

THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1163998

Details

Other names NIDDERDALE PLUS

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [05331403](#)

Registered 2015-10-15

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. THE PROMOTION OF THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN THE NIDDERDALE AREA OF NORTH YORKSHIRE BY PROVIDING HELP, TRAINING, ADVICE AND OTHER SUPPORT TO CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS'THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR'MEANS CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS. • CHARITIES ARE ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES. • VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS ARE INDEPENDENT ORGANISATIONS, WHICH ARE ESTABLISHED FOR PURPOSES THAT ADD VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, OR A SIGNIFICANT SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY, AND WHICH ARE NOT PERMITTED BY THEIR CONSTITUTION TO MAKE A PROFIT FOR PRIVATE DISTRIBUTION. VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS DO NOT INCLUDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER STATUTORY AUTHORITIES. 2. TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC OF NORTH YORKSHIRE, WITH A FOCUS ON NIDDERDALE, THROUGH THE PROVISION OF A COMMUNITY LIBRARY AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES 3. THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED BY REASON OF YOUTH, AGE, ILL HEALTH, DISABILITY, FINANCIAL HARDSHIP OR OTHER DISADVANTAGE, IN PARTICULAR BY: A. PROVIDING A COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIFFICULTY ACCESSING PUBLIC TRANSPORT, AND/OR PEOPLE WHO ARE DISABLED OR INFIRM, INCLUDING THE ELDERLY; AND B. PROVIDING HELP AND ADVICE TO PEOPLE WHO ARE IN CHARITABLE NEED THROUGH THE PROVISION OF A RESOURCE CENTRE, WHICH ALSO INCLUDES A COMMUNITY LIBRARY. 4. SUCH OTHER PURPOSES AS ARE EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF ENGLAND AND WALES AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE.

Activities: CHAMPIONING THE NIDDERDALE AREA, WORKING WITH OTHERS TO ENSURE THAT NIDDERDALE IS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE, WORK AND VISIT, WE ARE AN INDEPENDENT, NON-POLITICAL, VOLUNTARY ORGANISATION THAT SUPPORTS THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, INCLUDING LOCAL VOLUNTARY SECTOR, THROUGH THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AND PROVISION OF RELIEF AND HELP AND ADVICE TO THOSE IN NEED.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£343,154	£286,745	-	-
2024-03-31	£227,847	£228,690	-	-
2023-03-31	£235,317	£174,438	-	-
2022-03-31	£166,633	£121,580	-	-
2021-03-31	£160,982	£103,021	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Murday		2024-11-26
Jacqueline Kerr		2021-04-21
Malcolm Dawson		2022-11-15
Peter Brambleby		2025-12-15
RICHARD BRUCE		2018-02-20
Roger Wensley		2018-02-20
Susan Jones		2022-04-19

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NidderdalePlus

Community Hub

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2025**

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**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

Report of the Board of Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2025

The Board of Trustees presents its Trustees' Report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: The Nidderdale Plus Partnership

Charity registration number: 81389475

Company registration number: 05331403

Registered Office and operational address:

Station Square

King Street

Pateley Bridge

Harrogate HG3 5AT

Board of Trustees

Richard Bruce (Chair)

Malcolm Dawson (Treasurer)

Jackie Kerr

Sue Jones

Roger Wensley

Andrew Murday (appointed August 2024)

Gordon Murday (resigned 6 May 2025)

Senior Management

Helen Flynn (Chief Executive Officer)

Independent examiner:

HPH Chartered Accountants

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Our Aims and Objectives

Our charity's purposes, as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association, are:

1. THE PROMOTION OF THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IN THE NIDDERDALE AREA OF NORTH YORKSHIRE BY PROVIDING HELP, TRAINING, ADVICE AND OTHER SUPPORT TO CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS.
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Using our charity's purposes as our guide, our mission statement is: ***We promote wellbeing, we foster independence, we cultivate a sense of belonging.*** All our services and initiatives are developed and delivered according to this mission statement.

Ensuring our work delivers our aims

We review our aims, objectives and activities each year, as we are preparing to publish our annual report. This review looks at what we achieved and the outcomes of our work in the previous 12 months. The review looks at the success of each key activity and the benefits they have brought to those groups of people we are set up to help. The review also helps us ensure our aims, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes. We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The focus of our work

Our main objectives for the year continued to be serving members of our local communities in Nidderdale and the Washburn Valley and visitors to our area, according to need. The strategies we used to meet these objectives included:

- Providing a range of services which are needed by members of our community. See below for a fuller description of each of our services.
- Providing a community hub, incorporating a community library, Tourist Information, office services provision and meeting room hire.
- Providing a charity shop, the proceeds from which support the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund (see more below) and the charitable services that we deliver.
- Working in partnership with statutory partners and third sector partners to ensure that the widest range of services is available that best meets the needs of our community.

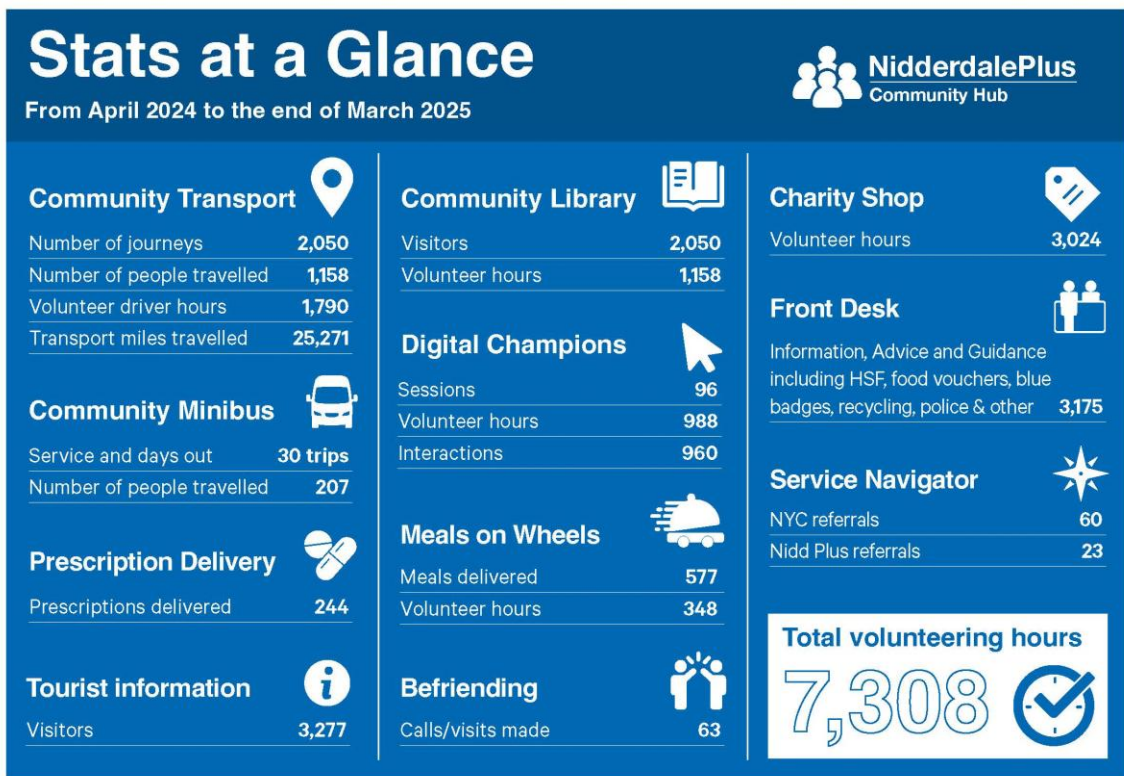
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How our activities deliver public benefit

Our main activities and who we try to help are described in the “Overview” section below. All our charitable activities focus on our mission, as stated above, and are broadly preventative in nature.

The impact report that we published last year clearly shows our impact in meeting needs of people living in our local area of Nidderdale and the Washburn Valley. This was the first time that we had published an impact report and our intention is to carry out a total review of our services and the impact we are making every two years. The next impact report will be published in 2026 and will review the period 1 April 2025-31 March 2026.

For the quantitative analysis of our services in the year under review, please see the table below:



Overview of activities in 2024-2025

Nidderdale Plus continued as a Community Anchor Organisation (CAO), commissioned by North Yorkshire Council (NYC), and also continued to be in receipt of the NYC “Staying healthy, independent and connected” grant. Both of these grants are unrestricted and help contribute to strategic and prevention goals that NYC has determined are well placed to be delivered in part by the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS). In addition to these functions, we also provided services as are detailed below:

Community Library: We have a long-standing Service Level Agreement (SLA) with NYC to deliver a community library, manned by library volunteers, with a librarian funded by NYC for 7 hours per week, and with other central support. One key activity each year for the library is the Summer Reading Challenge, which is well supported by children aged 4-11 years each year.

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Community Transport: We were successful with a consortium bid into the York and North Yorkshire Net Zero Fund, via NYC, in the summer of 2024 and took delivery of our new electric community car in September 2024. (NYC had been providing us with a lease car as our community car since 2015, so great thanks go to NYC for providing us with this vital resource that has helped our community for many years). The service continues to grow in terms of the number of clients and journeys, and we now run a hybrid service with people driving their own vehicles to supplement the use of our community car.

Meals on Wheels: We are now into our fourth year of this service, which is provided according to need. Great thanks go to Dusty Miller Caterers, a professional catering company based in Low Laithe, who continue to make delicious two course meals to serve our clients.

Community Minibus: We continue to offer a varied programme of days out to suit all tastes, and this is popular with local residents, who struggle to leave Nidderdale and experience different places and activities. We also offer the minibus on a group hire basis to local not-for-profit groups and charities, and in this way, we are serving needs of the community in different ways.

Befriending: our Befriending Coordinator works to match people who are lonely or living in social isolation with volunteer befrienders, who then set up regular visits and/or calls in order to alleviate the symptoms of loneliness

Digital Champion Service: This service offered and resourced an increased number of locations during the year, as well as launching and running a "Digital Switchover" campaign to highlight what was happening with digital switchover and how it could impact local residents. The villages served by the Digital Champion outreach service were: Pateley Bridge, Darley, Markington, Fewston, Lofthouse, Hampsthwaite, Summerbridge and Kirkby Malzeard

Emergency Food Aid: Nidderdale Plus has been a junior partner in a bid made by Ripon Community House for funding from national Government to provide vouchers for people who are running short of food. We continue to hand out food vouchers according to need.

Jigsaw Library: We continue to curate and maintain a large and changing menu of jigsaws that are free for people to borrow as part of our library offer. We also supply a satellite jigsaw library in Darley.

Nidderdale Charity Shop: The shop continues to attract growing patronage and the proceeds from sales form an important part of our annual income and assist in helping to fund our services as detailed above. In addition, we aim to put £20,000 into the Nidderdale Community Fund each year. This is a grant programme for local Nidderdale charities and groups who can bid for up to £2,000 to fund a local initiative or capital item/s. This grant programme is run for us by Two Ridings Community Foundation to whom we pay an administration fee.

Partnership work

NYC: We partner with NYC to deliver Access to Services at the community hub, which means we can assist people who have a variety of queries and issues with council services with information, advice and guidance from our front desk. We also deliver Tourist Information at the hub, and we re-printed our *Explore Nidderdale* brochure that had been facilitated by a UK Shared Prosperity grant in the previous year.

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An innovative development in the year in review was the commencement in September of the "Service Navigator social service pilot project". This project is seeking to ensure that people in receipt of a care package or on the waiting list for a care needs assessment are supported holistically in their community by a Service Navigator, employed by Nidd Plus, who can help them with a wide variety of issues and needs. This is a two-year pilot project and it is hoped that the learning and best practice that is developed during the pilot can be scaled up to provide a greater level of community support for people throughout North Yorkshire, in time.

NHS: We began a new partnership with the North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) in January 2025 to deliver a Research Engagement Network project where we recruited Research Ready Community Champions who could talk about the importance of people signing up for medical research projects.

North Yorkshire Police: We continue to partner with NY Police to act as a police front desk and lost and found service.

Citizens Advice: We continue to partner with Citizens Advice to offer monthly appointments for people at the hub.

MIND: We continue to partner with MIND to offer weekly mental health drop in sessions, and wellbeing walks.

Financial Review

Principal Funding Sources

The principal sources of the charity's funding are:

- Grants from central and local government, as well as other funding bodies (£109k)
- Income from Service Level Agreements amounting to £63k, along with income from charges we make for our services (£29.5k)
- Income from other trading activities totalling £127k, of which income from the sale of donated goods in the Nidderdale Charity Shop is the primary source at £95k

Current assets

The Charitable Company has net assets of £283.8k, comprising Restricted Funds (£26.9k), Designated Funds (£134.5k – of which £55.7k is fixed assets) and Undesignated Funds (£122.3k – of which £120.0k is Reserves).

Income and Expenditure during the year

Undesignated Funds (available to spend at the charity's discretion) have reduced by £14.1k this year. This reflects a new provision (£10k) for the future replacement of the electric community car we purchased this year with the aid of a grant from North Yorkshire Council. It also reflects a new provision for potential costs associated with the acquisition of new leased premises to accommodate the increase in our staff numbers.

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Significant changes this year were:

- An increase in income from restricted grants for specific projects from £49k to £82.6k (excluding a £44k grant for a new electric community car).
- The trading subsidiary Nidderdale Limited was closed down at the end of the last financial year and is now dormant. All activities are now channelled through the Nidderdale Plus Partnership. The effect of this is that:
 - Other Trading Activities increased from £17k to £127k;
 - Income from Charitable Activities reduced by £21k, as there was no income from Management Fees, though this was more than offset by £27k income from the Social Care Pilot;
 - Donations reduced by £46k, but this was again offset by an increase in Government Grants of £64k; and
 - There was an increase in the costs of selling donated goods from £0.2k to £23.2k.
- Staff salaries increased from £106k to £136k. This reflects the increased staffing needed to deliver a wider range of services and projects.
- After initial pump priming of £50k to establish the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund, further annual funding of £20k was transferred to fund the next round of awards.

The continued shift from SLA to grant funding of defined, time-limited projects does represent a shift in the charity's business model and creates a degree of inflexibility in operations. However, the Nidderdale Charity Shop continues to perform well, with income from sale of donated goods, including income from Gift Aid, being in line with last year at £95.2k. As well as funding the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund, this important revenue stream provides the charity with resilience in the face of funding uncertainties. It also provides Trustees with the flexibility, where necessary and justified, to maintain valuable community services beyond the life of time-limited grants.

Restricted Funds

There are Restricted Funds of £26.9k. This primarily relates to the unspent portion of a grant covering two years to run a Social Care Pilot. The remaining £8.7k relates to the unspent portion of grants for NHS Research Ready and Nidderdale Visual Arts.

Designated Funds

The trustees have decided to designate funding as detailed below:

Designated Funds carried forward

Minibus – money set aside for the purchase of a replacement vehicle was increased by £10k to £33.8k.
Community Fund – an additional £20k was designated to transfer to TRCF to top up the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund for the next round of awards.

New designated funds

Electric Vehicle – an initial fund of £10k was set aside to finance the eventual replacement of the new electric community car purchased this year with a grant of £44k.

Additional premises – the trustees agreed to make provision of £15k for any costs associated with acquiring additional rented space to accommodate the increasing size of the staff team.

Investment Policy

The Trustees' policy is to invest funds held in reserves in low-risk accounts which deliver an acceptable rate of return in line with current market savings rates for charitable organisations. At the year-end £85k was invested in a one-year fixed term bond and a further £104k in instant access savings.

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Reserves Policy

The Charitable Company has decided to continue the policy of maintaining reserves covering six months expenditure, redundancy costs and a provision for dilapidations at the end of the lease. However, the reserves requirement has been recalculated to reflect the increased size of the staff team and entitlement to redundancy payments and, as a result, the target minimum reserve level is now £120k.

At the year-end on 31 March 2025, monies held in free reserves were £122.3k (2024 - £136.4k). This represents five months total expenditure (2024 – nine months).

Plans for Future Years

Nidderdale Plus benefits from a diverse range of funding streams and continues to be successful in bidding for grants to fund the development of new services and initiatives. Income from the Charity Shop continues to be an important source of stability and resilience. The charity is building strong partnerships with North Yorkshire Council and the NHS and is increasingly becoming involved in projects to support social care in our community. The strategy adopted by the Trustees is to continue to evolve these partnerships and services where they align with our mission and where a sustainable source of funding can be identified.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution:

Nidderdale Plus is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee. The Charitable Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. It also has a wholly owned subsidiary company, Nidderdale Limited, which had been the trading arm of the charity, but is currently dormant.

Recruiting and appointing Trustees:

Trustees are sought in line with the skills that are needed on the board and a skills audit is carried out regularly to determine where there are gaps to be filled. Trustee vacancies are advertised, and applicants are interviewed prior to meeting with the full Board. Induction into the work of the Board is carried out by the Chair of the Board and the CEO, with ongoing training being undertaken by any or all trustees as needed. Induction includes the following:

- The obligations of Trustees.
- The main documents which set out the operational framework for the charity including the Memorandum and Articles.
- Resourcing and the current financial position as set out in the latest published accounts.
- Future plans and objectives.

Organisational structure and decision making:

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for the organisation and ensuring that it is well run and that it continues to deliver the charitable outcomes for the benefit of the people for whom it has been set up. The Board develops the strategy and agrees and maintains the vision, mission, and values of the organisation.

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The Board meets at least six times per year, excluding the AGM, when it discusses and monitors the work and performance of the organisation. Board members also meet to progress initiatives and projects as well as with stakeholders. The Board also holds an annual 'Away Day' where strategy, priorities and performance are considered, and future plans agreed.

Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, the Board of Trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is not appropriate to assume that the company will continue on that basis.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The Board of Trustees is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Risk Management

The Board of Trustees annually reviews the major risks to which the charity is exposed. A risk register has been established and, where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the charity faces. Significant external risks to funding have led to the development of a continuous cycle of strategic planning which allows for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects. Procedures are in place to ensure compliance with health and safety of staff, volunteers, clients and visitors to the hub. Safeguarding and child protection policies are reviewed annually, and a Serious Incident Reporting Policy is in place that is also reviewed annually.

Staff and Volunteers 2024-25

During 2024-25 Nidderdale Plus employed nine part time staff (seven permanent, one fixed term and one person on a zero-hours contract).

Chief Executive Officer: Helen Flynn

Community Hub Coordinator: Sandra Walker

Business Support Officer: Tracey Dawson

Finance Officer: Dave Bothamley (appointed January 2025)

Service Navigator and Befriending Coordinator: Zoe Crossley (started in her additional role as Service Navigator in September 2024)

Digital Champion Coordinators: Joanne Hayes and Jacqueline Baker (appointed September 2024)

Partnership Officers: Angela Raw and Carole Cottrill

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Librarian: Eileen Saunders (employed by NYCC)

The Trustees reviewed the resource levels required to meet the changing circumstances and introduced a different staff structure, including the introduction of a Finance Officer in January 2025. This was owing to the growth of the organisation and the increasing complexity of its range and depth of operations

Volunteers (active in the financial year 2024-25):

Trustees: Richard Bruce, Malcolm Dawson, Susan Jones, Jackie Kerr, Gordon Murdoch, Roger Wensley, Andrew Murday.

Drivers: David Bird, Andy Chapman, Ron Blyton, Zoe Crossley, Tracey Dawson, Ans Dukalskis. Richard Dutton, Mike Edwards, Gordon Hanley, Ian Hearn, Mark Heley, Mike Holt, Paul Howells, Gill Lazonby, John Lees, Nigel McDonald, Martin Moorman, Gordon Murdoch, Angela Raw, Simon Robinson, Aidan Saunders, Lawrence Sherrington, Jacky Staniforth, Karen Tulley, Sandra Walker, Vicki Watson, Roger Wensley, Tom Whiteside.

Library/Office: Jude Barter, Ann Carman, Kath Chapman, Luna Gosling, Helen Hattan, Sandra Hearn, Rosemary Helme, Andy Ives, Pat Jackson, Suzanne Mellor, Fiona Robson, Julia Saunders.

Prescription Deliveries: Edward March, John Hindle, Duncan Sloane.

Meals on Wheels: Carol White, Jackie Kerr, Dee Longfellow, Alan Cottrill, Carole Cottrill, Sandra Bradley, Alan Jordan.

Digital Champions: Jacqueline Baker, Alyson Davis, Rosemary Hayes, Matthew Newcombe, Judi Northfield, Jane Petty, Jane Robinson, Christie Turnick, Chloe Wright.

Charity Shop: Vanessa Appleby, Jude Barter, Jayne Booth, Ruth Dodsworth, Judy Evans, Louise Franklyn, Barbara Gardener, Ron Gardener, Felicity Hallam, Jane Hallam, Karen Gallagher, Helen Flynn, Anita Fraser, Sam Inglis, Emma Jones, Sue Jones, Julia Kent, Tessa Lee, Caroline Mayor, Jackie Miller, Lorna Mills, Mary Moore, Sophia Morgan, Moya Reynard, Tina Sparrow, Jenny Spruce, Terri Scarborough, Charlie Scarborough, Thelma Spain, Judith Spencer, Jayn Steele, Sarah Turnbull, Roger Wensley.

Befrienders: Ann Kent, Judy Wallace, Samantha White, Tim Whitney, Chloe Wright.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 9 December 2025.

Richard Bruce

Richard Bruce – Trustee (Chair)

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP

I report to the Charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 11 to 23.

This report is made solely to the Charitable Company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body in accordance with section 154 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examiner's work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charitable Company's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charitable Company, the Charitable Company's members as a body and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

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.

HPH, Chartered Accountants
Conyngham Hall Business Centre
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Sarah Wearing

Sarah Wearing, FCA, DChA

9 December 2025

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2025 £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024 £</i>
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	3	33,463	83,856	117,319	129,080
Charitable activities	4	65,645	27,758	93,403	80,894
Other trading activities	5	112,503	15,076	127,579	17,149
Investment income	6	4,853	-	4,853	724
Total Income		216,464	126,690	343,154	227,847
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	7	26,192	7,138	33,330	3,669
Charitable activities	8	183,691	69,724	253,415	225,021
Total Expenditure		209,883	76,862	286,745	228,690
Net income		6,581	49,828	56,409	(843)
Transfers between funds	16	39,289	(39,289)	-	-
Net movement in funds		45,870	10,539	56,409	(843)
Total Funds Brought Forward		211,008	16,457	227,465	228,308
Total Funds Carried Forward	17	£ 256,878	£ 26,996	£ 283,874	£ 227,465

The notes on pages 13 to 23 form part of these accounts.

THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
AS AT 31 MARCH 2025
BALANCE SHEET
(company number: 05331403)

		2025		2024	
	<i>Notes</i>	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	11		55,601		25,681
Investments	12		100		100
Current Assets					
Stock		1,611		525	
Debtors	13	10,777		73,842	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		225,137		137,440	
		<u>237,525</u>		<u>211,807</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(9,352)</u>		<u>(10,123)</u>	
Net Current Assets			<u>228,173</u>		<u>201,684</u>
Total Net Assets			<u><u>£ 283,874</u></u>		<u><u>£ 227,465</u></u>
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds					
- Designated	15		134,501		74,581
- Undesignated	15		122,377		136,427
Restricted Funds	16		26,996		16,457
Total Charity Funds			<u><u>£ 283,874</u></u>		<u><u>£ 227,465</u></u>

For the financial year ended 31 March 2025, the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The Members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 13 to 23 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Management Committee on 9 December 2025.



Malcolm Dawson
Trustee/Director

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1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The company is a private company limited by guarantee. The members are the Trustees. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company. The company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and is a public entity (no. 05331403).

The address of its registered office is:

Station Square, King Street, Pateley Bridge, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 5AT

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102))), the Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 1A) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Charitable Company is small and has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 7 of FRS 102 and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement.

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The accounts are prepared in UK Sterling and rounded to the nearest £.

b) Going Concern

The Charitable Company has cash resources and has no requirement for external funding. Services are fully funded with monies provided in advance.

The Trustees therefore have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for 12 months from signing the accounts. They continue to believe that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

c) Income

Donations and legacies are accounted for when they are receivable by the Charitable Company. Other income is accounted for on an accruals basis as far as is prudent to do so.

d) Grant Income

Revenue grants are credited to the income and expenditure account at the time when they are entitled to the receipt. Any unspent restricted grants at the period end are carried forward as restricted funds in the balance sheet.

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2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Expenditure and Allocation of Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Staff costs and overheads are recharged to the subsidiary based on time and income levels. Costs are apportioned within the charity and fund accounting as detailed below:-

Staff costs - on a time basis

Other direct charitable costs and costs of generating funds - on an actual basis

Support costs - on the level of use/ actual basis where specific

f) Taxation

As a registered Charity it benefits from rate relief and is generally exempt from Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax, but not from VAT. The Charitable Company is not registered for VAT and therefore the irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100 or more are initially recorded at cost.

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

Equipment, fixtures and fittings	- 25% reducing balance
Vehicles	- 25% reducing balance
Land and buildings	- 10 year straight line

h) Investments

The investment in the Charitable Company's unlisted trading subsidiary is included at historical cost.

i) Debtors

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

j) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and any short term deposit accounts with a maturity of three months or less from the date of opening.

k) Creditors and Provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charitable Company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

l) Funds

The Unrestricted Funds are funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Designated Funds are funds set aside by the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted Funds are funds which have been received by the Charitable Company for a specific purposes other than the general objectives of the Charitable Company.

The nature and purpose of each individual fund are explained in notes 13 and 14.

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3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Donations	3,463	4,000	7,463	12,032
Donations from Nidderdale Ltd	-	-	-	46,803
Government Grants	30,000	72,232	102,232	38,520
Grants	-	7,624	7,624	31,725
	<u>£ 33,463</u>	<u>£ 83,856</u>	<u>£ 117,319</u>	<u>£ 129,080</u>

The Charity received unrestricted Government Grants of £30,000 from North Yorkshire Council in the following amounts: £15,000 Staying Healthy, Independent and Connected Grant (also known as the "Prevention" Grant); and £15,000 Community Anchor Organisation (CAO) Grant.

