



SPACE YOUTH PROJECT

**Trustees' Annual Report and
Financial Statement**

Registered Charity Number : 1167902

**Registered office : % BPC, North
Road Poole Dorset BH14 0LS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2024

Space Youth Project is a **Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)**

Our **Constitution objectives** are:

1. To advance in life and relieve needs of young people under the age of 25 who are lesbian, bisexual, gay, trans and questioning (LGBTQ) through
 - a. the provision of educational, recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions in life;
 - b. providing advice, support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to advance education and enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals
2. The promotion of equality and diversity for the public benefit by
 - a. the elimination of discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity
 - b. advancing education and raising awareness in equality and diversity issues faced by people of all ages who are LGBTQ and
 - c. cultivation a sentiment in favour of equality and diversity to recreate a safe environment where LGBTQ can promote and explore their culture and work in the interests of the public benefit to remove any social exclusion.

Space Youth Project's activities benefit the young LGBT+ people within Dorset as they raise awareness of their needs, offer safe spaces for them to be themselves and educate professionals and others across Dorset to enable them to better support LGBT+ young people in their care. It is the aim that this will create a more inclusive and diverse community.

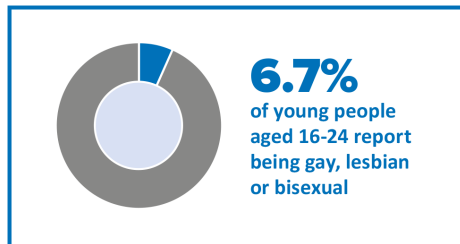
The public benefits are measured through the annual reporting of the number of young people who have accessed our services within a 12 month period, the locations and styles of sessions held and the outreach to the wider community. This work includes engagement through Space Youth Project's website, online presence, newsletter and work delivered to professionals and others.

We are a youth-led project but ensure that any changes to our services will assess and consider the public benefit, keeping in mind the Charity Commission's guidance.

BACKGROUND Space Youth Project started in 2002 responding to the needs of local young people questioning their sexuality and asking for help in coming to terms with living in a heteronormative and often prejudiced society. Since then, the organisation has increased its membership and we support lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and those questioning their sexuality or gender identity – we use the term LGBT+ to include all the identities. Space has become well known in the Dorset area for its youth-led work.

Space Youth Project was formally registered as a charity in June 2007 and became a CIO in June 2016, governed by a constitution.

WHY WE ARE NEEDED



Source: ONS (2021) Sexual Orientation UK, 2019

Youth
findings
73% of
agreed
against



Source: Gender Identity Development Service
Referrals to GIDS, financial years 2010-11 to 2020-21

Chances Report

the LGBTQ sample
that discrimination
LGB people is still
common and 90% of
against trans people

the LGBTQ sample agreed that discrimination
is still common.

52% of LGBTQ young people had self-harmed, compared to 35% of heterosexual, non-trans participants.

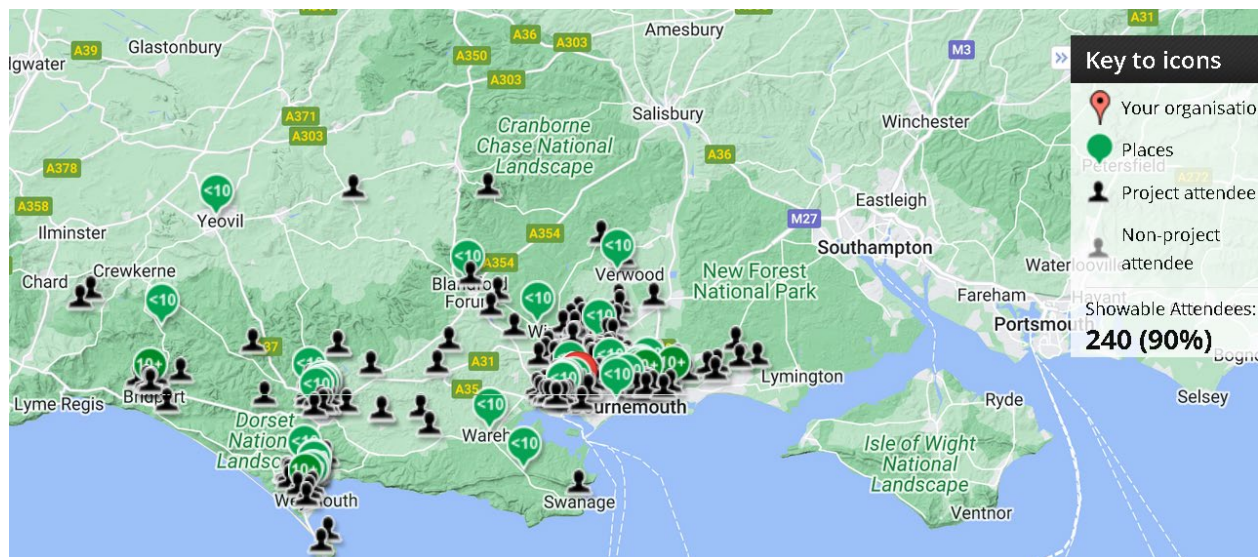
44% of the LGBTQ participants had thought about suicide, compared to 26% of the heterosexual, non-trans participants.

