

SAMARITANS OF YEOVIL SHERBORNE & DISTRICT

England & Wales · Charity number 1168371

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-07-21

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

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Activities

Objects: 1. TO WORK FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF PERSONS WHO ARE SUICIDAL, DESPAIRING OR IN DISTRESS BY PROVIDING A SERVICE PRIMARILY INTENDED FOR THE BENEFIT OF PERSONS IN YEOVIL, SHERBORNE AND DISTRICT (BUT WITHOUT SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS AS TO AREA) TO ENABLE SUCH PERSONS TO RECEIVE IMMEDIATE HELP, COMPASSION AND BEFRIENDING FROM MEMBERS OF THE CHARITY SELECTED AND PREPARED FOR THE PURPOSE WORKING UNDER DIRECTION; AND ALSO WHERE APPROPRIATE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAMARITAN PROCEDURE, REFERRAL TO PERSONS HAVING SPECIALIST OR PROFESSIONAL SKILLS. 2. TO SUPPORT THE COMPANY AND AID IN THE ESTABLISHMENT AND SUPPORT OF RECOGNISED BRANCHES OF SAMARITANS.

Activities: We provide emotional support for people who are experiencing distress or despair or are at risk of suicide.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Dorset
- Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£38,597	£154,589	-	-
2024-03-31	£19,822	£146,116	-	-
2023-03-31	£20,249	£50,695	-	-
2022-03-31	£28,200	£199,749	-	-
2021-03-31	£39,682	£242,494	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Carolyn Jane Wilson		2024-12-29
Elizabeth K Willoughby-Paul		2023-01-01
Ian Roland Dibben		2024-05-25
Lorna Turner		2026-01-01
Maymie Sylvia Rose White		2025-12-21

Linked charities

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SAMARITANS OF YEOVIL SHERBORNE & DISTRICT

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Accounts

**Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne
& District**

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**Financial Statements
and Trustees Annual Report
for the year ended 31st March 2025**

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Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by.



Elizabeth Willoughby-Paul

Branch Director

Date: 21 November 2025

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District
Independent Examiner's Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District.

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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19th November 2025

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Receipts and Payments accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024
Income						
Gift Aid donations (incl. gift aid)	1,540.00	-	1,540.00	635.00	-	635.00
Other donations and gifts	20,114.69	-	20,114.69	7,860.98	-	7,860.98
Fundraising	5,951.02	-	5,951.02	2,081.76	-	2,081.76
Prison reimbursement	2,039.29	-	2,039.29	2,703.66	-	2,703.66
Rental income	2,772.00	-	2,772.00	1,204.04	-	1,204.04
Investment income	3,061.19	-	3,061.19	2,371.64	-	2,371.64
Bank interest	2,036.55	-	2,036.55	2,796.44	-	2,796.44
Tax Reclaim Gift Aid	1,082.25	-	1,082.25	832.94	-	832.94
	38,596.99	-	38,596.99	20,486.46	-	20,486.46
Expenditure						
Direct costs:						
Light, heat, power and water	6,054.56	-	6,054.56	13,273.15	-	13,273.15
Rates	512.95	-	512.95	480.62	-	480.62
Legal Expense	2,152.80	-	2,152.80	-	-	-
Insurance	1,114.13	-	1,114.13	1,085.20	-	1,085.20
Volunteers Travel and expenses	26,525.62	137.40	26,663.02	19,422.88	754.54	20,177.42
Fund Raising Expenses	170.44	-	170.44	-	-	-
Outreach Work	859.66	-	859.66	685.88	-	685.88
Refreshments	232.08	-	232.08	1,081.95	-	1,081.95
Repairs and maintenance	16,143.64	-	16,143.64	11,572.04	-	11,572.04
Training	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trustees Travel and expenses	-	-	-	1,142.82	-	1,142.82
Telephone and broadband	2,113.01	-	2,113.01	1,841.72	-	1,841.72
Software subscriptions	1,378.80	-	1,378.80	607.47	-	607.47
Cleaning	2,939.75	-	2,939.75	2,558.95	-	2,558.95
Sundry	299.00	-	299.00	103.93	-	103.93
	60,496.44	137.40	60,633.84	53,856.61	754.54	54,611.15
Support costs:						
Advertising and publicity	100.00	-	100.00	76.19	-	76.19
Printing, postage and stationery	576.19	-	576.19	1,162.55	-	1,162.55
Contribution to Samaritans South	-	-	-	-	-	-
West costs	-	-	-	900.00	-	900.00
New Branch Contribution	86,585.00	-	86,585.00	-	-	-
	87,261.19	-	87,261.19	2,138.74	-	2,138.74
Governance costs:						
Independent examination	-	-	-	468.00	-	468.00
Accountancy	2,580.00	-	2,580.00	-	-	-
Professional fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2,580.00	-	2,580.00	468.00	-	468.00
Asset purchases:						
Office equipment	4,114.08	-	4,114.08	1,029.56	-	1,029.56
Property improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-
	4,114.08	-	4,114.08	1,029.56	-	1,029.56
Total expenditure	154,451.71	137.40	154,589.11	57,492.91	754.54	58,247.45
Surplus of expenditure over income in the year (loss)	(115,854.72)	(137.40)	(115,992.12)	(37,006.45)	(754.54)	(37,760.99)
Movement in bank balances						
Closing balances:						
Investment Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lloyds current account	5,187.39	-	5,187.39	13,716.36	-	13,716.36
Lloyds savings account	126,551.16	4,225.49	130,776.65	233,877.21	4,362.89	238,240.10
Total in bank at 31 March 2025	131,738.55	4,225.49	135,964.04	247,593.57	4,362.89	251,956.46
Opening bank balances	(247,593.57)	(4,362.89)	(251,956.46)	(285,253.49)	(5,117.43)	(290,370.92)
Net increase (reduction) in bank balances	(115,855.02)	(137.40)	(115,992.42)	(37,006.35)	(754.54)	(37,760.89)

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Supplementary information relating to the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025

Restricted funds

The restricted funds in the accounts relate to grants received to support specific activities.

All the restricted funds mentioned in the accounts relate to our work in Prisons.

We continued to receive the grant for some of the period that we were in lockdown and not able to continue with our work at Guys Marsh.

Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31st March 2025

Fixed Assets	note	2025	2024
Freehold Property	1	471,613	469,453
Office Equipment, furniture & fittings		2,861	1,258
Investments	2	85,110	84,251
		<u>559,584</u>	<u>554,962</u>
Current Assets			
Cash at bank	3	135,964	254,232
		<u>135,964</u>	<u>254,232</u>
Creditors			
Trade creditors		-	10,899
Accruals		800	1,400
New branch contribution	4	19,833	86,585
		<u>20,633</u>	<u>100,856</u>
Total Reserves		<u>674,915</u>	<u>708,338</u>

Notes:

- 1 Freehold property used by the Charity - acquisition cost £425,000 plus improvements at a cost of £46,613.
- 2 Unquoted securities - value £85,110. Invested with M & G Charibond and CCLA Charities Official Investment Fund and available for withdrawal at short notice
- 3 The significant legacy that the Charity received has now 'flushed through' the accounts and, in order to reduce fees, the Trustees made the decision to revert to simple income and expenditure accounts, rather than financial statements prepared on an accrual and prepayments basis.
- 4 The New Branch Contribution, payable to Central Charity, has been calculated at £19,833 for the year to 31st March 2025. The 2024 figure consists of £66,848 for 2024 and £19,737 for 2023.
- 5 No trade creditors for this year, the expenses are now being paid when they fall due.
- 6 Restricted funds within the cash in bank held as at 31st March 2025 was £4,225 (£4,363 in 2024). There are no endowment funds held.

Certificate of approval

We approve the Receipts and Payments accounts set out on pages 6 and 7 and confirm that to the best of our knowledge all relevant records and information for the preparation have been made available to you.

