

WomenZone

Charity number 1170163

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



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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 March 2025

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Rizwana Jamil	Chair	
Tahera Kocholia	Vice Chair	
Marcia Marczynski	Treasurer	
Lorna James		

Charity number 1170163 Registered in England and Wales

Registered and principal address	Bankers
19-21 Hubert Street Bradford BD3 9TE	Virgin Money Jubilee House Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 4PL

Independent examiner

Simon Bostrom FCIE

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) formed on 14 November 2016 and is governed by a Constitution as amended on 12 December 2016, 9 August 2021 and 9 September 2021.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

1) To further or benefit the female residents and their families of Bradford, without distinction of sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said residents.

In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance or management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.

2) To promote social inclusion for the public benefit among women residents in Bradford preventing women from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of women who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.

The charity's main activities

WomenZone provides a range of the following activities and services to promote education and support health and wellbeing:

- **Mental wellbeing:** Talking therapies, Happy Women's Group- an opportunity for women to develop new initiatives
- **Youth provision:** to support Young people's mental health post pandemic
- **PlayGym;** Family services – Art attack, parenting groups
- **Physical health:** HerGym, Exercise classes- steam room, weight management support, healthy eating sessions
- **Older women:** Wellbeing Group
- **Training and employment:** ESOL, Digital Literacy to support women find employment and financial security; IT, soft skills
- **Learning difficulties:** MySpace engages women with additional needs in health & wellbeing activities;
- **Heritage and culture:** we host events to celebrate cultural holidays and weekly Sufi music sessions
- **Warm/Welcoming Spaces:** where people can gather in a safe, friendly place and enjoy some refreshments and company
- **Health and Wellbeing** – Support groups for senior citizen women to participate in relaxation activities, arts and crafts and healthy lifestyle activities
- **Holiday Activities & Food Programme - Play Scheme** to provide nutritious meals and enrichment activities to children in receipt of free school meals
- Food parcels, hot meals, Tea, coffee and activities as part of welcome spaces
- **Social events.**

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

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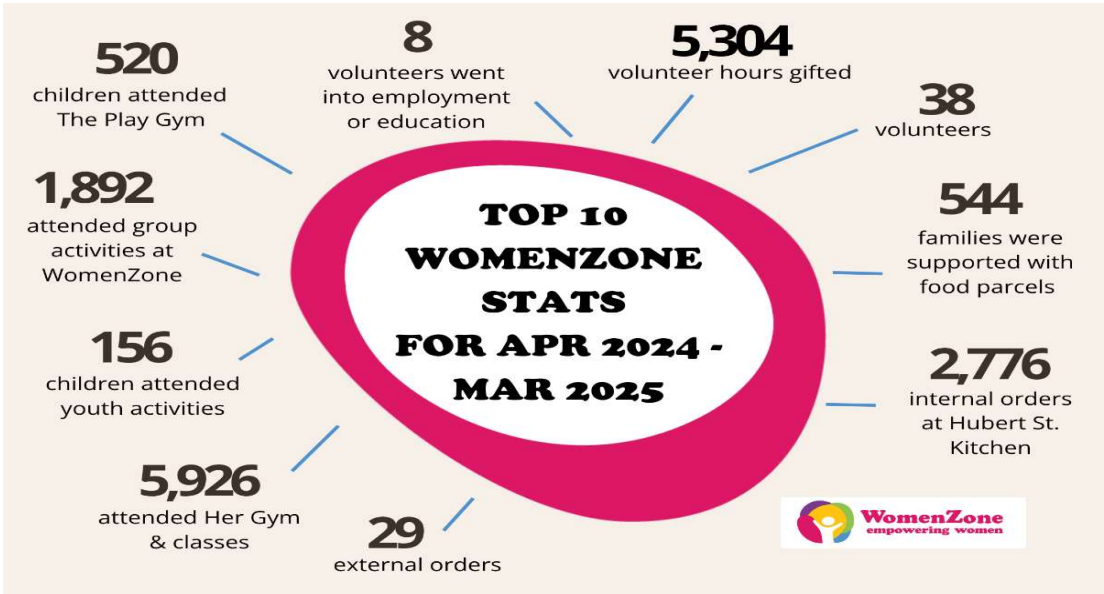
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Achievements and performance

From April 2024 to March 2025, our focus has been on promoting health and wellbeing — not just through physical and mental health services, but by also taking into account the wider factors that impact people’s lives and contribute to the deep-rooted health inequalities we see in our local community.

The rising cost of living has had a stark impact on local women and families, with our communities being disproportionately affected due to the entrenched inequalities that persist in society. Over the next five years, our priority will be to support local women and their families in recovering from the financial hardship they have endured and to help them build resilience against future challenges.

At WomenZone the following number of attendees have been served.



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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Financial review

The net expenditure for the year was £14,397, including net expenditure of £33,510 on unrestricted funds and net income of £19,113 on restricted funds, after transfers.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £367,015.