In the year a £4,000 donation was received from Nidderdale Messiah for the Befriending service.

In 2024 £36,245 of Donations and Legacies were restricted.

The Charity also benefits greatly from the involvement and enthusiastic support of its many volunteers, details of whom are given in our annual report. In accordance with Charities SORP, the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Service level agreements:				
NYC - VCSE	8,000	-	8,000	8,000
North Yorkshire Police	6,268	-	6,268	6,268
NYC - Access to services	9,797	-	9,797	9,500
NYC - Dial a ride	3,523	-	3,523	1,891
NYC - Library	8,622	-	8,622	8,016
NHS - Social Care Pilot	-	27,758	27,758	-
Government funded services	<u>36,210</u>	<u>27,758</u>	<u>63,968</u>	<u>33,675</u>
Other income:				
Community Car	12,166	-	12,166	10,144
Library Fees	1,242	-	1,242	1,183
Meals on wheels	2,995	-	2,995	3,888
Minibus	13,032	-	13,032	10,382
Costs recharged to Nidd Ltd	-	-	-	21,622
	<u>£ 65,645</u>	<u>£ 27,758</u>	<u>£ 93,403</u>	<u>£ 80,894</u>

In 2024 £nil of Income from Charitable activities were restricted.

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5 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Donated goods shop	95,290	-	95,290	1,385
Hub income	13,836	-	13,836	171
Tourism government grants	-	15,076	15,076	13,574
Fundraising activities	2,377	-	2,377	2,019
Supporting charities	1,000	-	1,000	-
	<u>£ 112,503</u>	<u>£ 15,076</u>	<u>£ 127,579</u>	<u>£ 17,149</u>

In 2024 £13,574 of income in other trading activities were applied to restricted activities.

Gift aid of £7,124 is included in donated goods.

6 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<i>Year to 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Bank and Building Society Interest	<u>£ 4,853</u>	<u>£ 724</u>

7 COSTS TRADING ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Costs relating to selling donated goods	23,234	-	23,234	290
Hub costs	2,951	-	2,951	-
Tourism costs	-	7,138	7,138	3,110
Fundraising costs	7	-	7	269
	<u>£ 26,192</u>	<u>£ 7,138</u>	<u>£ 33,330</u>	<u>£ 3,669</u>

In 2024 £3,110 of expenses in trading activities were applied to restricted activities.

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8 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>
	£	£	£	£
Staff Salary Costs	87,684	48,541	136,225	106,333
Staff Training and Recruitment	2,036	2,500	4,536	1,344
Staff Expenses and Travel	1,004	-	1,004	800
Volunteer Training and expenses	1,163	-	1,163	1,528
Community transport	-	-	-	130
NYC Prevention expenditure	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
Direct project expenditure	605	18,559	19,164	2,371
Meals on Wheels	3,205	-	3,205	4,511
Community Car - Fuel	1,820	-	1,820	3,327
Community Car - Insurance/Repairs	1,922	-	1,922	733
Community Car - Driver expenses	2,094	-	2,094	1,338
Telephone and Broadband	1,524	-	1,524	1,640
Stationery and Printing	335	-	335	203
Rent	12,500	-	12,500	12,014
Light, Heat and Water	4,461	-	4,461	4,295
Repairs and Renewals	284	-	284	28
Promotion and Event Costs	-	-	-	463
Cleaning	129	-	129	120
Sundry	689	-	689	2,167
Minibus - Fuel	1,955	-	1,955	1,809
Minibus - Insurance/Repairs	1,399	124	1,523	2,040
Minibus - Honorarium	500	-	500	-
Minibus - Other	2,702	-	2,702	1,000
Nidderdale Plus Community Fund	22,400	-	22,400	52,752
Depreciation	14,786	-	14,786	10,185
Support Costs (see below)	14,494	-	14,494	9,890
	<u>£ 183,691</u>	<u>£ 69,724</u>	<u>£ 253,415</u>	<u>£ 225,021</u>
Support costs				
Independent Examiner's Fee	2,406	-	2,406	2,340
Trustee meeting costs	135	-	135	41
IT Costs	3,772	-	3,772	1,494
Insurance	2,163	-	2,163	1,599
Advertising	1,597	-	1,597	2,189
Bank Charges	254	-	254	213
Legal and Professional Fees	3,313	-	3,313	1,432
Subscriptions and Licences	854	-	854	582
	<u>£ 14,494</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 14,494</u>	<u>£ 9,890</u>

In 2024 £43,160 of expenses in Charitable activities were applied to restricted activities.

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9 STAFF COSTS

	<i>Year to 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>
	£	£
Wages and Salaries (gross)	129,184	101,839
Sub-contractors	1,413	1,772
Social Security Costs	3,333	1,047
Pension Costs	2,295	1,675
	<u>£ 136,225</u>	<u>£ 106,333</u>

The average head count of staff employed during the year was 10 (2024 - 10).

No employee earned over £60,000 during the year.

The key management personnel of the Charitable Company, is the Executive Director. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity was £38,667 (2024 - £34,213).

10 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

There were no transactions with trustee during the year (2024:£nil)

11 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Vehicles	Land and buildings	Equipment, fixtures and fittings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2024	35,200	24,367	28,671	88,238
Additions	42,313	-	2,393	44,706
	<u>77,513</u>	<u>24,367</u>	<u>31,064</u>	<u>132,944</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2024	15,400	21,932	25,225	62,557
Charge for the year	11,121	2,435	1,230	14,786
	<u>26,521</u>	<u>24,367</u>	<u>26,455</u>	<u>77,343</u>
Net Book Value				
At 31 March 2025	<u>£ 50,992</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 4,609</u>	<u>£ 55,601</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>£ 19,800</u>	<u>£ 2,435</u>	<u>£ 3,446</u>	<u>£ 25,681</u>

All fixed assets were used for the furtherance of the charitable activities.

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12 INVESTMENTS

The Charitable Company holds 100% of the ordinary £1 share capital in its trading subsidiary Nidderdale Limited totalling £100. The subsidiary was incorporated on 16 September 2015 and is now dormant activities are carried out through the charity under available exemptions.

A summary of the results of the subsidiary is shown below:

	<i>Year ended 31 March 2025</i>	<i>Year ended 31 March 2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Turnover	-	97,329
Cost of sales	-	(7,750)
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Gross profit	-	89,579
Administrative expenses	-	(43,302)
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Profit before donations to charity	£ -	£ 46,277
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The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:

Assets	100	60,935
Liabilities	-	(60,835)
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Funds	£ 100	£ 100
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13 DEBTORS

	<i>2025</i>	<i>2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Trade Debtors	1,289	9,247
Amounts owed from Subsidiary Undertaking	-	60,025
Prepayments and Accrued Income	9,488	4,570
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	£ 10,777	£ 73,842
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14 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<i>2025</i>	<i>2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Other Taxes and Social Security	2,545	1,624
Amounts owed from Subsidiary Undertaking	100	-
Other Creditors	507	2,341
Accruals	6,200	6,158
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	£ 9,352	£ 10,123
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15 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2024</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2025</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	25,781	-	(14,786)	44,706	55,701
- Minibus future fund	23,800	-	-	10,000	33,800
- Community Funding	20,000	-	(20,000)	20,000	20,000
- Additional premises	-	-	-	15,000	15,000
- EV future fund	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
- Electric car match fund	5,000	-	-	(5,000)	-
	<u>74,581</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(34,786)</u>	<u>94,706</u>	<u>134,501</u>
Unrestricted Funds	<u>136,427</u>	<u>216,464</u>	<u>(175,097)</u>	<u>(55,417)</u>	<u>122,377</u>
	<u>£ 211,008</u>	<u>£ 216,464</u>	<u>£ (209,883)</u>	<u>£ 39,289</u>	<u>£ 256,878</u>
	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2023</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2024</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	33,978	-	(10,185)	1,988	25,781
- Minibus	4,000	-	(4,000)	-	-
- Minibus future	15,000	-	-	8,800	23,800
- Expanding services	11,055	-	(11,055)	-	-
- Community Funding	50,000	-	(50,000)	20,000	20,000
- Electric car match fund	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
	<u>114,033</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(75,240)</u>	<u>35,788</u>	<u>74,581</u>
Unrestricted Funds	<u>99,379</u>	<u>178,028</u>	<u>(107,180)</u>	<u>(33,800)</u>	<u>136,427</u>
	<u>£ 213,412</u>	<u>£ 178,028</u>	<u>£ (182,420)</u>	<u>£ 1,988</u>	<u>£ 211,008</u>

Designated Funds

Fixed Assets: This fund relates to the net book value of the fixed assets of the charity including the investments in the shares of the trading subsidiary.

Minibus: This fund relates to monies set aside for the purchase of a minibus in 2023 and running costs for the first 2 years.

Minibus Future: This fund relates to monies set aside towards the purchase of a new minibus in the future.

Expanding services: This fund relates to the generation of a new post due to the expanding demands on the charity.

Nidderdale Community Fund - This fund relates to monies that Nidderdale Plus has allocated, from charity shop proceeds, to the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund that began to make grants to local charities, groups and organisations on an annual basis.

EV future fund: This fund relates to monies set aside towards the purchase of a new EV vehicle in the future.

Electric Car Match Funding - This fund is the match funding for the new electric vehicle purchased in this year.

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16 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f</i> 01.04.2024	<i>Income</i> <i>received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers</i> <i>In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f</i> 31.03.2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Befriending					
- Nidderdale Messiah	-	4,000	(4,000)	-	-
- YDMT Befriending Grant	-	2,839	(2,839)	-	-
Coldstones	-	4,035	(4,035)	-	-
Digital Champions	-	750	(750)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	2,818	-	(2,818)	-	-
NHS Research Ready	-	10,000	(4,000)	-	6,000
Nidderdale Visual Arts	3,175	-	(440)	-	2,735
NYC EV Grant	-	44,095	(4,806)	(39,289)	-
NYC Locality	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYC Social Care Pilot	-	27,758	(9,497)	-	18,261
NYC Small Transport Grant	-	2,500	(2,500)	-	-
Tourism grant					
- NNL Explore	-	6,644	(6,644)	-	-
- UKSPF Tourism Grant	10,464	8,432	(18,896)	-	-
UKSPF Digital inclusion	-	7,144	(7,144)	-	-
UKSPF Community Grant	-	6,869	(6,869)	-	-
Small Grants	-	124	(124)	-	-
Total	£ 16,457	£ 126,690	£ (76,862)	£ (39,289)	£ 26,996
	<i>Balance b/f</i> 01.04.2023	<i>Income</i> <i>received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers</i> <i>In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f</i> 31.03.2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	1,896	2,500	(1,578)	-	2,818
NYC Locality	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYC Prevention Grant	11,000	-	(11,000)	-	-
NYC Winter Pressures	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Masonic Lodge Grant	-	1,138	-	(1,138)	-
Community Mental Health	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
NHS Discharge Pilot Scheme	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
Nidderdale Visual Arts	-	3,175	-	-	3,175
NYC Get Going Grant	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
NYC Macmillan Cancer Grant	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
MIDAS Training for drivers	-	1,020	(1,020)	-	-
YDMT Befriending Grant	-	3,689	(2,839)	(850)	-
TRCF Step-up Grant	-	8,723	(8,723)	-	-
UKSPF Tourism Grant	-	13,574	(3,110)	-	10,464
Total	£ 14,896	£ 49,819	£ (46,270)	£ (1,988)	£ 16,457

Transfers during the year and prior year relate to unrestricted funds being used to finance a deficit on restricted funds and additions to fixed assets moved to unrestricted funds.

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16 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

Befriending - Money received from Nidderdale Messiah (£4,000) and Yorkshire Dales Millenium Trust for the Befriending programme.

Coldstones Cut - Money from Heidelberg Quarry Fund for managing the steering group set up to plan the relaunch of the Coldstones Cut.

Digital Champions - Chain Lane Community Hub donated money (National Lottery Awards for All in 2024) in the year to fund the Digital Champion project.

Emergency Food Aid - Monies received from Ripon Community House to administer and purchase emergency food when needed by local residents.

NHS Research Ready Grant: Money received from NHS Humber and North Yorkshire ICB to set up a network of Research Ready Community Champions to encourage people to sign up to health research projects.

Nidderdale Visual Arts (NVA) - Money received from the winding up of NVA to be allocated to arts-related projects and activities.

NNL Explore - Money received from Nidderdale National Landscape for the Explore Nidderdale brochure.

NYC EV Grant – North Yorkshire Council, via the York and North Yorkshire Net Zero Fund, fund gave money for the new EV community car.

NYC Locality Grant - NYC provides each County Councillor with a budget to respond to local needs by recommending funding to support certain activities; we received one in the year to cover time spent dealing with community car project.

NYC Social Care Pilot - Money received for the Services Navigator role for 2 years from September 2024.

NYC Transport Grant - NYC Grant for training the volunteer drivers for the community car.

MIDAS Training for Drivers - Funding for training of volunteers driving the community car.

TRCF Step-up Grant - Money from the Two Ridings Community Fund for the executive directors time on business development strategy.

UKSPF Digital Inclusion - Funding to enable the expansion of our Digital Champions Sessions.

UKSPF Community Grant - Funded a Digital Switchover campaign in Nidderdale.

UKSPF Tourism Grant - UK Shared Prosperity Fund to create a 36 page tourism brochure to promote Nidderdale.

NYC Prevention Grant - Grant received for running activities and offering services that aid with the prevention of health issues and promote wellbeing in general to be spent in 2023-24.

NYC Winter Pressures Grant - Contribution to community transport providers to assist with the greater pressures of providing transport in winter months.

Masonic Lodge Grant - Monies received to purchase 2 new ipads to assist with data collection.

Community Mental Health - Money received from Orb Community Arts for workshops regarding mental health.

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16 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

NHS Discharge Pilot Scheme - Money for a 6 month pilot in concert with Boroughbridge Community Care on how to alleviate hospital discharge pressures.

NYC Get Going Grant - Money to assist with setting up library storytime.

NYC Macmillan Cancer Grant - Money for meetings to better understand how cancer treatment and follow up activities are delivered.

17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted</i>		<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Undesignated</i>	<i>Designated</i>		
	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	
2025	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	-	55,601	-	55,601
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	131,729	78,800	26,996	237,525
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(9,352)	-	-	(9,352)
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Net Assets	£ 122,377	£ 134,501	£ 26,996	£ 283,874
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2024				
Fixed Assets	-	25,681	-	25,681
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	146,550	48,800	16,457	211,807
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(10,123)	-	-	(10,123)
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Net Assets	£ 136,427	£ 74,581	£ 16,457	£ 227,465
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18 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The total future value of minimum lease payments is as follows:

	<i>2025</i>	<i>2024</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
<i>Buildings</i>		
Within one year	5,208	12,500
Within one to two years	-	5,208
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	£ 5,208	£ 17,708
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The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £12,500 (2024 - £12,013).

19 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no other related party transactions in the year other than those with Trustees disclosed in note 8 and the subsidiary disclosed in note 10.

THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP

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NidderdalePlus
Community Hub

NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP

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APRIL 2023 – MARCH 2024

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The difference we make in our communities

Impact Report April 2023-March 2024



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NidderdalePlus
Community Hub

Introduction

Nidderdale Plus has undergone a long period of change and development since we were set up, originally as a rural economic development agency in 2002. Becoming a charity in 2015 - involving moving premises to a public-facing community hub in the heart of Pateley Bridge - and running frontline services during the pandemic, have changed our organisation beyond measure.

Today we offer a wide variety of services across the area shown on the map. The vast majority of our services are delivered by volunteers, preventative in nature and concern individuals' wellbeing.

Our mission statement is:

“We promote wellbeing, we foster independence, we cultivate a sense of belonging”

All of our services are run in pursuit of this mission. We are proud to present our first impact report in the following pages where you can read about each of the services we offer to our community. We hope that you find this a stimulating and interesting read and please do get in touch with us if you want to find out more.

Helen Flynn, Chief Executive Officer



Community Transport



Our Community Transport (CT) service is a hybrid service, comprised of a community car (provided under a lease from North Yorkshire Council) and the private cars of our dedicated team of drivers, all of whom are volunteers. We supplement the service with our minibus when we need to transport people in wheelchairs.

We know that the service is an absolute lifeline to many local residents who have no access to private or public transport, owing to the remoteness of where they live. Over 80% of the journeys are health related, either to the hospital, the GP surgery or to other health appointments such as the dentist, chiropodist, optician, etc.

Number of journeys completed:	1,611
Mileage covered in the year:	19,624
Number of volunteer drivers:	28
Number of clients served:	384
Number of volunteer hours given:	1,394

We surveyed a sample of our CT clients* during January 2024. Here is what they told us:



100% of respondents agreed that our drivers were always friendly and helpful, with over **83% strongly agreeing**



100% of respondents agreed that staff members are helpful when clients contact them, with over **91% strongly agreeing**



100% of respondents agreed that they feel safe when they use the service with over **83% strongly agreeing**



96% of respondents said they would be very likely to recommend the community transport service to others

*Based on the responses of 23 service users

Community Transport



Here is what our clients have told us about the difference the Community Transport service has made to them:

“I can’t compliment the service and all the staff enough. It has made the world of difference because of my isolation. On occasions it’s my only communication with the outer world.”

“Given me my independence since I lost my car. It’s a godsend. It’s a brilliant service I’d be lost without you.”

“If it wasn’t for Nidd Plus I wouldn’t be able to live here anymore. I’d have to go into a home”

“Days go by when I don’t talk to anybody, so it has been wonderful to converse with drivers. I have told my family I couldn’t manage without you. I’m singing your praises to everyone, and I can’t fault the service.”

“For getting to hospital, it’s absolutely brilliant. I meet new people. The lifts are invaluable to me.”



WATCH THIS FILM ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SERVICE



Community Minibus Service and Days Out



Our minibus days out programme is specifically designed to counter social isolation and loneliness, by giving people the opportunity to get out to new places, see new things and meet others. We provide a service to Ripon on market day (Thursday) most weeks from Pateley Bridge to Ripon, as there is no bus service linking them.

We also provide bespoke trips for local lunch clubs so that their members can go somewhere different for their lunch once or twice a year and experience somewhere new, often a garden centre or a popular restaurant that is not too far away.

Here is what our clients have told us about the difference the Community Minibus Days Out have made to them:

“The day trips are brilliant, It gets us out, and there’s a really good choice. All the ones we have been on have been absolutely wonderful.”

“It’s a really good service, I don’t know what we would do without it!”

“Well, we wouldn’t go anywhere without the day trips, they make it so much easier.”

“Excellent Dales minibus service! Thanks you so much. Love the Ripon Thursday market-day minibus service.”

Number of days out, incorporating Ripon market runs:	56
Number of passengers served:	311
Number of minibus volunteer drivers:	18
Number of volunteer hours given:	292



Community Minibus Service and Days Out



GROUP HIRE

We hire our minibus out to local not-for-profit groups, schools and local charities, usually providing a volunteer driver. We are fulfilling needs and contributing to the wellbeing of people in Nidderdale through being able to offer this resource.

The bus was hired out 58 times during the year in focus (often for trips of more than one day) to 20 different organisations. The types of organisations who hired the minibus included: schools, WIs and ladies groups, scouts, church groups, and local charities such as Carer's Resource and IDAS.

Here is what our clients have told us about the difference our Minibus Group Hire Service has made to them:

"It was the best minibus hire arrangement we've experienced in 30 years—couldn't have been better, easier or more agreeable."

"Brilliant service. So well organised and amazing staff and volunteers"

"Just to let you know that we had a fantastic trip on Friday, and the children all loved the experiences they had."



Community Library



We provide a community library in partnership with North Yorkshire Council, who provide all the books, computers, etc, and a part-time role to run the service and help to manage the library volunteers. We run a variety of events for children and local people during the year and local history month is always a popular promotion, as are the annual Summer and Christmas Reading Challenges for primary school-aged children.

The library is mainly run by volunteers with 7 hours per week of staff time provided by NYC.



Number of active borrowers:	401
Number of books borrowed:	11,591
IT hours at the public computers:	708
Number of volunteers:	12
Volunteer hours:	731
Number of children completing the Summer Reading Challenge:	89

NYC carried out a survey of library users in 2022* and recorded the following results:



100% of respondents considered that the standard of customer care at the library was either very good or good, with **83% agreeing that it was very good.**



86% of respondents thought that the choice of books at the library was either good or very good, with **36% agreeing that the choice was very good.**



95% of respondents thought that the information provision in the library was either very good or good, with **50% agreeing that it was very good.**

*41 people responded to the survey

Community Library



Respondents were invited to leave comments and below there is a selection of what they told us about the library.

“It’s an amazing place which has brought a lot of joy to myself and my children.”

“Sandra is a star and all the staff and volunteers are friendly and helpful. It truly is the hub of the community here!”

“A lovely library. We’re lucky to have this great resource in Pateley. Staff and volunteers here are brilliant!”

“I have enjoyed coming to the library. I’m glad we have one in our community.”

JIGSAW LIBRARY

We started the jigsaw library during the pandemic and it has gone from strength to strength. All our jigsaws are donated by members of the public. We get lots of jigsaw donations, so regularly take up batches to sell in our charity shop, ensuring that we have a constantly changing library of jigsaws to keep our regular customers happy.

We have a satellite jigsaw library in Darley to which we loan and rotate jigsaws on a regular basis. We loaned out 169 jigsaws during the year.



“It’s a great service idea and always enjoy going to the library to pick up a jigsaw. Very good for our mental health.”

“Really good to be able to do different jigsaws with the family.”

“A great service. We enjoy coming to the library and what helpful staff. It’s good all round. A really good choice of jigsaws.”

Digital Champion Service

We started our Digital Champion service in November 2021, to enable people to get on line or improve their digital skills, and it has grown enormously under our Digital Champion Coordinator, Jo Hayes, and her wonderful team of Digital Champion volunteers. “Coffee, Click and Connect” sessions are held weekly at 5 locations in Nidderdale, and we also offer bespoke support at the hub when needed.



Number of interactions: **867**

Number of Digital Champion volunteers: **14**

Volunteer hours: **893**

Loan bank and SIM cards:
17 devices available and **6 SIM cards**

Locations of weekly sessions:
Darley Methodist Church, Pateley Bridge Memorial Hall, Dacre Banks Village Hall, Kirkby Malzeard Mechanics Institute, Hampsthwaite Village Hall

We carried out a survey amongst a sample* of our learners during November 2023. Here are the results:



81.25% of respondents said they could learn at their own pace all of the time, with **18.75%** saying they could learn at their own pace some of the time.



62.5% of respondents described themselves as feeling much more confident or feeling pleased with themselves for having learnt something new; **31.25%** were somewhat more confident; and **6.25%** were still not confident at all.



93.75% of respondents said they would definitely be likely to recommend the service to others and **6.25%** said they would probably recommend the service.

*16 respondents completed the survey

Digital Champion Service

Here are some comments from our learners, telling us of the difference the Nidd Plus Digital Champion service has made to them:

“Brilliant service. Atmosphere very relaxed which makes learning so much easier.”

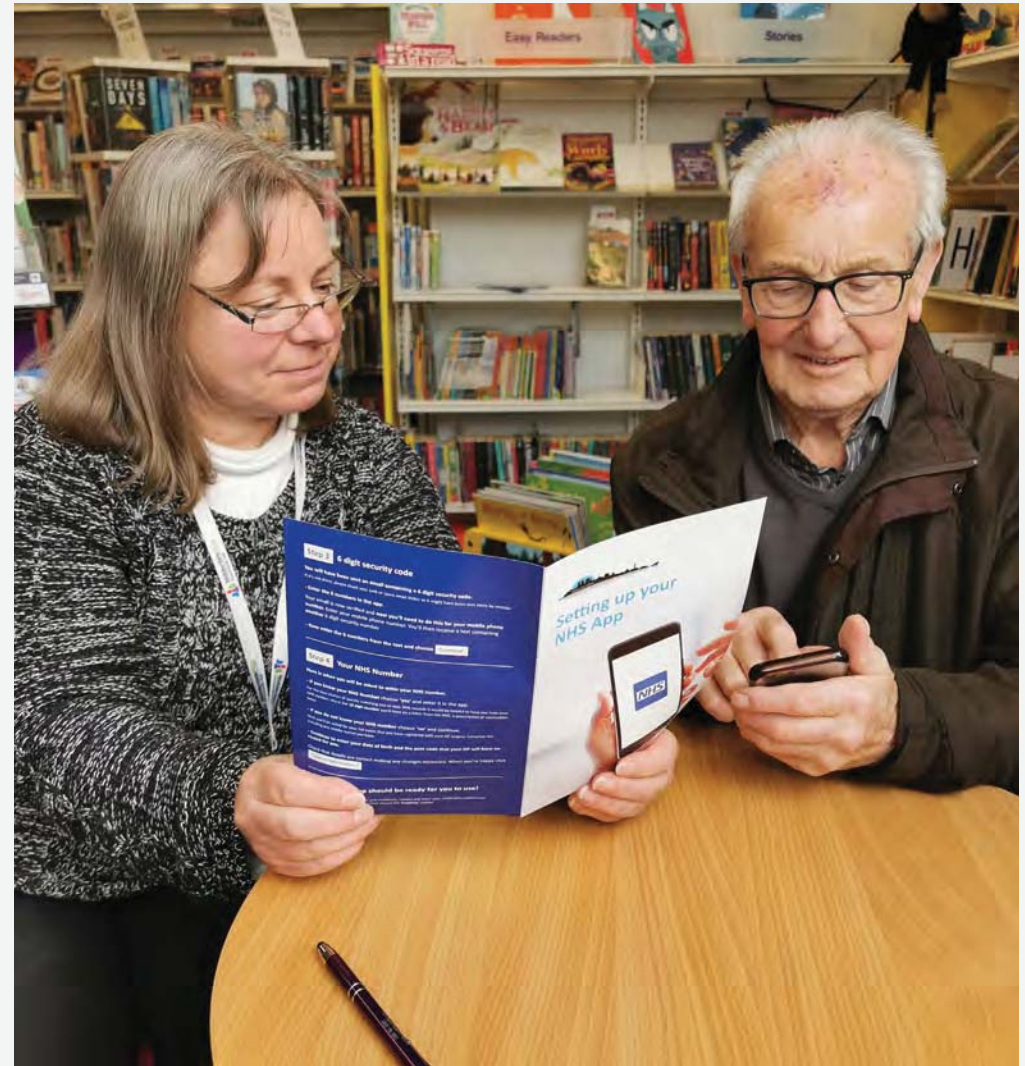
“Everyone has been friendly and helpful and have answered all questions in a way I can understand. I feel more confident, and also able to bring any problems, however small, and the help is there. I have recommended the service to friends and hope it is able to continue.”