These accounts set out above were approved by the Trustees on 21st November 2025
and signed on their behalf by:



Ian Dibben - Trustee



Elizabeth Willoughby-Paul - Branch Director



Carolyn Wilson - Trustee

SAMARITANS OF YEOVIL SHERBORNE & DISTRICT

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Accounts

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Profit and Loss accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2024	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2023
Turnover						
Charitable Activities Prison Reimbursement	-	664	664	-	-	-
Donations Received -Non Gift Aid	9,497	-	9,497	13,857	-	13,857
Donations Received Gift Aid	714	-	714	530	-	530
Fund Generation - Fund Raising	282	-	282	1,485	-	1,485
Grants	2,039	-	2,039	-	-	-
Investment Income	2,372	-	2,372	2,129	-	2,129
Other Income	84	-	84	-	-	-
Rent Income	1,204	-	1,204	1,480	-	1,480
Savings Account Interest	2,796	-	2,796	768	-	768
Tax Reclaimed	833	-	833	-	-	-
Total Turnover	19,822	664	20,486	20,248	-	20,248
Cost of Sales						
Advertising	178	-	178	-	-	-
Discounts Taken	-	-	-	-	-	-
PR (Literature & Brochures)	546	-	546	240	-	240
SIT Training	-	-	-	70	-	70
Total Cost of Sales	724	-	724	310	-	310
Gross Profit	19,098	664	19,762	19,938	0	19,938
Administrative Costs						
Audit and Accountancy Fees	2,448	-	2,448	1,872	-	1,872
Cleaning	2,781	-	2,781	2,785	-	2,785
Depreciation	14,818	-	14,818	12,638	-	12,638
Donations from Legacy to Samaritan branches	900	-	900	-	-	-
Electricity	5,721	-	5,721	3,801	-	3,801
Gas	6,737	-	6,737	4,726	-	4,726
General Rates	481	-	481	481	-	481
Insurance	-	-	-	510	-	510

Miscellaneous items	74	-	74	305	-	305
Morley House refurbishment	3,370	-	3,370	1,820	-	1,820
New Branch Contribution	66,848	-	66,848	143,993	-	143,993
Office Equipment Depreciation (8004)	1,223	-	1,223	893	-	893
Office Machine Renewel - Maintenance	354	-	354	-	-	-
Office Stationery	801	-	801	349	-	349
Postage and Carriage	-	-	-	8	-	8
Premises Expenses	1,617	-	1,617	1,993	-	1,993
Printing	507	-	507	666	-	666
Prison Travel and Expenses	-	743	743	-	210	210
Refreshments	989	-	989	1,521	-	1,521
Repairs and Renewals	8,959	-	8,959	14,085	-	14,085
Software subscription	513	-	513	1,121	-	1,121
Telephone / Broadband	2,337	-	2,337	2,748	-	2,748
Trustees Travelling Expences	24,288	-	24,288	16,204	-	16,204
Volunteer Support	-	-	-	91	-	91
Water Rates	350	-	350	300	-	300
Total Administrative Costs	146,116	743	146,859	212,911	210	213,121
Loss for the Year	-127,018	-79	-127,096	-192,973	-210	-193,183

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District
Balance Sheet for the year ended 31 March 2024

Account	31 Mar 2024	31 Mar 2023
Tangible Assets		
Office Equipment	25,342	21,902
Office Equipment Depreciation (0031)	-21,673	-20,450
Property improvements	59,270	59,270
Property Improvements Accumulated Depreciation	-14,818	0
Property Morley House	425,000	425,000
Total Tangible Assets	473,122	485,722
	473,122	485,722
Cash at bank and in hand		
COIF	39,601	0
Lloyds Current Account	12,556	4,652
Lloyds Instant Savings Acc	238,240	283,444

Lotto Current Account	2,275	2,275
M & G Charibond	35,197	74,798
Total Cash at bank and in hand	327,869	365,169
	327,869	365,169
Accruals	1,140	0
Creditors Control Account	82,616	6,559
	83,756	6,559
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	244,113	358,610
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	717,235	844,332
Net Assets	717,235	844,332
Current Year Earnings	-127,096	-193,182
Funds	839,005	1,032,187
Funds - restricted	5,327	5,327
	717,235	844,332

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District Supplementary information relating to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

Notes:

- 1 Freehold property used by the Charity – acquisition cost £425,000 plus improvements at a cost of £59,270. We have depreciated the property improvements this year, there was a charge for this in last years P&L however this was not reflected in the fixed asset note.
- 2 Unquoted securities – value £35,197 Invested with M & G Charibond has not changed in value. The CCLA Charities Official Investment Fund has increased to £49,046.50, however we have not has statements showing these transactions so have left the year-end balance as 31st March 2023. The actual statement balance is £49,046.50. These are available for withdrawal at short notice.
- 3 These accounts have been prepared on a accruals basis as the invoices had already been posted into Sage Line 50.
- 4 An independent examination is still required, as stated in the constitution of the Charity.
- 5 The figures for the year ended 31 March 2023 have been generated on the same basis to make them comparable, however will not agree to the signed accounts for last year. This could involve dome duplication of transactions when calculating the Branch Contribution.
- 6 Independent examination and accountancy costs – the values reflected in the accounts relate to the final payment in relation to the year ended 31 March 2022.
- 7 The NBC, payable to Central Charity for 2024 has been provided by you at £66,848 for March 2024.
- 8 The bank statements for the Lotto account have not been made available.
- 9 I have had no details on what makes up the restricted income and expenses, therefore have assumed these relate to the prison income and travelling expenditure.

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2024

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne and District ("the charity") for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of 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.

Independent examiner's statement – matter of concern identified

- In the course of my examination, the following material matters have come to my attention which give me reasonable cause to believe that in material respects the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met. Specifically:

- The accounts do not reconcile with the bank statements, showing discrepancies amounting to £9,445.38. Some of this would be further income for the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024.

- Lotto bank account transactions have not been made available, there should be further income received from this account included in the P&L.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attentions should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 16th December 2024

SAMARITANS OF YEOVIL SHERBORNE & DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1168371

Accounts

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Charity registered in England & Wales number: 1168371

**Statement of income & expenditure
for the year ended 31st March 2023**

Annual Trustees Report

The Trustees present their report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is a charitable incorporated organisation registered in England & Wales, registered charity number 1168371. Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is an affiliated branch of Samaritans.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document is the CIO Association Constitution and the charity was incorporated as a charitable organisation on 21 July 2016.

The Trustees who served during the year and since the year end are as follows:

- S Hicks (Director end of term 31.12.22)
- S Jones (Secretary)
- F Dimdore (Resigned 20.09.22)
- K McElligott (Treasurer)
- I Dibben
- E Willoughby-Paul (Director start of term 01.01.23)

Two co-opted trustees to cover Premises Management and Commercial (J Symonds and C Blows) were taken in January 2023. J Symonds has subsequently resigned.

The charity is managed by a Branch Leadership Team (BLT), headed by the Branch Director, and including Trustees elected annually at the Annual General Meeting, co-opted on occasion during the year, until the date of the next AGM. All members of the charity may nominate individuals for election as trustees. All trustees undergo the standard mandatory training provided by Samaritans Central Charity. At 31st March 2023 the Branch Director plus three elected trustees were in post and two co-opted trustees as listed above. The other members of the BLT are Deputy Directors responsible for particular areas of management and these are appointed by the Director.

Trustees may be appointed from outside the volunteer body but all Deputy Directors must be listening or support volunteers who have completed the mandatory training.

Decisions made at trustee or BLT meetings are disseminated to the volunteer body by email or letter and at branch meetings. Minutes are available in the Filestore on Three Rings.

All persons working at our Charity are volunteers, we have no paid staff.

