

Directors Report 2022-23

This is my last AGM as Director and by September a new Branch Leadership Team will be in place, so it's an exciting time for the branch.

The renovations in our basement are now finished and it is a really functional and pleasant space to work in. Graham3 and his team have turned out course after course of amazing new volunteers for the branch, and I'd like to thank them for their patience during the renovations. A few years ago we extended the training basement and this new work builds on that. We've named the extra room that's been created "Peter's Room", in honour of both Peter 3 who has done so much hard work behind the scenes and also Peter2, our longest serving volunteer who has clocked up over 50 years.

Our volunteers continue their fantastic work supporting our callers. In the last year, they've responded to over 29,000 phone calls and 679 instant chats. Maintaining the rota is never easy, but our Rota Team, led by Barbara, has risen to the challenge and minimised our closure rate. It is never easy closing a shift, particularly at night when our service is vital for many desperate callers and the team has done their utmost to keep us open.

We have the honour of having the SW Regional Director in our branch, so John handed on Outreach to Sarah, who took over as Deputy Director in this role. In January's Brew Monday we dispensed tea bags at 7 stations and we've also attended festivals, raising awareness at Bloom, Respect and Honiton Show.

Our Prison Team continue to support HMP Exeter and the team continues to show compassion and commitment to training listeners.

And our Education Team, started by Tim and now headed up by Louise and Dave has done an amazing job. They've done outreach work in Exeter, Honiton, Exmouth and Dawlish Colleges. Vital work in raising awareness amongst young people and teachers at a time when life can be so difficult for those people.

We were fortunate enough to benefit from grants and donations from John Lewis, the Lions Club of Sidmouth and the Exeter Crematorium, SWRR and Khif, as well as donations from generous individuals. We also benefitted from supermarket collections, raising over £3,500 and sponsorship via Enthuse raised a further £8300.

And we must not forget the income from our Sidmouth shop which has been incredible. Lucy and her fantastic team of shop volunteers have worked so hard to maximise income from the shop and gallery. This year has been a period of reinvestment and next year we should see even more positive results. As well as being a revenue stream though, the shop has also been remodelled to include a multi functional space which there are exciting plans for. It was always our shared vision that the shop was not just a money making venture, we wanted to add real value to Sidmouth High Street, and I'm proud to say I think we've done that.

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M. Hayes FCIB

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 March 2023

Incoming Resources

Incoming Resources from Generated Funds

Voluntary Income

Donations

Gift Aid

Collections

Legacies

Grants

Total Voluntary Income

Activities for generating funds

Shop and On-line

Investment Income & interest

Total Incoming Resources from Generated Funds

Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities

Training

Other

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Resources Expended

Cost of Generating Funds

Fundraising costs

Net incoming resources available for charitable purposes

Charitable Expenditure

Outreach

Advertising and Service Promotion

Phone lines

Recruitment & Training costs

Volunteer expenses

Printing, Stationery & Postage

Premises

Insurances

Shop and on-line

Branch contribution

Total Charitable Expenditure

Governance costs

Total Resources Expended

	2022/23	2021/22
7728	9344	
782	2992	
3599	2346	
0	1000	
13730	22944	
25838	38626	
79477	82643	
1226	1045	
80703	83688	
0	0	
14589	7659	
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0	0	
121130	129973	
142	0	
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120988	129973	
506	733	
639	2406	
2151	2428	
2433	815	
5539	6987	
1375	964	
14465	26607	
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Net Income (expenditure) for the year

Other recognised Gains and Losses

Net Movement in Funds

Balances brought forward at 31.03.21

Balances carried forward at 31.03.22

2022/23	2021/22
0	0
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515561	512516

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2023

Fixed Assets

Investments

Current Assets

Debtors

Cash at Bank

Creditors due within one year

Net Current Assets

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Represented by:

General Fund

Restricted Fund

Total Funds

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