ACTIVITY AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Young People

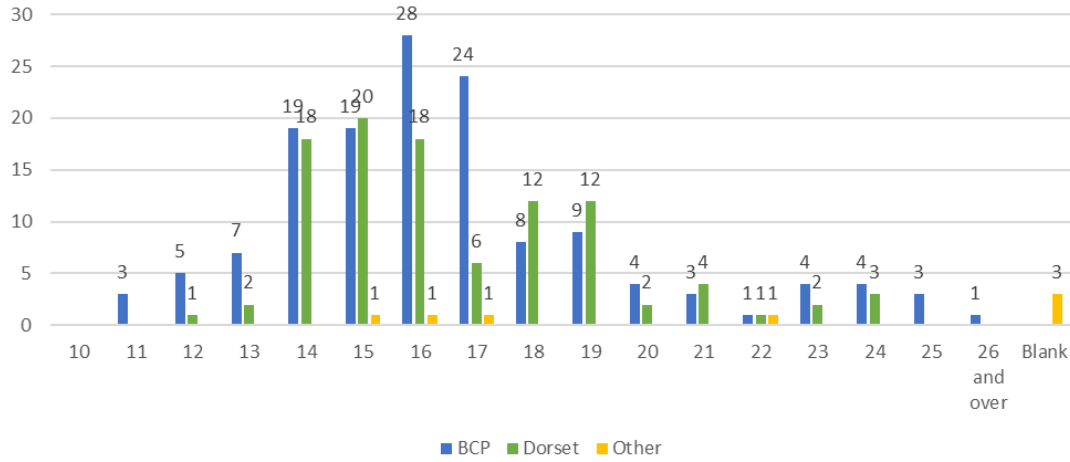
- **240** vulnerable LGBT+ young people supported