Aims and Objectives

The charitable objects are:

- To enable persons in Yeovil, Sherborne & District and the surrounding area as well as elsewhere who are experiencing feelings of distress or despair, including those who may be at risk of suicide, to receive confidential emotional support at any time of the day or night in order to improve their emotional health and to reduce the incidence of suicide;
- To promote a better understanding in society of suicide, suicidal behaviour and the value of expressing feelings which may otherwise lead to suicide or impaired emotional health; and
- To collaborate with and support Samaritans Central Charity and its affiliated branches in fulfilling these Objects.

To achieve our vision of fewer people dying by suicide, Samaritans as an organisation has identified four priority areas:

- Service: We will improve the quality and consistency of our service
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To deliver this, we need to make a 'step change' across three key areas: volunteering, learning and development and how we use digital technology.

It is important to note that all roles within a Samaritans branch are covered by volunteers, including the administration and management of the branch. This is different to the majority of charities who will have paid staff in these roles and volunteers to cover only support roles and in trustee roles. In this branch we have a management team of 12 covering the roles of Director, Deputy Directors, Personnel, Service Delivery, Finance, Training, Premises and Administration. We have estimated that this team in total spends around 150 hours per week focussing on work for the branch which if we take a conservative hourly rate of £15 per hour accrues to £2,250 per week and £117,000 per annum. Samaritans as a whole would not be able to exist without this level of volunteer-led management.

Achievements and performance

As mentioned in the aims and objectives, to achieve the 'step change' transformation and successfully deliver our strategy Samaritans has launched a programme of work called There for Everyone. The programme is evidence-based, developed through consultation with and input from a Volunteer Reference Panel with around 500 members.

In our branch we are working towards these goals by:

- Wider and more varied methods of public awareness and advertising
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- Expanding our valuable presentation about emotional health in Schools and Colleges
- Providing one to one peer reviews for listening volunteers on an annual basis
- Offering a flexible and varied programme on ongoing training
- Providing a service to Guys Marsh Prison in training and weekly support for a team of prisoners selected to
- We are working towards resuming our very successful emotional support work in the A&E department of Yeovil District Hospital, which stopped due to Covid-19

All these activities have, as well as being of huge benefit to the organisations we have supported, extended knowledge of Samaritans in the area covered by the branch. As a result our recruitment numbers have increased, providing more opportunity for those in need to speak to contact us.

Public benefit

The trustees report that the charitable activities, described in the Achievements and performance paragraphs, are for the public benefit. The trustees also confirm that they have complied with section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Fundraising

Our fundraising activity is usually based around local events as each Samaritans branch covers a specific area. Examples of these events are stalls at Christmas and summer fairs and various country shows providing refreshments. We have, in the past, accepted donations from volunteers and friends who have carried out sponsored swims, treks and such. However, there have been no major fundraising events during the year ended 31st March 2023.

We do not work with professional fundraisers and thus far we have not applied for grants.

Following best practice

Samaritans as an organisation is registered with the Fundraising Regulator and we are members of the Institute of Fundraising, the Direct Marketing Association, the Gambling Commission and the Lotteries Council.

Our donor promise sets out our aim to be open, fair and honest in the way we engage with supporters. As a branch we have had no complaints regarding any of our fundraising activities.

Financial Report (to be seen in conjunction with Annual Accounts)

The branch reserves policy is for reserves to cover 18 months of running costs.

Each year, the branch makes a contribution to the national organisation based on a system set by Samaritans Central Office as follows:

Contribution to be based on a sliding scale of reserves held in excess of 18 months of total annual unrestricted revenue expenditure.

'Reserves' are defined as

- Total of Unrestricted Funds (including Designated Funds, if any) less.
- The net book value of tangible fixed assets (e.g. Property, Fixtures & Fittings, Furnishings, Computer Equipment, Motor Vehicles etc.).

Reserves *include* investments at market value (not cost).

Reserves *exclude* Restricted Funds and Endowment Funds.

The sliding scale of contribution is as follows, with percentages to be applied to each particular segment

Reserves in range:	Percentage applied to each
18 months – 2 years	5%
2-3 years	10%
3-4 years	20%
4-5 years	30%
In excess of 5 years	40%

Reserves - The charity policy is to hold reserves to cover 18-24 months of running costs; for the current financial year this continues to be difficult to assess as the property (Morley House) continues to incur costs for necessary improvements and maintenance that were not carried out during the initial renovation. In the 2023-24 financial year, the goal will be to continue to evaluate and set normal running costs for the new building and the extended number of volunteers now recruited.

The income and expenditure accounts show a net movement in funds of (£184,362) for the year (2022: increase £279,822) and funds in the bank stand at £290,371, of which £5,117 is restricted.

The Future

The Covid-19 pandemic severely affected the plans to fully utilise Morley House. Plans for the upcoming year are to extend our services, increase our volunteer body and generate income from the facilities available in Morley House.

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Income and expenditure accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2023	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2022
Income						
Gift Aid donations (incl. gift aid)	530	-	530	1,485	-	1,485
Other donations and gifts	13,857	-	13,857	17,260	-	17,260
Fundraising	1,485	-	1,485	2,702	-	2,702
Prison reimbursement	-	-	-	-	2,426	2,426
Rental income	1,480	-	1,480	2,174	-	2,174
Investment income	2,129	-	2,129	2,408	-	2,408
Bank interest	768	-	768	55	-	55
Insurance claim	-	-	-	690	-	690
Sale of land	-	-	-	500,000	-	500,000
	20,248	-	20,248	526,774	2,426	529,200
Expenditure						
Direct costs:						
Light, heat, power and water	8,459	-	8,459	6,407	-	6,407
Rates	481	-	481	384	-	384
Insurance	(575)	-	(575)	2,962	-	2,962
Travel and expenses	15,139	210	15,349	9,584	-	9,584
Refreshments	1,612	-	1,612	-	-	-
Repairs and maintenance	17,898	-	17,898	16,928	-	16,928
Training	70	-	70	-	-	-
Travel and expenses (trustees)	856	-	856	592	-	592
Telephone and broadband	2,747	-	2,747	2,990	-	2,990
Software subscriptions	707	-	707	394	-	394
Cleaning	2,785	-	2,785	2,212	-	2,212
Sundry	305	-	305	871	-	871
	50,486	210	50,695	43,324	-	43,324
Support costs:						
Advertising and publicity	145	-	145	1,806	-	1,806
Printing, postage and stationery	1,009	-	1,009	1,125	-	1,125
Contribution to Samaritans South West costs	143,993	-	143,993	188,240	-	188,240
	145,147	-	145,147	191,171	-	191,171
Governance costs:						
Independent examination	800	-	800	1,000	-	1,000
Accountancy	1,072	-	1,072	1,255	-	1,255
Professional fees	-	-	-	12,628	-	12,628
	1,872	-	1,872	14,883	-	14,883
Asset purchases:						
Office equipment	240	-	240	-	-	-
Property improvements	6,656	-	6,656	-	-	-
	6,896	-	6,896	-	-	-
Total expenditure	204,401	210	204,611	249,378	-	249,378
Surplus of expenditure over income in the year (loss)	(184,153)	(210)	(184,362)	277,396	2,426	279,822
Movement in bank balances						
Closing balances:						
Lloyds current account	4,652	-	4,652	7,067	-	7,067
Lloyds savings account	278,326	5,117	283,444	460,349	5,327	465,676
Santander Lotto account	2,275	-	2,275	1,990	-	1,990
Total in bank at 31 March	285,253	5,117	290,371	469,406	5,327	474,733
Opening bank balances	(469,406)	(5,327)	(474,733)	(192,010)	(2,901)	(194,911)
Net increase (reduction in bank balances)	(184,153)	(210)	(184,362)	277,396	2,426	279,822

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Supplementary information relating to the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023

Restricted funds

The restricted funds in the accounts relate to grants received to support specific activities.