Included within this balance, the trustees have designated £250,000 of these free reserves to a building fund.

WomenZone's reserve policy is to maintain a level of reserves that enables operating activities to be maintained, taking account of potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time. The policy will be reviewed annually by the trustees of the Charity.

WomenZone will maintain unrestricted reserves to provide cover for:

- Known liabilities such as salaries, redundancy and office costs.
- Unforeseen liabilities.
- To continue funding core activities, in case of loss of a funding stream.
- To manage organisational cash flow in the short term.
- To invest in growth and development.

In light of the uncertainty existing around cost of living pressures on future income flows and the desire to make improvements to the community centre the trustees have reviewed the reserves policy and have decided that for the 2024/2025 financial year reserves equivalent to between six and fourteen month's running costs should be maintained. This is between £238,200 and £555,900, based on budgeted 2024/2025 expenditure. As noted above actual reserves are currently £366,837.

Approved by the board of trustees on 7/10/2025

Marcia Marczynski (Trustee)

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of WomenZone

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts as 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 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the CIO's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a fellow of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act.

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a fellow of ACIE which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Charities Act;
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

Simon Bostrom FCIE

8/10/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities

(including summary income and expenditure account)

for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income from:					
Grants and donations	(2)	1,782	332,345	334,127	365,261
Contracts		71,533	-	71,533	66,821
Room hire and office services		11,018	-	11,018	9,217
Café sales and gym fees		33,777	-	33,777	30,169
Trips and activity contributions		4,267	200	4,467	3,281
Other service fee income		25,636	-	25,636	6,184
Bank interest		10,705	-	10,705	12,300
Total income		158,718	332,545	491,263	493,233
Expenditure on:					
Salaries NI and pensions	(3)	175,045	169,079	344,124	300,589
Payroll charges		382	-	382	1,302
Consultancy, freelance and sessional staff		39,478	8,522	48,000	55,914
Travel expenses		968	8,744	9,712	4,134
Training		-	8,090	8,090	496
Volunteer expenses		345	65	410	356
Rent, rates and venue hire		437	-	437	1,428
Utilities		12,815	7,425	20,240	25,157
Telephone, internet and postage		1,455	212	1,667	3,137
Printing and stationery		1,878	442	2,320	2,315
Publicity and marketing		-	41	41	1,765
Computers, maintenance and software		1,673	2,671	4,344	4,990
Insurance		2,237	-	2,237	2,178
Maintenance and cleaning		7,140	-	7,140	9,469
Maintenance contracts		1,473	-	1,473	1,303
Events and activities		13,996	32,096	46,092	78,181
Awards and grants		-	-	-	5,794
Equipment and materials		1,033	-	1,033	5,631
Independent examination		2,400	-	2,400	2,400
Licences and subscriptions		3,162	-	3,162	866
Recruitment and DBS		-	124	124	481
Bad debts		305	-	305	-
Depreciation		1,292	-	1,292	1,628
Bank charges		635	-	635	587
Total expenditure		268,149	237,511	505,660	510,101
Net income / (expenditure)		(109,431)	95,034	(14,397)	(16,868)
Transfers between funds	(4)	75,921	(75,921)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(33,510)	19,113	(14,397)	(16,868)
Fund balances brought forward		400,525	37,700	438,225	455,093
Fund balances carried forward	(4)	367,015	56,813	423,828	438,225

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2025

		2025	2025	2025	2024
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	(5)	-	-	-	1,292
Total fixed assets		-	-	-	1,292
Current assets					
Debtors and prepayments	(6)	26,675	951	27,626	16,503
Cash at bank and in hand	(7)	345,847	55,862	401,709	430,302
Total current assets		372,522	56,813	429,335	446,805
Current liabilities:					
amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors and accruals	(8)	5,507	-	5,507	9,872
Total current liabilities		5,507	-	5,507	9,872
Net current assets / (liabilities)		367,015	56,813	423,828	436,933
Net assets		367,015	56,813	423,828	438,225
Funds					
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted funds		117,015	-	117,015	150,525
Designated funds	(9)	250,000	-	250,000	250,000
Unrestricted funds		367,015	-	367,015	400,525
Restricted funds		-	56,813	56,813	37,700
Total funds		367,015	56,813	423,828	438,225

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 7/10/2025

Marcia Marczynski (Trustee)

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Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: 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) (effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, if it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Gifted assets are shown at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Office equipment: over 5 years

Gym and play equipment: over 3 years

Computer equipment - over 3 years

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Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies continued

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. The costs of contributions are recognised in the year they are payable.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Leases

Rents under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term or to an earlier date if the lease can be determined without financial penalty.