Where our members live

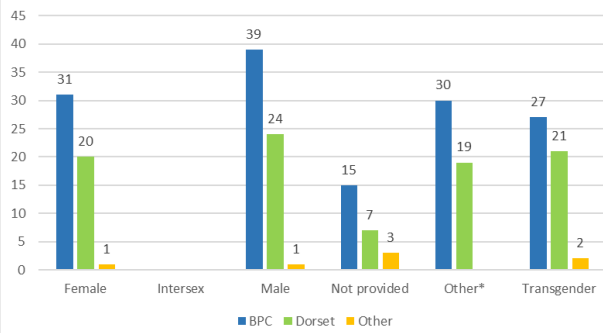


About our members

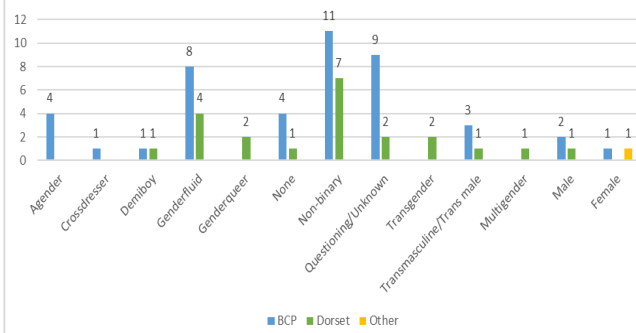
Age of Participants



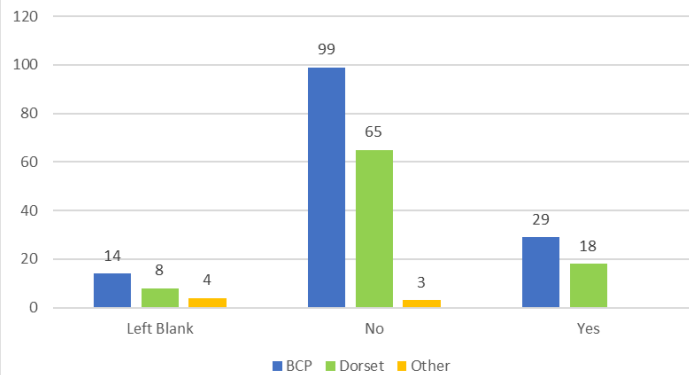
Gender



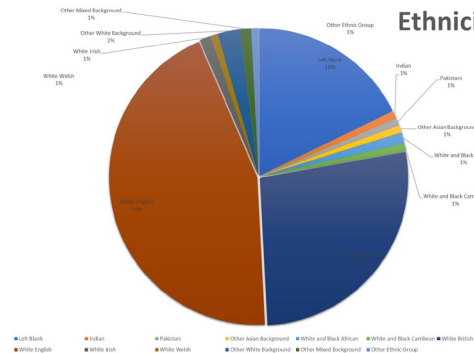
Gender: Other

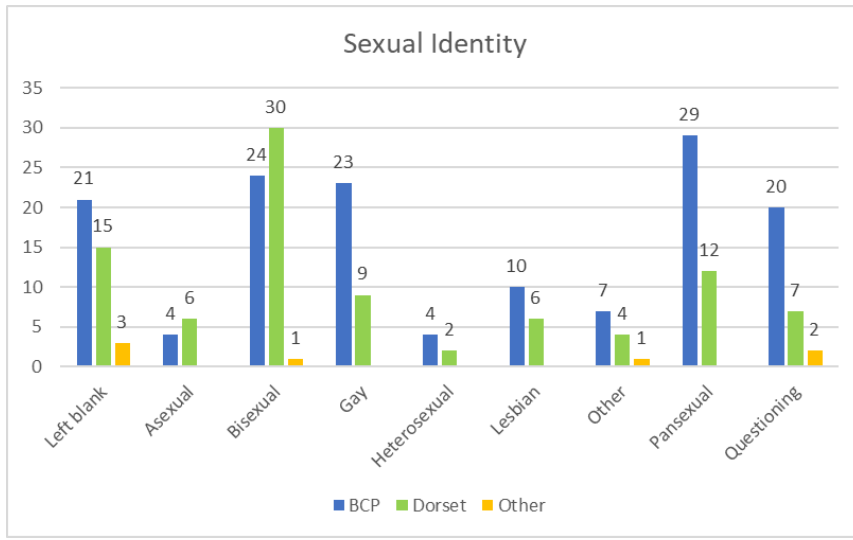


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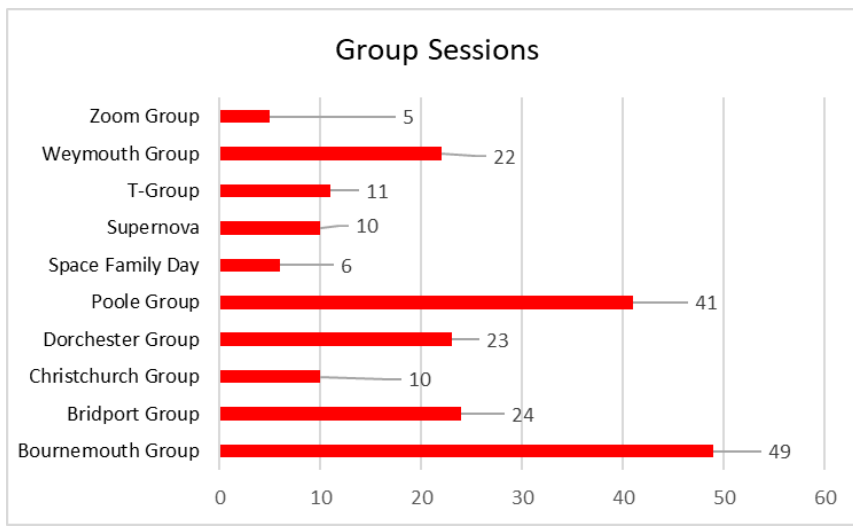