All the restricted funds mentioned in the accounts relate to our work in Prisons.

We continued to receive the grant for some of the period that we were in lockdown and not able to continue with our work at Guys Marsh.

We anticipate that a substantial amount of these funds will be utilised during the year ended 31st March 2024.

Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31st March 2023

Fixed Assets	note	2023	2022
Freehold Property	1	484,270	477,614
Office Equipment, furniture & fittings		1,452	2,105
Investments	2	74,798	87,436
		<u>560,520</u>	<u>567,155</u>
Current Assets			
Trade		-	575
Prepayments		-	2,982
Cash at bank		290,371	474,733
		<u>290,371</u>	<u>478,290</u>
Creditors			
Trade creditors		6,559	4,374
Accruals		840	3,415
New branch contribution		63,118	143,993
		<u>70,517</u>	<u>151,782</u>

Notes:

- 1 Freehold property used by the Charity - acquisition cost £425,000 plus improvements at a cost of £59,270
- 2 Unquoted securities - value £74,798. Invested with M & G Charibond and CCLA Charities Official Investment Fund and available for withdrawal at short notice
- 3 The significant legacy that the Charity received has now 'flushed through' the accounts and, in order to reduce fees, the Trustees made the decision to revert to simple income and expenditure accounts, rather than financial statements prepared on an accrual and prepayments basis.
- 4 An independent examination is still required, as stated in the constitution of the Charity.
- 5 The figures for the year ended 31st March 2022 have been converted to an income and expenditure to provide a true comparison.
- 6 Independent examination and accountancy costs - the values reflected in the accounts relate to the final payment in relation to the year ended 31st March 2022.
- 7 The NBC, payable to Central Charity, will be £63,118.

Certificate of approval

We approve the income and expenditure accounts set out on pages 1 and 2 and confirm that to the best of our knowledge all relevant records and information for the preparation have been made available to you.

The accounts set out above were approved by the Trustees on and signed on their behalf by:

Kate McElligott - Treasurer

Elizabeth Willoughby-Paul - Branch Director

Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne and District ("the charity") for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of 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.

Independent examiner's statement – matter of concern identified

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act;
or
2. the accounts do not comply with these records.

In carrying out my examination I noted that a valuation of investments was not available for the charity as at 31 March 2023 – the valuation for the most recent date available (30 September 2022) has been used in these accounts instead. This is due to the current Trustees not having access to the account and you have confirmed that steps are being taken to rectify the position. This does not have any impact on the statement of receipts and payments but does impact the investment valuation disclosed.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attentions should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 24 January 2024

SAMARITANS OF YEOVIL SHERBORNE & DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1168371

Accounts

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

Charity Registered in England and Wales Number: 1168371

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

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Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Reference and Administrative Details

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

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Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

ANNUAL TRUSTEES REPORT

The trustees present their report and examined financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document and 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).

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) registered in England & Wales, registered charity number 1168371. Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is an affiliated branch of Samaritans Central Charity. A branch agreement between the Central Charity and the charity sets out the rules governing the affiliation, and an operating agreement provides the rules and guidelines governing the provision of Samaritans services.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document is the CIO Association Constitution and the charity was as a charitable incorporated organisation on 21 July 2016.

Current trustees

- | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| • F Dimdore | | Re-elected 30 September 2020 |
| • S Hicks | Branch Director | From 1 January 2020 |
| • S Jones | Secretary | Appointed 31 st July 2021 |
| • K McElligott | Treasurer | Elected 14 December 2021 |
| • I Dibben | Premises/H&S | Elected 16 February 2022 |

Other trustees who served during the period

- | | | |
|----------------|---------------|--|
| • S Robertson | | Co-opted 10 February 2021 (fundraising),
resigned 25 October 2021 |
| • M Litchfield | | Resigned 14 December 2021 |
| • J Brown | | Resigned 21 March 2022 |
| • G Curtis | Vice Director | Resigned 14 December 2021 |

The trustee board is responsible for managing the affairs of the charity.

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

The chair of the trustee board is the Branch Director who is selected by the charity's members for a period of three years through a consultation process. In addition to the Branch Director, the trustee board comprises a secretary and treasurer (who may be the same person) and up to eight additional trustees who are all elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). All members of the charity, including the trustees, may nominate individuals for election as elected trustees. The charity's full listening and support volunteers, and the trustees, are eligible to be the charity's members. The trustees may also co-opt up to two additional trustees during the year to fill a skills gap.

All elected and co-opted trustees retire at the next AGM but are eligible for re-election provided they have not served for more than six consecutive years. All trustees undergo the standard mandatory training provided by Samaritans Central Charity.

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Objectives and activities

The charitable objectives are:

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- To collaborate with and support Samaritans Central Charity and its affiliated branches in fulfilling these Objects.

As part of the wider Samaritans organisation, we adhere to the long term strategy which was launched in 2015 and describes our priority areas and the ways in which we will work better to achieve even greater impact.

To achieve our vision of fewer people dying by suicide, Samaritans as an organisation has identified four priority areas:

- Service: We will improve the quality and consistency of our service
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Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

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In this branch we have a management team of 8 covering the roles of Director, Personnel, Service Delivery, Finance, Training, Premises and Administration. We have estimated that this team in total spends around 130 hours per week focussing on work for the branch which if we take a conservative hourly rate of £15 per hour accrues to £1,950 per week and £101,400 per annum. Samaritans as a whole would not be able to exist without this level of volunteer-led management.

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- Continuing our very successful emotional support work in the A&E department of Yeovil District Hospital. This service continues to be on hold, due to the pandemic

Public benefit

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Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

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Our donor promise sets out our aim to be open, fair and honest in the way we engage with supporters. As a branch we have had no complaints regarding any of our fundraising activities.

Financial Report (to be seen in conjunction with Annual Accounts)

The branch reserves policy is for reserves to cover 18 months of running costs. Each year, the branch makes a contribution to the national organisation based on a system set by Samaritans Central Office as follows:

Contribution to be based on a sliding scale of reserves held in excess of 18 months of total annual unrestricted revenue expenditure.

'Reserves' are defined as:

- Total of Unrestricted Funds (including Designated Funds, if any) less:
 - The net book value of tangible fixed assets (e.g. Property, Fixtures & Fittings,
 - Furnishings, Computer Equipment, Motor Vehicles etc.)

Reserves *include* investments at market value (not cost).

Reserves *exclude* Restricted Funds and Endowment Funds.

The sliding scale of contribution is as follows, with percentages to be applied to each particular segment of reserves:

Reserves in range:	Percentage applied to each segment
18 months – 2 years	5%
2-3 years	10%
3-4 years	20%
4-5 years	30%
In excess of 5 years	40%

Reserves - The charity policy is to hold reserves to cover 18-24 months of running costs; for the current financial year this continues to be difficult to assess, as the property (the centre at Morley House) continues to incur costs for necessary improvements and maintenance that were not carried out in the year of purchase.

In the 2022/23 financial year, the goal will be to evaluate and set normal running costs for the new building and explore potential income generating activities.

It is intended to donate a substantial amount to the Samaritans Central Charity for a project to be proposed by them and agreed by the trustees and volunteers of Samaritans of Yeovil Sherborne & District.

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Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net deficit movement in funds of £177,727 for the year (2021: £202,812) and reserves stand at £893,663 (2021: £1,071,390), of which £5,327 is restricted (2021: £2,901). The free reserves of the charity (net current assets less restricted funds) are £321,181 (2021: £497,208).

The Future

The new property at Morley House would have allowed us to extend our services and increase our volunteer body but these aims have been severely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Covid-19 Pandemic

During the Pandemic, the rota of shifts was reduced and throughout the 13 branches in our region, rotas were collaborated on to ensure that Samaritan listeners were available to callers in what is known to be the most crucial times of each day and also that phones were covered for 24 hours. This reduced rota is still in operation.