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

2 Grants and donations	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
BBC Children in Need	-	33,154	33,154	29,132
Bradford District Metropolitan Council (BDMC)	-	108,936	108,936	122,117
Department of Work and Pensions (DWP)	-	1,660	1,660	-
Groundwork	-	50,000	50,000	-
Hospice UK	-	3,542	3,542	-
National Citizen Service Trust	-	48,415	48,415	16,665
Smallwood Trust	-	20,000	20,000	20,000
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	-	2,000	2,000	-
The National Lottery Heritage Fund	-	39,975	39,975	49,969
West Yorkshire Combined Authority	-	5,000	5,000	-
Bradford VCS Limited	-	13,333	13,333	25,750
Sport England	-	-	-	2,400
The Keith Howard Foundation	-	-	-	1,500
Street Games UK Ltd	-	-	-	4,702
National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF)	-	-	-	74,992
Amal	-	-	-	15,000
Other donations	1,782	6,330	8,112	3,034
	<u>1,782</u>	<u>332,345</u>	<u>334,127</u>	<u>365,261</u>

3 Staff costs and numbers	2025 £	2024 £
Gross salaries	318,301	280,578
Social security costs	25,240	20,737
Employment allowance	(5,000)	(5,000)
Pensions	5,582	4,274
	<u>344,123</u>	<u>300,589</u>

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The average number of employees during the year was 15.9, being an average of 10.8 full time equivalent (2024: 14.4, 10.2 FTE). There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

Defined contribution pension scheme	2025 £	2024 £
Costs of the scheme to the charity for the year	5,582	4,274
Amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end	1,143	3,851

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

4 Restricted funds	Balance b/f	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
BMDC Art & Culture - Kahaani	(3,072)	2,700	3	375	-
BBC Children in Need	(2,213)	33,154	26,783	(4,158)	-
NLCF - Capacity and Resilience	5,085	-	5,085	-	-
BMDC - HAF 2025	-	8,100	38	-	8,062
BMDC - HAF 2024	7,742	31,300	26,216	(12,826)	-
BMDC - HAF 2023	385	-	-	-	385
BMDC - HSF	-	25,774	25,955	181	-
National Lottery Heritage Fund	42,978	39,975	39,545	(9,021)	34,387
WYCA - Active Travel	-	5,000	3,021	-	1,979
BMDC Community Buildings	-	7,425	7,425	-	-
BMDC - Day Opportunities	-	23,837	13,352	(10,485)	-
Groundwork	-	50,000	34,421	(15,579)	-
Hospice UK	-	3,542	86	(3,456)	-
Let's Grow Together	-	8,330	6,330	-	2,000
BMDC - Wellbeing	-	10,000	3,855	(6,145)	-
National Citizen Service Trust	(13,205)	48,415	31,270	(3,940)	-
Smallwood Trust	-	20,000	-	(10,000)	10,000
VCS Alliance Out of Hours	-	13,333	12,466	(867)	-
DWP	-	1,660	1,660	-	-
	<u>37,700</u>	<u>332,545</u>	<u>237,511</u>	<u>(75,921)</u>	<u>56,813</u>

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
BMDC Art & Culture - Kahaani	To use storytelling and performance techniques to enable South Asian women to tell their stories, theatrically, in a new drama which they will co-produce. The transfer is from unrestricted funds.
BBC Children in Need	To support young people living in deprived communities and at risk of mental health issues improve their wellbeing and self-esteem by delivering mental health workshops, physical activities, careers advice and trips. The transfer is for café recharges and for management and administration.
NLCF - Capacity and Resilience	To develop the capacity and resilience of the charity including the delivery of ongoing services including food parcels, a warm space and ongoing services.
BMDC - Healthy Activities Funds	To provide an Easter, Summer and Christmas holiday activity programme for children, delivering healthy lifestyle messages through fun, creative activities and food provision. The recharges are for room hire, management and administration plus premises.
BMDC - HSF	To provide food parcels, hot drinks and meals to families. The transfer is from unrestricted funds.
National Lottery Heritage Fund	To support a community project with a focus on learning about Sufi heritage via music. The recharges are for room hire, management and administration plus premises.
WYCA - Active Travel	To engage local women, encouraging them to learn how to cycle and get active.

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

4 Restricted funds

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
BMDC Community Buildings	To contribute towards the running costs of the centre.
BMDC - Day Opportunities	To support older women, participate in health improvement activities to improve their health and wellbeing and reduce social isolation. To support 30 women with learning differences to enable them to be healthier, more active, more independent and socially connected. The transfer is for café and room hire recharges, plus a management and administration recharge.
Groundwork	To engage women 18+ and build their confidence, self-esteem and motivation to look for work, take up a volunteer role or education/training course.
Hospice UK	To connect and convene through Grass-roots Arts, providing equitable support for multiply disadvantaged ethnic minority women facing dying, death and grief in Bradford.
Let's Grow Together	To train staff and volunteers in horticultural therapy as a means of improving the physical, mental and emotional wellbeing of women and children in BD3.
BMDC - Wellbeing	To support the delivery of a programme of wellbeing activities. The recharges are for room hire, management and administration plus premises.
National Citizen Service Trust	To support the provision of targeted community experiences for young people. The transfer is for café recharges.
Smallwood Trust	To enable the provision of a Women's Urgent Support Fund that will help sustain the provision of emergency welfare support. The transfer is for management and administration recharges.
VCS Alliance Out of Hours	To deliver an out of hours service as part of the Wellbeing Network. The transfer is for management and administration recharges.
DWP	Towards equipment under the Access to Work scheme.