“Friendly, welcoming and worthwhile.”

“Teachers are very patient and allow us to go at our own pace. I am enjoying the expert way they talk us through each step, and very grateful for them helping us so much.”

“I think it is a fabulous help and I am improving in confidence. If they don't know an answer or solution, they will find out. Friendly, and you feel as though you are achieving a lot. Tiring but also a bit exciting. Always come out more positive than on entry.”

[WATCH OUR FILM ABOUT THE DIGITAL CHAMPION SERVICE](#)



Nidderdale Meals on Wheels



We set up the Meals on Wheels service during the pandemic, as we wanted to give local lunch club attendees in various villages a lovely meal (that they had not had to make themselves) every week. Since the pandemic, we have adjusted the service to meet local need only, so the client base changes regularly according to need.



We are lucky to have the services of local commercial caterer, Dusty Miller (Bryan and Lizzie Dennison of Dusty Miller, pictured above to the left with volunteer driver, Sandra Bradley), who are based at Low Laithe, preparing delicious, locally made food. Two 2-course meals are delivered each week to our clients by a separate team of Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers.

Number of meals delivered in the year:	598
Number of service users throughout the year:	18
Number of Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers:	12
Volunteer hours:	416

We conducted a telephone survey of a representative sample* of our clients during December 2023 and this is what they told us:

100% of respondents rated the service from the Nidd Plus office staff at 5 stars



100% of respondents said they would be very likely to recommend the Meals on Wheels service to others

100% of respondents rated the quality of the meals at either excellent or very good

*We spoke by telephone to 6 of our clients to carry out our survey

Nidderdale Meals on Wheels

Here are some comments from our Meals on Wheels clients or a member of their family (who sometimes book the meals for clients), telling us of the impact of the service on their lives:

“It means I get to eat a hot meal that I cannot cook for myself. It is something to look forward to.”

“It’s my luxury during the week and I look forward to contact with other people.”

“Huge relief knowing Dad has a regular treat – a beautifully cooked 2-course meal that encourages him to eat when he might not have done otherwise. It means I can stop worrying.”



Charity Shop and Nidderdale Plus Community Fund



We set up Nidderdale Charity Shop in February 2022. The premise behind the charity shop is that it should support the local community, and is a good example of the circular economy in action! So, local people give unwanted items to the shop, local people (or tourists) buy the items--minimising waste and boosting recycling--and the money we make is directly invested back into local communities in 2 ways:

1. To provide a local grant fund each year—The Nidderdale Plus Community Fund* (see below)--that local charities and not-for profit groups can apply to each year. In this way, we are able to meet needs in the community that may not have been on our radar.
2. To help fund the charitable activities of Nidderdale Plus, in particular, the Community Transport service and Meals on Wheels.

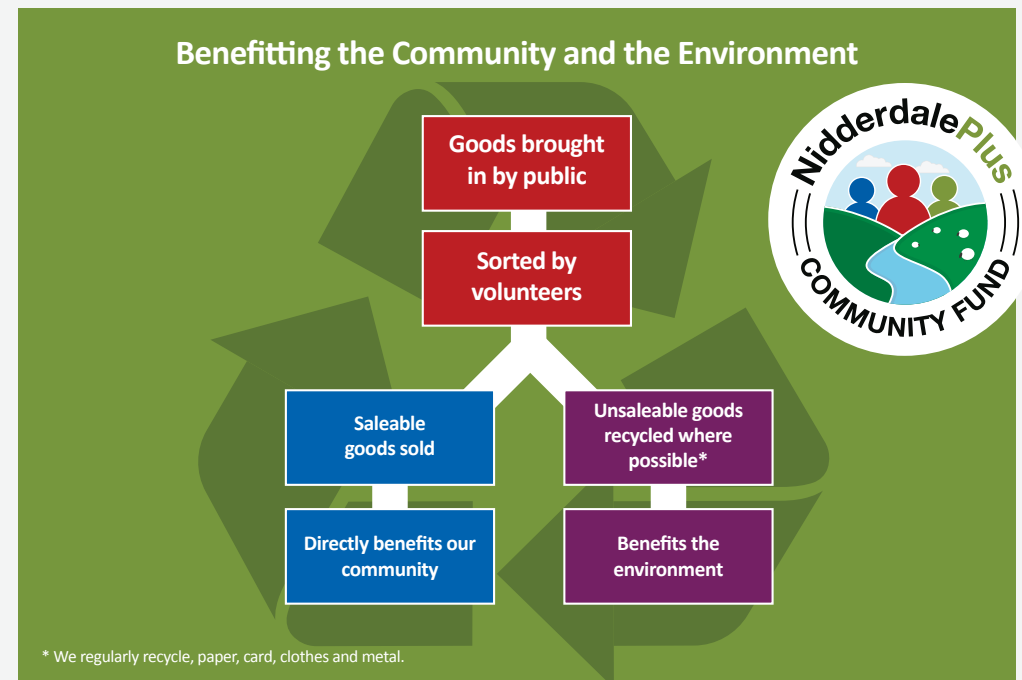
As part of the general volunteer survey we conducted in September 2023 (see page 19), we gathered these quotes, below, from shop volunteers, about the benefits of volunteering at the shop.

“It’s a rewarding experience to give back to the community and I hope that there are like-minded people to help us when we get older. Getting a smile by being able to help with a problem is a lovely gift in return.”

“The friendship and camaraderie and contact with the public keep me cheerful.”

“I have more friends, feel more part of the community and feel (as a retired person) that my life has more purpose.”

Number of shop volunteers:	22
Volunteer hours:	4,651
Number of Gift Aid donors:	546



The Nidderdale Plus Community Fund



We carried out the first round of the fund in November 2023, and you can read the separate impact report prepared by Two Ridings Community Foundation (who administer the scheme for us) at Appendix 1.

We aim to give out £20,000 a year from shop profits to local charities and not for profit groups. In the first round, we allocated £13,425



Information, Advice and Guidance



As a community hub, we have agreements in place with North Yorkshire Council and North Yorkshire Police to provide front desk services. Members of the public can report incidents to the police and seek help for council services and applications. Inevitably, this morphs into members of the public coming in to ask us - ... anything!



So, the staff and volunteers who sit on front desk at the hub are skilled and resourceful in answering a wide variety of questions and often signposting people on to other services. We are also the Tourist Information Point for Nidderdale.

“I was seen and given a blue badge application appointment straight away. I could not have completed the form myself. It was very pleasant and Sandra dealt with my request in a lovely manner.”

“I was thrilled to be able to get my phone back which I had lost, after a neighbour saw a post that Nidd Plus had put on Facebook. We are lucky to have a lost and found service in Pateley.”

Council queries including benefits advice/signposting:	287
Police front desk:	92
Tourist Information:	2,566
Volunteers on the front desk:	2
Volunteer hours:	312



Our Partnership Working and Other Activities

We work with other charities/partners to both deliver local services and offer a space for local groups to meet.



MIND, the mental health charity, attends at Nidderdale Plus Community Hub one day per week to offer a drop-in session to support people in need. They also offer a local befriending service.



Citizens Advice offer a monthly surgery at Nidderdale Plus. People ring Nidd Plus to book onto one of the appointment slots that Citizens Advice offer on the day they are here.



Nidderdale Group Practice, prescription deliveries: “To assist our local GP practice, we delivered 134 prescriptions during the year in focus to 30 recipients (many of them on repeat prescriptions), using the services of local contacts or volunteer drivers.



Nidderdale Community Welcome held regular ESOL sessions twice per week during the year to support Syrian refugees with learning English.



Vision Support held monthly peer support drop - in sessions, so that local residents with vision impairments can meet and socialise in a friendly environment.



Our Partnership Working and Other Activities

During the year we also carried out the following activities:

Emergency Food support: we supported a number of individuals and families with emergency food when they were short of money to buy food, owing to the Cost of Living crisis.

Welfare checks: we carried out regular welfare checks on a number of local residents who were beginning to have additional needs, but were not yet at the point where a referral to Social Services was essential.

Slow Cooker Demonstration, in partnership with the Yorkshire Energy Doctor, we held a session for local families (predominantly) about the benefits of using a slow cooker to make meals and free slow cookers were handed out at the session. This was in response to the pressures of the Cost of Living crisis. 28 people attended.

Our partnership with North Yorkshire Council

We continue to work closely with our main partner North Yorkshire Council (NYC). This is a partnership that has been in place for over 10 years and continues to develop. Having been appointed as a Community Support Organisation during and after the pandemic, we are currently developing our role as a Community Anchor Organisation (CAO). This is an exciting initiative, involving Nidderdale Plus in a county-wide network of place-based CAOs that NYC is planning to fully develop. In time, it is hoped that the network of CAOs will assist in greater coordination and delivery of local services. We are very grateful to NYC for all their support, advice, funding and help over many years.



Our Volunteers



It is fair to say that the impact we have would be tiny without the services and help of all our volunteers. We rely on volunteers to deliver virtually all our services. They are an amazing group of people and their motivations for volunteering are almost certainly as numerous as the total number of volunteers is!

However, there are common themes, which you can read about in the survey results below. What all our volunteers would doubtlessly agree with is the benefits of volunteering are just as significant as the help they are providing to members of their own community. Our heart-felt gratitude goes out to you all.

Total number of volunteers in service throughout the year	98
Total number of volunteer hours	8,689

We carried out a survey of our volunteers* in September 2023 and here are the headline responses:

69% of volunteers reported that there had been an increase in their wellbeing since they started volunteering at Nidd Plus.

96% of volunteers rated their experience of volunteering at Nidd Plus at over **8 out of 10**, with **68% giving their rating at 10 out of 10**



Our Volunteers



We asked the volunteers a number of qualitative questions about how volunteering had affected their lives and wellbeing. You can find these questions below with a selection of responses given beneath each question:

Since you began volunteering with Nidd Plus what, if anything, has changed about how you feel about yourself and your life?

“It feels great to be helping my community, gives me a sense of belonging”

“I now have a greater appreciation of the number of people who need help in the dale and it’s good to be able to help”

“I enjoy helping people and making their lives easier now some of them are unable to transport themselves about. I feel I am giving something back”

“It has brought me out of the house more and forced me into sociability with people I would not otherwise have engaged with”

Has there been an increase in your wellbeing since you started volunteering at Nidd Plus?

“I have an increased sense of purpose and feel the benefits of getting to know new people”

“I feel good about myself and have learned so much about my community”

“It has improved my mental wellbeing”

“I enjoy meeting people and chatting with them. Knowing you are helping someone else, especially those who live alone, has a positive effect on me too”

Our Volunteers



Have these changes impacted anyone else (eg, family members)? If so, who has it affected and how?

“My husband now volunteers for Nidd Plus and is also more engaged in the community”

“My wife is similarly involved, so the shared activities are good for our relationship (and give us more to talk about!)”

“My family is happy that I’m trying to rebuild my life”

What would have happened if you hadn’t begun volunteering with Nidd Plus? (eg, how would you feel about yourself? What would you be doing?)

“Probably less satisfied with life than I am now. Just glad to have the opportunity to help people!”

“There is a greater feeling of self worth. I would have remained a bit of a loner”

“I would have no confidence and I wouldn’t have had the opportunities I have had”

“Probably would have been less out-going after I had retired”

*34 volunteers responded to the survey

The Future



As we look to the future, there are more developments either happening now or in the pipeline.

Befriending: We launched our new befriending service at the beginning of 2024, and we will report on progress with this important new initiative in our next impact report.

NHS: We are engaged in a variety of forums where there are plans emerging about working more with the NHS. There has been a greater recognition of the role that VCSE organisations have in prevention, and the part prevention can play in stemming the demographic challenges that are becoming obvious with our ageing population, and the consequent greater burden on the NHS. So, watch this space...

Social Care Pilot: We are also working with North Yorkshire Council on an exciting new social care pilot that will launch in September 2024. We will be employing a Services Navigator who will assist people who are either in receipt of care packages or on the waiting list to receive care assessments so that they can be more involved in their community and receive more support from volunteers.

We continue to align service development with need, and of course, our mission statement. We acknowledge there will be challenges ahead, and top of this list is of course, the state of the public finances. However, as an organisation, we feel we are developing our scale, the momentum and the financial resilience to meet any challenges we may encounter.



Thanks!



We are a small staff team and a small army of volunteers! You can see the list below. However, the people who are in charge of the strategy and day-to-day running of Nidderdale Plus are our trustees, who are also local volunteers!

We thank our trustees for all their invaluable help, support and guidance over the past year:

Richard Bruce, Roger Wensley, Malcolm Dawson, Jackie Kerr, Sue Jones, Gordon Murdoch, David Frady and also Paula Newson Smith and Jenny Spruce who stepped down during the year.

Nidd Plus Staff

Our amazing staff team always goes the extra mile. So thanks go to: Carole Cottrill, Laura Crossley, Zoe Crossley, Tracey Dawson, Helen Flynn, Jo Hayes, Angela Raw and Sandra Walker. Also thanks to Martyn Price and Martin Moorman who were employees during the year.

Huge thanks to all our partners and funders. We could not offer the services we offer without your support!



Thanks!

Nidd Plus Volunteers



Vanessa Appleby	Elizabeth Clarke	Barbara Gardener	Emma Jones	Judi Northfield	Judith Spencer
Jacqueline Baker	Ian Clarke	Ron Gardener	Howard Jones	Sam O'Brien	Jenny Spruce
Jude Barter	Simon Cooney	Katja Goschalk	Sue Jones	Jane Petty	David Thomas
Stan Beer	Alan Cottrill	Luna Gosling	Alan Jordan	Claire Porter	Karen Tulley
David Bird	Laura Crossley	Felicity Hallam	Julia Kent	Angela Raw	Sarah Turnbull
Grant Blakemore	Alyson Davies	Jane Hallam	Jackie Kerr	Jane Robinson	David Turley
Ronald Blyton	Tracey Dawson	Helen Hattan	Simon Lawson	Fiona Robson	Vicki Valentine
Sandra Blyton	Ruth Dodsworth	Stuart Hattan	Gill Lazonby	Simon Robinson	Paula Waggoner
Jayne Booth	Ansis Dukalskis	Ian Hearn	Tessa Lee	Quentin Sands	Sandra Walker
Shona Helen Bostwick	Richard Dutton	Lynne Heaton	Dee Longfellow	Aidan Saunders	Roger Wensley
Sandra Bradley	Liz Elvidge	Margaret Helm	Edward March	Julia Saunders	Carol White
Helen Brown	Carolyn Evans	Rosemary Helme	Suzanne Mellor	Terri Scarborough	Tom Whiteside
Barbara Mansell	Colin Fine	Mike Holt	Mary Moor	Lawrence Sherrington	Jessica Wood
Kath Chapman	Anita Fraser	Paul Howells	Martin Moorman	Duncan Sloane	Joanna Wright
Andy Chapman	Karen Gallagher	Pat Jackson	Gordon Murdoch	Thelma Spain	

Appendix A



Nidderdale Plus COMMUNITY FUND



Impact Report 2024

for the period: April 2023 to March 2024



11

grants awarded



£13,425

total distributed



6,503

people supported



Two Ridings
Community Foundation

Nidderdale Plus Community Fund

An introduction

The Nidderdale Plus Community Fund was established by Nidderdale Plus as a way to donate income from their charity shop in Pateley Bridge to benefit local people and communities.

It provides a sustainable source of funding for local charitable activity throughout Nidderdale and the surrounding area.

The priorities of the fund are aligned with local need, and in its first year applications were made that promote wellbeing, foster independence, cultivate a sense of belonging and address community energy needs.

Local groups applied to run activities and services, cover essential running costs and cover the costs of small capital schemes.

Nidderdale Plus were keen to support community inspired projects, activities and events that show how a small investment can make a big difference to the local community.

In 2024, eleven grants were awarded totalling £13,425 to groups across Nidderdale.

The Aims of the Fund:

- Promoting wellbeing
- Fostering independence
- Cultivating a sense of belonging
- Addressing community energy needs

in Nidderdale & surrounding areas, North Yorkshire



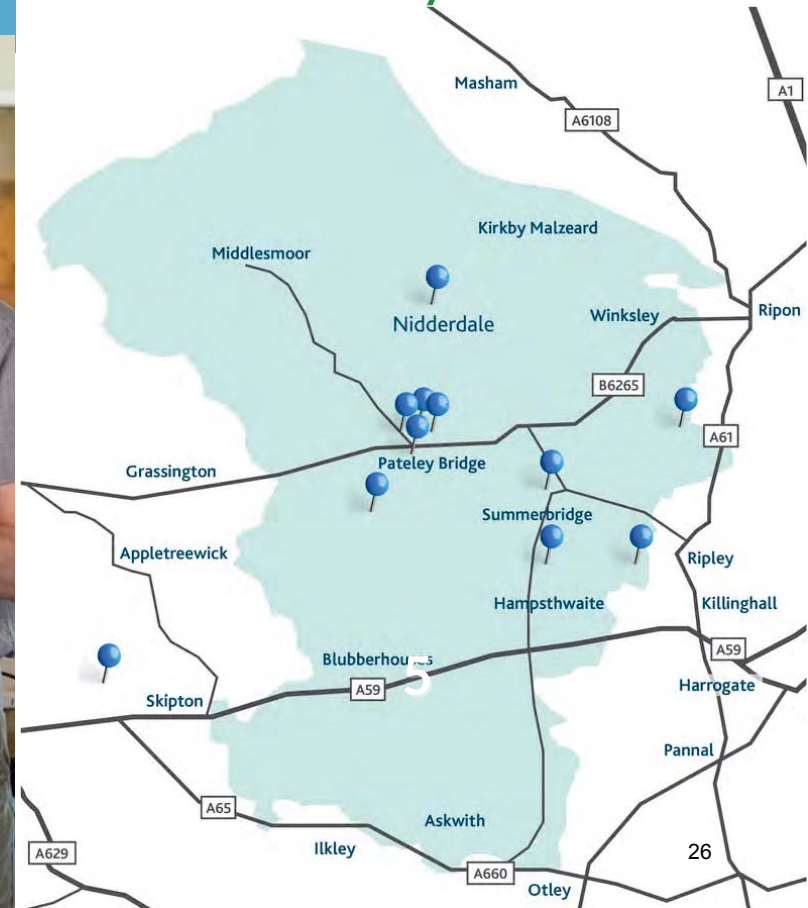
The groups and people supported

Of the 11 groups supported, 6 were known to Two Ridings and 5 were new applicants.

All the groups were small local charities, all except one with a turnover of under £25,000. The exception was the Dales and Bowland CIC, a regional bus provider with a turnover under £200,000.

All work with local people, improving their lives and are run entirely by volunteers apart from Pateley Bridge Memorial Hall which has one part time employee.

Grants awarded by area:



Funded organisations

Nidderdale Community Choir: Funding to buy sheet music for rural, local community choir, supporting them to keep their subscriptions at an affordable level for those in receipt of state pensions. £500

Darley Methodist Church: The Methodist Church are using their grant towards cushions and curtains to make a community venue in a rurally isolated area more cosy and energy efficient. £2,000

Pateley Bridge & Beverley Memorial Hall: A new projector to support the groups and activities at the memorial hall. Usage includes community film nights which help reduce loneliness and contribute to hall sustainability. £1,550

Pateley Shed: Upgrading men's shed electrics to enable more people to safely work together during sessions and reduce risk of turning people away. £775

Markington Memorial Institute: The Memorial Institute are replacing 10 village hall tables to improve disabled accessibility, modernise the hall and increase usership. Tables will fold and be easier for groups to use. A contribution is also going to new chairs. £2,000

The Blue Book: Funding towards the printing and distribution costs of The Blue Book to support people with dementia providing useful information regarding support and activities available to support individuals and their families across the Nidderdale. £2,000

Dacre Banks Bowling Club: The Bowling Club used their funding to improve the quality of the bowling green to maintain wellbeing, exercise and enjoyment of members and recruit future members. £1,300

Nidderdale Allotment Society: Grant for physical improvements to an allotment site to improve water supply and manage rats and rabbits: improving wellbeing of allotment holders and site productivity. £300

Hampsthwaite Women's Institute: Contribution towards the Hampsthwaite WI Christmas meal, encouraging community and reducing isolation. £500

Pateley Bridge Junior Football Club: Grant to subsidise club subscription fees (to cover pitch hire) so as not to exclude families on lower incomes and to give time for other fundraising efforts. £500

Focus on

Dales and Bowland CIC: £2,000

Dales and Bowland Community Interest Company (D&BCIC) is a volunteer-run not-for-profit social enterprise, which improves people's lives by providing public transport in the Yorkshire Dales, including Nidderdale. They currently provide the only public transport in the Nidderdale area on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

They used their funding to help to continue providing bus service 24 between Harrogate and Pateley Bridge on Sundays and Bank Holidays throughout the year, connecting small villages and communities in the area, tackling social isolation and loneliness.



Local people appreciating the No. 24 bus service

"I use this service regularly. As someone with a disability, it is invaluable to me. It gives me the freedom I wouldn't otherwise have."

I do not drive... so if the Sunday Dales Bus service finished, people like myself wouldn't be able to get out and about on a Sunday."



"Being part of the choir is such a real joy for me. Singing is such a release from my stressful life. I have made so many friends, I feel the choir wraps its arms around me."

Choir member, Nidderdale Community Choir

Focus on Nidderdale Community Choir: £500

Nidderdale Community Choir used their £500 to buy music scores. It is illegal to perform any music unless you have purchased the official score for every song you wish to sing. They told us *"Each score can cost up to £5 and for 34 choir members, musical director and pianist, that adds up to a lot of money."*

As a community choir they survive solely on the subscriptions of their members. Naturally, they try to keep this as low as possible in order to allow anyone who wishes to sing to be able to join in. Their hope is to be fully inclusive.

Many of the choir member rely on the choir as respite from illness or from caring for others. It is an important part of their lives, as many of them acknowledge:

"It's lovely to have a local choir in a rural area. Singing is good for my soul and keeps my grey matter alive! It's my favourite two hours of the week."

The choir outgoings include hall hire fees for their Musical Director and accompanist and insurance. The funding has enabled them to purchase new music for this year and the end of last, extending their repertoire and giving the choir new projects and challenges.

The choir regularly perform throughout Nidderdale and all performances have included music purchased thanks to the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund.

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NidderdalePlus
Community Hub

**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

OVERVIEW

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership is an independent charity that supports the local community, including the local voluntary sector, through the advancement of education and provision of relief, help and advice to those in need.

It aims to be a successful, sustainable community hub that is responsive, innovative, effective, well run and used, and able to adapt and develop to meet local needs. The Hub is centrally located, in Pateley Bridge, and provides a friendly place for people to visit for help or information, for advice or to access services. The partnership also operates a range of services from the premises, as well as running Nidderdale Charity Shop on a separate site, located on Pateley Bridge High Street. Nidd Plus is well established as a key anchor organisation in the delivery of services and projects in the Nidderdale area, with a proven track record for the facilitation of group and partnerships to further the needs of the local community.

Nidderdale Plus has changed rapidly since obtaining charitable status in 2015. Following a period of consolidation up to 2018, the charity made significant progress during 2019 to the extent that it was well placed to become a Community Support Organisation (CSO) at the start of 2020 when the global COVID-19 pandemic began to affect the rural community. The year under review was not affected by the pandemic. However, because of the changes to services and information picked up from communities during the COVID-19 pandemic, Nidderdale Plus has continued to adapt and change according to need. We have also gained at the start of the year under review "Community Anchor Organisation" (CAO) status, working as a key partner with NYC. For the period under review, Nidd Plus was in a development phase of CAO status and the funding for this development phase will last for an additional two years.

Our heart-felt thanks go out to all our volunteers, as most of what we do in terms of direct service delivery would simply not be possible without the support of our wonderful volunteers. All the names of our wonderful volunteers can be found in the Impact Report in the Activities section.

Objectives and Activities, Achievements and Performance and Plan for the Future can be found in the Impact Report (Page 3 to 28).

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Current assets

The Charitable Company has net assets of £227.4k, comprising Restricted Funds (£16.4k), Designated Funds (£74.5k – of which £25.7k is fixed assets) and Undesignated Funds (£136.4k – of which £80.0k is Reserves).

Income and Expenditure during the year

Undesignated Funds (available to spend at the charity's discretion) have increased by £37k this year. This primarily reflects a reduced funding provision (£20k) for the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund, following the initial pump priming of £50k.

Significant changes this year were:

- A reduction in income from Service Level Agreements from £74.2k to £33.6k, combined with a reduction in Government Grants from £53.9k to £38.5k.
- These reductions were largely off-set by an increase in grants from other sources of £25.4k, an increase in Donations of £9.5k, and an increase in income from Other Trading Activities of £15.8k.
- Direct Charitable Expenditure increased from £174k to £225k. However, the bulk of this increase was the £50k pump priming payment to Two Ridings Community Fund to set up the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund. This money had previously been identified in Designated Funds.
- Staff salary costs increased from £94.6k to £106.3k. This reflects an increase in staff numbers required to manage the additional projects and related services Nidderdale Plus is now delivering.