The branch has made NBC payments to Central charity of £143,993 in the year (2021: £188,240). Unless a suitable project is put forward by Central charity for us to fund, the remaining cash will sit on our balance sheet and will pay NBC accordingly.

A new training programme has been developed by Samaritans Central Office which will come into effect as the pandemic restrictions reduce.

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 8th November 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

K McElligott

Trustee

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District
Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees
For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District (“the charity”) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity’s accounts carried out under section 145 of 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.

Independent examiner’s statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not comply with these records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a “true and fair view” which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Date: 10th November 2022

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

	Notes	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments							
Donations	2	18,745	-	18,745	28,134	-	28,134
Charitable activities	3	2,702	2,426	5,128	1,254	1,887	3,141
Other trading activities	4	1,174	-	1,174	5,050	-	5,050
Investment income	5	2,463	-	2,463	3,357	-	3,357
Other income	6	690	-	690	-	-	-
Total income		25,774	2,426	28,200	37,795	1,887	39,682
Expenditure							
Expenditure on charitable activities	7	199,749	-	199,749	242,494	-	242,494
Total expenditure		199,749	-	199,749	242,494	-	242,494
Net (expenditure) / income before other recognised (losses) / gains		(173,975)	2,426	(171,549)	(204,699)	1,887	(202,812)
Realised and unrealised (losses) / gains on investment assets	10	(6,178)	-	(6,178)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(180,153)	2,426	(177,727)	(204,699)	1,887	(202,812)
Reconciliation of funds							
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		1,068,489	2,901	1,071,390	1,273,188	1,014	1,274,202
Fund balances at 31 March 22		888,336	5,327	893,663	1,068,489	2,901	1,071,390

The results for the year derive from continuing activities and there are no gains or losses other than those shown above.

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2022

	Notes	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	9	479,719	477,667
Investments	10	87,436	93,614
		<u>567,155</u>	<u>571,281</u>
Current assets			
Investments	11	-	500,000
Debtors	12	3,557	2,851
Cash at bank and in hand		474,733	194,911
		<u>478,290</u>	<u>697,762</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(151,782)	(197,653)
		<u>326,508</u>	<u>500,109</u>
Net current assets			
		<u>893,663</u>	<u>1,071,390</u>
Net assets			
		<u>893,663</u>	<u>1,071,390</u>
The funds of the charity			
Restricted funds	14	5,327	2,901
Unrestricted funds	14	888,336	1,068,489
		<u>893,663</u>	<u>1,071,390</u>

Approved by the Board for issue on 8th November 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

K McElligott
Trustee

S Hicks
Trustee

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

1 Accounting policies

1.1 General information and basis of accounting

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is a charity, registered in England and Wales. The nature of the charity's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Trustees report on pages 3-8.

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 charity meets the definition of 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.

1.2 Income

Income from donations is recognised upon receipt.

Income from legacies is accounted for when probate has been granted, there are sufficient assets in the estate, any conditions attached are either in the control of the charity or have been met, and the amount can be reasonably quantified.

Income from investments is accounted for when receivable.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on the accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised in the accounting period to which they relate.

Support costs are those functions which assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. These costs have been allocated to expenditure on charitable activities.

1.4 Governance costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the Charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to statutory audit and legal fees.

1.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price (but excludes any transaction costs). Subsequently, investments are held at market value, with all realised and unrealised gains and losses passing through the SOFA.

Current asset investments is land held which has been sold less than one year from the balance sheet date. It has been valued at the year end at market value (sales proceeds).

1.7 Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening market value (or purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and opening market value (or purchase date if later). Realised and unrealised gains are not separated in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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1.8 Fixed assets

Fixed assets are valued at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets over their estimated useful lives at the following rate:-

Equipment – 50% / 33% straight line

No depreciation is provided on the freehold property and improvements as the Trustees consider that the carrying value is equivalent to current market value. The property is regularly maintained. Extensive refurbishment works have been carried to the property in previous years, which have been expensed in the accounts to maintain the property valuation in the accounts at a market valuation.

1.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due and prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

1.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

1.11 Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity 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 recognised at their settlement amount.

1.12 Taxation

The company is a registered charity and is therefore not liable to corporation tax to the extent that income and gains are applied to charitable purposes.

1.13 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds receivable or generated for the objects of the company without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criterion is charged to the fund, together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

1.14 Financial instruments

The charity only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and liabilities of the charity and their measurements are as follows:

Financial assets- trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost and details are in note 17. Investments are basic financial instruments measured at fair value through the income and expenditure account. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

Cash at bank- is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

Financial liabilities- trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 17.

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For the Year Ended 31 March 2022

2 Donations

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Gift aid donations	1,485	-	1,485	10	-	10
Other donations and gifts	17,260	-	17,260	14,890	-	14,890
Legacies received	-	-	-	13,234	-	13,234
	<u>18,745</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,745</u>	<u>28,134</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,134</u>

3 Charitable activities

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Fund raising	2,702	-	2,702	1,254	-	1,254
Prison reimbursement	-	2,426	2,426	-	1,887	1,887
	<u>2,702</u>	<u>2,426</u>	<u>5,128</u>	<u>1,254</u>	<u>1,887</u>	<u>3,141</u>

4 Other trading activities

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Rent income	1,174	-	1,174	5,050	-	5,050
	<u>1,174</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,174</u>	<u>5,050</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,050</u>

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5 Investment income

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Bank interest	55	-	55	188	-	188
Dividends	2,408	-	2,408	3,169	-	3,169
	<u>2,463</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,463</u>	<u>3,357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,357</u>

6 Other income

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Insurance claim	690	-	690	-	-	-
	<u>690</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>690</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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7 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Direct costs						
Light, heat and power	8,767	-	8,767	6,240	-	6,240
Rates	384	-	384	137	-	137
Insurance	798	-	798	853	-	853
Travel and expenses	8,700	-	8,700	11,494	-	11,494
Repairs and maintenance	12,792	-	12,792	15,312	-	15,312
Training and recruitment	-	-	-	2,308	-	2,308
Travel	592	-	592	308	-	308
Telephone and broadband	2,563	-	2,563	245	-	245
Cleaning	2,322	-	2,322	3,039	-	3,039
Sundry	583	-	583	48	-	48
	<u>37,501</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,501</u>	<u>39,984</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,984</u>
Support costs						
Advertising and publicity	1,799	-	1,799	4,029	-	4,029
Printing, postage and stationery	1,013	-	1,013	4,400	-	4,400
Depreciation	380	-	380	1,676	-	1,676
Contribution to Samaritans South West costs	143,993	-	143,993	188,240	-	188,240
	<u>147,185</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>147,185</u>	<u>198,345</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>198,345</u>
Governance costs						
Independent Examination	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Accountancy	1,435	-	1,435	1,160	-	1,160
Legal fees	-	-	-	35	-	35
Professional fees	12,628	-	12,628	1,970	-	1,970
	<u>15,063</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,063</u>	<u>4,165</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,165</u>
	<u>199,749</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>199,749</u>	<u>242,494</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>242,494</u>

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8 Wages and salaries

The charity has no employees, and hence none that receive remuneration of over £60,000 (2021: none).

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2021: none).

Three trustees were reimbursed for travel expenses totalling £592 during the year (2021: Four - £653).

