



# **THE DWELLING PLACE**

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Annual Report & Accounts  
for the year ended 31st March 2024

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**Trustees**

Andrew Taylor  
Andrew Mahers  
Kathleen Oliver  
Lorraine Anstey  
David Hubbard

**Principal Office**

The Sarum Hill Centre, Sarum Hill, Basingstoke RG21 8SR

**Bankers**

Barclays Bank

**Independent Examiner**

Brewers Chartered Accountants  
Bourne House  
Queen Street  
Gomshall  
Surrey GU5 9LY

**Charity Registered No**

1164606

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Principal Activity**

The Dwelling Place provides supported housing for formerly homeless men.

**Governing Instruments**

The Charity is established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and its activities are regulated by its constitution. The objects of the CIO are, for the public benefit, to provide supported housing accommodation with enhanced housing management services, in order to:

- Promote social inclusion by preventing in particular (but not exclusively) the formerly homeless or vulnerably housed including, ex-offenders, those affected by illegal substance and alcohol addictions and people affected by poor mental health, from being socially excluded.
- Relieve the needs of the formerly homeless and vulnerably housed who, as a result of homelessness, are suffering the effects of unemployment, financial hardship, ill health and disability, assisting them to integrate into society and live with dignity and purpose, through engaging with a care and support plan aimed at sustainable independent living and enhancing employability.

**Trustees**

The above named have served during the year. The Trustees are kept informed of the activities and performance of the charitable organisation and provided with regular management information. The composition of the board is kept under review and additional appointments will be made should the need arise. All trustees are made aware of their responsibilities.

The Trustees met at least quarterly, quorate on each occasion, on the following dates:

20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

13<sup>th</sup> September 2023

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023

28<sup>th</sup> February 2024



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## Review of the year to March 2023

### Board of Trustees

There were no changes to the board of trustees this year.

### Residents

We have enjoyed full occupancy this financial year and have also seen two of our residents prepare for life in their own home. This was achieved shortly after our financial year end and we wish them success as their new independent life begins.

This year we decided that a new kitchen was in order, so we set about the task of getting some funding for the project. After getting quotes and securing half of the funding from our Partners we decided to move forward with a design that gave our residents much more cupboard and worktop space. Needless to say, the guys are really enjoying this new space.

### The kitchen before refurbishment



### The kitchen after refurbishment



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**Financial Review**

During the year the charity has received donations and other income amounting to £59,852 and has incurred expenditure of £51,332.

**Reserves**

The Trustees seek to hold adequate reserves to meet three months operating costs equivalent to about £20,000

Reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 totalled: £39,122.

**Risk Management**

The Trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have taken steps to mitigate the potential impact of these.

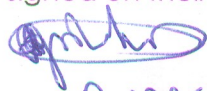
**Public Benefit**

The Trustees have considered the guidance provided by the Charity Commission regarding public benefit and the work of the charity.

This report was approved by the Trustees on:

19<sup>th</sup> September 2024

and signed on their behalf by:



ANDREW MAHERS

Trustee



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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Dwelling Place**

I report to the trustees (who are also Directors for the purpose of company law) on my examination of the financial statements of The Dwelling Place ('the charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this 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 charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charitable company you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charitable company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charitable company's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act') and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently, I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable company as required by section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements set out in the Charities Regulations 2008 Act other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

Andrew Skilton, ACA  
Brewers  
Bourne House  
Queen Street  
Surrey GU5 9LY



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**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

|                                                       | Note | 2024<br>Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2024<br>Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2024<br>Total<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>                          |      |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| From:                                                 |      |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Donations                                             |      | 7,124                              | -                                | 7,124              | 2,195              |
| Charitable Activities                                 |      | 52,366                             | -                                | 52,366             | 38,775             |
| Interest Received                                     |      | 362                                | -                                | 362                | 37                 |
| Total                                                 |      | 59,852                             | -                                | 59,852             | 41,007             |
| <b>EXPENDITURE on:</b>                                |      |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Charitable activities                                 |      | 51,332                             | -                                | 51,332             | 42,175             |
| Total                                                 |      | 51,332                             | -                                | 51,332             | 42,175             |
| <b>Net (Deficit)/Income</b>                           |      | 8,520                              | -                                | 8,520              | (1,168)            |
| Total Funds at 31st March 2023                        |      | 30,602                             | -                                | 30,602             | 31,770             |
| <b>Total Funds Carried Forward at 31st March 2024</b> |      |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
|                                                       |      | 39,122                             | -                                | 39,122             | 30,602             |