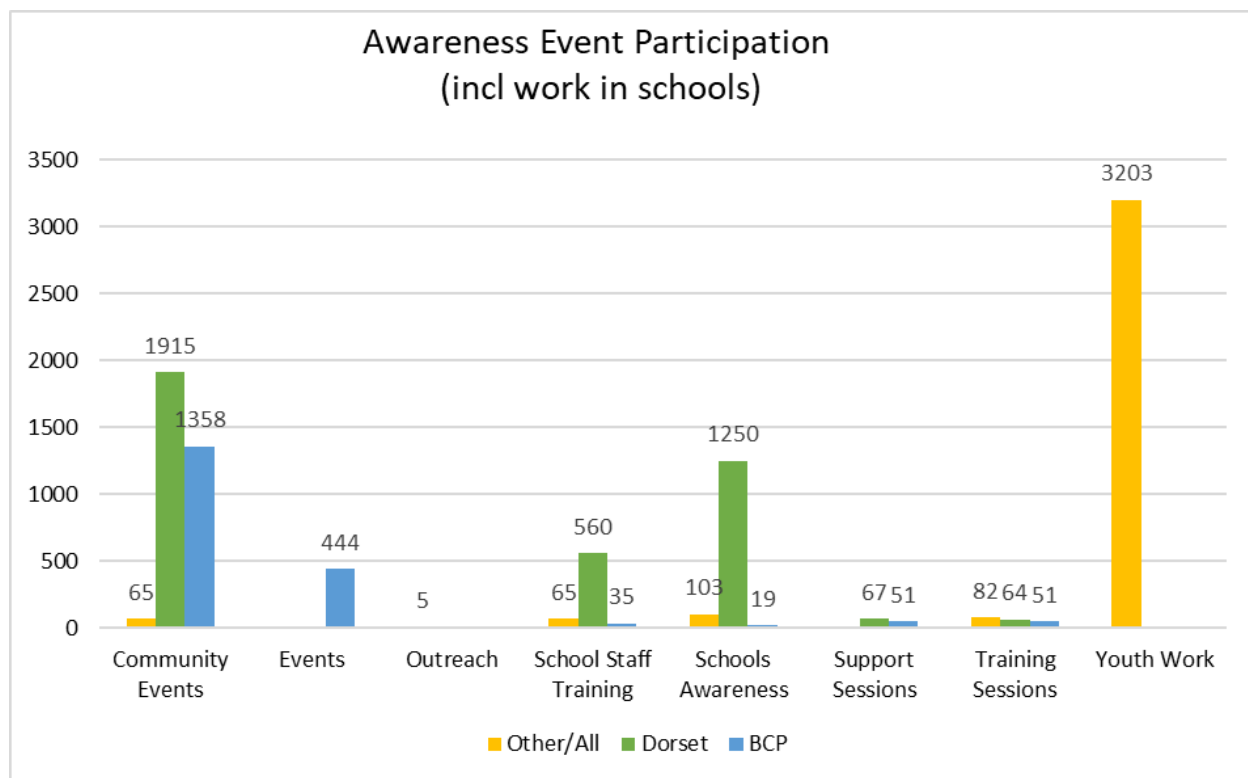
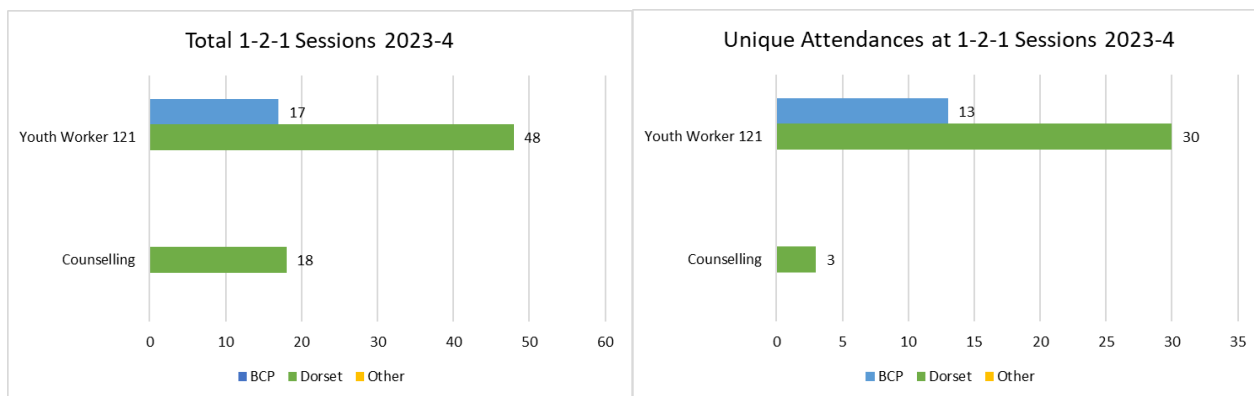
Ethnicity