The shift away from SLA-based income to grant funding which is tied to specific projects and initiatives has two effects. First, it creates a degree of additional uncertainty over longer term funding streams which Trustees must necessarily reflect in their strategic plans. But second, these new funding opportunities enable us to broaden the range of services we are able to offer to the community in Nidderdale as we aim to respond to changing needs.

These accounts incorporate the trading subsidiary Nidderdale Ltd, whose operations include the Nidderdale Charity Shop. The shop's performance continued strongly into the second year of trading with turnover, including gift aid, increasing from £80.1k in 2022-23, to £90.9k in 2023-24. Sales from the shop provide both the finance for the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund and resilience for Charitable Company in the face of longer-term funding uncertainties.

Restricted Funds

There are Restricted Funds of £16.4k. This primarily relates to the unspent portion of a grant from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund to finance the production of a tourism brochure to promote Nidderdale.

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Designated Funds

The trustees have decided to designate funding as detailed below:

Designated Funds carried forward

Minibus – money set aside for the purchase of a replacement vehicle was increased by £8.8k to £23.8k.
Community Fund – an additional £20k was designated to transfer to TRCF to top up the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund for the next round of awards.

New designated funds

Electric Vehicle – a grant has been secured to purchase an electric car as a replacement for the current community transport vehicle. £5k has been designated which is the match funding the company is required to provide under the terms of the grant.

RESERVES POLICY

The Charitable Company has decided to maintain free reserves at £80.0k, covering six months expenditure, redundancy costs and a provision for dilapidations at the end of the lease.

There remains significant uncertainty about future funding from central and local government and SLA funding has already reduced. It should also be noted that, as the staff team continues to expand, the reserves requirement is likely to increase.

At the year-end on 31 March 2024, monies held in free reserves were £136.4k (2023 - £99.4k). This covers nine months recurring expenditure (2023 – seven months).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution:

Nidderdale Plus is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee. The Charitable Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. It also has a wholly owned subsidiary company, Nidderdale Limited, which operates non-charitable activities for the benefit of Nidderdale Plus.

Recruiting and appointing Trustees:

Trustee vacancies are advertised, and applicants are interviewed prior to meeting with the full Board. Induction into the workings of the Charitable Company is carried out by Officers already serving on the Board with ongoing training being undertaken.

Organisational structure and decision making:

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for the organisation and ensuring that it is well run and that it continues to deliver the charitable outcomes for the benefit of the people for whom it has been set up. The Board, working closely with the Chief Executive Officer, develops the strategy and agrees and maintains the vision, mission, and values of the organisation. The following mission statement was originally adopted in 2022-23 and remained during the year in review: ***“We promote wellbeing, we foster independence, we cultivate a sense of belonging.”***

The Board meets at least six times per year, excluding the AGM, when it discusses and monitors the work and performance of the organisation. Board members also meet to progress initiatives and projects as well as with stakeholders. The Board also holds an annual ‘Away Day’ where strategy, priorities and performance are considered, and future plans agreed.

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During the year in review, Martin Moorman came on board in November 2023 as maternity cover for Laura Crossley, our Befriending Coordinator. He left in February 2024 and was replaced by Zoe Crossley. Martyn Price stood down as Governance Administrator, in March 2023 and Carole Cottrill took on the role in addition to her zero hours contract work as a Community Hub Assistant.

During 2023-2024 the Partnership employed one full time and eight part time staff (some permanent and some fixed term), and employed one person on zero-hours contracts.

Chief Executive Officer: Helen Flynn (25 hours pw)

Community Hub Coordinator: Sandra Walker (full time)

Business Support Officer: Tracey Dawson (15 hours pw)

Digital Champion Coordinator: Joanne Hayes (15 hours pw)

Befriending Coordinator: Laura Crossley (15 hours pw) until November 2023

Befriending Coordinator (maternity cover): Martin Moorman (15 hours pw), November 2023 – February 2024

Befriending Coordinator (maternity cover): Zoe Crossley (15 hours pw), from February 2024

Community Hub Assistant: Angela Raw (21 hours pw)

Governance Administrator: Martyn Price (10 hours pm) until March 2024

Governance Administrator: Carole Cottrill (10 hours pm) from March 2024

Zero-hours contracts: Carole Cottrill (Community Hub Assistant)

Board of Trustees:

Richard Bruce (Chair); Roger Wensley (Treasurer up to November 2023); Malcolm Dawson (Treasurer from November 2023); David Frady; Jackie Kerr; Gordon Murdoch; Sue Jones; Jenny Spruce (stepped down November 2023).

This report was approved by the Trustees on 22 November 2024.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Richard Bruce – Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP**

I report to the Charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 35 to 47.

This report is made solely to the Charitable Company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body in accordance with section 154 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examiner's work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charitable Company's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charitable Company, the Charitable Company's members as a body and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

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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Sarah Wearing, FCA, DChA

22 November 2024

**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
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	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024 £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023 £</i>
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	3	92,835	36,245	129,080	110,352
Charitable activities	4	80,894	-	80,894	123,389
Other trading activities	5	3,575	13,574	17,149	1,326
Investment income	6	724	-	724	250
Total Income		<u>178,028</u>	<u>49,819</u>	<u>227,847</u>	<u>235,317</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	7	559	3,110	3,669	245
Charitable activities	8	181,861	43,160	225,021	174,193
Total Expenditure		<u>182,420</u>	<u>46,270</u>	<u>228,690</u>	<u>174,438</u>
Net income		(4,392)	3,549	(843)	60,879
Transfers between funds	16	1,988	(1,988)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(2,404)	1,561	(843)	60,879
Total Funds Brought Forward		<u>213,412</u>	<u>14,896</u>	<u>228,308</u>	<u>167,429</u>
Total Funds Carried Forward	17	<u>£ 211,008</u>	<u>£ 16,457</u>	<u>£ 227,465</u>	<u>£ 228,308</u>

The notes on pages 37 to 47 form part of these accounts.

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		2024		2023	
	<i>Notes</i>	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	11		25,681		33,878
Investments	12		100		100
Current Assets					
Stock		525		-	
Debtors	13	73,842		73,976	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		137,440		129,701	
		<u>211,807</u>		<u>203,677</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(10,123)</u>		<u>(9,347)</u>	
Net Current Assets			<u>201,684</u>		<u>194,330</u>
Total Net Assets			<u><u>£ 227,465</u></u>		<u><u>£ 228,308</u></u>
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds					
- Designated	15		74,581		114,033
- Undesignated	15		136,427		99,379
Restricted Funds	16		16,457		14,896
Total Charity Funds			<u><u>£ 227,465</u></u>		<u><u>£ 228,308</u></u>

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The Members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 37 to 47 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Management Committee on 22 November 2024.

Malcolm Dawson
Trustee/Director

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1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The company is a private company limited by guarantee. The members are the Trustees. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company. The company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and is a public entity (no. 05331403).

The address of its registered office is:

Station Square, King Street, Pateley Bridge, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 5AT

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 1A) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Charitable Company is small and has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 7 of FRS 102 and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement.

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The accounts are prepared in UK Sterling and rounded to the nearest £.

b) Going Concern

The Charitable Company has cash resources and has no requirement for external funding. The Charitable Company has seen its service levels and funding expand since the COVID-19 pandemic. These additional services are fully funded with monies provided in advance.

The Trustees therefore have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for 12 months from signing the accounts. They continue to believe that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

c) Income

Donations and legacies are accounted for when they are receivable by the Charitable Company. Other income is accounted for on an accruals basis as far as is prudent to do so.

d) Grant Income

Revenue grants are credited to the income and expenditure account at the time when they are entitled to the receipt. Any unspent restricted grants at the period end are carried forward as restricted funds in the balance sheet.

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2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Expenditure and Allocation of Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Staff costs and overheads are recharged to the subsidiary based on time and income levels. Costs are apportioned within the charity and fund accounting as detailed below:-

Staff costs - on a time basis

Other direct charitable costs and costs of generating funds - on an actual basis

Support costs - on the level of use/ actual basis where specific

f) Taxation

As a registered Charity it benefits from rate relief and is generally exempt from Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax, but not from VAT. The Charitable Company is not registered for VAT and therefore the irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100 or more are initially recorded at cost.

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

Equipment, fixtures and fittings	- 25% reducing balance
Vehicles	- 25% reducing balance
Land and buildings	- 10 year straight line

h) Investments

The investment in the Charitable Company's unlisted trading subsidiary is included at historical cost.

i) Debtors

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

j) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and any short term deposit accounts with a maturity of three months or less from the date of opening.

k) Creditors and Provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charitable Company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

l) Funds

The Unrestricted Funds are funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Designated Funds are funds set aside by the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted Funds are funds which have been received by the Charitable Company for a specific purposes other than the general objectives of the Charitable Company.

The nature and purpose of each individual fund are explained in notes 13 and 14.

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3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023</i>
	£	£	£	£
Donations	12,032	-	12,032	2,440
Donations from Nidderdale Ltd	46,803	-	46,803	47,732
Government Grants	30,000	8,520	38,520	53,940
Grants	4,000	27,725	31,725	6,240
	<u>£ 92,835</u>	<u>£ 36,245</u>	<u>£ 129,080</u>	<u>£ 110,352</u>

Gift aid of £8,268 is included in donations.

In 2023 £59,433 of Donations and Legacies were restricted.

The Charity also benefits greatly from the involvement and enthusiastic support of its many volunteers, details of whom are given in our annual report. In accordance with Charities SORP, the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023</i>
	£	£	£	£
<i>Service level agreements:</i>				
Harrogate Borough Council	13,500	-	13,500	13,525
North Yorkshire Police	6,268	-	6,268	6,268
NYC - Access to services	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
NYC - Community Support Organisation	-	-	-	36,000
NYC - Dial a ride	1,891	-	1,891	1,891
NYC - Library	8,016	-	8,016	7,598
NHS - Vaccination volunteers	-	-	-	4,950
	<u>33,675</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>33,675</u>	<u>74,232</u>
<i>Other income:</i>				
Community Car	10,144	-	10,144	10,709
Library Fees	1,183	-	1,183	1,524
Meals on wheels	3,888	-	3,888	3,902
Minibus	10,382	-	10,382	11,861
Costs recharged to Nidd Ltd	21,622	-	21,622	21,161
	<u>£ 80,894</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 80,894</u>	<u>£ 123,389</u>

In 2023 £nil of Income from Charitable activities were restricted.

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5 OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Donated goods shop	1,385	-	1,385	-
Office services	171	-	171	-
UK SPF Tourism grant	-	13,574	13,574	-
Fundraising activities	2,019	-	2,019	1,326
	<u>£ 3,575</u>	<u>£ 13,574</u>	<u>£ 17,149</u>	<u>£ 1,326</u>

6 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Bank and Building Society Interest	<u>£ 724</u>	<u>£ 250</u>

7 COSTS TRADING ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Costs relating to selling donated costs	290	-	290	-
UK SPF Tourism costs	-	3,110	3,110	-
Fundraising costs	269	-	269	245
	<u>£ 559</u>	<u>£ 3,110</u>	<u>£ 3,669</u>	<u>£ 245</u>

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8 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2024</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023</i>
	£	£	£	£
Staff Salary Costs	66,751	39,582	106,333	94,666
Staff Training and Recruitment	1,344	-	1,344	3,961
Staff Expenses and Travel	570	230	800	282
Volunteer Training	508	1,020	1,528	30
Community transport	130	-	130	315
NYC Prevention expenditure	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
Meals on Wheels	4,511	-	4,511	4,256
Community Car - Fuel	3,327	-	3,327	3,143
Community Car - Insurance/Repairs	733	-	733	975
Community Car - Driver expenses	1,338	-	1,338	998
Telephone and Broadband	1,640	-	1,640	1,502
Stationery and Printing	203	-	203	253
Rent	12,014	-	12,014	12,500
Light, Heat and Water	4,295	-	4,295	3,143
Repairs and Renewals	28	-	28	1,189
Promotion and Event Costs	463	-	463	1,164
Cleaning	120	-	120	278
Tackling Loneliness	43	-	43	14,030
Emergency Food Aid	-	1,578	1,578	104
Sundry	2,167	-	2,167	784
Minibus - Fuel	1,809	-	1,809	1,859
Minibus - Insurance/Repairs	2,040	-	2,040	1,061
Minibus - Honorarium	-	-	-	500
Minibus - Other	1,000	-	1,000	989
Grant - Kirby Malzeard COVID	-	-	-	400
Grant - Patient Discharge Pilot	-	750	750	-
Nidderdale Plus Community Fund	52,752	-	52,752	-
Depreciation	10,185	-	10,185	12,105
Support Costs (see below)	9,890	-	9,890	9,706
	<u>£ 181,861</u>	<u>£ 43,160</u>	<u>£ 225,021</u>	<u>£ 174,193</u>
Support costs				
Independent Examiner's Fee	2,340	-	2,340	1,500
AGM Costs	41	-	41	196
IT Costs	1,494	-	1,494	1,568
Insurance	1,599	-	1,599	1,348
Advertising	2,189	-	2,189	3,137
Bank Charges	213	-	213	135
Payroll Services	1,432	-	1,432	1,036
Subscriptions and Licences	582	-	582	786
	<u>£ 9,890</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 9,890</u>	<u>£ 9,706</u>

In 2023 £44,537 of expenses in Charitable activities were applied to restricted activities.

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9 STAFF COSTS

	Year to 31 March 2024	Year to 31 March 2023
	£	£
Wages and Salaries (gross)	101,839	90,701
Sub-contractors	1,772	1,808
Social Security Costs	1,047	686
Pension Costs	1,675	1,471
	£ 106,333	£ 94,666

The average head count of staff employed during the year was 10 (2023 - 9).

No employee earned over £60,000 during the year.

The key management personnel of the Charitable Company, is the Executive Director. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity was £34,213 (2023 - £28,212).

10 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

There were no transactions with trustee during the year (2023:£nil)

11 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Vehicles	Land and buildings	Equipment, fixtures and fittings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2023	35,200	24,367	26,683	86,250
Additions	-	-	1,988	1,988
	35,200	24,367	28,671	88,238
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2023	8,800	19,495	24,077	52,372
Charge for the year	6,600	2,437	1,148	10,185
	15,400	21,932	25,225	62,557
Net Book Value				
At 31 March 2024	£ 19,800	£ 2,435	£ 3,446	£ 25,681
At 31 March 2023	£ 26,400	£ 4,872	£ 2,606	£ 33,878

All fixed assets were used for the furtherance of the charitable activities.

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12 INVESTMENTS

The Charitable Company holds 100% of the ordinary £1 share capital in its trading subsidiary Nidderdale Limited totalling £100. The subsidiary was incorporated on 16 September 2015 and its activities include the provision of tourist information, sale of merchandise, office services and retail shop. The total net profit of £46,277 (2023 - £47,732) was donated to The Nidderdale Partnership Plus. Additionally, during the year £21,622 (2023 - £21,340) was recharged to Nidderdale Limited for management fees.

A summary of the results of the subsidiary is shown below:

	<i>Year ended 31 March 2024</i>	<i>Year ended 31 March 2023</i>
	£	£
Turnover	97,329	96,134
Cost of sales	(7,750)	(5,455)
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Gross profit	89,579	90,679
Administrative expenses	(43,302)	(42,947)
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Profit before donations to charity	£ 46,277	£ 47,732
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The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:

Assets	60,935	67,524
Liabilities	(60,835)	(67,424)
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Funds	£ 100	£ 100
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13 DEBTORS

	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>
	£	£
Trade Debtors	9,247	2,106
Amounts owed from Subsidiary Undertaking	60,025	66,680
Prepayments and Accrued Income	4,570	5,190
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	£ 73,842	£ 73,976
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14 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>
	£	£
Other Taxes and Social Security	1,624	1,613
Other Creditors	2,341	2,000
Accruals	6,158	5,734
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	£ 10,123	£ 9,347
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15 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2023</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2024</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	33,978	-	(10,185)	1,988	25,781
- Minibus	4,000	-	(4,000)	-	-
- Minibus future	15,000	-	-	8,800	23,800
- Expanding services	11,055	-	(11,055)	-	-
- Community Funding	50,000	-	(50,000)	20,000	20,000
- Electric car match fund	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
	<u>114,033</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(75,240)</u>	<u>35,788</u>	<u>74,581</u>
Unrestricted Funds	99,379	178,028	(107,180)	(33,800)	136,427
	<u>£ 213,412</u>	<u>£ 178,028</u>	<u>£ (182,420)</u>	<u>£ 1,988</u>	<u>£ 211,008</u>

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2022</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2023</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	10,883	-	(12,105)	35,200	33,978
- Minibus	16,200	-	(4,000)	(8,200)	4,000
- Minibus future	-	-	-	15,000	15,000
- Expanding services	22,500	-	(11,445)	-	11,055
- Community Funding	-	-	-	50,000	50,000
	<u>49,583</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(27,550)</u>	<u>92,000</u>	<u>114,033</u>
Unrestricted Funds	93,846	175,884	(102,351)	(68,000)	99,379
	<u>£ 143,429</u>	<u>£ 175,884</u>	<u>£ (129,901)</u>	<u>£ 24,000</u>	<u>£ 213,412</u>

Designated Funds

Fixed Assets: This fund relates to the net book value of the fixed assets of the charity including the investments in the shares of the trading subsidiary.

Minibus: This fund relates to monies set aside for the purchase of a minibus in 2023 and running costs for the first 2 years.

Minibus Future: This fund relates to monies set aside towards the purchase of a new minibus in the future.

Expanding services: This fund relates to the generation of a new post due to the expanding demands on the charity.

Nidderdale Community Fund - This fund relates to monies that Nidderdale Plus has allocated, from charity shop proceeds, to the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund that began to make grants to local charities, groups and organisations on an annual basis from the financial year 2023/24.

Electric Car Match Funding - This fund is the match funding for the new electric vehicle purchased in the forthcoming year.

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16 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2023</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2024</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	-	10,000	(10,000)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	1,896	2,500	(1,578)	-	2,818
NYC Locality	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYC Prevention Grant	11,000	15,000	(15,000)	-	11,000
NYC Winter Pressures	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-
Masonic Lodge Grant	-	1,138	-	(1,138)	-
Community Mental Health	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
	-	1,500	-	-	-
NHS Discharge Pilot Scheme	-	-	(1,500)	-	-
Nidderdale Visual Arts	-	3,175	-	-	3,175
NYC Get Going Grant	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
	-	1,000	-	-	-
NYC Macmillan Cancer Grant	-	-	(1,000)	-	-
MIDAS Training for drivers	-	1,020	(1,020)	-	-
YDMT Befriending Grant	-	3,689	(2,839)	(850)	-
TRCF Step-up Grant	-	8,723	(8,723)	-	-
UKSPF Tourism Grant	-	13,574	(3,110)	-	10,464
Total	£ 14,896	£ 64,819	£ (50,270)	£ (1,988)	£ 27,457

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2022</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2023</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	-	7,065	(7,065)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	-	2,000	(104)	-	1,896
Tackling Loneliness	-	25,668	(25,668)	-	-
NYCC Locality	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
IVAR Connecting Health	-	1,200	(1,200)	-	-
NYCC Minibus Grant	24,000	-	-	(24,000)	-
NYCC Prevention Grant	-	15,000	(4,000)	-	11,000
NYCC Care and Training	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
NYCC Winter Pressures	-	5,000	(3,000)	-	2,000
Total	£ 24,000	£ 59,433	£ (44,537)	£ (24,000)	£ 14,896

Transfers during the year and prior year relate to unrestricted funds being used to finance a deficit on restricted funds and additions to fixed assets moved to unrestricted funds.

Digital Champions - National Lottery Awards for All grant was received in the year to fund the Digital Champion project.

Emergency Food Aid - Monies received from Ripon Community House to administer and purchase emergency food when needed by local residents.

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NYCC Locality Grant - NYCC provides each County Councillor with a budget to respond to local needs by recommending funding to support certain activities; we received one in the year to cover time spent dealing with community car project.

NYCC Prevention Grant - Grant received for running activities and offering services that aid with the prevention of health issues and promote wellbeing in general to be spent in 2023-24.

NYCC Winter Pressures Grant - Contribution to community transport providers to assist with the greater pressures of providing transport in winter months.

Masonic Lodge Grant - Monies received to purchase 2 new ipads to assist with data collection.

Community Mental Health - Money received from Orb Community Arts for workshops regarding mental health.

NHS Discharge Pilot Scheme - Money for a 6 month pilot in concert with Boroughbridge Community Care on how to alleviate hospital discharge pressures.

Nidderdale Visual Arts (NVA) - Money received from the winding up of NVA to be allocated to arts-related projects and activities.

NYC Get Going Grant - Money to assist with setting up library storytime.

NYC Macmillan Cancer Grant - Money for meetings to better understand how cancer treatment and follow up activities are delivered.

MIDAS Training for Drivers - Funding for training of volunteers driving the community car.

YDMT Befriending Grant - Money from Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust to fund the Befriending Project.

TRCF Step-up Grant - Money from the Two Ridings Community Fund for the executive directors time on business development strategy.

UKSPF Tourism Grant - UK Shared Prosperity Fund to create a 36 page tourism brochure to promote Nidderdale.

Tackling Loneliness Grant - This grant money came from the Community Transport Association's (CTA's) successful £498k bid into the Department for Transport's "Tackling Loneliness with Transport" fund. The CTA then offered a grant fund to its members to bid into. Our successful grant was for a partnership with Supporting Order People for a project called "Befriending through Community Transport", which offered a series of day and weekly trips in our new minibus, to alleviate social isolation and loneliness.

IVAR Connecting Health Communities in North Yorkshire - This money was to pay for Executive Director's time in assisting with this project in North Yorkshire.

NYCC Minibus Grant: Grant for new minibus in 2022 now released in 2023 as purchase has been made.

NYCC Care and Training - This grant was received to train staff in greater awareness of what is involved in personalised care and also to help facilitate links between ourselves and local care providers.

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17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

2024	<i>Unrestricted</i>		<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Undesignated</i>	<i>Designated</i>		
	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Fixed Assets	-	25,681	-	25,681
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	135,550	48,800	27,457	211,807
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(10,123)	-	-	(10,123)
Net Assets	£ 125,427	£ 74,581	£ 27,457	£ 227,465
2023				
Fixed Assets	-	33,878	-	33,878
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	108,726	80,055	14,896	203,677
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(9,347)	-	-	(9,347)
Net Assets	£ 99,379	£ 114,033	£ 14,896	£ 228,308

18 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The total future value of minimum lease payments is as follows:

	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
<i>Buildings</i>		
Within one year	12,500	12,500
Within one to two years	5,208	12,500
Within two to five years	-	5,208
	£ 17,708	£ 30,208

The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £12,013 (2023 - £12,500).

19 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no other related party transactions in the year other than those with Trustees disclosed in note 8 and the subsidiary disclosed in note 10.

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OVERVIEW

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership is an independent charity that supports the local community, including the local voluntary sector, through the advancement of education and provision of relief, help and advice to those in need.

It aims to be a successful, sustainable community hub that is responsive, innovative, effective, well run and used, and able to adapt and develop to meet local needs. The Hub is centrally located, in Pateley Bridge, and provides a friendly place for people to visit for help or information, for advice or to access services. The partnership also operates a range of services from the premises. It is well established as a key anchor organisation in the delivery of services and projects in the Nidderdale area, with a proven track record for the facilitation of groups and partnerships to further the needs of the local community.

Nidderdale Plus has changed rapidly since obtaining charitable status in 2015. Following a period of consolidation up to 2018, the charity made significant progress during 2019 to the extent that it was well placed to become a Community Support Organisation (CSO) at the start of 2020 when the global COVID-19 pandemic began to affect the rural community. Though the pandemic affected a significant part of the year under review, some return to “normal” life began in this period, and Nidderdale Plus continued to adapt and change according to need. For more information on Nidderdale Plus’s activities during this period, see “Achievements and Services” below.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The year 2022-2023 was another year that was impacted by the global COVID-19 pandemic. The charity continued to take a pivotal role in the local area, in particular as a Community Support Organisation, to coordinate and deliver new and existing services as required during the pandemic. There was one major area of development for Nidderdale Plus which involved beginning to provide trips and journeys in our new community minibus which finally arrived in June 2022. The new services that were begun in 2021/22—opening a charity shop on Pateley Bridge High Street, and launching a Digital Champion project to enable people to either get on line for the first time, become digitally connected to their families, or improve their digital skills—continued to develop and grow during the year in review. A separate section of the report covers all these areas of work.

The strategic aims and objectives were reviewed and updated during the year. They are now as follows:

To be the home of community assistance

- Keeping up to date with community needs
- Reviewing and identifying current and future organisational needs
- Implementing, or facilitating (via the Nidderdale Plus Local Fund), initiatives and projects which meet identified needs and promote wellbeing
- Working in partnership and cooperating with other organisations
- To be the centre of high-quality volunteering opportunities in Nidderdale

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To be financially sustainable

- Identifying income requirements for existing services and sustaining contractual relationships with existing funders where possible (NYCC and NY Police), and seeking contractual opportunities with additional statutory partners, especially the NHS and NYCC Social Services
- Identifying income sources for additional projects and bidding for appropriate funds as and when they are needed
- Ensuring effective operation of wholly owned trading company (Nidderdale Ltd) which exists to support the charity and contribute to the charity's operational sustainability

To be operationally efficient

- To continue to digitise in house systems wherever appropriate
- With effective people management, ensuring appropriate skills and experience, and meeting training needs where they have been identified
- With effective performance management both relevant to Service Level Agreements (SLAs) and for our own organisational and planning needs, establishing a bespoke data management system and an outcomes measurement system in 2022/23
- With effective volunteer involvement and management
- With effective safeguarding policies and procedures that are reviewed annually

To be effective communicators

- externally with customers, press, commissioners, funders and local people
- internally with staff, volunteers, members and partners

To maintain and further develop current and prioritised community services

- Community library, including our own jigsaw library
- Community transport (under a Section 19 permit), including drivers using their own cars as well as our own community car, and a prescription delivery service
- Information, advice and support, and access to council services, including a Tourist Information Point
- Police front desk
- Meals on Wheels service and Digital Champion service
- Minibus service (under a Section 19 permit), offering days out and weekly trips to local residents and groups, and Group Hire for local not-for-profit organisations

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- Charity Shop which will also provide the source of the “Nidderdale Plus Community Fund” (See p.6, Nidderdale Charity Shop) to which local groups and charities can apply
- Working in partnership we will continue to offer access to Citizens Advice and MIND mental health support

The charity’s activities aim to maintain, improve, and develop local services and improve access to existing and new community services. The charity provides a range of services in partnership with other organisations, these include a community library, community transport and access to County and Borough council services and local police front desk. The hub is a focal point for local people and organisations as well as visitors to the area; it also provides tourism information and office services from the non-charitable company. There is a thriving group of dedicated volunteers who support the community hub and help to ensure it meets people’s needs.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Nidderdale Plus continued as a Community Support Organisation (CSO), originally commissioned by North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) in March 2020, one of 23 that were operative across the whole county. CSOs were set up principally to address residents’ needs in their geographical area, as the unprecedented period of COVID-19 set in, so that there would be a trusted and well known agency on the ground who could mobilise support and create and sustain new services to help people deal with the privations of lockdown and the unusual times we all had to live through.