9 Tangible Assets

	Freehold Property £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2021	477,614	19,230	496,844
Additions	-	2,432	2,432
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 March 2022	477,614	21,662	499,276
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2021	-	19,177	19,177
Charge for the year	-	380	380
At 31 March 2022	-	19,557	19,557
Net book value			
At 31 March 2022	477,614	2,105	479,719
At 31 March 2021	477,614	53	477,667

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10 Fixed asset investments

	2022	2021
	£	£
Movements in fixed assets investments:		
Market value as at 1 April 2021	93,614	93,614
Unrealised (losses) / gain on revaluation	(6,178)	-
	<u>87,436</u>	<u>93,614</u>
Market value as at 31 March 2022	<u><u>87,436</u></u>	<u><u>93,614</u></u>

The investments are held as follows:

Listed investments	87,436	93,614
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-
	<u>87,436</u>	<u>93,614</u>
Market value as at 31 March 2022	<u><u>87,436</u></u>	<u><u>93,614</u></u>

11 Current investments

	Total	Total
	2022	2021
	£	£
Land held for resale	-	500,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>500,000</u>

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12 Debtors

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Trade debtors	-	1,000
Prepayments and accrued income	2,982	1,851
Other debtors	575	-
	<u>3,557</u>	<u>2,851</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Trade creditors	4,374	7,253
Accruals	3,415	2,160
Other creditors	143,993	188,240
	<u>151,782</u>	<u>197,653</u>

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14 Statement of funds

	Opening Balance 01/04/21 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers/ losses £	Closing Balance 31/03/22 £
Restricted funds					
Prison listening scheme	2,901	2,426	-	-	5,327
Unrestricted funds	1,068,489	25,774	(199,749)	(6,178)	888,336
Total funds	<u>1,071,390</u>	<u>28,200</u>	<u>(199,749)</u>	<u>(6,178)</u>	<u>893,663</u>

Statement of funds – 2021

	Opening Balance 01/04/20 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Closing Balance 31/03/21 £
Restricted funds					
Prison listening scheme	1,014	1,887	-	-	2,901
Unrestricted Funds	1,273,188	37,795	(242,494)	-	1,068,489
Total funds	<u>1,274,202</u>	<u>39,682</u>	<u>(242,494)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,071,390</u>

The Prison listening scheme is a programme where Samaritans train carefully selected prisoners to be Listeners, acting as confidential support to other prisoners as Samaritans do in the wider world but face to face in prison. It is funded by NOMS (National Offender Management Service, a government department, and all expenditure is refunded by them via the Prison Branch Grants office at Samaritans Central Office.

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15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2022 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £
Tangible assets	479,719	-	479,719	477,667	-	477,667
Investments	87,436	-	87,436	93,614	-	93,614
Net current assets	321,181	5,327	326,508	497,208	2,901	500,109
	<u>888,336</u>	<u>5,327</u>	<u>893,663</u>	<u>1,068,489</u>	<u>2,901</u>	<u>1,071,390</u>

16 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year (2021: none).

17 Financial instruments

Categorisation of financial instruments

	2022 £	2021 £
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure account	87,436	593,614
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	474,733	195,911
	<u>562,169</u>	<u>789,525</u>
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	<u>151,722</u>	<u>197,653</u>

Item of income, expenditure, gain or losses

	Income £	Expense £	Net gains £	Net losses £
2022				
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure account	2,408	-	-	-
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-
2021				
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure account	3,169	-	-	-
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-

SAMARITANS OF YEOVIL SHERBORNE & DISTRICT

England & Wales - Charity number 1168371

Accounts

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

Charity Registered in England and Wales Number: 1168371

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

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Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Reference and Administrative Details

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

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Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

ANNUAL TRUSTEES REPORT

The trustees present their report and examined financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document and 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).

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) registered in England & Wales, registered charity number 1168371. Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is an affiliated branch of Samaritans Central Charity. A branch agreement between the Central Charity and the charity sets out the rules governing the affiliation, and an operating agreement provides the rules and guidelines governing the provision of Samaritans services.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document is the CIO Association Constitution and the charity was as a charitable incorporated organisation on 21 July 2016.

Current trustees

- | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| • J Brown | | Elected 30 September 2020 |
| • G Curtis | Vice Director | Elected 30 September 2020 |
| • F Dimdore | | Re-elected 30 September 2020 |
| • S Hicks | Branch Director | From 1 January 2020 |
| • S Jones | Secretary | Appointed 31 st July 2021 |
| • M Litchfield | Treasurer | Elected 30 September 2020 |

Other trustees who served during the period

- | | | |
|---------------|-----------|---|
| • S Donald | Secretary | Retired 30 September 2020 |
| • J Goddard | Treasurer | Retired 30 September 2020 |
| • N Lindsay | Secretary | Appointed 10 February 2021, resigned 6 April 2021 |
| • J Reed | | Retired 30 September 2020 |
| • S Robertson | Secretary | Elected 30 September 2020, resigned as Secretary February 2021 |
| • S Robertson | | Co-opted 10 February 2021 (fundraising), resigned 25 October 2021 |
| • J Symonds | | Retired 30 September 2020 |

The trustee board is responsible for managing the affairs of the charity.

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Trustees' Report

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The chair of the trustee board is the Branch Director who is selected by the charity's members for a period of three years through a consultation process. In addition to the Branch Director, the trustee board comprises a secretary and treasurer (who may be the same person) and up to eight additional trustees who are all elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). All members of the charity, including the trustees, may nominate individuals for election as elected trustees. The charity's full listening and support volunteers, and the trustees, are eligible to be the charity's members. The trustees may also co-opt up to two additional trustees during the year to fill a skills gap.

All elected and co-opted trustees retire at the next AGM but are eligible for re-election provided they have not served for more than six consecutive years. All trustees undergo the standard mandatory training provided by Samaritans Central Charity.

The Branch Director also heads the branch leadership team (BLT) which comprises the trustees and Deputy Directors appointed by the Branch Director. The leadership team works together to manage the day-to-day running of the charity.

Trustees may be appointed from outside the volunteer body but all Deputy Directors must be listening or support volunteers who have completed the mandatory training.

Decisions made at trustee or BLT meetings are disseminated to the volunteer body by email and at branch meetings. Minutes are available in the Filestore on 3 Rings.

All persons working at our charity are volunteers, we have no paid staff.

Objectives and activities

The charitable objectives are:

- To enable persons in Yeovil, Sherborne & District and the surrounding area as well as elsewhere who are experiencing feelings of distress or despair, including those who may be at risk of suicide, to receive confidential emotional support at any time of the day or night in order to improve their emotional health and to reduce the incidence of suicide;
- To promote a better understanding in society of suicide, suicidal behaviour and the value of expressing feelings which may otherwise lead to suicide or impaired emotional health; and
- To collaborate with and support Samaritans Central Charity and its affiliated branches in fulfilling these Objects.

As part of the wider Samaritans organisation, we adhere to the long term strategy which was launched in 2015 and describes our vision for the years to 2021, our priority areas and the ways in which we will work better to achieve even greater impact.

To achieve our vision of fewer people dying by suicide, Samaritans as an organisation has identified four priority areas:

- Service: We will improve the quality and consistency of our service
- Access: We will improve access to Samaritans' services
- Influence: We will have stronger and more effective external influence and connections with partners
- Evidence: We will improve collection and application of evidence.

To deliver this, we need to make a 'step change' across three key areas: volunteering, learning and development and the use of digital technology.

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Trustees' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

It is important to note that all roles with a Samaritans branch are covered by volunteers, including the administration and management of the branch. This is different to the majority of charities who will have paid staff in these roles and volunteers to cover only support roles and in trustee roles.

In this branch we have a management team of 8 covering the roles of Director, Personnel, Service Delivery, Finance, Training, Premises and Administration. We have estimated that this team in total spends around 130 hours per week focussing on work for the branch which if we take a conservative hourly rate of £15 per hour accrues to £1,950 per week and £101,400 per annum. Samaritans as a whole would not be able to exist without this level of volunteer-led management.

Achievements and performance

As mentioned in the aims and objectives, to achieve the 'step change' transformation and successfully deliver our strategy Samaritans has launched a programme of work called 'There for Everyone'. The programme is evidence-based, developed through consultation with and input from a Volunteer Reference Panel with around 500 members.