Analysis of transfers	Kitchen recharges	Room / gym / other hire	Management and admin	Premises	Unrestricted support
BMDC Art & Culture - Kahaani	-	-	-	-	375
BBC Children in Need	(1,254)	-	(2,904)	-	-
BMDC - HAF 2024	(800)	(4,000)	(4,013)	(4,013)	-
BMDC - HSF	-	-	-	-	181
National Lottery Heritage Fund	(261)	-	(4,618)	(4,142)	-
BMDC - Day Opportunities	(920)	(6,223)	(3,342)	-	-
Groundwork	(4,713)	(4,932)	-	(6,278)	344
Hospice UK	(1,056)	(1,200)	(1,200)	-	-
BMDC - Wellbeing	(2,540)	(2,300)	(1,433)	-	128
National Citizen Service Trust	(292)	-	-	(3,648)	-
Smallwood Trust	-	-	(5,368)	(4,632)	-
VCS Alliance Out of Hours	-	-	(750)	(750)	633
	<u>(11,836)</u>	<u>(18,655)</u>	<u>(23,628)</u>	<u>(23,463)</u>	<u>1,661</u>

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

5 Tangible assets	Computer equipment	Gym and play	Office equipment	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2024	3,382	44,916	5,940	54,238
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	3,382	44,916	5,940	54,238
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2024	3,382	43,624	5,940	52,946
Charge for year	-	1,292	-	1,292
At 31 March 2025	3,382	44,916	5,940	54,238
Net book value				
At 31 March 2025	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	-	1,292	-	1,292

6 Debtors and prepayments	2025	2024
	£	£
Debtors	24,911	9,697
Prepayments	2,715	6,806
	27,626	16,503

7 Cash at bank and in hand	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash at bank	401,707	430,275
Cash in hand	2	27
	401,709	430,302

8 Creditors and accruals	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors	-	988
Accruals	4,364	5,033
Other creditors	1,143	3,851
	5,507	9,872

9 Designated funds	Balance b/f	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
Buildings	250,000	-	-	-	250,000
	250,000	-	-	-	250,000

Fund name	Reason for designation
Buildings	To be used for planned building works linked to the planned community

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

10 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

Remuneration and benefits received by key management personnel

The total employee benefits received by key management personnel were £93,703 (previous year: £89,842).

Operating leases

Expected future minimum lease payments over the remaining life of the lease, analysed into the period in which the commitment falls due:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Within one year	870	601
In the second to fifth years inclusive	3,261	-
Over five years from the balance sheet date	-	-
	<u>4,131</u>	<u>601</u>

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Statement of Financial Activities including comparatives for all funds (including summary income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income						
Grants and donations	1,782	3,034	332,345	362,227	334,127	365,261
Contracts	71,533	66,821	-	-	71,533	66,821
Room hire and office services	11,018	9,217	-	-	11,018	9,217
Café sales and gym fees	33,777	30,169	-	-	33,777	30,169
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Bank interest	10,705	12,300	-	-	10,705	12,300
Total income	158,718	131,006	332,545	362,227	491,263	493,233
Expenditure						
Salaries NI and pensions	175,045	95,268	169,079	205,321	344,124	300,589
Payroll charges	382	1,302	-	-	382	1,302
Consultancy and freelance staff	39,478	34,270	8,522	21,644	48,000	55,914
Travel expenses	968	1,032	8,744	3,102	9,712	4,134
Training	-	30	8,090	466	8,090	496
Volunteer expenses	345	(444)	65	800	410	356
Rent, rates and venue hire	437	1,428	-	-	437	1,428
Utilities	12,815	3,657	7,425	21,500	20,240	25,157
Telephone, internet and postage	1,455	2,409	212	728	1,667	3,137
Printing and stationery	1,878	1,788	442	527	2,320	2,315
Publicity and marketing	-	538	41	1,227	41	1,765
Computers, maintenance and software	1,673	1,397	2,671	3,593	4,344	4,990
Insurance	2,237	1,242	-	936	2,237	2,178
Maintenance and cleaning	7,140	5,419	-	4,050	7,140	9,469
Maintenance contracts	1,473	1,303	-	-	1,473	1,303
Events and activities	13,996	9,938	32,096	68,243	46,092	78,181
Awards and grants	-	-	-	5,794	-	5,794
Equipment and materials	1,033	1,054	-	4,577	1,033	5,631
Independent examination	2,400	2,400	-	-	2,400	2,400
Licences and subscriptions	3,162	866	-	-	3,162	866
Recruitment and DBS	-	25	124	456	124	481
Bad debts	305	-	-	-	305	-
Depreciation	1,292	1,628	-	-	1,292	1,628
Bank charges	635	587	-	-	635	587
Total expenditure	268,149	167,137	237,511	342,964	505,660	510,101
Net income / (expenditure)	(109,431)	(36,131)	95,034	19,263	(14,397)	(16,868)
Transfers between funds	75,921	36,853	(75,921)	(36,853)	-	-
Net movement in funds	(33,510)	722	19,113	(17,590)	(14,397)	(16,868)
Fund balances brought forward	400,525	399,803	37,700	55,290	438,225	455,093
Fund balances carried forward	367,015	400,525	56,813	37,700	423,828	438,225