We changed, innovated and evolved through COVID primarily down two service routes: **central services** (provided by our staff and central volunteers) and **indirect (or devolved) services** (provided by neighbours and residents—all of whom are volunteers-- at a community level).

Central services

We continued to provide all our core services, but some continued to be adapted or enlarged, according to the constraints that were brought about by COVID. It is worth noting here, that even as the pandemic came to an end, for many people, their confidence in going out and meeting other people took time to come back, and much of this period was spent accommodating service users with highly differing levels of confidence. Examples of service adaptation:

Community library: We reopened our doors to the general public during the year in review, and we continued to offer home delivery to people wanting to receive books, DVDs, etc. People could ring to talk through their book choices with our staff and our volunteer drivers using our community car would deliver books—all in a COVID secure way

Community transport: The service began to recover to pre-COVID levels, but a feature of the service was that virtually all journeys were health related.

Council Services: As a CSO we were regularly in touch with Adult Social Services, either to refer cases on, or to receive information from them about people and the help they needed. We began to offer our blue badge and bus pass service face to face again, so that people could apply for these vital services.

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In addition to adapting existing services, we continued to offer the following services that we had started to offer at the beginning of the pandemic.

Prescription delivery

Meals on Wheels service and emergency food delivery

Jigsaw library: In addition to the ever-growing library at Nidderdale Plus, the two satellite jigsaw libraries at Darley Christ Church Community Centre and Summerbridge Methodist Church continued to operate.

Vaccination volunteers: in concert with the other CSOs in the district, we continued to provide teams of volunteer marshals to Harrogate and Ripon mass vaccination centres. We also provided volunteers at the Pateley Bridge Pharmacy vaccination sessions held at the Memorial Hall in Pateley Bridge.

Citizens' Advice: We continued to work with Harrogate Citizens Advice to provide monthly video-link clinics for people who need advice on a wide range of topics.

Indirect services

As the first lockdown began, in 2020, we had quickly established a network of community organisers (most often these people were from parish councils and churches), who had strong links into their communities and could harness the services of numerous volunteers who could span out through their communities to provide help with a variety of daily needs. Probably the single most important factor behind the effectiveness of these people was their ability to use hyper-local and trusted communication channels—that they were already using before the crisis began. Sometimes this was a village Facebook group, sometimes a parish magazine or village newsletter, sometimes a village email group. In this way they could both recruit volunteers quickly and pick up need.

Nidderdale Plus continued to work with this network to resolve issues for local residents and to cascade out news and resources throughout the period of this report.

New and developing services: Non-COVID

Minibus Days Out, Weekly Trips and Group Hire: Our new minibus finally arrived in June 2022. Many thanks to North Yorkshire County Council who gave us a grant of £24,000 towards the purchase of the bus. The balance of the purchase money needed came from our own funds. We were fortunate to receive a grant from the Community Transport Association (CTA) that helped us launch our days out programme. The grant was received to fund the "Befriending Through Transport" project. This was a partnership project with Supporting Older People (SOP), a local Harrogate-based charity. SOP acted as the employer to the Befriending Through Transport Coordinator, who based much of her time at Nidderdale Plus or attending the days out and weekly trip programme on board the minibus. The trips we offered under the project were designed to take people who had no access to transport on days out and help them to develop friendships to alleviate the effects of social isolation. We also worked with local groups, especially lunch clubs, to offer bespoke trips for their memberships. In this way we were able to take our days out offer across the whole of Nidderdale, working with different groups in different villages. We also began to develop our Group Hire service for the benefit of the various groups, charities and other organisations in Nidderdale.

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Digital Champion Service: We launched this service on 1st November 2021, having appointed Joanne Hayes as our Digital Champion Coordinator. Jo's priorities included the recruitment of volunteer Digital Champions to ensure we could reach a large number of people across Nidderdale and the Washburn valley and she quickly set to work recruiting volunteers and going out to find and help people who needed support in a variety of ways. The programme went from strength to strength during the year in review and Jo set up "Coffee, Click and Connect" drop-in sessions in Darley, Summerbridge, Kirkby Malzeard, Pateley Bridge and Blubberhouses.

Nidderdale Charity Shop: Trading had begun on 18th February 2022, so 2022-23 was the first full year of trading. The Executive Director, Helen Flynn, is the accountable officer for the charity shop and was responsible for setting up all systems and policies, etc, at the shop. However, on a daily basis, the shop is run by a sterling team of volunteers. All trustees and staff are extremely grateful to them for their support and dedication throughout the first full year of trading. The purpose of the Charity Shop is to support the communities of Nidderdale and Washburn, both through providing funding to some of Nidderdale Plus's charitable activities, such as the community transport scheme and Meals on Wheels service, and by setting up a charitable fund, provisionally titled "Nidderdale Plus Community Fund". The idea behind the fund is that an annual allocation of profits from the shop goes into the "Community Fund" and local groups, charities and organisations can bid into this to provide services and small capital schemes that will be of assistance to local people. Trustees intend that Two Ridings Community Foundation will administer this grant scheme on behalf of Nidderdale Plus. It is expected that the first awards from the Fund will happen in November 2023.

Emergency Food Aid: Nidderdale Plus has been a junior partner in a bid made by Ripon Community House for funding from the UK Government's Household Support Fund (distributed by NYCC) to provide vouchers for people who are running short of food. As the year ended, the demand for emergency food was increasing, owing to the ongoing Cost of Living Crisis.

Warm Spaces: Just as the effects of COVID were decreasing the energy price crisis and Cost of Living Crisis began to take hold at the end of 2022. Nidderdale Plus coordinated a "Warm Spaces Directory" that was Nidderdale-wide. Village halls operating a warm space initiative offered a warm place for residents to spend time and usually simple food provision such as soup and a roll.

MIND Mental Health Service: MIND began to offer outreach into Nidderdale and rented the meeting room at the hub one day per week, starting in November 2021, to facilitate this work.

Usage

The monitoring information collected as part of our work as a Community Support Organisation gives a good indication of the scale and volume of work carried out over the year. Performance management information is being reviewed in the light of the changing and developing nature of our services and will be included in next years' report.

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Nidderdale Plus

From April 2022 to the end of March 2023



Great credit must go to all our amazing volunteers, without whom Nidderdale Plus could not operate or provide benefit. Their service and commitment is inspirational. Credit must also go to the staff members who worked diligently and selflessly throughout the whole of last year, often going beyond the call of duty and having to change their ways of working: Helen Flynn, Sandra Walker, Tracey Dawson, Joanne Hayes, Carole Cottrill, Andy Cockcroft, Angela Raw and Martyn Price. The office was manned in a COVID-secure way whenever necessary in the year under review, ensuring we could respond quickly to address residents' needs.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Current assets

The Charitable Company has net assets of £228.3k, comprising Restricted Funds (£14.9k), Designated Funds (£114.1k – of which £34.0k is fixed assets) and Undesignated Funds (£99.4k) – of which £80.0k is Reserves).

Income and Expenditure during the year

Undesignated Funds (available to spend at the charity's discretion) have increased by £5.5k this year.

Significant changes this year were:

- Income from the minibus operations began this year (£11.9k).
- A net contribution of £12.8k to Nidderdale Plus for the Tackling Loneliness CTA grant.
- NYCC Prevent grant of £11.0k, although the expenditure will be in 2023-24.
- Staff costs increased by £18.8k due to the appointment of a Marketing and Business Support Officer and an additional Hub Administrator to accommodate the increasing service delivery.

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The balance of the payment was made for the minibus (£32.3k), funded by transfers from Restricted Funds (the NYCC grant) and Designated Funds.

These accounts incorporate the trading subsidiary Nidderdale Ltd, whose operations include the Nidderdale Charity Shop, which opened in the last few weeks of the previous financial year. The shop had a turnover of £76.2k in 2022-23, offset by operational costs, mainly rent and staff time. As mentioned in the Commentary above, the intention at the 2022-23 year-end was to disburse the profit to local charities and non-profit groups, and on this basis the Charitable Company designated £50k (being the approximate net profit for the 14 months operation since late 2021-22) for disbursement by the Two Ridings Community Foundation (TRCF).

Other income and costs for Nidderdale Ltd are at similar levels to the previous year.

Restricted Funds

There are Restricted Funds of £14.9k. This is mainly the NYCC Prevention Grant of £11.0k which was received in 2022-23 but will be spent in the following year.

Designated Funds

The trustees have decided to designate funding as detailed below:

Designated Funds carried forward

Financial support for the minibus running costs, for the second year of operation	£4.0k
Additional post of a Marketing and Business Support Officer, for the second year	£11.1k

New designated funds

Start of a sink fund to purchase a new minibus for when a replacement is needed	£15.0k
Transfer of charity shop profit to TRCF for community funding	£50.0k

RESERVES POLICY

The Charitable Company has decided to increase free reserves to £80.0k, covering six months expenditure, redundancy costs and a provision for dilapidations at the end of the lease.

This is due to uncertainty about future local authority funding following the change to a unitary authority in North Yorkshire. SLA funding has historically been received from two principal authorities (Harrogate Borough Council and North Yorkshire County Council), as well as from North Yorkshire Police, but it is now likely that the aggregate amount will materially reduce.

At the year-end on 31 March 2023, monies held in free reserves were £99.4k (2022 - £93.8k). This covers seven months total expenditure (2022 – nine months).

**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
TRUSTEES' REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution:

Nidderdale Plus is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee. The Charitable Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. It also has a wholly owned subsidiary company, Nidderdale Limited, which operates non-charitable activities for the benefit of Nidderdale Plus.

Recruiting and appointing Trustees:

Trustee vacancies are advertised, and applicants are interviewed prior to meeting with the full Board. Induction into the workings of the Charitable Company is carried out by Officers already serving on the Board with ongoing training being undertaken.

Organisational structure and decision making:

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for the organisation and ensuring that it is well run and that it continues to deliver the charitable outcomes for the benefit of the people for whom it has been set up. The Board, working closely with the Executive Director, develops the strategy and agrees and maintains the vision, mission, and values of the organisation. During the year, to better reflect the changing nature of the services Nidderdale Plus offers, the board adopted the following mission statement: ***"We promote wellbeing, we foster independence, we cultivate a sense of belonging."***

The Board meets at least six times per year, excluding the AGM, when it discusses and monitors the work and performance of the organisation. Board members also meet to progress initiatives and projects as well as with stakeholders. The Board also holds an annual 'Away Day' where strategy, priorities and performance are considered, and future plans agreed. During the year in review, Martyn Price came on board as an employee, as Governance Administrator, to help with the growing needs of the organisation, digitisation of records, and management of the information that the Board needs to keep abreast of, and to manage trustee meetings and the AGM.

During 2022-2023 the Partnership employed one full time and five part time staff (some permanent and some fixed term), and employed three people on zero-hours contracts.

Executive Director: Helen Flynn (25 hours pw)

Community Hub Coordinator: Sandra Walker (full time)

Business Support Officer: Tracey Dawson (15 hours pw)

Digital Champion Coordinator: Joanne Hayes (15 hours pw)

Partnership Officer: Angela Raw (21 hours pw)

Governance Administrator: Martyn Price (7 hours pm)

Zero-hours contracts: Carole Cottrill, Andy Cockroft, Laura Crossley

Librarian: Carol Cooling (employed by NYCC)

Volunteers (active in the financial year 2022-2023):

Library/Office: Sharon Cawood, Chris Grainger, Helen Hattan, Rosemary Helme, Pat Jackson, Suzanne Mellor, Fiona Robson, Kath Chapman, Jude Bartle, Julia Saunders

Drivers: Carolyn Evans, David Thomas, Lawrence Sherrington, Roger Wensley, Ron Walker, Sandra Walker, Sarah Turnbull, Simon Robinson, Stuart Hattan, Darryl Hall, Gill Lazonby, David Bird, Andy Chapman, Tracey Dawson, Paul Howells, Duncan Sloane, Gordon Murdoch, Alan Brown, Alan Land, Nigel McDonald, Angela Raw, Julia Saunders, Joanna Wright.

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Shop volunteers: Vanessa Appleby, Jude Bartle, Jayne Booth, Barbara Cansell, David Clarke, Elizabeth Clarke, Ruth Dodsworth, Helen Evans, Judy Evans, Anita Fraser, Felicity Hallam, Jane Hallam, Emma Jones, Susan Jones, Julia Kent, Tessa Lee, Lorraine Pratt, Terri Scarborough, Alison Snow, Thelma Spain, Judith Spencer, Jenny Spruce, Sarah Turnbull, Roger Wensley, Scarlett Wild (Duke of Edinburgh Scheme)

Digital Champion volunteers: Judi Northfield, Jessica Wood, Paul Howells, Simon Cooney, Jane Robinson, Alyson Davies, Colin Jones, David Turley, Paula Waggoner

Meals on Wheels volunteers: Jackie Kerr, Carol White, Grant Blakemore, Samantha O'Brien, Claire Porter, Alan Cottrill, Julia Saunders, Dee Longfellow, Lynne Heaton, Helen Brown, Margaret Helm.

Vaccination volunteer marshals: Jane Aksut, Jerry Anderson, Marie Barnett, Sue Bell, David Bird, Linda Boon, Elaine Brierley, Helen Brown, Andy Cockroft, Sue Cockroft, Anthony Comerford, Helen Comerford, Malcolm Constantine, Karen Cowen, James Critchley, Lee Daysh, Liz Elvidge, John Elvidge, Mandy Fallon, Gemma Franey, Lynne Heaton, Rob Higgs, Sarah Jones, Alan Jordan, Val Jordan, Jackie Kerr, Jonathan Knocker, Carol Lancaster, Colette Luscomb, Jarl Luscomb, Paul Mitchell, Catherine Mounsey, Gina Read, Ann Shepherd, Duncan Sloane, Mark Tankard, John Thompson, Chris Turner, Sandra Walker, Elisa Wardman, Viv White, Viv Whitelaw

Nidderdale Network Volunteer Coordinators: Tracey Dawson, Jackie Kerr, Jane Aksut, Gina Crowther, Bryan Dexter, Nigel Nicholas, Rose Gosling, John Hartshorn, Graham Hebblethwaite, Andy Lyon, Julie Wilberforce

Board of Trustees:

Paula Newson Smith (Chair, stepped down November 2022); Roger Wensley (Treasurer); Richard Bruce (Chair from November 2022) ; Jenny Spruce; David Frady; Jackie Kerr; Malcolm Dawson (joined November 2022); Gordon Murdoch; Sue Jones; Colin Ions (stepped down November 2022).

This report was approved by the Trustees on 24 October 2023.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Richard Bruce – Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP

I report to the Charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 11 to 22.

This report is made solely to the Charitable Company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body in accordance with section 154 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examiner's work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charitable Company's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charitable Company, the Charitable Company's members as a body and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

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.

HPH, Chartered Accountants
Conyngham Hall Business Centre
Bond End
Knaresborough
HG5 9AY

Sarah Wearing, FCA, DChA

24 October 2023

**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2023 £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022 £</i>
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	3	52,245	59,433	111,678	47,072
Charitable activities	4	123,389	-	123,389	119,555
Investment income	5	250	-	250	6
Total Income		<u>175,884</u>	<u>59,433</u>	<u>235,317</u>	<u>166,633</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	129,901	44,537	174,438	121,580
Total Expenditure		<u>129,901</u>	<u>44,537</u>	<u>174,438</u>	<u>121,580</u>
Net income		45,983	14,896	60,879	45,053
Transfers between funds	14	24,000	(24,000)	-	-
Net movement in funds		69,983	(9,104)	60,879	45,053
Total Funds Brought Forward		<u>143,429</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>167,429</u>	<u>122,376</u>
Total Funds Carried Forward	15	<u>£ 213,412</u>	<u>£ 14,896</u>	<u>£ 228,308</u>	<u>£ 167,429</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023
BALANCE SHEET
(company number: 05331403)

		2023		2022	
<i>Notes</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	9		33,878		10,783
Investments	10		100		100
Current Assets					
Debtors	11	73,976		32,483	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		129,701		129,238	
		203,677		161,721	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(9,347)		(5,175)	
Net Current Assets			194,330		156,546
Total Net Assets			£ 228,308		£ 167,429
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds					
- Designated	13		114,033		49,583
- Undesignated	13		99,379		93,846
Restricted Funds	14		14,896		24,000
Total Charity Funds			£ 228,308		£ 167,429

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The Members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Management Committee on 24 October 2023.

Roger Wensley
Trustee/Director

**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
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1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The company is a private company limited by guarantee. The members are the Trustees. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company. The company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and is a public entity (no. 05331403).

The address of its registered office is:

Station Square, King Street, Pateley Bridge, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 5AT

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102))), the Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 1A) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Charitable Company is small and has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 7 of FRS 102 and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement.

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The accounts are prepared in UK Sterling and rounded to the nearest £.

b) Going Concern

The Charitable Company has cash resources and has no requirement for external funding. The Charitable Company has seen its service levels and funding expand since the COVID-19 pandemic. These additional services are fully funded with monies provided in advance.

The Trustees therefore have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for 12 months from signing the accounts. They continue to believe that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

c) Income

Donations and legacies are accounted for when they are receivable by the Charitable Company. Other income is accounted for on an accruals basis as far as is prudent to do so.

d) Grant Income

Revenue grants are credited to the income and expenditure account at the time when they are entitled to the receipt. Any unspent restricted grants at the period end are carried forward as restricted funds in the balance sheet.

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2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Expenditure and Allocation of Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Staff costs and overheads are recharged to the subsidiary based on time and income levels. Costs are apportioned within the charity and fund accounting as detailed below:-

Staff costs - on a time basis

Other direct charitable costs and costs of generating funds - on an actual basis

Support costs - on the level of use/ actual basis where specific

f) Taxation

As a registered Charity it benefits from rate relief and is generally exempt from Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax, but not from VAT. The Charitable Company is not registered for VAT and therefore the irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100 or more are initially recorded at cost.

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

Equipment, fixtures and fittings	- 25% reducing balance
Vehicles	- 25% reducing balance
Land and buildings	- 10 year straight line

h) Investments

The investment in the Charitable Company's unlisted trading subsidiary is included at historical cost.

i) Debtors

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

j) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and any short term deposit accounts with a maturity of three months or less from the date of opening.

k) Creditors and Provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charitable Company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

l) Funds

The Unrestricted Funds are funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Designated Funds are funds set aside by the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted Funds are funds which have been received by the Charitable Company for a specific purposes other than the general objectives of the Charitable Company.

The nature and purpose of each individual fund are explained in notes 13 and 14.

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3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES			<i>Year to</i>	<i>Year to</i>
	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>31 March 2023</i>	<i>31 March 2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Donations	1,440	1,000	2,440	5,941
Donations from Nidderdale Ltd	47,732	-	47,732	1,608
Grant - The Brelms Trust CIO	-	-	-	3,000
Government Grants	1,747	52,193	53,940	7,547
Government Grants - Mini Bus	-	-	-	24,000
Grants	-	6,240	6,240	4,976
Fundraising	1,326	-	1,326	-
	<u>£ 52,245</u>	<u>£ 59,433</u>	<u>£ 111,678</u>	<u>£ 47,072</u>

In 2022 £34,276 of Donations and Legacies were restricted.

The Charity also benefits greatly from the involvement and enthusiastic support of its many volunteers, details of which are given in our annual report. In accordance with Charities SORP, the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES			<i>Year to</i>	<i>Year to</i>
	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>31 March 2023</i>	<i>31 March 2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
<i>Service level agreements:</i>				
Harrogate Borough Council	13,525	-	13,525	13,000
North Yorkshire Police	6,268	-	6,268	6,268
NYCC - Access to services	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
NYCC - Community Support Organisation	36,000	-	36,000	36,000
NYCC - Dial a ride	1,891	-	1,891	1,891
NYCC - Library	7,598	-	7,598	6,944
NHS - Vaccination volunteers	4,950	-	4,950	13,800
	<u>74,232</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>74,232</u>	<u>81,903</u>
<i>Other income:</i>				
Community Car	10,709	-	10,709	8,247
Library Fees	1,524	-	1,524	1,160
Meals on wheels	3,902	-	3,902	6,071
Census Support Service	-	-	-	1,960
Minibus	11,861	-	11,861	-
Costs recharged to Nidd Ltd	21,161	-	21,161	20,214
	<u>£ 123,389</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 123,389</u>	<u>£ 119,555</u>

In 2022 £684 of Income from Charitable activities were restricted.

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5 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2023	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2022
	£	£
Bank and Building Society Interest	£ 250	£ 6

6 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2023	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£
Staff Salary Costs	73,592	21,074	94,666	75,816
Staff Training and Recruitment	1,961	2,000	3,961	1,031
Staff Expenses	282	-	282	-
Volunteer Training	30	-	30	880
Community transport	315	-	315	-
Healthy Independent Connected	-	4,000	4,000	-
Meals on Wheels	4,256	-	4,256	5,196
Community Car - Fuel	143	3,000	3,143	2,650
Community Car - Insurance/Repairs	975	-	975	1,019
Community Car - Driver expenses	998	-	998	913
Telephone and Broadband	1,502	-	1,502	1,065
Stationery and Printing	253	-	253	410
Rent	12,500	-	12,500	10,417
Light, Heat and Water	3,143	-	3,143	2,042
Repairs and Renewals	1,189	-	1,189	2,109
Promotion and Event Costs	1,164	-	1,164	1,188
Cleaning	278	-	278	149
Tackling Loneliness	-	14,030	14,030	-
Emergency Food Aid	-	104	104	153
Sundry	784	-	784	630
Fundraising	245	-	245	-
Minibus - Fuel	1,859	-	1,859	-
Minibus - Insurance/Repairs	1,061	-	1,061	-
Minibus - Honorarium	500	-	500	-
Minibus - Other	989	-	989	-
Grant - Kirby Malzeard COVID	400	-	400	-
Depreciation	12,105	-	12,105	3,594
Support Costs (see below)	9,377	329	9,706	12,318
	£ 129,901	£ 44,537	£ 174,438	£ 121,580
Support costs				
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,500	-	1,500	1,285
AGM Costs	196	-	196	45
IT Costs	1,568	-	1,568	3,230
Insurance	1,348	-	1,348	1,005
Advertising	2,808	329	3,137	4,033
Bank Charges	135	-	135	182
Payroll Services	1,036	-	1,036	1,012
Legal and Professional Fees	-	-	-	1,130
Subscriptions and Licences	786	-	786	396
	£ 9,377	£ 329	£ 9,706	£ 12,318

In 2022 £10,460 of expenses in Charitable activities were applied to restricted activities.

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7 STAFF COSTS

	<i>Year to 31 March 2023</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Wages and Salaries (gross)	89,426	71,125
Sub-contractors	1,808	1,745
Pension Costs	3,432	2,946
	£ 94,666	£ 75,816

The average head count of staff employed during the year was 9 (2022 - 6).

No employee earned over £60,000 during the year.

The key management personnel of the Charitable Company, is the Executive Director. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity was £28,212 (2022 - £28,333).

8 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

There were no transactions with trustee during the year (2022:£nil)

9 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Vehicles	Land and buildings	Equipment, fixtures and fittings	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2022	-	24,367	26,683	51,050
Additions	35,200	-	-	35,200
	35,200	24,367	26,683	86,250
<u>Depreciation</u>				
At 1 April 2022	-	17,058	23,209	40,267
Charge for the year	8,800	2,437	868	12,105
	8,800	19,495	24,077	52,372
<u>Net Book Value</u>				
At 31 March 2023	£ 26,400	£ 4,872	£ 2,606	£ 33,878
At 31 March 2022	£ -	£ 7,309	£ 3,474	£ 10,783

All fixed assets were used for the furtherance of the charitable activities.

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10 INVESTMENTS

The Charitable Company holds 100% of the ordinary £1 share capital in its trading subsidiary Nidderdale Limited totalling £100. The subsidiary was incorporated on 16 September 2015 and its activities include the provision of tourist information, sale of merchandise, office services and retail shop. The total net profit of £47,732 (2022 - £1,608) was donated to The Nidderdale Partnership Plus. Additionally, during the year £21,161 (2022 - £20,214) was recharged to Nidderdale Limited for management fees.