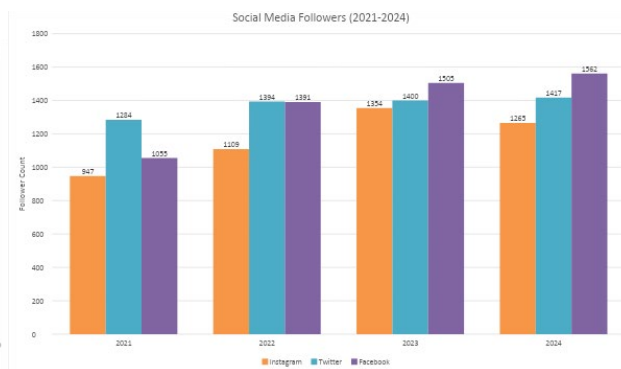
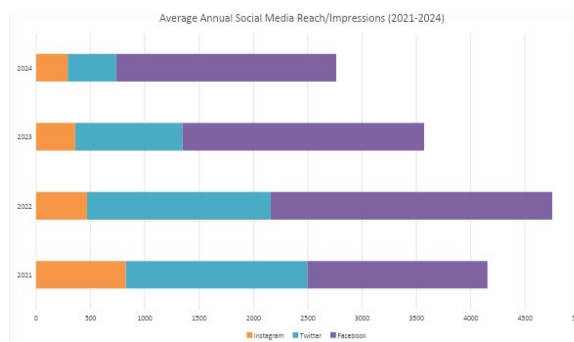
What we did





We are delighted that some in society are kind and want to understand how better to support LGBT+ young people in Dorset and are always happy to be invited to attend events. We are especially grateful to [Diversity Mel](#) and her fabulous team for their unrelenting work in schools.

Other work - In addition to **groups**, **telephone** and **face to face** meetings there has been continued and increased use of support via the **internet** and **text**. We have also increased our **social media** support and reach tremendously utilising Facebook, messenger, Instagram and twitter.



Consultations -54 consultations have been carried out with and on behalf of our LGBT+ young people for other youth organisations, Universities and Colleges, LGBT+ bodies, health organisations, Local Authorities, Dorset Police, the Home Office and other government departments, voluntary bodies, national and local charities and funders.

Safeguarding Following Space Youth Project and Pan Dorset Safeguarding Policies and Procedures we have supported 6 young people with identified safeguarding concerns.

WONDERFUL TEAM

Our annual staff turnover for 23/24 is 14.2%

STAFF

- 2 - Full time Professionally Trained Youth Support workers
- 2 - Part time Professionally Trained Youth Support workers
- 2 - Part time admin support
- 1 - Part time Operations Manage
- 1 - Full time CEO

VOLUNTEERS

23 Total number of volunteers 2023/24

2652 hours contributed

1818 hours of Youth Work

141 hours of Admin

170 hours of Training received

224 hours of training delivered

181 hours of PR

118 hours Trustees

£31824 approximate monetary value of volunteers.

Volunteer feedback

100% Space Youth Project maintain very high standards

100% Space Youth Project understands young people's needs

100% young peoples needs are the top priority at Space Youth Project

100% receive useful and constructive feedback from managers.

100% say doing my role well gives me a sense of personal satisfaction

100% receive the training they need to carry out their role well

"It is a pleasure to be part of a dedicated team committed to bettering the lives of young LGBT+

people in Dorset and beyond”

Income Generation

The charity has also continued developing routes whereby specialist advice and guidance can be provided to other professionals, parents and carers to enable them to work with LGBT+ young people in a more informed and supportive manner. This has provided a further income stream which we will be developing. The internet shop is still creating income and will be expanded when new products become available.

Funding is secure until April 2025 and everyone is working together to increase funding stability.