In our branch we are working towards these goals by:

- Wider and more varied methods of public awareness and advertising
- Increasing recruitment days from two to three per year
- Increasing training courses from two to three per year
- Building excellent teams for speaking to local organisations
- Expanding our valuable presentation about emotional health in Schools and Colleges
- Providing one to one peer reviews for listening volunteers on an annual basis
- Offering a flexible and varied programme on ongoing training
- Providing a service to Guys Marsh Prison in training and weekly support for a team of prisoners selected to become Listeners (acting in the same way as Samaritans but one to one within the prison)
- Continuing our very successful emotional support work in the A&E department of Yeovil District Hospital
- Working with other local organisations such as Somerset Suicide Bereavement Support Service (SSBSS) and Somerset and Avon Rape and Sexual Abuse Support (SARSAS), by providing a base in Yeovil for their work and additional phone support for SSBSS clients

All these activities have, clearly been affected by Covid-19 and remained more aims than achievements.

Public benefit

The trustees report that the charitable activities, described in the Achievements and performance paragraphs, are for the public benefit. The trustees also confirm that they have complied with section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Fundraising

Our fundraising activity is based around local events as each Samaritans branch covers a specific area. Examples of these events are stalls at Christmas and summer fairs and various country shows providing refreshments. We have accepted donations from volunteers and friends who have carried out sponsored swims, treks and such. A majority of these events have been lost in this accounting year due to Covid-19. We do not work with professional fundraisers and thus far we have not applied for grants.

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Following best practice

Samaritans as an organisation is registered with the Fundraising Regulator and we are members of the Institute of Fundraising, the Direct Marketing Association, the Gambling Commission and the Lotteries Council.

Our donor promise sets out our aim to be open, fair and honest in the way we engage with supporters. As a branch we have had no complaints regarding any of our fundraising activities.

Financial Report (to be seen in conjunction with Annual Accounts)

The branch reserves policy is for reserves to cover 18 months of running costs. Each year, the branch makes a contribution to the national organisation based on a system set by Samaritans Central Office as follows:

Contribution to be based on a sliding scale of reserves held in excess of 18 months of total annual unrestricted revenue expenditure.

'Reserves' are defined as:

- Total of Unrestricted Funds (including Designated Funds, if any) less:
 - The net book value of tangible fixed assets (e.g. Property, Fixtures & Fittings,
 - Furnishings, Computer Equipment, Motor Vehicles etc.)

Reserves *include* investments at market value (not cost).

Reserves *exclude* Restricted Funds and Endowment Funds.

The sliding scale of contribution is as follows, with percentages to be applied to each particular segment of reserves:

Reserves in range:	Percentage applied to each segment
18 months – 2 years	5%
2-3 years	10%
3-4 years	20%
4-5 years	30%
In excess of 5 years	40%

Reserves - The charity policy is to hold reserves to cover 18-24 months of running costs; for the current financial year this is difficult to assess, as a new property (the centre at Morley House) has been bought and refurbished and there are still costs to be incurred.

In the 2021/22 financial year, the goal will be to evaluate and set normal running costs for the new building and the extended number of volunteers now recruited.

It is intended to donate a substantial amount to the Samaritans Central Charity for a project to be proposed by them and agreed by the trustees and volunteers of Samaritans of Yeovil Sherborne & District.

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The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net deficit movement in funds of £202,812 for the year (2020: £675,366) and reserves stand at £1,071,390, of which £2,901 is restricted. The free reserves of the charity (net current assets less restricted funds) are £497,208.

In the year ended 31st March 2019, the branch received notification of a substantial legacy from Mr John Grant which was estimated to be to the value of £2,500,000 including a parcel of land on the outskirts of Yeovil. These funds have been received gradually over time, with the final accounting being received in July 2020.

The Future

The new property at Morley House would have allowed us to extend our services and increase our volunteer body but these aims have been severely affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Covid-19 Pandemic

The effect of the Pandemic from 1st April 2020 has been noted in all areas of operation. The branch was particularly affected in the first three months of lockdown as volunteers with particular health conditions, or with family in that group, and those over 70, were unable to leave home and cover their normal shift requirement.

The rota of shifts was reduced and throughout the 13 branches in our region, rotas were collaborated on to ensure that Samaritan listeners were available to callers in what is known to be the most crucial times of each day and also that phones were covered for 24 hours.

The branch has made NBC payments to Central charity of £188,240 in the year. Unless a suitable project is put forward by Central charity for us to fund, the remaining cash will sit on our balance sheet and will pay NBC accordingly.

A new training programme has been developed by Samaritans Central Office which will come into effect as the pandemic restrictions reduce.

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Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed/constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 9 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

M Litchfield

Trustee

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District
Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees
For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District (“the charity”) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity’s accounts carried out under section 145 of 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.

Independent examiner’s statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not comply with these records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a “true and fair view” which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Michelle Ferris BSc (Hons) FCA DChA

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Date: 12 November 2021

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

	Notes	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments							
Donations	2	28,134	-	28,134	24,016	-	24,016
Charitable activities	3	1,254	1,887	3,141	1,837	1,214	3,051
Other trading activities	4	5,050	-	5,050	5,100	-	5,100
Investment income	5	3,357	-	3,357	2,358	-	2,358
Other income	6	-	-	-	25,000	-	25,000
Total income		37,795	1,887	39,682	58,311	1,214	59,525
Expenditure							
Expenditure on charitable activities	7	242,494	-	242,494	733,762	1,129	734,891
Total expenditure		242,494	-	242,494	733,762	1,129	734,891
Net (expenditure) / income before other recognised (losses) / gains		(204,699)	1,887	(202,812)	(675,451)	85	(675,366)
Realised and unrealised (losses) / gains on investment assets	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(204,699)	1,887	(202,812)	(675,451)	85	(675,366)
Reconciliation of funds							
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		1,273,188	1,014	1,274,202	1,948,639	929	1,949,568
Fund balances at 31 March 21		1,068,489	2,901	1,071,390	1,273,188	1,014	1,274,202

The results for the year derive from continuing activities and there are no gains or losses other than those shown above.

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Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2021

	Notes	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	9	477,667	479,343
Investments	10	93,614	93,614
		<u>571,281</u>	<u>572,957</u>
Current assets			
Investments	11	500,000	-
Debtors	12	2,851	671,425
Cash at bank and in hand		194,911	733,319
		<u>697,762</u>	<u>1,404,744</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(197,653)	(703,499)
		<u>500,109</u>	<u>701,245</u>
Net assets		<u>1,071,390</u>	<u>1,274,202</u>
The funds of the charity			
Restricted funds	14	2,901	1,014
Unrestricted funds	14	1,068,489	1,273,188
		<u>1,071,390</u>	<u>1,274,202</u>

Approved by the Board for issue on 9 November 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

M Litchfield
Trustee**S Hicks**
Trustee

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2021

1 Accounting policies

1.1 General information and basis of accounting

Samaritans of Yeovil, Sherborne & District is a charity, registered in England and Wales. The nature of the charity's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Trustees report on pages 3-8.

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 charity meets the definition of 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.

1.2 Income

Income from donations is recognised upon receipt.

Income from legacies is accounted for when probate has been granted, there are sufficient assets in the estate, any conditions attached are either in the control of the charity or have been met, and the amount can be reasonably quantified.

Income from investments is accounted for when receivable.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on the accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised in the accounting period to which they relate.

Support costs are those functions which assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. These costs have been allocated to expenditure on charitable activities.

1.4 Governance costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the Charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include costs related to statutory audit and legal fees.

1.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price (but excludes any transaction costs). Subsequently, investments are held at market value, with all realised and unrealised gains and losses passing through the SOFA.

