

Charity registration number 1168812

THE SOHO RECOVERY CENTRE
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019)

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are for the public benefit:

- 1) The advancement of health and the prevention of ill health of persons suffering from addictions including but not limited to drug and alcohol addiction.
- 2) The support and relief of individuals, families and communities affected by the health, social and other problems related to addictions including but not limited to drug and alcohol addiction.

There has been no change in these during the year.

The Soho Recovery Centre ('SRC') will be a safe place in the heart of London for 12-step recovery meetings. Available to any 12 step fellowship group such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Cocaine Anonymous, Crystal Meth Anonymous, Alanon and Anorexics and Bulimics Anonymous etc for their meetings to take place. It will be open 365 days a year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

The SRC has had a very successful year and is becoming an ever more vital resource for those seeking recovery in Central London. The centre is getting ever busier. We now have 43 meetings each week in the large meeting room and attendance is often above 50-60 people per meeting. Since the opening of the Elizabeth Line more and more people are coming into Soho at the weekends and our weekend meetings are getting very popular. The small meeting room has successfully launched and hosts 11 meetings a week. It is certainly providing a much-needed resource for small meetings and less-well known fellowships, who, while low in number, are greatly needed by their members. Previously, these meetings were priced out of spaces in Central London and this room has really helped the SRC fulfil its mission of making all manner of addiction recovery meetings available in a Central London space.

The SRC has had a good fund-raising year with an increase in donations from meetings which are now largely covering our running costs.

Financial review

Income of £102,129 was raised during the year. Donations from meetings continued to rise with the addition of a new small room meeting space and people continued to return to the main meeting space. The charity spent £115,516 on charitable activities running the Soho Recovery Centre. Unrestricted funds at 31 March 2024 stood at £53,207.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Plans for future periods

The priority for the SRC is to secure a long-term space for the venue. The SRC will continue to explore long-term options for the location of the Centre. While the current space is available for the next 2/3 years, a more stable alternative will hopefully be found. This will come from continuing to build relationships with the local community and council, government and commercial resources.

Structure, governance and management

The charity was registered on 17 August 2016 with The Charity Commission as a charitable incorporated organisation and is governed by a constitution.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr Joseph Townley

Miss Jacqueline Withey

Mr Alex Iliadis-Koutsikos

Mr Kevin Maclellan

Mr George Boyd

Ms Anabel Moore-Brabazon

Mr Daniel Sheahan

Mr Christopher Smith

The constitution provides that there shall not be less than three trustees and a maximum number of twelve. Trustees are appointed for three years. The selecting of individuals for appointment as trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO. On appointment the new trustees receive a copy of the constitution and a copy of the latest set of accounts.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the charity.

The Soho Recovery Centre is run by a board of trustees, guided by the 12 Traditions of AA. The trustees consider financial matters and review the risks to which the charity is exposed to ensure appropriate controls are in place. A Steering Committee is responsible for the day to day running of the centre.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Miss Jacqueline Withey

Trustee

25 January 2025

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOHO RECOVERY CENTRE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Soho Recovery Centre (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. 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

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe 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 financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 26 January 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Total Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<u>Income from:</u>			
Donations and legacies	3	101,858	123,640
Investments	4	271	83
Total income		102,129	123,723
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Raising funds	5	372	1,122
Charitable activities	6	115,144	105,870
Total resources expended		115,516	106,992
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds		(13,387)	16,731
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		66,594	49,863
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		53,207	66,594

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		366		267
Current assets					
Debtors	12	38,003		39,515	
Cash at bank and in hand		23,573		31,973	
		61,576		71,488	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(8,735)		(5,161)	
Net current assets			52,841		66,327
Total assets less current liabilities			53,207		66,594
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	15		53,207		66,594
			53,207		66,594

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 25 January 2025



Miss Jacqueline Withey
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Soho Recovery Centre is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The registered office is 45 Magpie Meadows, Caddington, Bedfordshire LU1 4FU.

1.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2019). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings	25% to 50% on cost
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	101,858	-	101,858	120,640
Westminster City Council - Covid Bounceback funding	-	-	-	3,000
	<u>101,858</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>101,858</u>	<u>123,640</u>
Donations and gifts				
Donations from individuals and companies	12,379	-	12,379	30,399
Web donations	3,407	-	3,407	13,207
Meeting donations	85,569	-	85,569	73,836
Gift Aid	503	-	503	3,198
	<u>101,858</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>101,858</u>	<u>120,640</u>

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Interest receivable	<u>271</u>	<u>83</u>

5 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Website and giving costs	<u>372</u>	<u>1,122</u>

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6 Charitable activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff Costs	16,808	15,391
Depreciation and impairment	301	317
Meeting space costs	92,395	84,522
Independent examination	2,400	2,400
Meetings Bookkeeping	3,000	3,000
Registered Office Fees	240	240
	<u>115,144</u>	<u>105,870</u>

7 Net movement in funds

	2024 £	2023 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	<u>301</u>	<u>317</u>

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

Employment costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	16,500	15,126
Other pension costs	308	265
	<u>16,808</u>	<u>15,391</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

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11 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 April 2023	8,086
Additions	399
At 31 March 2024	8,485
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 April 2023	7,818
Depreciation charged in the year	301
At 31 March 2024	8,119
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2024	366
At 31 March 2023	267

12 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	2,850	4,460
Other debtors	16,570	16,500
Prepayments and accrued income	18,583	18,555
	38,003	39,515

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	2,878	1,266
Other creditors	57	-
Accruals and deferred income	5,800	3,895
	8,735	5,161

14 Retirement benefit schemes

	2024 £	2023 £
Defined contribution schemes		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	308	265

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14 Retirement benefit schemes

(Continued)

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

15 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	66,594	102,129	(115,516)	53,207

Previous year:	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2023 £
General funds	49,863	123,723	(106,992)	66,594

16 Operating lease commitments

At the reporting end date the charity had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Within one year	18,000	18,000

17 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the period.