A summary of the results of the subsidiary is shown below:

	<i>Year ended 31 March 2023</i>	<i>Year ended 31 March 2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Turnover	96,134	29,410
Cost of sales	(5,455)	(2,039)
Gross profit	90,679	27,371
Administrative expenses	(42,947)	(25,763)
Profit before donations to charity	£ 47,732	£ 1,608

The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:

Assets	67,524	26,051
Liabilities	(67,424)	(25,951)
Funds	£ 100	£ 100

11 DEBTORS

	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Trade Debtors	2,106	90
Amounts owed from Subsidiary Undertaking	66,680	25,297
Other Debtors	-	400
Prepayments and Accrued Income	5,190	6,696
	£ 73,976	£ 32,483

12 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Other Taxes and Social Security	1,613	1,389
Other Creditors	2,000	2,217
Accruals	5,734	1,569
	£ 9,347	£ 5,175

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13 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.22</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2023</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	10,883	-	(12,105)	35,200	33,978
- Minibus	16,200	-	(4,000)	(8,200)	4,000
- Minibus future	-	-	-	15,000	15,000
- Expanding services	22,500	-	(11,445)	-	11,055
- Community Funding	-	-	-	50,000	50,000
	<u>49,583</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(27,550)</u>	<u>92,000</u>	<u>114,033</u>
Unrestricted Funds	93,846	175,884	(102,351)	(68,000)	99,379
	<u>£ 143,429</u>	<u>£ 175,884</u>	<u>£ (129,901)</u>	<u>£ 24,000</u>	<u>£ 213,412</u>
	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.21</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2022</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	12,557	-	(3,594)	1,920	10,883
- Minibus	19,700	-	-	(3,500)	16,200
- Expanding services	34,500	-	(4,204)	(7,796)	22,500
	<u>66,757</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,798)</u>	<u>(9,376)</u>	<u>49,583</u>
Unrestricted Funds	55,619	131,673	(103,322)	9,876	93,846
	<u>£ 122,376</u>	<u>£ 131,673</u>	<u>£ (111,120)</u>	<u>£ 500</u>	<u>£ 143,429</u>

Designated Funds

Fixed Assets: This fund relates to the net book value of the fixed assets of the charity including the investments in the shares of the trading subsidiary.

Minibus: This fund relate to mones set aside for the purchase on a minibus in 2023 and running costs for the first 2 years.

Minibus Future: This fund relates to monies set aside towards the purchase of a new minibus in the future.

Expanding services: This fund relates to the generation of a new post due to the expanding demands on the charity.

Nidderdale Community Funding - This fund relates to monies that Nidderdale Plus has allocated, from charity shop proceeds, to the Nidderdale Plus Community Fund that will make grant awards to local charities, groups and organisations on an annual basis from the financial year 2023/24.

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14 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.22</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2023</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	-	7,065	(7,065)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	-	2,000	(104)	-	1,896
Tackling Loneliness	-	25,668	(25,668)	-	-
NYCC Locality	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
IVAR Connecting Health	-	1,200	(1,200)	-	-
NYCC Minibus Grant	24,000	-	-	(24,000)	-
NYCC Prevention Grant	-	15,000	(4,000)	-	11,000
NYCC Care and Training	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
NYCC Winter Pressures	-	5,000	(3,000)	-	2,000
Total	£ 24,000	£ 59,433	£ (44,537)	£ (24,000)	£ 14,896
	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2021</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2022</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	-	1,020	(1,020)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	-	350	(350)	-	-
NYCC NHS App Grant	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Prescription Delivery	-	48	(48)	-	-
Meals on Wheels	-	684	(684)	-	-
NYCC Minibus Grant	-	24,000	-	-	24,000
Brierley Homes	-	234	(234)	-	-
TRCF Arqiva Grant	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Computer Costs	-	500	-	(500)	-
The Brelms Trust CIO	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	-
NYCC Locality	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYCC Thank you Event	-	500	(500)	-	-
TRCF Travel Grant	-	124	(124)	-	-
Total	£ -	£ 34,960	£ (10,460)	£ (500)	£ 24,000

Transfers during the year and prior year relate to unrestricted funds being used to finance a deficit on restricted funds and additions to fixed assets moved to unrestricted funds.

Digital Champions: Various grants/donations were received in year to help fund the Digital Champions project. Principal amongst these were: Connect Up grant from Good Things Foundation (£2,040); Two Ridings Community Foundation Local Fund grant (£3,000); North Yorkshire County Council Locality grant (£1,025); YorPlace Ltd donation (£1,000).

Emergency Food Aid: Monies received from Ripon Community House to administer and purchase emergency food when needed by local residents.

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NYCC NHS App Grant: Grant received from NHS (via) NYCC for doing outreach to encourage people to download the NHS App.

Meals on Wheels: monies received from NYCC, HDH Wills 1965 Charitable Trust and Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund for infrastructure and consumables to support new Meals on Wheels service.

NYCC Minibus Grant: Grant for new minibus in 2022 now released in 2023 as purchase has been made.

Brierley Homes: Grant money received from Brierley Homes to purchase and erect jigsaw shelving in the back office of Nidderdale Plus, to accommodate a growing jigsaw library.

TRCF Arqiva Grant: Grant received from Arqiva so that we can do outreach to let people know what they can do if they continue to experience problems with their TV after the Bilsdale mast burned down.

Computer Costs: Micro Grant received from NYCC for the purchase of IT equipment.

The Brelms Trust CIO: The charity received a 3 year grant commitment from the trust between 2019-21 to help fund the extra staff costs for the expansion of services offered by the charity.

NYCC Locality Grant: NYCC provides each County Councillor with a budget to respond to local needs by recommending funding to support certain activities; we received one in the year to cover time spent dealing with community car project.

NYCC Thank you Event: We received a grant from NYCC to thank volunteers at a special event.

TRCF Travel Grant: To pay for travel expenses to travel down to London to attend a carol service at Westminster Abbey to thank charities for their work during COVID-19.

NYCC Personalised Care and Training - This grant was received to train staff in greater awareness of what is involved in personalised care and also to help facilitate links between ourselves and local care providers

NYCC Winter Pressure Grant - Contribution to community transport providers to assist with the greater pressures of providing transport in winter months.

NYCC Prevention Grant - Grant received for running activities and offering services that aid with the prevention of health issues and promote wellbeing in general to be spent in 2023-24.

IVAR Connecting Health Communities in North Yorkshire - This money was to pay for Executive Director's time in assisting with this project in North Yorkshire.

CTA Tackling Loneliness Grant - This grant money came from the Community Transport Association's successful £498k bid into the Department for Transport's "Tackling Loneliness with Transport" fund. The CTA then offered a grant fund to its members to bid into. Our successful grant was for a partnership with Supporting Older People for a project called "Befriending through Community Transport", which offered a series of day and weekly trips in our new minibus, to alleviate social isolation and loneliness.

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15 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<i>Unrestricted</i>			<i>Total</i>
	<i>Undesignated</i>	<i>Designated</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	
	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	
	£	£	£	£
2023				
Fixed Assets	-	33,878	-	33,878
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	108,726	80,055	14,896	203,677
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(9,347)	-	-	(9,347)
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Net Assets	£ 99,379	£ 114,033	£ 14,896	£ 228,308
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2022				
Fixed Assets	-	10,783	-	10,783
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	99,021	38,700	24,000	161,721
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(5,175)	-	-	(5,175)
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Net Assets	£ 93,846	£ 49,583	£ 24,000	£ 167,429
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16 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The total future value of minimum lease payments is as follows:

	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>
	£	£
<i>Buildings</i>		
Within one year	12,500	12,500
Within one to two years	12,500	12,500
Within two to five years	5,208	17,708
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	£ 30,208	£ 42,708
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The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £12,500 (2022 - £10,417).

17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no other related party transactions in the year other than those with Trustees disclosed in note 8 and the subsidiary disclosed in note 10.

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OVERVIEW

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership is an independent charity that supports the local community, including the local voluntary sector, through the advancement of education and provision of relief, help and advice to those in need.

It aims to be a successful, sustainable community hub that is responsive, innovative, effective, well run and used, and able to adapt and develop to meet local needs. The Hub is centrally located, in Pateley Bridge, and provides a friendly place for people to visit for help or information, for advice or to access services. The partnership also operates a range of services from the premises. It is well established as a key anchor organisation in the delivery of services and projects in the Nidderdale area, with a proven track record for the facilitation of groups and partnerships to further the needs of the local community.

Nidderdale Plus has changed rapidly since obtaining charitable status in 2015. Following a period of consolidation up to 2018, the charity made significant progress during 2019 to the extent that it was well placed to become a Community Support Organisation (CSO) at the start of 2020 when the global COVID-19 pandemic began to affect the rural community.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The year 2021-2022 was another year that was very much impacted by the global COVID-19 pandemic. The charity continued to take a pivotal role in the local area, in particular as a Community Support Organisation, to coordinate and deliver new and existing services as required during the pandemic. There were two other major areas of development for Nidderdale Plus which involved setting up a charity shop on Pateley Bridge High Street, and launching a Digital Champion project to enable people to either get on line for the first time, or improve their digital skills. A separate section of the report covers these areas of work.

The strategic aims and objectives were reviewed and updated during the year. They are now as follows:

To be the home of community assistance

- keeping up to date with community needs
- reviewing and identifying current and future organisational needs
- Implementing, or facilitating (via the Nidderdale Plus Local Fund*), initiatives and projects which meet identified needs and promote wellbeing
- Working in partnership and cooperating with other organisations
- To be the centre of high-quality volunteering opportunities in Nidderdale

To be financially sustainable

- Identifying income requirements for existing services and sustaining contractual relationships with existing funders where possible (NYC and NY Police), and seeking contractual opportunities with additional statutory partners, especially the NHS and Social Services
- Identifying income sources for additional projects and bidding for appropriate funds as and when they are needed
- Ensuring effective operation of wholly owned trading company which exists to support the charity and contribute to the charity's operational sustainability

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To be operationally efficient

- To continue to digitise in house systems wherever appropriate
- With effective people management, ensuring appropriate skills and experience
- To conduct a training needs analysis to achieve the future development of staff and to offer appropriate training to volunteers
- With effective performance management both relevant to Service Level Agreements (SLAs) and for our own organisational and planning needs, establishing a bespoke data management system and an outcomes measurement system in 2022
- With effective volunteer involvement and management
- With effective safeguarding policies and procedures that are reviewed annually

To be effective communicators

- externally with customers, press, commissioners, funders and local people
- internally with staff, volunteers, members and partners

To maintain and further develop current and prioritised community services

- Community library, including our own jigsaw library
- Community transport, now including drivers using their own cars, and a prescription delivery service
- Information, advice and support, and access to council services, including a Tourist Information Point
- Police front desk
- Meals on Wheels service and Digital Champion service
- To prepare for offering a Minibus service, including Group Hire
- Charity Shop which will also provide the source of the "Nidderdale Plus Local Fund" (See p.6, Nidderdale Charity Shop) to which local groups and charities can apply
- Working in partnership we will continue to offer access to Citizens Advice and MIND mental health support

During 'normal times' the charity's activities aim to maintain, improve, and develop local services and improve access to existing and new community services. The charity provides a range of services in partnership with other organisations, these include a community library, community transport and access to County and Borough council services and local police front desk. The hub is a focal point for local people and organisations as well as visitors to the area; it also provides tourism information and office services from the non-charitable company. There is a thriving group of dedicated volunteers who support the community hub and help to ensure it meets people's needs. However, as the global pandemic continued throughout this period, it was essential that the charity continued to adapt to the changing circumstances and details follow.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

As all the last financial year fell within the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, it is right that this section has a focus on COVID-19 and how Nidderdale Plus continued to meet need in our area. Nidderdale Plus continued as a Community Support Organisation (CSO), commissioned by North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC), one of 23 that were operative across the whole. CSOs were set up principally to address residents' needs in their geographical area, as the unprecedented period of COVID-19 set in, so that there would be a trusted and well known agency on the ground who could mobilise support and create and sustain new services to help people deal with the privations of lockdown and the unusual times we all had to live through.

We changed, innovated and evolved through COVID primarily down two service routes: **central services** (provided by our staff and central volunteers) and **indirect (or devolved) services** (provided by neighbours and residents—all of whom are volunteers-- at a community level).

Central services

We continued to provide all our core services, but virtually all were adapted or enlarged during lockdowns, etc. Examples of adaptation:

Community library: we changed to offering home delivery to people wanting to receive books, DVDs, etc. People could ring to talk through their book choices with our staff and our volunteer drivers using our community car would deliver books—all in a COVID secure way

Community transport: As well as doing local book and jigsaw deliveries, we continued to offer the services of our car to the NHS and we have delivered across the whole district, either to all care homes or to all GP practices, a variety of health equipment on several occasions. For example, we delivered to all GP practices in Harrogate district over 100 blood pressure monitors that could be given to patients to record their own blood pressure.

Council Services: As a CSO we were regularly in touch with Adult Social Services, either to refer cases on, or to receive information from them about people and the help they needed.

In addition to adapting existing services, we continued to offer the following services that we had started to offer at the beginning of the pandemic in the previous financial year.

Prescription delivery

Meals on Wheels service and emergency food delivery

Jigsaw library: In addition to the ever-growing library at Nidderdale Plus, we developed two satellite jigsaw libraries at Darley Christ Church Community Centre and Summerbridge Methodist Church.

Transport to vaccination sites and hospital appointments: We continued to borrow a minibus from local charity, Dementia Forward, so that we could temporarily enlarge our CT service to offer these two vital forms of transport. Huge thanks to Dementia Forward for lending their minibus to us—it proved to be an invaluable addition to our CT service. The minibus was finally returned in July 2021.

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Vaccination volunteers: in concert with the other CSOs in the district, we continued to provide teams of volunteer marshals to Harrogate and Ripon mass vaccination centres. We also provided volunteers at the Pateley Bridge Pharmacy vaccination sessions held at the Memorial Hall in Pateley Bridge. Andy Cockroft became a member of staff and took over the coordination and allocation of volunteers to vaccination sessions during the year, working for Nidderdale Plus.

Citizens' Advice: We continued to work with Harrogate Citizens Advice to provide monthly video-link clinics for people who need advice on a wide range of topics.

Indirect services

As the first lockdown began, in 2020, we had quickly established a network of community organisers (most often these people were from parish councils and churches), who had strong links into their communities and could harness the services of numerous volunteers who could span out through their communities to provide help with a variety of daily needs. Probably the single most important factor behind the effectiveness of these people was their ability to use hyper-local and trusted communication channels—that they were already using before the crisis began. Sometimes this was a village Facebook group, sometimes a parish magazine or village newsletter, sometimes a village email group. In this way they could both recruit volunteers quickly and pick up need.

Nidderdale Plus continued to work with this network to resolve issues for local residents and to cascade out news and resources throughout the period of this report.

New services: Non-COVID

Census Support Service : We continued to offer this service, under contract with Good Things Foundation (who had been retained by the ONS). The Census was in operation between 1 March-5 May 2021, and two members of staff were trained by Good Things Foundation to be Census Support Advisers. They helped people who were not digitally enabled to complete their Census forms. This proved challenging owing to lockdowns and the difficulty of dealing with people face to face. However, the initiative was a success and we managed to deal with a significant number of people and help them. The knowledge gained during this period was helpful in designing the Digital Champion Service that we went to launch in November 2021.

Digital Champion Service: We launched this service on 1st November 2021, having appointed Joanne Hayes as our Digital Champion Coordinator. Jo's priorities included the recruitment of volunteer Digital Champions to ensure we could reach a large number of people across Nidderdale and the Washburn valley and she quickly set to work recruiting volunteers and going out to find and help people who needed support in a variety of ways. The early signs from the project were very encouraging and we successfully applied to Good Things Foundation for grant funding from the Connect Up Programme that was launched in January 2022. In addition we were awarded grant funding from the NHS to promote the NHS app throughout our community and Mashamshire, and this work began in March 2022.

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Nidderdale Charity Shop: We took over the lease of what had been the Save the Children Charity Shop on Pateley Bridge High Street at the beginning of January 2022 and trading began on 18th February. The Executive Director, Helen Flynn, is the accountable officer for the charity shop and was responsible for setting up all systems and policies, etc, at the shop. We were extremely fortunate that many of the volunteers wanted to stay on and work at the new shop and they were extremely helpful in a number of ways during set up. All trustees and staff are extremely grateful to them for their support and dedication. The purpose of the Charity Shop is to support the communities of Nidderdale and Washburn, both through providing funding to some of Nidderdale Plus's charitable activities, such as the community transport scheme and Meals on Wheels service, and by setting up a charitable fund, provisionally titled "Nidderdale Plus Local Fund". The idea behind the fund is that an annual allocation of profits from the shop go into the "Local Fund" and local groups, charities and organisations can bid into this annually to provide services and small capital schemes that will be of assistance to local people. Trustees intend that Two Ridings Community Foundation will administer this grant scheme on behalf of Nidderdale Plus. Though the finances of Nidderdale Charity Shop fall under our trading company, Nidderdale Ltd, Trustees feel that it is appropriate to report briefly on the operation and purpose behind the shop in the Nidderdale Plus Annual Report.

MIND Mental Health Service: MIND began to offer outreach into Nidderdale and rented the meeting room at the hub one day per week, starting in November 2021, to facilitate this work.

Usage:

Due to the closure of the hub because of the pandemic, it hasn't been possible to provide usage data in the same form as previous years. However, the monitoring information collected as part of our work as a Community Support Organisation gives a good indication of the scale and volume of work carried out over the year. Performance management information is being reviewed in the light of the changing and developing nature of our services and will be included in next years' report.

Nidderdale Plus

From April 2021 to the end of March 2022



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Great credit must go to the staff members who worked diligently and selflessly throughout the whole of last year, often going beyond the call of duty and having to change their ways of working on an almost daily basis: Helen Flynn, Sandra Walker, Heather Blundell, Tracey Dawson, Joanne Hayes, Carole Cottrill, Andy Cockroft and Angela Raw. The office was manned in a COVID-secure way throughout the whole period, ensuring we could respond quickly to address residents' needs.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income and Expenditure during the year

Funds available to spend at the Charitable Company's discretion ('Undesignated Funds') have increased by £38.2k this year.

Significant changes this year were:

- Community car income (£8.2k) is now substantially higher than pre-Covid levels.
- Staff costs increased due to the new Digital Champion Service, with the appointment of Joanne Hayes as our Digital Champion Coordinator.

These accounts incorporate the trading subsidiary Nidderdale Ltd. Turnover has recovered to pre-Covid levels for normal trading activities. These have been augmented this year by the charity's opening of the Nidderdale Charity Shop. Starting in the last few weeks of the financial year, it contributed £8k to turnover in 2021-22, and is expected to contribute very substantially in future years. Much of the net profit will be disbursed to local charities and non-profit groups, as mentioned in the Commentary above. Nidderdale Ltd's reported net profit has reduced from 2020-21 due to the start-up costs for the charity shop and a government Covid-19 grant received last year.

Designated Funds

The trustees have decided to designate funding, as detailed below, to support an increase in future service delivery and the consequent enlargement of the staff team.

Towards the purchase of a minibus, from the charity's own funds	£8.2k
Financial support to the minibus running costs for the first two years	£8.0k
Additional post for a Marketing and Business Support Officer	£22.5k
Total	£38.7k

Staffing was reviewed in December 2021. The Board of Trustees are to re-examine the staffing and resource requirements in December 2022 in view of the continuing changes to workload and the ongoing uncertain situation.

The above funds, plus the designation for fixed assets held by the charity, amount to a total of £49.6k Designated Funds at the year ended 31 March 2022.

Part (£7.8k) of the funds designated last year for the charity shop start-up costs were not required and have been released back into Undesignated Funds.

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Restricted Funds

There are Restricted Funds of £24k. This is grant from NYCC towards the purchase of a minibus to support the community transport service.

Reserves Policy

The Charitable Company's policy has been to hold free reserves of £53,000 covering six months expenditure. This is due to uncertainty about future local authority funding following the change to a unitary authority in North Yorkshire, and the likelihood of other grant income being harder to obtain in a post-COVID financial environment. A clearer picture about future funding is now emerging. SLA funding has historically been received from two principal authorities (Harrogate Borough Council and North Yorkshire County Council), as well as North Yorkshire Police, but it is now likely that the aggregate amount will materially reduce.

At the year-end on 31 March 2022, monies held in free reserves were £93,846 (2021 - £55,619). This covers nine months total expenditure (2021 - six months). Trustees believe greater cover to be prudent due to the increased likelihood of losing some historical funding under previous Service Level Agreements with local authorities. This is due to local government reorganisation in North Yorkshire, due to take effect from 1 April 2023.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution:

Nidderdale Plus is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee. The Charitable Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. It also has a wholly owned subsidiary company, Nidderdale Limited, which operates non-charitable activities for the benefit of Nidderdale Plus.

Recruiting and appointing Trustees:

Trustee vacancies are advertised, and applicants are interviewed prior to meeting with the full Board. Induction into the workings of the Charitable Company is carried out by Officers already serving on the Board with ongoing training being undertaken.

Organisational structure and decision making:

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for the organisation and ensuring that it is well run and that it continues to deliver the charitable outcomes for the benefit of the people for whom it has been set up. The Board develops the strategy and agrees and maintains the vision, mission, and values of the organisation.

The Board meets at least six times per year, excluding the AGM, when it discusses and monitors the work and performance of the organisation. Board members also meet to progress initiatives and projects as well as with stakeholders. The Board also holds an annual 'Away Day' where strategy, priorities and performance are considered, and future plans agreed.

During 2021-2022 the Partnership employed one full time and five part time staff (some permanent and some fixed term), and employed four people on zero-hours contracts.

Executive Director: Helen Flynn

Community Hub Coordinator: Sandra Walker

Business Support Officer: Tracey Dawson (from March 2022)

Digital Champion Coordinator: Joanne Hayes (from November 2021)

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Partnership Officers: Heather Blundell (til February 2022); Angela Raw (from March 2022)

Zero-hours contracts: Tracey Dawson (March 2021-March 2022), Carole Cottrill, Andy Cockcroft, Amber Hirst

Librarian: Carol Cooling (employed by NYCC)

The Trustees reviewed the resource levels required to meet the changing circumstances and introduced a different staff structure, including the introduction of a Digital Champion Coordinator and Business Support Officer. This was owing to the growth of the organisation and the increasing complexity of its range and depth of operations

Volunteers (active in the financial year 2021-22):

Library/Office: Sharon Cawood, Chris Grainger, Helen Hattan, Rosemary Helme, Pat Jackson, Suzanne Mellor, Ruth Turk, Fiona Robson, Kath Chapman, Jude Bartle, Julia Saunders

Drivers: Carolyn Evans, David Thomas, Lawrence Sherrington, Roger Wensley, Ron Walker, Sandra Walker, Sarah Turnbull, Simon Robinson, Stuart Hattan, Heather Blundell, Darryl Hall, Gill Lazonby, David Bird, Andy Chapman, Tracey Dawson, Paul Howells, Duncan Sloane, Gordon Murdoch, Alan Brown, Alan Land

Shop volunteers: Sue Lyon, Jude Bartle, Jayne Booth, Mavis Cannon, Barbara Cansell, David Clarke, Elizabeth Clarke, Ruth Dodsworth, Helen Evans, Felicity Hallam, Susan Jones, Julia Kent, Tessa Lee, Terri Scarborough, Thelma Spain, Judith Spencer, Roger Wensley, Sarah Turnbull, Jane Hallam

Digital Champion volunteers: Howard Jones, Yvonne Lumley, Jane Robinson, Judi Rogers, Steph Woodward, Jessica Wood

Meals on Wheels Volunteers: Jackie Kerr, Carol White, Grant Blakemore, Samantha O'Brien, Claire Porter, Alan Cottrill, Julia Saunders, Dee Longfellow, Freya Brosnon, Mel Browne

Vaccination volunteer marshals: Jane Aksut, Alex Aksut, Jerry Anderson, Vanessa Appleby, John Appleby, Louise Ashley, Marie Barnett, Paul Barry, Sonia Barton, Kristen Beck, Sue Bell, David Bird, Grant Blakemore, Linda Boon, Elaine Brierley, Helen Brown, Andy Cockcroft, Sue Cockcroft, Anthony Comerford, Helen Comerford, Malcolm Constantine, James Critchley, Hellen Curtis, Tracey Dawson, Lee Daysh, Liz Elvidge, John Elvidge, John Fairfoot, Mandy Fallon, Kathy Gargan, Andrew Gosling, Susan Gosling, Linda Harker, Jo Hayes, Lynne Heaton, Rob Higgs, Sue Hirst, Judith Hooper, Pauline Howard, Angela John, Kate Jones, Sarah Jones, Sue Jones, Alan Jordan, Val Jordan, Andrew Kempston-Parks, Jackie Kerr, Jonathan Knocker, Carol Lancaster, Gillian Land, Alan Land, Jan Lawson, Dee Longfellow, Colette Luscomb, Jarl Luscomb, Duncan Melville, Paul Mitchell, Catherine Mounsey, Sam O'Brien, Gina Read, Steve Rimmer, Beverley Robinson, Dave Robinson, Fiona Robson, Freddie Saunders, Julia Saunders, Anne Smith, David Smith, Elaine Smith, Laura Smith, Wendy Taylor, Mark Tankard, John Thompson, Phil Trickey, Chris Turner, Gillian Turner, Elisa Wardman, Viv White, Carol White, Polly Whitehead, Viv Whitelaw, Sandra Wignall, Lynda Wilson, Jessica Wood, Jackie Zito

Nidderdale Network Volunteer Coordinators: Tracey Dawson, Jackie Kerr, Jane Aksut, Gina Crowther, Bryan Dexter, Nigel Nicholas, Rose Gosling, John Hartshorn, Graham Hebblethwaite, Andy Lyon, Stephen McCauley, Julie Wilberforce

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Board of Trustees:

Paula Newson Smith (Chair); Colin Ions (Vice Chair); Roger Wensley (Treasurer); Richard Bruce (Secretary); Jenny Spruce; David Frady; Jackie Kerr.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 3 November 2022.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Paula M Newson Smith – Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP**

I report to the Charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are set out on pages 11 to 22.