Current asset investments is land held which has been sold less than one year from the balance sheet date. It has been valued at the year end at market value (sales proceeds).

1.7 Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening market value (or purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and opening market value (or purchase date if later). Realised and unrealised gains are not separated in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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1.8 Fixed assets

Fixed assets are valued at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets over their estimated useful lives at the following rate:-

Equipment – 50% / 33% straight line

No depreciation is provided on the freehold property and improvements as the Trustees consider that the carrying value is equivalent to current market value. The property is regularly maintained.

During the prior year, extensive refurbishment works have been carried to the property, which have been expensed in the accounts to maintain the property valuation in the accounts at a market valuation.

1.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due and prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

1.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

1.11 Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity 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 recognised at their settlement amount.

1.12 Taxation

The company is a registered charity and is therefore not liable to corporation tax to the extent that income and gains are applied to charitable purposes.

1.13 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds receivable or generated for the objects of the company without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets this criterion is charged to the fund, together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

1.14 Financial instruments

The charity only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and liabilities of the charity and their measurements are as follows:

Financial assets- trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost and details are in note 17. Investments are basic financial instruments measured at fair value through the income and expenditure account. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

Cash at bank- is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

Financial liabilities- trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 17.

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2 Donations

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Gift aid donations	10	-	10	1,309	-	1,309
Other donations and gifts	14,890	-	14,890	18,056	-	18,056
Legacies received	13,234	-	13,234	4,651	-	4,651
	<u>28,134</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,134</u>	<u>24,016</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,016</u>

3 Charitable activities

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Fund raising	1,254	-	1,254	1,837	-	1,837
Prison reimbursement	-	1,887	1,887	-	1,214	1,214
Services provided	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,254</u>	<u>1,887</u>	<u>3,141</u>	<u>1,837</u>	<u>1,214</u>	<u>3,051</u>

4 Other trading activities

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Rent income	5,050	-	5,050	5,100	-	5,100
	<u>5,050</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,050</u>	<u>5,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,100</u>

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5 Investment income

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Bank interest	188	-	188	361	-	361
Dividends	3,169	-	3,169	1,997	-	1,997
	<u>3,357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,357</u>	<u>2,358</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,358</u>

6 Other income

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Profit on disposal of fixed asset	-	-	-	25,000	-	25,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,000</u>

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7 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Direct costs						
Provision of services	-	-	-	77	-	77
Light, heat and power	6,240	-	6,240	6,218	-	6,218
Rates	137	-	137	1,186	-	1,186
Insurance	853	-	853	1,415	-	1,415
Travel and expenses	11,494	-	11,494	15,077	1,129	16,206
Repairs and maintenance	15,312	-	15,312	316,578	-	316,578
Training and recruitment	2,308	-	2,308	10,701	-	10,701
Travel	308	-	308	-	-	-
Telephone and broadband	245	-	245	2,664	-	2,664
Cleaning	3,039	-	3,039	1,975	-	1,975
Sundry	48	-	48	1,905	-	1,905
	<u>39,984</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,984</u>	<u>357,796</u>	<u>1,129</u>	<u>358,925</u>
Support costs						
Advertising and publicity	4,029	-	4,029	11,869	-	11,869
Printing, postage and stationery	4,400	-	4,400	1,670	-	1,670
Depreciation	1,676	-	1,676	9,499	-	9,499
Contribution to Samaritans South West costs	188,240	-	188,240	328,991	-	328,991
	<u>198,345</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>198,345</u>	<u>352,029</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>352,029</u>
Governance costs						
Independent Examination	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Accountancy	1,160	-	1,160	2,500	-	2,500
Legal fees	35	-	35	10,110	-	10,110
Professional fees	1,970	-	1,970	10,327	-	10,327
	<u>4,165</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,165</u>	<u>23,937</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,937</u>
	<u>242,494</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>242,494</u>	<u>733,762</u>	<u>1,129</u>	<u>734,891</u>

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8 Wages and salaries

The charity has no employees, and hence none that receive remuneration of over £60,000 (2020: none).

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2020: none).

Four trustees were reimbursed for travel expenses totalling £653 during the year (2020: Five - £2,429).

9 Tangible Assets

	Freehold Property £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	477,614	19,230	496,844
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
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At 31 March 2021	477,614	19,230	496,844
Depreciation			
At 1 April 2020	-	17,501	17,501
Charge for the year	-	1,676	1,676
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At 31 March 2021	-	19,177	19,177
Net book value			
At 31 March 2021	477,614	53	477,667
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At 31 March 2020	477,614	1,729	479,343
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10 Fixed asset investments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Movements in fixed assets investments:		
Market value as at 1 April 2020	93,614	93,614
Disposals at carrying value	-	-
Realised losses on disposals	-	-
Unrealised (losses) / gain on revaluation	-	-
	<u>93,614</u>	<u>93,614</u>
Market value as at 31 March 2021	<u><u>93,614</u></u>	<u><u>93,614</u></u>

The investments are held as follows:

Listed investments	93,614	93,614
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-
	<u>93,614</u>	<u>93,614</u>
Market value as at 31 March 2021	<u><u>93,614</u></u>	<u><u>93,614</u></u>

11 Current investments

	Total	Total
	2021	2020
	£	£
Land held for resale	500,000	-
	<u><u>500,000</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>

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12 Debtors

	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£
Trade debtors	1,000	2,000
Prepayments and accrued income	1,851	669,025
Other debtors	-	400
	<u>2,851</u>	<u>671,425</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	7,253	4,062
Accruals	2,160	2,160
Other creditors	188,240	697,277
	<u>197,653</u>	<u>703,499</u>

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14 Statement of funds

	Opening Balance 01/04/20 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Closing Balance 31/03/21 £
Restricted funds					
Prison listening scheme	1,014	1,887	-	-	2,901
Unrestricted funds	1,273,188	37,795	(242,494)	-	1,068,489
Total funds	<u>1,274,202</u>	<u>39,682</u>	<u>(242,494)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,071,390</u>

Statement of funds – 2020

	Opening Balance 01/04/19 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Closing Balance 31/03/20 £
Restricted funds					
Prison listening scheme	929	1,214	(1,129)	-	1,014
Unrestricted Funds	1,948,639	58,311	(733,762)	-	1,273,188
Total funds	<u>1,949,568</u>	<u>59,525</u>	<u>(734,891)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,274,202</u>

The Prison listening scheme is a programme where Samaritans train carefully selected prisoners to be Listeners, acting as confidential support to other prisoners as Samaritans do in the wider world but face to face in prison. It is funded by NOMS (National Offender Management Service, a government department, and all expenditure is refunded by them via the Prison Branch Grants office at Samaritans Central Office.

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2021 £	Unres- tricted £	Res- tricted £	Total 2020 £
Tangible assets	477,667	-	477,667	479,343	-	479,343
Investments	93,614	-	93,614	93,614	-	93,614
Net current assets	497,208	2,901	500,109	700,231	1,014	701,245
	<u>1,068,489</u>	<u>2,901</u>	<u>1,071,390</u>	<u>1,273,188</u>	<u>1,014</u>	<u>1,274,202</u>

16 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year (2020: none).

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17 Financial instruments

Categorisation of financial instruments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure account	593,614	93,614
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	195,911	1,403,802
	<u>789,525</u>	<u>1,497,416</u>
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	<u>197,653</u>	<u>703,499</u>

Item of income, expenditure, gain or losses

	Income	Expense	Net gains	Net losses
	£	£	£	£
2021				
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure account	3,169	-	-	-
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-
	<u>3,169</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
2020				
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure account	1,997	-	-	-
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,997</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

18 Post balance sheet event

The land held within current asset investments was disposed of post year end. The completion of the land sale was on 16th April 2021, with the purchase price being £500,000.