incorporated organisation)

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Registered Charity No 1161844

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity registration: The Charity was registered on 27 May 2015 as a charitable incorporated organisation.

Charity number: 1161844

Governing body: The Board of Trustees

Principal office: 2 Vicarage Road
Kings Heath
Birmingham
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Independent examiner: Malcolm H J Willcox, FCCA
Messrs Malcolm Willcox & Co
Chartered Certified Accountants
Hagley House
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THE ROBIN CENTRE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Review of the year – *Another solid year for The Robin Centre*

2023/24 saw a very strong performance by The Robin Centre both in terms of the service we continued to provide for an increasing number of members and our finances.

Our core service, of offering a day of activity, enjoyment and companionship to a group of older people most of whom face challenges from dementia, continued to thrive. The rich variety of what we offer would have been evident to anyone visiting the Centre, whether it be games, craft activities, entertainments or physical exercise. The service was, and remains, of no less importance to carers and loved ones who were able to receive respite from their caring role. Our success was borne out by a very positive response from the feedback questionnaire we issued during the year to carers.

In the year we were able to recruit a cleaner to ease the burden on staff. We changed our caterers to improve quality and service, and members enjoyed a trip to Stratford on Avon, spread over two separate journeys because of numbers.

Membership continued to grow, and a healthy net surplus of £34,590 was achieved for the year, compared with a net deficit of £5,690 in the previous year. This surplus has improved the balance sheet with net current assets increasing to £102,557.

We were excited to learn that a Youth Investment Fund grant of over £3 million was awarded to our landlord, the All Saints Community Development Company, to develop the final wing of the All Saints site. This is primarily to benefit our neighbours, the All Saints Youth Project and Circus Mash, who run courses to teach circus skills. However, in accordance with the original plan for the site, the end of the new wing will be purpose-built accommodation for The Robin Centre thus releasing our existing premises for other community uses.

We were fully involved in the planning of this new space, which will be larger than our current centre and with more facilities. Since the end of the reporting period building work has proceeded apace and we expect to move into the new centre in January 2025.

Many thanks from me, as always, to Paula McGrath and her team of staff, to our volunteers and to my fellow Trustees all of whom in their different ways do so much to make The Robin Centre such a vibrant and caring place for our members.

Incorporation and status

The Charity was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales as a charitable incorporated organisation on 27 May 2015, and as such has no share capital.

Principal activity

The Charity was formed to take over the older people's activities previously run by the All Saints Centre.

The objects of the Charity as set out in its constitution are:

The relief of elderly people, in particular those suffering from dementia, living in and around Birmingham, Solihull and Bromsgrove by the provision of facilities for the care, education, recreation, physical and mental well-being of such persons and their carers.

To advance such charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit from time to time.

Public benefit

In the opinion of the trustees, the Charity provides a public benefit, as described in the Charities Act 2011, by providing services with the aim of improving the health of elderly people.

Financial result

This is shown in the statement of financial activities on page 6.

Reserves policy and going concern

The trustees are confident that there are adequate financial resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

It is intended to build up reserves to cover a maximum of six months expenditure.

Plans for the future

The trustees plan to increase the operating capacity of the Charity when demand and financial resources permit.

Governance and management

The Charity is governed by a board of trustees who are all unpaid volunteers.

The trustees who served during the year were:

David Robert Ritchie
Kim Lilian Hancock
Kathleen Anne Isaac
June Mary McDonaldson
Anthony John Price
Desmond John Workman
Wendy Ross

New members receive induction training to: brief them on their obligations under charity law; and to inform them of the content of the constitution and general working practices of the Charity.

Related parties

Any contractual or other relationship with a third party providing goods and services to the Charity, must be disclosed to the board. In the current year no such related party transactions were reported.

Risk management

The trustees are aware of the major risks to the Charity, which include:

- Dependence upon local authority funding.
- Retention of senior staff.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts

The trustees are obliged under charity law to prepare accounts in accordance with applicable UK law and Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The trustees are satisfied that these accounts give a true and fair view of the organisation's affairs at 31 March 2024, and of its result for the year then ended.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES - continued
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

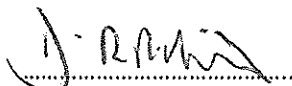
Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the accounts - continued

The trustees are satisfied that adequate accounting records have been maintained in order to safeguard the assets of the Charity and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Independent examiner

Malcolm H J Willcox, FCCA of Malcolm Willcox & Co, Chartered Certified Accountants, has signified his willingness to continue in office and a resolution for his re-appointment will be proposed at the next meeting of trustees.