This report is made solely to the Charitable Company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body in accordance with section 154 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examiner's work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charitable Company's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charitable Company, the Charitable Company's members as a body and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

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 November 2022

**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022 £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021 £</i>
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	3	12,796	34,276	47,072	67,824
Charitable activities	4	118,871	684	119,555	93,147
Investment income	5	6	-	6	11
Total Income		<u>131,673</u>	<u>34,960</u>	<u>166,633</u>	<u>160,982</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	111,120	10,460	121,580	103,021
Total Expenditure		<u>111,120</u>	<u>10,460</u>	<u>121,580</u>	<u>103,021</u>
Net income		20,553	24,500	45,053	57,961
Transfers between funds	14	500	(500)	-	-
Net movement in funds		21,053	24,000	45,053	57,961
Total Funds Brought Forward		122,376	-	122,376	64,415
Total Funds Carried Forward	15	<u>£ 143,429</u>	<u>£ 24,000</u>	<u>£ 167,429</u>	<u>£ 122,376</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
AS AT 31 MARCH 2022
BALANCE SHEET
(company number: 05331403)

		2022		2021	
<i>Notes</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	9		10,783		12,457
Investments	10		100		100
Current Assets					
Debtors	11	32,483		27,018	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		129,238		87,790	
		161,721		114,808	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(5,175)		(4,989)	
Net Current Assets			156,546		109,819
Total Net Assets			£ 167,429		£ 122,376
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds					
- Designated	13		49,583		66,757
- Undesignated	13		93,846		55,619
Restricted Funds	14		24,000		-
Total Charity Funds			£ 167,429		£ 122,376

For the financial year ended 31 March 2022, the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The Members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Management Committee on 3 November 2022

Roger Wensley
Trustee

**THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The company is a private company limited by guarantee. The members are the Trustees. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company. The company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and is a public entity (no. 05331403).

The address of its registered office is:
Station Square, King Street, Pateley Bridge, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 5AT

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102))), the Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 1A) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Charitable Company is small and has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 7 of FRS 102 and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement.

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The accounts are prepared in UK Sterling and rounded to the nearest £.

b) Going Concern

The Charitable Company has cash resources and has no requirement for external funding. The Charitable Company has seen its service levels and funding expand during the COVID-19 pandemic. These additional services are fully funded with monies provided in advance.

The Trustees therefore have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for 12 months from signing the accounts. They continue to believe that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

c) Income

Donations and legacies are accounted for when they are receivable by the Charitable Company. Other income is accounted for on an accruals basis as far as is prudent to do so.

d) Grant Income

Revenue grants are credited to the income and expenditure account at the time when they are entitled to the receipt. Any unspent restricted grants at the period end are carried forward as restricted funds in the balance sheet.

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2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Expenditure and Allocation of Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Staff costs and overheads are recharged to the subsidiary based on time and income levels. Costs are apportioned within the charity and fund accounting as detailed below:-

Staff costs - on a time basis

Other direct charitable costs and costs of generating funds - on an actual basis

Support costs - on the level of use/ actual basis where specific

f) Taxation

As a registered Charity it benefits from rate relief and is generally exempt from Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax, but not from VAT. The Charitable Company is not registered for VAT and therefore the irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100 or more are initially recorded at cost.

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

Equipment, fixtures and fittings	- 25% reducing balance
Land and buildings	- 10 year straight line

h) Investments

The investment in the Charitable Company's unlisted trading subsidiary is included at historical cost.

i) Debtors

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

j) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and any short term deposit accounts with a maturity of three months or less from the date of opening.

k) Creditors and Provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charitable Company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

l) Funds

The Unrestricted Funds are funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Designated Funds are funds set aside by the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted Funds are funds which have been received by the Charitable Company for a specific purposes other than the general objectives of the Charitable Company.

The nature and purpose of each individual fund are explained in notes 13 and 14.

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3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	£	£	£	£
Donations	5,159	782	5,941	3,931
Donations from Nidderdale Ltd	1,608	-	1,608	9,702
Grant - The Brelms Trust CIO	-	3,000	3,000	5,000
Government Grants	3,547	4,000	7,547	23,291
Government Grants - Mini Bus Grants	-	24,000	24,000	-
	2,482	2,494	4,976	25,900
	<u>£ 12,796</u>	<u>£ 34,276</u>	<u>£ 47,072</u>	<u>£ 67,824</u>

In 2021 £38,400 of Donations and Legacies were restricted.

The Charity also benefits greatly from the involvement and enthusiastic support of its many volunteers, details of which are given in our annual report. In accordance with Charities SORP, the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	£	£	£	£
Service level agreements:				
Harrogate Borough Council	13,000	-	13,000	13,000
North Yorkshire Police	6,268	-	6,268	6,268
NYCC - Access to services	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
NYCC - Community Support Organisation	36,000	-	36,000	30,000
NYCC - Dial a ride	1,891	-	1,891	1,891
NYCC - Library	6,944	-	6,944	6,421
NYCC - Health & Wellbeing	-	-	-	7,000
NHS - Vaccination volunteers	13,800	-	13,800	2,550
	<u>81,903</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,903</u>	<u>71,130</u>
Other income:				
Community Car*	8,247	-	8,247	1,066
Library Fees	1,160	-	1,160	470
Meals on wheels	5,387	684	6,071	6,217
Census Support Service	1,960	-	1,960	3,274
Costs recharged	-	-	-	238
Costs recharged to Nidd Ltd	20,214	-	20,214	10,752
	<u>£ 118,871</u>	<u>£ 684</u>	<u>£ 119,555</u>	<u>£ 93,147</u>

In 2021 £8,891 of Income from Charitable activities were restricted.

*In 2021 included in government grant was £3,780 from the Coronavirus Bus Service Support Grants (CBSSG) from NYCC to compensate for car income lost due to COVID.

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5 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2022	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2021
	£	£
Bank and Building Society Interest	£ 6	£ 11

6 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2022	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£
Staff Salary Costs	68,599	7,217	75,816	64,700
Staff Training and Recruitment	1,031	-	1,031	360
Volunteer Training	880	-	880	-
Census Support Service	-	-	-	351
Covid Grant Expenditure	-	-	-	3,871
Meals on Wheels	3,012	2,184	5,196	7,108
Community Car - Fuel	2,602	48	2,650	1,664
Community Car - Insurance/Repairs	1,019	-	1,019	792
Community Car - Driver expenses	913	-	913	-
Telephone and Broadband	1,065	-	1,065	614
Stationery and Printing	410	-	410	109
Rent	10,417	-	10,417	10,418
Light, Heat and Water	2,042	-	2,042	1,685
Repairs and Maintenance	1,875	234	2,109	152
Promotion and Event Costs	564	624	1,188	380
Cleaning	149	-	149	126
Room Hire	-	-	-	88
Emergency Food Aid	-	153	153	-
Sundry	630	-	630	417
Depreciation	3,594	-	3,594	3,739
Support Costs (see below)	12,318	-	12,318	6,447
	£ 111,120	£ 10,460	£ 121,580	£ 103,021
Support costs				
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,285	-	1,285	1,248
AGM Costs	45	-	45	-
IT Costs	3,230	-	3,230	1,780
Insurance	1,005	-	1,005	799
Advertising	4,033	-	4,033	283
Bank Charges	182	-	182	167
Payroll Services	1,012	-	1,012	1,330
Legal and Professional Fees	1,130	-	1,130	840
Subscriptions and Licences	396	-	396	-
	£ 12,318	£ -	£ 12,318	£ 6,447

In 2021 £50,977 of expenses in Charitable activities were applied to restricted activities.

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7 STAFF COSTS

	<i>Year to 31 March 2022</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Wages and Salaries (gross)	71,125	50,861
Sub-contractors	1,745	13,113
Pension Costs	2,946	726
	£ 75,816	£ 64,700

The average head count of staff employed during the year was 6 (2021 - 3).

No employee earned over £60,000 during the year.

The key management personnel of the Charitable Company, is the Executive Director. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity was £28,333 (2021 - £22,047).

8 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

In December 2018 the Trustees decided to accelerate progress at a crucial time in the development of the Community Hub and made a decision to commission consultancy and project services from one Trustee. The services commenced in January 2019 and in July 2020 the Trustee resigned. The Trustee was paid £Nil in 2021-22 (£6,820 in 2020-21) for such services.

9 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings	Equipment, fixtures and fittings	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£	£
At 1 April 2021	24,367	24,763	49,130
Additions	-	1,920	1,920
	24,367	26,683	51,050
<u>Depreciation</u>			
At 1 April 2021	14,621	22,052	36,673
Charge for the year	2,437	1,157	3,594
	17,058	23,209	40,267
<u>Net Book Value</u>			
At 31 March 2022	£ 7,309	£ 3,474	£ 10,783
At 31 March 2021	£ 9,746	£ 2,711	£ 12,457

All fixed assets were used for the furtherance of the charitable activities.

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10 INVESTMENTS

The Charitable Company holds 100% of the ordinary £1 share capital in its trading subsidiary Nidderdale Limited totalling £100. The subsidiary was incorporated on 16 September 2015 and its activities include the provision of tourist information, sale of merchandise, office services and retail shop. The total net profit of £1,608 (2021 - £9,702) was donated to The Nidderdale Partnership Plus. Additionally, during the year £20,214 (2021 - £10,752) was recharged to Nidderdale Limited for management fees.

A summary of the results of the subsidiary is shown below:

	<i>Year ended 31 March 2022 £</i>	<i>Year ended 31 March 2021 £</i>
Turnover	29,410	22,971
Cost of sales	(2,039)	(1,118)
Gross profit	27,371	21,853
Administrative expenses	(25,763)	(12,151)
Profit before donations to charity	£ 1,608	£ 9,702

The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:

Assets	26,051	21,715
Liabilities	(25,951)	(21,615)
Funds	£ 100	£ 100

11 DEBTORS

	<i>2022 £</i>	<i>2021 £</i>
Trade Debtors	90	2,540
Amounts owed from Subsidiary Undertaking	25,297	20,985
Other Debtors	400	400
Prepayments and Accrued Income	6,696	3,093
	£ 32,483	£ 27,018

12 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<i>2022 £</i>	<i>2021 £</i>
Other Taxes and Social Security	1,389	1,200
Other Creditors	2,217	2,270
Accruals	1,569	1,519
	£ 5,175	£ 4,989

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13 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.21</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2022</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	12,557	-	(3,594)	1,920	10,883
- Minibus	19,700	-	-	(3,500)	16,200
- Expanding services	34,500	-	(4,204)	(7,796)	22,500
	<u>66,757</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,798)</u>	<u>(9,376)</u>	<u>49,583</u>
Unrestricted Funds	55,619	131,673	(103,322)	9,876	93,846
	<u>£ 122,376</u>	<u>£ 131,673</u>	<u>£ (111,120)</u>	<u>£ 500</u>	<u>£ 143,429</u>
	<u><u>£ 122,376</u></u>	<u><u>£ 131,673</u></u>	<u><u>£ (111,120)</u></u>	<u><u>£ 500</u></u>	<u><u>£ 143,429</u></u>
	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.20</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2021</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	14,647	-	(3,739)	1,649	12,557
- Minibus	-	-	-	19,700	19,700
- Expanding services	-	-	-	34,500	34,500
	<u>14,647</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,739)</u>	<u>55,849</u>	<u>66,757</u>
Unrestricted Funds	44,998	113,691	(48,305)	(54,765)	55,619
	<u>£ 59,645</u>	<u>£ 113,691</u>	<u>£ (52,044)</u>	<u>£ 1,084</u>	<u>£ 122,376</u>
	<u><u>£ 59,645</u></u>	<u><u>£ 113,691</u></u>	<u><u>£ (52,044)</u></u>	<u><u>£ 1,084</u></u>	<u><u>£ 122,376</u></u>

Designated Funds

Fixed Assets: This fund relates to the net book value of the fixed assets of the charity including the investments in the shares of the trading subsidiary.

Minibus: This fund relates to monies set aside towards the purchase of a new minibus and the running costs for the first two years.

Expanding services: This fund relates to start up costs for a new charity shop and a new post due to the expanding demands on the charity.

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14 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.21</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2022</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	-	1,020	(1,020)	-	-
Emergency Food Aid	-	350	(350)	-	-
NYCC NHS App Grant	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
Prescription Delivery	-	48	(48)	-	-
Meals on Wheels	-	684	(684)	-	-
NYCC Minibus Grant	-	24,000	-	-	24,000
Brierley Homes	-	234	(234)	-	-
TRCF Arqiva Grant	-	1,000	(1,000)	-	-
Computer Costs	-	500	-	(500)	-
The Brelms Trust CIO	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	-
NYCC Locality Budget	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYCC Thank you Event	-	500	(500)	-	-
TRCF Travel Grant	-	124	(124)	-	-
Total	£ -	£ 34,960	£ (10,460)	£ (500)	£ 24,000

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.2020</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2021</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	300	-	(300)	-	-
Health and Wellbeing	4,470	7,000	(11,470)	-	-
Prescription Delivery	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
Meals on Wheels	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYCC Dial a Ride	-	1,891	(2,456)	565	-
Connecting Nidderdale	-	10,000	(8,851)	(1,149)	-
Knabbs Ridge	-	2,500	(2,500)	-	-
Computer Costs	-	500	-	(500)	-
COVID-19	-	10,900	(10,900)	-	-
The Brelms Trust CIO	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
NYCC Locality Budget	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	-
Total	£ 4,770	£ 47,291	£ (50,977)	£ (1,084)	£ -

Transfers during the year and prior year relate to unrestricted funds being used to finance a deficit on restricted funds and additions to fixed assets moved to unrestricted funds.

Digital Champions: Grant for promoting digital skills in Nidderdale.

Emergency Food Aid: Monies received from Ripon Community House to administer and purchase emergency food when needed by local residents.

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14 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

NYCC NHS App Grant: Grant received from NHS (via) NYCC for doing outreach to encourage people to download the NHS App.

Prescription Delivery: Grant received from Martin Lewis Charity Fund - Coronavirus for the charity to deliver a prescription delivery service.

Meals on Wheels: monies received from NYCC, HDH Wills 1965 Charitable Trust and Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund for infrastructure and consumables to support new Meals on Wheels service.

NYCC Minibus Grant: Grant for new minibus, delivery of which has been delayed.

Brierley Homes: Grant money received from Brierley Homes to purchase and erect jigsaw shelving in the back office of Nidderdale Plus, to accommodate a growing jigsaw library.

TRCF Arqive Grant: Grant received from Arqiva so that we can do outreach to let people know what they can do if they continue to experience problems with their TV after the Bilsdale mast burned down.

Computer Costs: Micro Grant received from NYCC for the purchase of IT equipment.

The Brelms Trust CIO: The charity received a 3 year grant commitment from the trust between 2019-21 to help fund the extra staff costs for the expansion of services offered by the charity.

NYCC Locality Budget: NYCC provides each County Councillor with a budget to respond to local needs by recommending funding to support certain activities; we received 2 in the year to cover time spent dealing with community car project.

NYCC Thank you Event: We received a grant from NYCC to thank volunteers at a special event.

TRCF Travel Grant: To pay for travel expenses to travel down to London to attend a carol service at Westminster Abbey to thank charities for their work during COVID-19.

Health and Wellbeing: Income received from NYCC (Stronger Communities) to pay for contractor time in developing our range of services to cover Health & Wellbeing.

Community Car (NYCC Dial a Ride): Monies received from NYCC for the Community Car.

Connecting Nidderdale: Grant received from Two Ridings Community Foundation for staff costs and IT purchases for staff working on the Connecting Nidderdale project.

Knabs Ridge: Grant received from Two Ridings Community Foundation - Knabs Ridge Community Benefit Fund for staff costs working on the Connecting Nidderdale project in the Knabs Ridge area.

COVID-19: Various grants were received for COVID-19 related costs including, £2,000 from Two Ridings Community Fund, £3,000 from NYCC Locality Grant, £500 from NYCC Micro Grant and £5,400 from National Lottery Coronavirus Community Support Fund. All these grants were spent on various costs incurred due to COVID-19 and additional staff costs.

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15 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

2022	<i>Unrestricted</i>		<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Undesignated</i>	<i>Designated</i>		
	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>		
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	-	10,783	-	10,783
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	99,021	38,700	24,000	161,721
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(5,175)	-	-	(5,175)
Net Assets	<u>£ 93,846</u>	<u>£ 49,583</u>	<u>£ 24,000</u>	<u>£ 167,429</u>
2021				
Fixed Assets	-	12,457	-	12,457
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	114,808	-	-	114,808
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(4,989)	-	-	(4,989)
Net Assets	<u>£ 109,819</u>	<u>£ 12,557</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 122,376</u>

16 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The total future value of minimum lease payments is as follows:

	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>
<i>Buildings</i>	£	£
Within one year	12,500	12,500
Within one to two years	12,500	12,500
Within two to five years	17,708	28,125
	<u>£ 42,708</u>	<u>£ 53,125</u>

The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £10,417 (2021 - £10,417).

17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no other related party transactions in the year other than those with Trustees disclosed in note 8 and the subsidiary disclosed in note 10.

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Community Hub

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OVERVIEW

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership is an independent charity that supports the local community, including the local voluntary sector, through the advancement of education and provision of relief, help and advice to those in need.

It aims to be a successful, sustainable community hub that is responsive, innovative, effective, well run and used, and able to adapt and develop to meet local needs. The Hub is centrally located, in Pateley Bridge, and provides a friendly place for people to visit for help or information, for advice or to access services. The partnership also operates a range of services from the premises. It is well established as a key anchor organisation in the delivery of services and projects in the Nidderdale area, with a proven track record for the facilitation of groups and partnerships to further the needs of the local community.

Nidderdale Plus has changed rapidly since obtaining charitable status in 2015. Following a period of consolidation up to 2018, the charity made significant progress during 2019 to the extent that it was well placed to become a Community Support Organisation (CSO) at the start of 2020 when the global COVID-19 pandemic began to affect the rural community.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The year 2020-21 was a year like no other for Nidderdale Plus and many other organisations because of the global COVID-19 pandemic. The charity moved quickly to take on a pivotal role in the local area, to coordinate and deliver new and existing services as required during the pandemic. A separate section of the report covers this area of work.

The strategic aims and objectives were reviewed and updated during the year. They are now as follows:

To be the home of community assistance

- keeping up to date with community needs
- reviewing and identifying current and future organisational needs
- implementing initiatives which meet identified needs
- working in partnership and cooperating with other organisations

To be financially sustainable

- identifying income requirements
- identifying income sources
- maintaining an open dialogue with current commissioners to ensure sustainability of SLA income
- setting up and ensuring effective operation of wholly owned trading company

To be effective communicators

- externally with the public, customers and local people
- internally with staff, volunteers, members, partners and commissioners

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To be operationally efficient

- with effective people management, ensuring appropriate skills and experience
- to conduct a training needs analysis to achieve the future development of staff and volunteers
- with effective performance management (relevant to Service Level Agreements (SLAs) and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs))
- with effective volunteer involvement and management

To maintain and further develop current and prioritised community services

- community library
- community transport
- information, advice and support
- health and wellbeing
- volunteer recruitment and retention
- digital inclusion

During 'normal times' the charity's activities aim to maintain, improve, and develop local services and improve access to existing and new community services. The charity provides a range of services in partnership with other organisations, these include a community library, community transport and access to County and Borough council services and local police front desk. The hub is a focal point for local people and organisations as well as visitors to the area; it also provides tourism information and office services from the non-charitable company. There is a thriving group of dedicated volunteers who support the community hub and help to ensure it meets people's needs. However, as the global pandemic took hold during 2020 it was essential that the charity moved quickly to adapt to the changing circumstances and details follow.

In pursuing these aims the Charity Trustees, have given due regard to the Charity Commission's published general guidance concerning the operation of the Public Benefit requirements under the Charities Act 2011.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

As all the last financial year fell within the most "active" phase of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is right that in this section the emphasis is very much on COVID 19 and how Nidderdale Plus had to adapt very quickly to meet need in our area. It is also the case that at the end of March 2020, just as we were entering the first lockdown, Nidderdale Plus was appointed a Community Support Organisation (CSO) by North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC), one of 23 that were set up very quickly across the whole county as the pandemic was taking hold. CSOs were set up principally to address residents' needs in their geographical area, as the unprecedented period of COVID-19 set in, so that there would be a trusted and well-known agency on the ground who could mobilise support and create new services to help people deal with the privations of lockdown and the unusual times we all had to live through.

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We changed, innovated and evolved through COVID primarily down two service routes: **central services** (provided by our staff and central volunteers) and **indirect (or devolved) services** (provided by neighbours and residents—all of whom are volunteers-- at a community level).

Central services

We continued to provide all our core services, but virtually all were adapted or enlarged during lockdowns, etc. Examples of adaptation:

Community library: we changed to offering home delivery to people wanting to receive books, DVDs, etc. People could ring to talk through their book choices with our staff and our volunteer drivers using our community car would deliver books—all in a COVID secure way

Community transport: As well as doing local book and jigsaw deliveries, we offered the services of our car to the NHS and we have delivered across the whole district, either to all care homes or to all GP practices, a variety of health equipment on around 5 occasions. For example, we delivered pulse oximeters to all the care homes in Harrogate district. Around 200 pulse oximeters were delivered, and it took about 5 days of continuous use of the car to achieve this

Council Services: As a CSO we were regularly in touch with Adult Social Services, either to refer cases on, or to receive information from them about people and the help they needed. This was new to us, and we continue to offer this support.

In addition to adapting existing services, we responded to residents' needs by developing these new services:

Prescription delivery: this was the first new service we developed within a few days of lockdown. We worked closely with our GP practice to develop a safe Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). During the first lockdown we averaged 50 deliveries per week. One of our volunteer drivers undertook this service in his own car and we reimbursed petrol costs.

Meals on Wheels service and emergency food delivery: We developed a new Meals on Wheels service, initially to help lunch club members—mainly in Dacre and Darley- - who were no longer able to go out for their weekly meals owing to lockdowns, thus helping with social isolation. We worked with Dusty Miller catering company, based in Low Laithe to develop this service. As time went on, the service adapted to meet need for people who really needed a hot meal once or twice a week. We also worked with the food bank in Pateley Bridge, based at Bewerley Park Outdoor Centre, to ensure that food parcels were delivered to people with emergency food needs during lockdowns, and outside of lockdown periods as well.

Jigsaw library: our jigsaw library now numbers over 200 jigsaws, growing from a total of 30 and has been a great success! During lockdowns we have done home delivery and in the short breaks from lockdowns we enabled jigsaw exchange at the door of the hub.

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Transport to vaccination sites and hospital appointments: We borrowed a minibus from local charity, Dementia Forward, so that we could temporarily enlarge our CT service to offer these two vital forms of transport. Huge thanks to Dementia Forward for lending their minibus to us—it proved to be an invaluable addition to our CT service

Vaccination volunteers: in concert with the other CSOs in the district, from January we provided teams of volunteer marshals to Harrogate and Ripon mass vaccination centres. Typically, at Harrogate, we provided 36 volunteers per day split between 2 shifts in an 11-hour day. We had a contract to provide this service with the NHS and were paid for our work in coordinating the service and finding and vetting all volunteers.

Citizens' Advice: We now work with Harrogate Citizens Advice to provide monthly video-link clinics for people who need advice on a wide range of topics.

Indirect services

As the crisis escalated and the first lockdown began, we quickly established a network of community organisers (most often these people were from parish councils and churches), who had strong links into their communities and could harness the services of numerous volunteers who could span out through their communities to provide help with a variety of daily needs. Probably the single most important factor behind the effectiveness of these people was their ability to use hyper-local and trusted communication channels—that they were already using before the crisis began. Sometimes this was a village Facebook group, sometimes a parish magazine or village newsletter, sometimes a village email group. In this way they could both recruit volunteers quickly and pick up need.

Nidderdale Plus was able to find these people through already being in close touch with Nidderdale communities, and within about 5 days at the beginning of the first lockdown, 13 network volunteer coordinators had sprung up. We then worked with them to ensure safe recruitment of volunteers and guidance for volunteers, to set up initial comms infrastructure to ensure global coverage of households (usually a bespoke branded postcard pushed through every letterbox), and to set up a smooth channel of communication to ensure that key messages and information were being sent out to communities to be passed on and shared.

This network still exists today, and we use it to provide information which can be passed on quickly to communities and shared. For example, and to demonstrate its efficacy, it was this network alone that we used to recruit our vaccination volunteers. We had responses from around 220 people within a few days of going live with the request through the network, and subsequently went on to recruit around 90 volunteers (all DBS checked or vetted through self-certification) to help with the vaccination programme.

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Our infrastructure:

Before COVID: 1.8 fte staff and around 40 volunteers

During COVID and up to 31 March 2021 2.8 fte staff and 40 central services volunteers (though some were not able to help much during lockdowns) and 90 vaccinations volunteers. And access to an established network of 13 organisers who can help disseminate information and can be enlisted to provide support in a number of different ways.

Great credit must go to the staff members who worked diligently and selflessly throughout the whole of last year, often going beyond the call of duty and having to change their ways of working on an almost daily basis: Helen Flynn, Sandra Walker, Heather Blundell and Tracey Dawson. The office was manned in a COVID-secure way throughout the whole period, ensuring we could respond quickly to address residents' needs.

New services: Non-COVID

We signed a contract with Good Things Foundation (who had been retained by the ONS) in December 2020 to be Census Support Service during the period that Census was in operation (1 March-5 May 2021). Two members of staff were trained by Good Things Foundation to be Census Support Advisers. They helped people who were not digitally enabled to complete their Census forms, as the ONS had hopes of over 90% of the population filling their Census form in online. This proved challenging owing to lockdowns and the difficulty of dealing with people face to face. However, the initiative was a success and we managed to deal with a significant number of people and help them.

Usage:

Due to the closure of the hub because of the pandemic, it hasn't been possible to provide usage data in the same form as previous years. However, the monitoring information collected as part of our work as a Community Support Organisation gives a good indication of the scale and volume of work carried out over the year. Performance management information is being reviewed in the light of the changing and developing nature of our services and will be included in next years' report.