Future Plans - Space Youth Project will continue to deliver the activities previously mentioned in the coming year. We will be increasing income generation streams by delivering more schools work and training and providing lived experience workshops and Q&A sessions.

Trustees The Constitution provides for there to be at least three Trustees, all of whom are required to resign and seek re-election if they wish every three years. New or re-elected Trustees are chosen by the members. The elected Trustees as a body may co-opt further Trustees if particular specialist expertise or support is felt to be needed.

Names of charity Trustees during the period:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office (if any)</u>	<u>Dates appointed or resigned in year</u>
Harry Susser	Co-chair and Safeguarding	
Charlotte Blanchard	Co-chair	
Eli Moore	Health and Safety	
Maddie Cowley	Treasurer	Appointed July 23
Jan Wagner		Appointed March 24

Day-to day operation is delegated to a full-time salaried CEO, a part time project coordinator, part time admin workers, part time social media creators, trainee youth support worker and sessional youth support workers, with the Trustees meeting formally every 6 weeks.

SYP Reserves

Space Youth Project currently holds two types of reserves to maintain the smooth running of the project;

- Staff contingency reserve – this is to cover the cost of staff sickness or other forced absence which could impact the project. This is equivalent to one full time member of staff for four months of work.

- General reserve – this to cover funding shortfalls or interruption to normal operating activities. Space Youth Project currently has a 6 month reserve for all public benefits offered by the project, including time to wind down and redundancy costs in the event of a full closure and to ensure the needs of young persons accessing the project are referred to relevant agencies

At present this is a value **£143,200**

Bankers - CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JQ
Charity Bank Ltd, Fosse House, 182 High St, Tonbridge, TN9 1BE

The report has been approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Harry Susser', written in a cursive style.

Harry Susser (Co Chair)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SPACE YOUTH PROJECT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2024.

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D C Short', with a horizontal line underneath.

**D C SHORT FCCA
CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT**

Date: 20 December 2024

70 Seabourne Road
Bournemouth
Dorset BH5 2HT

Space Youth Project - Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	2	1,282	1,914
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		200,673	241,316
Debtors		650	-
		201,323	241,316
The total net assets of the charity		202,605	243,230
The total net assets of the charity are funded by the funds of the charity, as follows:-			
Restricted funds			
Restricted Revenue Funds	3	0	16,941
Unrestricted Funds			
Unrestricted Revenue Funds	3	202,605	226,289
Total charity funds		202,605	243,230

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of charity legislation with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.



Harry Susser

Trustee

Approved by the board of trustees on 20 December 2024

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

Policies relating to the production of the accounts.

Basis of preparation and accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared on the accruals basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, (effective 1st January 2016) and 'FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), published by the Charity Commission in England & Wales (CCEW) , effective January 2016, , and in accordance with all applicable law in the charity's jurisdiction of registration, except that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the FRS 102 SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting by Charities) 2015, (as amended by the Bulletin issued in October 2018 and applicable to all accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2019), (The SORP), in preference to the previous SORP, the SORP 2005, which has been withdrawn, notwithstanding the fact that the extant statutory regulations, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 refer explicitly to the SORP 2005. This has been done to accord with current best practice.

Risks and future assumptions

The charity is a public benefit entity.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at their original cost value, or subsequent revaluation, or if donated, as described above. Cost value includes all costs expended in bringing the asset into its intended working condition.

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write off the assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives.

Plant and machinery	33% % straight line
Motor vehicles	33% % straight line

2 Tangible fixed assets

<i>Current Year</i>	Plant & Machinery	Motor Vehicles	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2023	5,411	2,500	7,911	7,911
At 31 March 2024	5,411	2,500	7,911	7,911
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2023	3,757	2,240	5,997	5,997
Charge for the year	546	86	632	632
At 31 March 2024	4,303	2,326	6,629	6,629
Net book value				
At 31 March 2024	1,108	174	1,282	1,282
At 31 March 2023	1,654	260	1,914	1,914

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

3	2024		2024		2024		2023	
		£	£		£		£	
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total		Total		
Donations & Legacies	A1	20,408	71,097	91,505		249,744		
Other trading activities	A2	51,035	-	51,035		24,528		
Investments	A3	5,195	-	5,195		50		
Total income	A	76,638	71,097	147,735		274,322		
Expenditure on:								
Charitable activities	A7	1,971	186,389	188,360		189,708		
Net movement in funds		74,667	(115,292)	(40,625)		84,614		
Funds transferred		(98,351)	98,351					
Total funds brought forward		226,289	16,941	243,230		158,616		
Total funds carried forward		202,605	-	202,605		243,230		