WomenZone

Charity number 1170163

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



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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 March 2025

Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisors

The trustees during the financial year and up to and including the date the report was approved were:

Name	Position	Dates
Rizwana Jamil	Chair	
Tahera Kocholia	Vice Chair	
Marcia Marczynski	Treasurer	
Lorna James		

Charity number 1170163 Registered in England and Wales

Registered and principal address	Bankers
19-21 Hubert Street	Virgin Money
Bradford	Jubilee House
BD3 9TE	Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne
	NE3 4PL

Independent examiner

Simon Bostrom FCIE

West Yorkshire Community Accountancy Service CIO

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) formed on 14 November 2016 and is governed by a Constitution as amended on 12 December 2016, 9 August 2021 and 9 September 2021.

Method of recruitment and appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity are appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

1) To further or benefit the female residents and their families of Bradford, without distinction of sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the said residents.

In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance or management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.

2) To promote social inclusion for the public benefit among women residents in Bradford preventing women from becoming socially excluded, relieving the needs of women who are socially excluded and assisting them to integrate into society.

The charity's main activities

WomenZone provides a range of the following activities and services to promote education and support health and wellbeing:

- **Mental wellbeing:** Talking therapies, Happy Women's Group- an opportunity for women to develop new initiatives
- **Youth provision:** to support Young people's mental health post pandemic
- **PlayGym;** Family services – Art attack, parenting groups
- **Physical health:** HerGym, Exercise classes- steam room, weight management support, healthy eating sessions
- **Older women:** Wellbeing Group
- **Training and employment:** ESOL, Digital Literacy to support women find employment and financial security; IT, soft skills
- **Learning difficulties:** MySpace engages women with additional needs in health & wellbeing activities;
- **Heritage and culture:** we host events to celebrate cultural holidays and weekly Sufi music sessions
- **Warm/Welcoming Spaces:** where people can gather in a safe, friendly place and enjoy some refreshments and company
- **Health and Wellbeing** – Support groups for senior citizen women to participate in relaxation activities, arts and crafts and healthy lifestyle activities
- **Holiday Activities & Food Programme - Play Scheme** to provide nutritious meals and enrichment activities to children in receipt of free school meals
- Food parcels, hot meals, Tea, coffee and activities as part of welcome spaces
- **Social events.**

Public benefit statement

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

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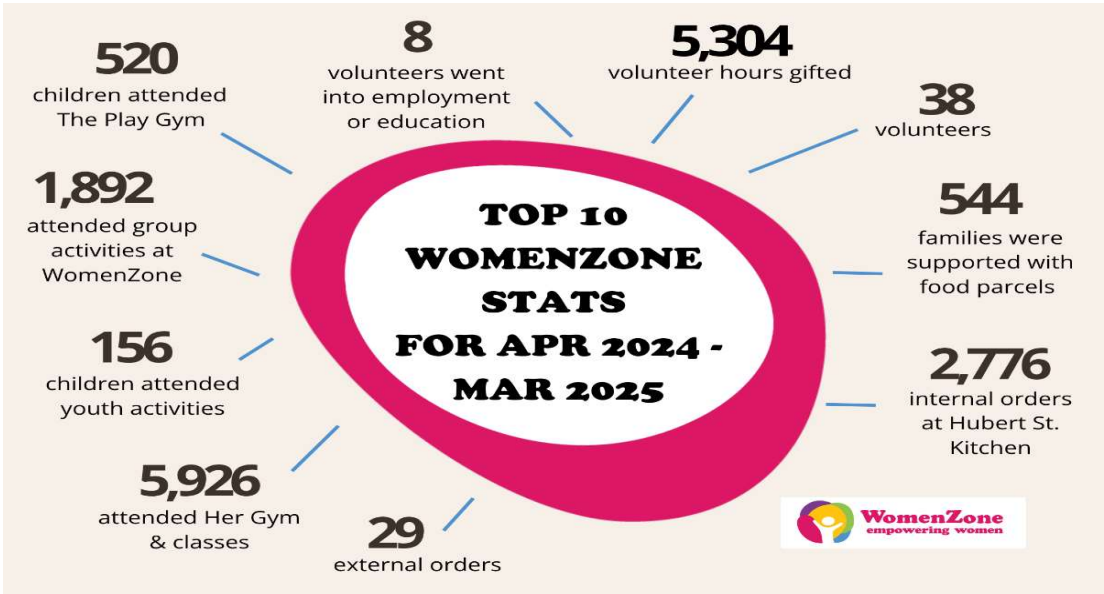
Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Achievements and performance

From April 2024 to March 2025, our focus has been on promoting health and wellbeing — not just through physical and mental health services, but by also taking into account the wider factors that impact people’s lives and contribute to the deep-rooted health inequalities we see in our local community.