*Approved by the trustees and
signed on their behalf by*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Ritchie', is written over a horizontal dotted line.

DAVID R RITCHIE
Chair of Trustees

17 December 2024

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ROBIN CENTRE (charitable incorporated organisation)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 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.



MALCOLM H J WILLCOX FCCA

Malcolm Willcox & Co

Chartered Certified Accountants and Statutory Auditors

Birmingham

18 December 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Income			
Grants & donations:			
<i>Grimmitt Trust</i>		-	1,000
<i>Share Gift</i>		10,000	-
<i>General</i>		1,338	1,484
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		11,338	2,484
Charitable activities – fees, lunches and transport		237,926	168,369
Investment		420	69
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		249,684	170,922
Expenditure			
Charitable activities	(3)	(215,094)	(176,612)
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Net income/expenditure		34,590	(5,690)
Valuation gain/loss		1,986	(100)
Fund brought forward			
Accumulated fund		84,619	90,409
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Total fund carried forward		121,195	84,619
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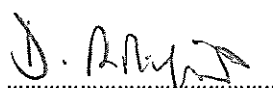
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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Tangible fixed assets	(4)		419		682
Investment	(5)		18,219		16,233
Current assets					
Debtors	(6)	28,456		22,231	
Cash at bank:					
Current account		46,071		22,654	
Deposit account		62,689		27,269	
Total current assets		137,216		72,154	
Creditors – amounts falling due within one year	(7)	(34,659)		(4,450)	
Net current assets			102,557		67,704
Total assets less current liabilities			121,195		84,619
Accumulated unrestricted fund			121,195		84,619

These statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and are subject to an independent examination.

*Approved and signed on behalf of the Charity
on 17 December 2024*



DAVID R RITCHIE
Chair of Trustees

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the accounts are as follows:

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: *Statement of Recommended Practice* (SORP) and the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102), effective 1 January 2019; also known as Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

Going concern

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis, as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist, and they have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to finance its operation in the foreseeable future.

Income recognition

Incoming resources are accounted for when receivable, except for investment income that is accounted for on a receipts basis.

Charitable expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, when this can be measured reliably.

Fund accounting

The Charity's only fund is unrestricted, which means it is available to spend on its activities.

Taxation

The Charity is not liable to UK corporation tax because of its charitable status.

Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives at the following annual rate:

Furniture and equipment	-	20% straight-line
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2 LEGAL STATUS

The Charity is a charitable incorporated organisation and has no share capital. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the trustees have no personal liability.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - continued
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		2024 £	2023 £
3	CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE		
	Operating costs:		
	Staff costs (Note 7)	117,014	96,653
	Lunches and transport	48,641	41,774
	Activities	10,928	5,573
	Rent, rates and service charges	20,172	14,919
	General office expenses	7,700	4,398
	Insurances	2,438	2,263
	Lighting and heating	3,459	3,423
	Depreciation	263	350
	Sundries	2,892	2,098
	Repairs and renewals	344	3,942
	Training	163	139
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		214,014	175,532
	Governance costs:		
	Statutory examination fee	660	660
	Accounting	420	420
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		215,094	176,612
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4	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS – <i>Office Equipment</i>		
	Cost:		
	At 31 March 2023	14,120	14,120
	Additions	-	-
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	At 31 March 2024	14,120	14,120
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	Depreciation:		
	Brought forward	13,438	13,088
	Charge for the year	263	350
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	At 31 March 2024	13,701	13,438
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	Net book values:		
	At 31 March 2024	419	682
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - continued
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		2024 £	2023 £
5	INVESTMENT		
	The CBF Church of England Investment Fund - 294.40 Accumulation Shares		
	At valuation brought forward	16,233	16,333
	Loss/gain on revaluation	1,986	(100)
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	Value at 31 March 2024	18,219	16,233
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	Cost	12,500	12,500
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6	DEBTORS		
	<i>Amounts falling due within one year:</i>		
	Fees receivable	26,150	21,674
	Prepayments	2,306	557
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		28,456	22,231
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7	CREDITORS		
	<i>Amounts falling due within one year:</i>		
	Operating creditors	32,205	3,998
	All Saints Community Development Company	2,454	452
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		34,659	4,450
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8	STAFF COSTS		
	Wages and salaries, including temporary staff	111,773	93,220
	Social security costs	3,105	1,842
	Pension contributions	2,136	1,591
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		117,014	96,653
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	There were no employees whose emoluments Exceeded £60,000 in either year.		
		Number	Number
	Average weekly number of employees during the year	6	5
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	Volunteers	3	2
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