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Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Income		
Income from operations	142,540	274,272
Investment income		
Interest receivable	5,195	50
Gross income in the year before exceptional items	147,735	274,322
Gross income in the year including exceptional items	147,735	274,322
Expenditure		
Charitable expenditure, excluding depreciation and amortisation	188,360	189,708
Total expenditure in the year	188,360	189,708
Net income before tax in the financial year	(40,625)	84,614
Retained surplus brought forward	243,410	158,796
Retained surplus for the financial year	202,785	243,410

All activities derive from continuing operations

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2024

This analysis is classified by conventional nominal descriptions and not by activity.

A1	Current year	Current year	Current year	Prior Year
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds		
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts from individuals				
Donations and legacies	20,408	-	20,408	43,019
Total donations and gifts from individuals	20,408	-	20,408	43,019

	Current year	Current year	Current year	Prior Year
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds		
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Revenue grants from government and public bodies				
BCP Council	-	22,917	22,917	33,000
Children In Need	-	-	-	45,671
Dorset County Council	-	21,993	21,993	54,819
The National Lottery	-	26,187	26,187	52,655
DYE A Year in Service	-	-	-	20,080
The Talbot Trust	-	-	-	-
Time To Shine	-	-	-	-
The Rank Foundation	-	-	-	500
Starlights	-	-	-	-
Total public sector revenue grants	-	71,097	71,097	206,725

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2024

A2 Income from other, non charitable, trading activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Non-charitable trading activities	1,735	-	1,735	7,773
Training	49,300	-	49,300	16,755
Total from other activities	51,035	-	51,035	24,528

A3 Investment income

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest Receivable	5,195	-	5,195	50
Total investment income	5,195	-	5,195	50

A4 Expenditure on charitable activities - Direct spending

<i>Current Year</i>	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Gross wages and salaries - charitable activities	-	157,780	157,780	140,047
Defined contribution pension costs - charitable activities	-	2,740	2,740	14,440
Travel and Subsistence - Charitable Activities	-	1,291	1,291	1,114
Marketing and advertising of charitable services	-	2,718	2,718	3,286
Staff reimbursed expenses	-	5,281	5,281	6,435
Young people activities	-	3,670	3,670	6,391
Volunteers' expenses	-	2,464	2,464	1,429
Total direct spending	-	175,944	175,944	173,142

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Detailed analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2024

A5 Expenditure on charitable activities - Charitable trading

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
<i>Current Year</i>	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Cost of goods for primary purpose trading - Including movement in stock	-	-	-	-
Postage	315	-	315	478
Total charitable trading costs	315	-	315	478

A6 Support costs for charitable activities

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total Funds
<i>Current Year</i>	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
<i>Employee costs not included in direct costs</i>				
Training and welfare - staff	-	1,815	1,815	1,195
<i>Premises Expenses</i>				
Premises repairs, renewals and maintenance	-	3,701	3,701	5,409
Insurance	-	1,360	1,360	1,342
<i>Administrative overheads</i>				
Telephone, fax and internet	-	1,278	1,278	1,062
Affiliation fees	-	45	45	124
Computer costs	-	1,953	1,953	4,042
Sundry expenses	-	53	53	734
Equipment, repairs, expenses and maintenance	-	73	73	391
<i>Professional fees paid to advisors other than the auditor or examiner</i>				
Accountancy fees	930	-	930	900
Other legal and professional	-	167	167	98
<i>Financial costs</i>				
Bank charges	78	-	78	60
Paypal charges	16	-	16	8
Depreciation & Amortisation in total for	632	-	632	723
Support costs before reallocation	1,656	10,445	12,101	16,088
Total support costs - Current Year	1,656	10,445	12,101	16,088

A7 Total Charitable expenditure

	Current year Unrestricted Funds	Current year Restricted Funds	Current year Total Funds	Prior Year Total funds
<i>Current Year</i>	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Total direct spending	A4 -	175,944	175,944	173,142
Total charitable trading costs	A5 315	-	315	478
Total support costs	A6 1,656	10,445	12,101	16,088
Total charitable expenditure	1,971	186,389	188,360	189,708