The rising cost of living has had a stark impact on local women and families, with our communities being disproportionately affected due to the entrenched inequalities that persist in society. Over the next five years, our priority will be to support local women and their families in recovering from the financial hardship they have endured and to help them build resilience against future challenges.

At WomenZone the following number of attendees have been served.



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Trustees' report (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2025

Financial review

The net expenditure for the year was £14,397, including net expenditure of £33,510 on unrestricted funds and net income of £19,113 on restricted funds, after transfers.

Reserves policy

The charity's free reserves, excluding fixed assets, at the year end were £367,015.

Included within this balance, the trustees have designated £250,000 of these free reserves to a building fund.

WomenZone's reserve policy is to maintain a level of reserves that enables operating activities to be maintained, taking account of potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time. The policy will be reviewed annually by the trustees of the Charity.

WomenZone will maintain unrestricted reserves to provide cover for:

- Known liabilities such as salaries, redundancy and office costs.
- Unforeseen liabilities.
- To continue funding core activities, in case of loss of a funding stream.
- To manage organisational cash flow in the short term.
- To invest in growth and development.

In light of the uncertainty existing around cost of living pressures on future income flows and the desire to make improvements to the community centre the trustees have reviewed the reserves policy and have decided that for the 2024/2025 financial year reserves equivalent to between six and fourteen month's running costs should be maintained. This is between £238,200 and £555,900, based on budgeted 2024/2025 expenditure. As noted above actual reserves are currently £366,837.

Approved by the board of trustees on 7/10/2025

Marcia Marczynski (Trustee)

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of WomenZone

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts as 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 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the CIO's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a fellow of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act.

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a fellow of ACIE which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Charities Act;
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

Simon Bostrom FCIE

8/10/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities

(including summary income and expenditure account)

for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income from:					
Grants and donations	(2)	1,782	332,345	334,127	365,261
Contracts		71,533	-	71,533	66,821
Room hire and office services		11,018	-	11,018	9,217
Café sales and gym fees		33,777	-	33,777	30,169
Trips and activity contributions		4,267	200	4,467	3,281
Other service fee income		25,636	-	25,636	6,184
Bank interest		10,705	-	10,705	12,300
Total income		158,718	332,545	491,263	493,233
Expenditure on:					
Salaries NI and pensions	(3)	175,045	169,079	344,124	300,589
Payroll charges		382	-	382	1,302
Consultancy, freelance and sessional staff		39,478	8,522	48,000	55,914
Travel expenses		968	8,744	9,712	4,134
Training		-	8,090	8,090	496
Volunteer expenses		345	65	410	356
Rent, rates and venue hire		437	-	437	1,428
Utilities		12,815	7,425	20,240	25,157
Telephone, internet and postage		1,455	212	1,667	3,137
Printing and stationery		1,878	442	2,320	2,315
Publicity and marketing		-	41	41	1,765
Computers, maintenance and software		1,673	2,671	4,344	4,990
Insurance		2,237	-	2,237	2,178
Maintenance and cleaning		7,140	-	7,140	9,469
Maintenance contracts		1,473	-	1,473	1,303
Events and activities		13,996	32,096	46,092	78,181
Awards and grants		-	-	-	5,794
Equipment and materials		1,033	-	1,033	5,631
Independent examination		2,400	-	2,400	2,400
Licences and subscriptions		3,162	-	3,162	866
Recruitment and DBS		-	124	124	481
Bad debts		305	-	305	-
Depreciation		1,292	-	1,292	1,628
Bank charges		635	-	635	587
Total expenditure		268,149	237,511	505,660	510,101
Net income / (expenditure)		(109,431)	95,034	(14,397)	(16,868)
Transfers between funds	(4)	75,921	(75,921)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(33,510)	19,113	(14,397)	(16,868)
Fund balances brought forward		400,525	37,700	438,225	455,093
Fund balances carried forward	(4)	367,015	56,813	423,828	438,225