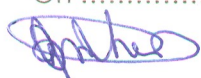
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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

|                                         | Note | 2024<br>£     | 2023<br>£     |
|-----------------------------------------|------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                   |      |               |               |
| Debtors                                 |      | 734           | 534           |
| Cash at Bank                            |      | 38,388        | 30,068        |
|                                         |      | <u>39,122</u> | <u>30,602</u> |
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>              |      |               |               |
| Liabilities falling due within one year |      | -             | -             |
| Net Current Assets                      |      | <u>39,122</u> | <u>30,602</u> |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                       |      | <u>39,122</u> | <u>30,602</u> |
| <b>FUND BALANCES</b>                    |      |               |               |
| Unrestricted funds                      |      | 39,122        | 30,602        |
| General Funds                           |      | -             | -             |
| Restricted Funds                        |      | -             | -             |
|                                         |      | <u>39,122</u> | <u>30,602</u> |

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf

On 19<sup>th</sup> September 2024 by:



ANDREW MAHERS

Trustee

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**1 Accounting Policies**

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

a) Donated and Grants income:

Donated income and grants receivable are taken into account when received by the charity. Income received in circumstances where a claim for repayment of tax has been or will be made to HM Revenue & Customs is grossed up for the tax recoverable. Any amount of tax reclaimed from HM revenue & Customs but not yet received is shown within the charity's debtors.

b) Other income and expenditure:

Investment income is taken into account when receivable and expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, when incurred by the charity, regardless of when payment is made. Grants payable are taken into account at the earlier of when they are paid or become constructive obligations.

c) Funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without specified purpose and are available for purposes as directed by the trustees. Restricted funds are amounts received where the donor has specified the purpose for which it should be used.

d) Fund Accounting

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

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



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|                                            | 2024<br>Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2024<br>Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2024<br>Total<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>2 Voluntary income</b>                  |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Grants                                     | 3,586                              | -                                | 3,586              | -                  |
| General donations                          | 3,374                              | -                                | 3,374              | 2,195              |
| tax Recoverable                            | 163                                | -                                | 163                | -                  |
|                                            | <u>7,124</u>                       | <u>-</u>                         | <u>7,124</u>       | <u>2,195</u>       |
| <b>3 Income from Charitable Activities</b> |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| BDBC Housing Benefit                       | 42,704                             | -                                | 42,704             | 29,708             |
| Service payments from residents            | 9,662                              | -                                | 9,662              | 8,859              |
| Other income                               | -                                  | -                                | -                  | 245                |
|                                            | <u>52,366</u>                      | <u>-</u>                         | <u>52,366</u>      | <u>38,812</u>      |
| <b>4 Cost of Charitable Activities</b>     |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| <b>a Direct Charitable Costs</b>           |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Leasing Costs                              | 21,962                             | -                                | 21,962             | 19,935             |
| Utilities and house Maintenance            | 20,019                             | -                                | 20,019             | 12,918             |
| Staff and Training Costs                   | 3,860                              | -                                | 3,860              | 5,984              |
| Other Administrative Costs                 | 1,296                              | -                                | 1,296              | 461                |
| Counselling                                | 1,255                              | -                                | 1,255              | 415                |
|                                            | <u>48,392</u>                      | <u>-</u>                         | <u>48,392</u>      | <u>39,713</u>      |
| <b>b Support &amp; Administration</b>      |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Insurance                                  | 620                                | -                                | 620                | 1,300              |
| Independent Examination                    | 931                                | -                                | 931                | 780                |
| Other Administrative Costs                 | 1,389                              | -                                | 1,389              | 382                |
|                                            | <u>2,940</u>                       | <u>-</u>                         | <u>2,940</u>       | <u>2,462</u>       |
| <b>Total</b>                               | <u>51,332</u>                      | <u>-</u>                         | <u>51,332</u>      | <u>42,175</u>      |
| <b>5 Staff &amp; Trustees</b>              |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| The cost of employing staff in the year    |                                    |                                  | 3,860              | 5,984              |
| Salary Costs                               |                                    |                                  | <u>3,860</u>       | <u>5,984</u>       |

Power to pay remuneration to trustees is included in the charity's constitution. One trustee, L Anstey, is paid by the charity. No remuneration or expenses were paid to any other trustee during the year nor to any person connected to them.

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|                                                             | 2024<br>Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2024<br>Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2024<br>Total<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>6 Debtors and Prepayments</b>                            |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Trade Debtors                                               | 434                                | -                                | 434                | 234                |
| Tax Recoverable                                             | 300                                | -                                | 300                | 300                |
|                                                             | <u>734</u>                         | <u>-</u>                         | <u>734</u>         | <u>534</u>         |
| <b>7 Cash at Bank and in Hand</b>                           |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Bank Accounts                                               | 38,388                             | -                                | 38,388             | 30,068             |
|                                                             | <u>38,388</u>                      | <u>-</u>                         | <u>38,388</u>      | <u>30,068</u>      |
| <b>8 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year</b> |                                    |                                  |                    |                    |
| Creditors                                                   | -                                  | -                                | -                  | -                  |
|                                                             | <u>-</u>                           | <u>-</u>                         | <u>-</u>           | <u>-</u>           |