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Nidderdale Plus

From April 2020 to the end of March 2021



FINANCIAL REVIEW

The year was dominated financially by COVID 19, as the charity adapted to deliver new and existing services. The charity strongly improved its financial position this year. There was a surplus of £58k, compared to a surplus of £4k last year. This was due to the successful application for grant funding from a number of providers, and eligibility and consequent receipt of Government business grants with the majority relating to COVID 19, and Nidderdale Plus being well placed at the centre of local service delivery. (Details of the grants received can be found at note 14 of the financial accounts.)

Much of this funding was given and used to address issues connected with COVID 19, as described in the ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE section. Together with the money we received from NYCC as a CSO, these grants proved to be indispensable. Many of our services, such as community transport, received no actual fare income from passengers during this period (though there were some donations), and we provided a number of services free of charge to the NHS to help them in the crisis e.g. prescription delivery and delivery of essential NHS equipment. There were also long periods when the office was closed and unable to take receipts in the normal way from the library, office services and tourist information activities.

These accounts incorporate the trading subsidiary Nidderdale Ltd, and commercial income reduced by £5.5k (from £10.9k to £5.4k) due to COVID 19.

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Designated Funds

The trustees have decided to designate funding to support an increase in charitable service delivery and consequent enlargement of the staff team. The table below provides a summary of the designated funds earmarked for future service delivery in 2021/22 and 2022/23: -

Towards purchase of minibus to support the community transport service	£11,700
Financial support to the minibus running costs for the first two years	£8,000
Start-up costs for a new charity shop to be opened by Nidderdale Plus	£12,000
Additional post for a Marketing and Business Support Officer	£22,500

Total **£54,200**

The above funds plus the designation for fixed assets held by the charity total £66,757 designated funds at the year ended 31 March 2021.

A recent review of staffing was carried out as a result of increases in workload, the changing nature of the workload and the unpredictable environment. The Trustees decided to recruit an additional post for Marketing and Business Support to provide essential support to the charity during this period. It is anticipated that post will be required for 20 hours per week for up to 18 months. There will be a review date in late summer 2022 when it is hoped that the overall position will be clearer, and longer-term decisions can be made.

RESERVES POLICY

The Charitable Company's policy is to hold free reserves to cover the cost of six months overheads. This is due to uncertainty about future local authority funding with the change to a unitary local authority in North Yorkshire, and the likelihood of other grant income being harder to obtain in a post-COVID financial environment. The required reserves are assessed as £53k, which is unchanged from last year. The desired level has now been achieved, and at the year-end on 31 March 2021, monies held in free reserves amounted to £55,619 (2020 - £44,998). This is equivalent to six months total expenditure (2020 - seven months).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution:

Nidderdale Plus is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee. The Charitable Company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the Charitable Company and is governed under its Articles of Association. It also has a wholly owned subsidiary company, Nidderdale Limited, which operates non-charitable activities for the benefit of Nidderdale Plus.

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Recruiting and appointing Trustees:

Trustee vacancies are advertised, and applicants are interviewed prior to meeting with the full Board. Induction into the workings of the Charitable Company is carried out by Officers already serving on the Board with ongoing training being undertaken.

Organisational structure and decision making:

The Board of Trustees has overall responsibility for the organisation and ensuring that it is well run and that it continues to deliver the charitable outcomes for the benefit of the people for whom it has been set up. The Board develops the strategy and agrees and maintains the vision, mission, and values of the organisation.

The Board meets at least six times per year, excluding the AGM, when it discusses and monitors the work and performance of the organisation. Board members also meet to progress initiatives and projects as well as with stakeholders. The Board also holds an annual 'Away Day' where strategy, priorities and performance are considered, and future plans agreed.

During 2020-2021 the Partnership employed three part time staff and commissioned the services of a consultant. It also benefitted from the involvement of volunteers and 6 trustees.

Executive Director: Helen Flynn (employed from 1 Dec 2020, acted as a consultant in this role from June 2020)

Community Hub Manager: Richard Inman (to 30 Jun 2020)

Community Hub Coordinator: Sandra Walker

Partnership Officer: Heather Blundell

Librarian: Carol Cooling (NYCC)

Consultancy provided by Helen Flynn up to 30 Nov 2020

The Trustees reviewed the resource levels required to meet the changing circumstances and introduced a different staff structure, including the introduction of an Executive Director. This role was key in the response to the Covid-19 pandemic and the organisation's development as a Community Support Organisation.

Volunteers (as at 31/03/21):

Library/Office: Sharon Cawood, Chris Grainger, Helen Hattan, Rosemary Helme, Pat Jackson, Suzanne Mellor, Ruth Turk, Fiona Robson

Drivers: Carolyn Evans, David Thomas, Lawrence Sherrington, Roger Newson Smith, Roger Wensley, Ron Walker, Sandra Walker, Sarah Turnbull, Simon Robinson, Stuart Hattan, Heather Blundell, Darryl Hall, Gill Lazonby, Ian Coates, Tony Attwood, Sally Ward, Steve Ward, Jonny Smith, Heather Tuffs, Tony Boyle

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Vaccination volunteer marshals: Jane Aksut, Jerry Anderson, Vanessa Appleby, John Appleby, Louise Ashley, Marie Barnett, Paul Barry, Sonia Barton, Kristen Beck, Sue Bell, Vicky Binding, David Bird, Grant Blakemore, Linda Boon, Elaine Brierley, Helen Brown, Andy Cockroft, Anthony Comerford, Helen Comerford, Malcolm Constantine, James Critchley, Hellen Curtis, Tracey Dawson, Lee Daysh, Liz Elvidge, John Elvidge, Chris Eyes, John Fairfoot, Mandy Fallon, Lizzie Farley, Chris Farley, Pete Flynn, Gemma Franey, Deepika Ganesh, Sanjitha Ganesh, Linda Harker, Jo Hayes, Lynne Heaton, Rob Higgs, Sue Hirst, Judith Hooper, Pauline Howard, Kate Jones, Sarah Jones, Alan Jordan, Val Jordan, Tracie Kay, Andrew Kempston-Parks, Jackie Kerr, Jonathan Knocker, Carol Lancaster, Gillian Land, Alan Land, Jan Lawson, Dee Longfellow, Colette Luscomb, Jarl Luscomb, Edd Mason, Duncan Melville, Paul Mitchell, Catherine Mounsey, Julie Muncaster, Sam O'Brien, John O'Shaughnessy, Judith O'Shaughnessy, Gina Read, Steve Rimmer, Beverley Robinson, Dave Robinson, Fiona Robson, Freddie Saunders, Julia Saunders, Anne Smith, David Smith, Elaine Smith, Laura Smith, Kate Sutton, Wendy Taylor, Vanda Theakston, John Thompson, Phil Trickey, Chris Turner, Gillian Turner, Wendy Turner, Claire Wakefield, Stuart Wakefield, Elisa Wardman, Viv White, Carol White, Polly Whitehead, Viv Whitelaw, Sandra Wignall, Lynda Wilson, Jessica Wood, Julia Wyatt, Jackie Zito

Nidderdale Network Volunteer Coordinators: Tracey Dawson, Darryl Hall, Jackie Kerr, Jane Aksut, Suzie Cree, Gina Crowther, Bryan Dexter, Nigel Nicholas, Rose Gosling, John Hartshorn, Graham Hebblethwaite, Andy Lyon, Stephen McCauley, Julie Wilberforce

Board of Trustees:

Paula Newson Smith (Chair); Colin Ions (Vice Chair); Roger Wensley (Treasurer); Richard Bruce (Secretary); Helen Flynn – to 22 July 2020; Jenny Spruce; Sue Lyon – to 17 Nov 2020; David Frady – from 18 Aug 2020; Jackie Kerr - from 21 April 2021

This report was approved by the Trustees on 14 December 2021.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Paula M Newson Smith – Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP**

I report to the Charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 11 to 22.

This report is made solely to the Charitable Company's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body in accordance with section 154 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examiner's work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charitable Company's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charitable Company, the Charitable Company's members as a body and the Charitable Company's trustees as a body for my independent examiner's work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

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.

Sarah Wearing, FCA, DChA

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14 December 2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

	<i>Notes</i>	<i>Unrestricted Funds £</i>	<i>Restricted Funds £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021 £</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2020 £</i>
Income from:					
Donations and Legacies	3	29,424	38,400	67,824	11,306
Charitable activities	4	84,256	8,891	93,147	65,761
Investment income	5	11	-	11	43
Total Income		<u>113,691</u>	<u>47,291</u>	<u>160,982</u>	<u>77,110</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	52,044	50,977	103,021	73,226
Total Expenditure		<u>52,044</u>	<u>50,977</u>	<u>103,021</u>	<u>73,226</u>
Net income / (expenditure)		61,647	(3,686)	57,961	3,884
Transfers between funds	14	1,084	(1,084)	-	-
Net movement in funds		62,731	(4,770)	57,961	3,884
Total Funds Brought Forward		59,645	4,770	64,415	60,531
Total Funds Carried Forward	15	<u>£ 122,376</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 122,376</u>	<u>£ 64,415</u>

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

THE NIDDERDALE PLUS PARTNERSHIP
AS AT 31 MARCH 2021
BALANCE SHEET
(company number: 05331403)

		2021		2020	
<i>Notes</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	9		12,457		14,547
Investments	10		100		100
Current Assets					
Debtors	11	27,018		18,850	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		87,790		32,845	
		114,808		51,695	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(4,989)		(1,927)	
Net Current Assets			109,819		49,768
Total Net Assets			£ 122,376		£ 64,415
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds					
- Designated	13		66,757		14,647
- Undesignated	13		55,619		44,998
Restricted Funds	14		-		4,770
Total Charity Funds			£ 122,376		£ 64,415

For the financial year ended 31 March 2021, the Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The Members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476. The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 13 to 22 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees/Management Committee on 14 December 2021

Roger Wensley
Trustee

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1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The company is a private company limited by guarantee. The members are the Trustees. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company. The company is incorporated and registered in England and Wales and is a public entity (no. 05331403).

The address of its registered office is:
Station Square, King Street, Pateley Bridge, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 5AT

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102))), the Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 1A) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Charitable Company is small and has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 7 of FRS 102 and has not prepared a Cash Flow Statement.

The Nidderdale Plus Partnership meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The accounts are prepared in UK Sterling and rounded to the nearest £.

b) Going Concern

The Charitable Company has cash resources and has no requirement for external funding. The Charitable Company has seen its service levels and funding expand during the COVID-19 pandemic. These additional services are fully funded with monies provided in advance.

The Trustees therefore have a reasonable expectation that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for 12 months from signing the accounts. They continue to believe that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate in preparing the annual financial statements.

c) Income

Donations and legacies are accounted for when they are receivable by the Charitable Company. Other income is accounted for on an accruals basis as far as is prudent to do so.

d) Grant Income

Revenue grants are credited to the income and expenditure account at the time when they are entitled to the receipt. Any unspent restricted grants at the period end are carried forward as restricted funds in the balance sheet.

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2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Expenditure and Allocation of Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Staff costs and overheads are recharged to the subsidiary based on 80% of the subsidiary's turnover. Costs are apportioned within the charity and fund accounting as detailed below:-

Staff costs - on a time basis

Other direct charitable costs and costs of generating funds - on an actual basis

Support costs - on the level of use/ actual basis where specific

f) Taxation

As a registered Charity it benefits from rate relief and is generally exempt from Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax, but not from VAT. The Charitable Company is not registered for VAT and therefore the irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

g) Tangible Fixed Assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100 or more are initially recorded at cost.

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

Equipment, fixtures and fittings	- 25% reducing balance
Land and buildings	- 10 year straight line

h) Investments

The investment in the Charitable Company's unlisted trading subsidiary is included at historical cost.

i) Debtors

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

j) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and any short term deposit accounts with a maturity of three months or less from the date of opening.

k) Creditors and Provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charitable Company has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

l) Funds

The Unrestricted Funds are funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Designated Funds are funds set aside by the Trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted Funds are funds which have been received by the Charitable Company for a specific purposes other than the general objectives of the Charitable Company.

The nature and purpose of each individual fund are explained in notes 13 and 14.

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3 DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2020</i>
	£	£	£	£
Donations	3,931	-	3,931	1,069
Donations from Nidderdale Ltd	9,702	-	9,702	4,587
Grant - The Brelms Trust CIO	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
Government Grants	15,791	7,500	23,291	-
Grants	-	25,900	25,900	650
	<u>£ 29,424</u>	<u>£ 38,400</u>	<u>£ 67,824</u>	<u>£ 11,306</u>

In 2020 £150 of Donations and Legacies were restricted.

The Charity also benefits greatly from the involvement and enthusiastic support of its many volunteers, details of which are given in our annual report. In accordance with Charities SORP, the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2020</i>
	£	£	£	£
Service level agreements:				
Harrogate Borough Council	13,000	-	13,000	13,000
North Yorkshire Police	6,268	-	6,268	6,268
NYCC - Access to services	4,000	-	4,000	4,000
NYCC - 24 Community Support	30,000	-	30,000	-
NYCC - Dial a ride	-	1,891	1,891	2,096
NYCC - Library	6,421	-	6,421	5,998
NYCC - Health & Wellbeing	-	7,000	7,000	8,000
NHS - Vaccination volunteers	2,550	-	2,550	-
Government funded services	<u>62,239</u>	<u>8,891</u>	<u>71,130</u>	<u>39,362</u>
Other income:				
Community Car*	1,066	-	1,066	5,614
Community Car - Locality budget	-	-	-	1,500
Library Fees	470	-	470	1,794
Meals on wheels	6,217	-	6,217	-
Census Support Service	3,274	-	3,274	-
Local Fund Digital	-	-	-	1,990
Events	-	-	-	922
Promotional grants	-	-	-	1,251
Costs recharged	238	-	238	1,499
Costs recharged to Nidd Ltd	10,752	-	10,752	11,829
	<u>£ 84,256</u>	<u>£ 8,891</u>	<u>£ 93,147</u>	<u>£ 65,761</u>

In 2020 £14,837 of Income from Charitable activities were restricted.

*Included in government grant is £3,780 from the Coronavirus Bus Service Support Grants (CBSSG) from NYCC to compensate for car income lost due to COVID.

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5 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2021	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2020
	£	£
Bank and Building Society Interest	£ 11	£ 43

6 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2021	<i>Year to</i> 31 March 2020
	£	£	£	£
Staff Salary Costs	21,618	43,082	64,700	47,110
Consultancy Fees - Restricted Grant	-	-	-	911
Staff Training and Recruitment	360	-	360	149
Census Support Service	351	-	351	-
Covid Grant Expenditure	-	3,871	3,871	-
Library Costs	-	-	-	784
Meals on Wheels	5,608	1,500	7,108	-
Community Car - Fuel	-	1,664	1,664	-
Community Car - Insurance/Repairs	-	792	792	973
Telephone and Broadband	614	-	614	740
Stationery and Printing	109	-	109	36
Rent	10,418	-	10,418	10,565
Light, Heat and Water	1,685	-	1,685	1,683
Repairs and Maintenance	152	-	152	1,284
Promotion and Event Costs	380	-	380	1,217
Cleaning	126	-	126	-
Room Hire	88	-	88	101
Sundry	417	-	417	470
Depreciation	3,739	-	3,739	3,405
Support Costs (see below)	6,379	68	6,447	3,798
	£ 52,044	£ 50,977	£ 103,021	£ 73,226
Support costs				
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,248	-	1,248	1,200
AGM Costs	-	-	-	40
IT Costs	1,712	68	1,780	601
Insurance	799	-	799	756
Advertising	283	-	283	121
Bank Charges	167	-	167	213
Payroll Services	1,330	-	1,330	640
Legal and Professional Fees	840	-	840	227
	£ 6,379	£ 68	£ 6,447	£ 3,798

In 2020 £13,200 of expenses in Charitable activities were applied to restricted activities.

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7 STAFF COSTS

	<i>Year to 31 March 2021</i>	<i>Year to 31 March 2020</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Wages and Salaries (gross)	50,861	32,691
Sub-contractors	13,113	13,911
Pension Costs	726	508
	£ 64,700	£ 47,110
	£ 64,700	£ 47,110

The average head count of staff employed during the year was 3 (2020 - 2).

No employee earned over £60,000 during the year.

The key management personnel of the Charitable Company, is the Executive Director. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the Charity was £22,047 (2020 - £13,911).

8 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

In December 2018 the Trustees decided to accelerate progress at a crucial time in the development of the Community Hub and made a decision to commission consultancy and project services from one Trustee. The services commenced in January 2019 and in July 2020 the Trustee resigned. The Trustee was paid £6,820 in 2020-21 (£13,911 in 2019-20) for such services.

9 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings	Equipment, fixtures and fittings	Total
<u>Cost</u>	£	£	£
At 1 April 2020	24,367	23,114	47,481
Additions	-	1,649	1,649
	24,367	24,763	49,130
<u>Depreciation</u>			
At 1 April 2020	12,184	20,750	32,934
Charge for the year	2,437	1,302	3,739
	14,621	22,052	36,673
<u>Net Book Value</u>			
At 31 March 2021	£ 9,746	£ 2,711	£ 12,457
At 31 March 2020	£ 12,183	£ 2,364	£ 14,547

All fixed assets were used for the furtherance of the charitable activities.

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10 INVESTMENTS

The Charitable Company holds 100% of the ordinary £1 share capital in its trading subsidiary Nidderdale Limited. The subsidiary was incorporated on 16 September 2015 and its activity include the provision of tourist information, the sale of merchandise, and office services. The total net profit of £9,702 (2020 - £4,587) was donated to The Nidderdale Partnership Plus. Additionally, during the year £10,752 (2020 - £11,829) was recharged to Nidderdale Limited for management fees.

A summary of the results of the subsidiary is shown below:

	<i>Year ended 31 March 2021</i>	<i>Year ended 31 March 2020</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Turnover	22,971	19,890
Cost of sales	(1,118)	(2,143)
Gross profit	21,853	17,747
Administrative expenses	(12,151)	(13,160)
Profit before donations to charity	<u>£ 9,702</u>	<u>£ 4,587</u>

The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds was:

Assets	21,715	16,595
Liabilities	(21,615)	(16,495)
Funds	<u>£ 100</u>	<u>£ 100</u>

11 DEBTORS

	<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Trade Debtors	2,540	73
Amounts owed from Subsidiary Undertaking	20,985	15,864
Other Debtors	400	-
Prepayments and Accrued Income	3,093	2,913
	<u>£ 27,018</u>	<u>£ 18,850</u>

12 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>
Other Taxes and Social Security	1,200	407
Other Creditors	2,270	99
Accruals	1,519	1,421
	<u>£ 4,989</u>	<u>£ 1,927</u>

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13 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.20</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2021</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	14,647	-	(3,739)	1,649	12,557
- Minibus	-	-	-	19,700	19,700
- Expanding services	-	-	-	34,500	34,500
	<u>14,647</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,739)</u>	<u>55,849</u>	<u>66,757</u>
Unrestricted Funds	44,998	113,691	(48,305)	(54,765)	55,619
	<u>£ 59,645</u>	<u>£ 113,691</u>	<u>£ (52,044)</u>	<u>£ 1,084</u>	<u>£ 122,376</u>

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.19</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2020</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated Funds					
- Fixed assets	17,209	-	(3,405)	843	14,647
Unrestricted Funds	39,496	62,123	(56,621)	-	44,998
	<u>£ 56,705</u>	<u>£ 62,123</u>	<u>£ (60,026)</u>	<u>£ 843</u>	<u>£ 59,645</u>

Designated Funds

Fixed Assets: This fund relates to the net book value of the fixed assets of the charity including the investments in the shares of the trading subsidiary.

Minibus: This fund relates to monies set aside towards the purchase of a new minibus and the running costs for the first two years.

Expanding services: This fund relates to start up costs for a new charity shop and a new post due to the expanding demands on the charity.

14 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<i>Balance b/f 01.04.20</i>	<i>Income received</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers In/(out)</i>	<i>Balance c/f 31.03.2021</i>
	£	£	£	£	£
Digital Champions	300	-	(300)	-	-
Health and Wellbeing	4,470	7,000	(11,470)	-	-
Prescription Delivery	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
Meals on Wheels	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
NYCC Dial a Ride	-	1,891	(2,456)	565	-
Connecting Nidderdale	-	10,000	(8,851)	(1,149)	-
Knabbs Ridge	-	2,500	(2,500)	-	-
Computer Costs	-	500	-	(500)	-
COVID-19	-	10,900	(10,900)	-	-
Brelms Trust	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
NYCC Locality Budget	-	3,000	(3,000)	-	-
	<u>£ 4,770</u>	<u>£ 47,291</u>	<u>£ (50,977)</u>	<u>£ (1,084)</u>	<u>£ -</u>

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14 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

	<i>Balance b/f</i> 01.04.19	<i>Income</i> received	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Transfers</i> In/(out)	<i>Balance c/f</i> 31.03.2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Safe Nidd	-	429	(429)	-	-
NY Youth Service	600	-	(600)	-	-
Nidderdale Orchestra	678	-	(678)	-	-
Arts Development	106	-	(106)	-	-
My Neighbourhood					
Intergenerational Project	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-
NYCC Dial a Ride	-	2,096	(2,096)	-	-
Library Capital	817	-	(817)	-	-
Stronger Communities	625	-	(625)	-	-
Locality Budget	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
Digital Champions	-	300	-	-	300
Local fund - Digital Grant	-	1,690	(847)	(843)	-
Marketing - Two Ridings	-	822	(822)	-	-
Mayors Fund	-	150	(150)	-	-
Health and Wellbeing	-	8,000	(3,530)	-	4,470
Total	£ 3,826	£ 14,987	£ (13,200)	£ (843)	£ 4,770

Transfers during the year and prior year relate to unrestricted funds being used to finance a deficit on restricted funds and additions to fixed assets moved to unrestricted funds.

Digital Champions: Grant for promoting digital skills in Nidderdale.

Health and Wellbeing: Income received from NYCC (Stronger Communities) to pay for contractor time in developing our range of services to cover Health & Wellbeing.

Prescription Delivery: Grant received from Martin Lewis Charity Fund - Coronavirus for the charity to deliver a prescription delivery service

Meals on Wheels: monies received from NYCC, HDH Wills 1965 Charitable Trust and Tesco Bags of Help COVID-19 Communities Fund for infrastructure and consumables to support new Meals on Wheels service.

Community Car (NYCC Dial a Ride): Monies received from NYCC for the Community Car.

Connecting Nidderdale: Grant received from Two Ridings Community Foundation for staff costs and IT purchases for staff working on the Connecting Nidderdale project.

Knabs Ridge: Grant received from Two Ridings Community Foundation - Knabs Ridge Community Benefit Fund for staff costs working on the Connecting Nidderdale project in the Knabs Ridge area.

Computer costs: Micro Grant received from NYCC for the purchase of IT equipment.

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14 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

COVID-19: Various grants were received for COVID-19 related costs including, £2,000 from Two Ridings Community Fund, £3,000 from NYCC Locality Grant, £500 from NYCC Micro Grant and £5,400 from National Lottery Coronavirus Community Support Fund. All these grants were spent on various costs incurred due to COVID-19 and additional staff costs.

Brelms Trust: The charity received a 3 year grant commitment from the trust between 2019-21 to help fund the extra staff costs for the expansion of services offered by the charity.

NYCC Locality Budget: NYCC provides each County Councillor with a budget to respond to local needs by recommending funding to support certain activities; we received 2 in the year to cover time spent dealing with community car project.

Stronger Communities: NYCC programme to strengthen voluntary and community organisations. For Nidderdale Plus, it is support to develop service provision and ensure sustainability with a view to becoming self-sufficient in the light of cuts in public funding.

Safe Nidd: a partnership comprising local emergency services, activity to promote community safety messages to residents and businesses in Nidderdale, chaired by Nidderdale Plus, supported by a grant from Harrogate Borough Council;

NY Youth Service: North Yorkshire County Council Youth Services: provision of services for young people in Nidderdale (eg youth clubs) - money in Nidderdale Plus accounts for future use by NY Youth in Nidderdale;

Nidderdale Orchestra: the Nidderdale Community Orchestra is a community orchestra (all ages/all abilities) established with the support of Nidderdale Plus, including use of bank account - now an independent community organisation with it's own bank account;

Arts Development: a former project coordinated by Nidderdale Plus to support creative industries in this rural area, final funds offered as Small Grants to support creative sector;

My Neighbourhood Intergenerational Project: the funding was awarded to facilitate a digital film project, combining the skills and insights of different generations, showing Nidderdale life as it is now and in the past. The money was expended during the financial year 19/20.

Library capital: NYCC funding for capital expenditure for the library.

Local fund digital grant: Grant from Harrogate Borough Council was received for enhancing our facilities into a hotdesking space and upgrading our meeting room.

Marketing - Two Ridings: Grant received from Two Ridings Community Foundation to fund a marketing leaflet refresh.

Mayors fund: This grant was used to purchase a safe.

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15 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

2021	<i>Unrestricted</i>			<i>Total</i>
	<i>Undesignated</i>	<i>Designated</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	
	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	<i>Funds</i>	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	-	12,457	-	12,457
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	60,608	54,200	-	114,808
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(4,989)	-	-	(4,989)
Net Assets	£ 55,619	£ 66,757	£ -	£ 122,376
2020				
Fixed Assets	-	14,547	-	14,547
Investments	-	100	-	100
Current Assets	46,925	-	4,770	51,695
Creditors: Amounts due in less than one year	(1,927)	-	-	(1,927)
Net Assets	£ 44,998	£ 14,647	£ 4,770	£ 64,415

16 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The total future value of minimum lease payments is as follows:

	<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>
<i>Buildings</i>	£	£
Within one year	12,500	10,417
Within one to two years	12,500	12,500
Within two to five years	28,125	40,625
	£ 53,125	£ 63,542

The amount of non-cancellable operating lease payments recognised as an expense during the year was £10,417 (2020 - £10,417).

17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no other related party transactions in the year other than those with Trustees disclosed in note 8 and the subsidiary disclosed in note 10.