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2025

		2025	2025	2025	2024
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	(5)	-	-	-	1,292
Total fixed assets		-	-	-	1,292
Current assets					
Debtors and prepayments	(6)	26,675	951	27,626	16,503
Cash at bank and in hand	(7)	345,847	55,862	401,709	430,302
Total current assets		372,522	56,813	429,335	446,805
Current liabilities:					
amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors and accruals	(8)	5,507	-	5,507	9,872
Total current liabilities		5,507	-	5,507	9,872
Net current assets / (liabilities)		367,015	56,813	423,828	436,933
Net assets		367,015	56,813	423,828	438,225
Funds					
Unrestricted funds					
General unrestricted funds		117,015	-	117,015	150,525
Designated funds	(9)	250,000	-	250,000	250,000
Unrestricted funds		367,015	-	367,015	400,525
Restricted funds		-	56,813	56,813	37,700
Total funds		367,015	56,813	423,828	438,225

The financial statements were approved by the board of trustees on 7/10/2025

Marcia Marczynski (Trustee)

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Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: 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) (effective 1 January 2019) and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

There has been no change to the accounting policies since last year.

No changes have been made to the accounts for previous years.

Going concern

The trustees are satisfied that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, if it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants and donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance.

Expenditure and liabilities

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Taxation

As a charity the organisation benefits from rates relief and is generally exempt from income tax and capital gains tax but not from VAT. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the cost of those items to which it relates.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised and included at cost including any incidental expenses of acquisition. Gifted assets are shown at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Office equipment: over 5 years

Gym and play equipment: over 3 years

Computer equipment - over 3 years

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Notes to the accounts

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 Accounting policies continued

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. The costs of contributions are recognised in the year they are payable.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Leases

Rents under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term or to an earlier date if the lease can be determined without financial penalty.

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

2 Grants and donations	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
BBC Children in Need	-	33,154	33,154	29,132
Bradford District Metropolitan Council (BDMC)	-	108,936	108,936	122,117
Department of Work and Pensions (DWP)	-	1,660	1,660	-
Groundwork	-	50,000	50,000	-
Hospice UK	-	3,542	3,542	-
National Citizen Service Trust	-	48,415	48,415	16,665
Smallwood Trust	-	20,000	20,000	20,000
The Charles & Elsie Sykes Trust	-	2,000	2,000	-
The National Lottery Heritage Fund	-	39,975	39,975	49,969
West Yorkshire Combined Authority	-	5,000	5,000	-
Bradford VCS Limited	-	13,333	13,333	25,750
Sport England	-	-	-	2,400
The Keith Howard Foundation	-	-	-	1,500
Street Games UK Ltd	-	-	-	4,702
National Lottery Community Fund (NLCF)	-	-	-	74,992
Amal	-	-	-	15,000
Other donations	1,782	6,330	8,112	3,034
	<u>1,782</u>	<u>332,345</u>	<u>334,127</u>	<u>365,261</u>

3 Staff costs and numbers	2025 £	2024 £
Gross salaries	318,301	280,578
Social security costs	25,240	20,737
Employment allowance	(5,000)	(5,000)
Pensions	5,582	4,274
	<u>344,123</u>	<u>300,589</u>

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The average number of employees during the year was 15.9, being an average of 10.8 full time equivalent (2024: 14.4, 10.2 FTE). There were no employees with emoluments above £60,000.

Defined contribution pension scheme	2025 £	2024 £
Costs of the scheme to the charity for the year	5,582	4,274
Amount of any contributions outstanding at the year end	1,143	3,851

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

4 Restricted funds	Balance b/f	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
BMDC Art & Culture - Kahaani	(3,072)	2,700	3	375	-
BBC Children in Need	(2,213)	33,154	26,783	(4,158)	-
NLCF - Capacity and Resilience	5,085	-	5,085	-	-
BMDC - HAF 2025	-	8,100	38	-	8,062
BMDC - HAF 2024	7,742	31,300	26,216	(12,826)	-
BMDC - HAF 2023	385	-	-	-	385
BMDC - HSF	-	25,774	25,955	181	-
National Lottery Heritage Fund	42,978	39,975	39,545	(9,021)	34,387
WYCA - Active Travel	-	5,000	3,021	-	1,979
BMDC Community Buildings	-	7,425	7,425	-	-
BMDC - Day Opportunities	-	23,837	13,352	(10,485)	-
Groundwork	-	50,000	34,421	(15,579)	-
Hospice UK	-	3,542	86	(3,456)	-
Let's Grow Together	-	8,330	6,330	-	2,000
BMDC - Wellbeing	-	10,000	3,855	(6,145)	-
National Citizen Service Trust	(13,205)	48,415	31,270	(3,940)	-
Smallwood Trust	-	20,000	-	(10,000)	10,000
VCS Alliance Out of Hours	-	13,333	12,466	(867)	-
DWP	-	1,660	1,660	-	-
	<u>37,700</u>	<u>332,545</u>	<u>237,511</u>	<u>(75,921)</u>	<u>56,813</u>

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
BMDC Art & Culture - Kahaani	To use storytelling and performance techniques to enable South Asian women to tell their stories, theatrically, in a new drama which they will co-produce. The transfer is from unrestricted funds.
BBC Children in Need	To support young people living in deprived communities and at risk of mental health issues improve their wellbeing and self-esteem by delivering mental health workshops, physical activities, careers advice and trips. The transfer is for café recharges and for management and administration.
NLCF - Capacity and Resilience	To develop the capacity and resilience of the charity including the delivery of ongoing services including food parcels, a warm space and ongoing services.
BMDC - Healthy Activities Funds	To provide an Easter, Summer and Christmas holiday activity programme for children, delivering healthy lifestyle messages through fun, creative activities and food provision. The recharges are for room hire, management and administration plus premises.
BMDC - HSF	To provide food parcels, hot drinks and meals to families. The transfer is from unrestricted funds.
National Lottery Heritage Fund	To support a community project with a focus on learning about Sufi heritage via music. The recharges are for room hire, management and administration plus premises.
WYCA - Active Travel	To engage local women, encouraging them to learn how to cycle and get active.

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

4 Restricted funds

Fund name	Purpose of restriction
BMDC Community Buildings	To contribute towards the running costs of the centre.
BMDC - Day Opportunities	To support older women, participate in health improvement activities to improve their health and wellbeing and reduce social isolation. To support 30 women with learning differences to enable them to be healthier, more active, more independent and socially connected. The transfer is for café and room hire recharges, plus a management and administration recharge.
Groundwork	To engage women 18+ and build their confidence, self-esteem and motivation to look for work, take up a volunteer role or education/training course.
Hospice UK	To connect and convene through Grass-roots Arts, providing equitable support for multiply disadvantaged ethnic minority women facing dying, death and grief in Bradford.
Let's Grow Together	To train staff and volunteers in horticultural therapy as a means of improving the physical, mental and emotional wellbeing of women and children in BD3.
BMDC - Wellbeing	To support the delivery of a programme of wellbeing activities. The recharges are for room hire, management and administration plus premises.
National Citizen Service Trust	To support the provision of targeted community experiences for young people. The transfer is for café recharges.
Smallwood Trust	To enable the provision of a Women's Urgent Support Fund that will help sustain the provision of emergency welfare support. The transfer is for management and administration recharges.
VCS Alliance Out of Hours	To deliver an out of hours service as part of the Wellbeing Network. The transfer is for management and administration recharges.
DWP	Towards equipment under the Access to Work scheme.

Analysis of transfers	Kitchen recharges	Room / gym / other hire	Management and admin	Premises	Unrestricted support
BMDC Art & Culture - Kahaani	-	-	-	-	375
BBC Children in Need	(1,254)	-	(2,904)	-	-
BMDC - HAF 2024	(800)	(4,000)	(4,013)	(4,013)	-
BMDC - HSF	-	-	-	-	181
National Lottery Heritage Fund	(261)	-	(4,618)	(4,142)	-
BMDC - Day Opportunities	(920)	(6,223)	(3,342)	-	-
Groundwork	(4,713)	(4,932)	-	(6,278)	344
Hospice UK	(1,056)	(1,200)	(1,200)	-	-
BMDC - Wellbeing	(2,540)	(2,300)	(1,433)	-	128
National Citizen Service Trust	(292)	-	-	(3,648)	-
Smallwood Trust	-	-	(5,368)	(4,632)	-
VCS Alliance Out of Hours	-	-	(750)	(750)	633
	<u>(11,836)</u>	<u>(18,655)</u>	<u>(23,628)</u>	<u>(23,463)</u>	<u>1,661</u>

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

5 Tangible assets	Computer equipment	Gym and play	Office equipment	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2024	3,382	44,916	5,940	54,238
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2025	3,382	44,916	5,940	54,238
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2024	3,382	43,624	5,940	52,946
Charge for year	-	1,292	-	1,292
At 31 March 2025	3,382	44,916	5,940	54,238
Net book value				
At 31 March 2025	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2024	-	1,292	-	1,292

6 Debtors and prepayments	2025	2024
	£	£
Debtors	24,911	9,697
Prepayments	2,715	6,806
	27,626	16,503

7 Cash at bank and in hand	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash at bank	401,707	430,275
Cash in hand	2	27
	401,709	430,302

8 Creditors and accruals	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors	-	988
Accruals	4,364	5,033
Other creditors	1,143	3,851
	5,507	9,872

9 Designated funds	Balance b/f	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Balance c/f
	£	£	£	£	£
Buildings	250,000	-	-	-	250,000
	250,000	-	-	-	250,000

Fund name	Reason for designation
Buildings	To be used for planned building works linked to the planned community

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Notes to the accounts continued for the year ended 31 March 2025

10 Related party transactions

Trustee expenses

No trustee received any expenses during this year or the previous year.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

No trustee received any remuneration or benefit during this or the previous year.

Remuneration and benefits received by key management personnel

The total employee benefits received by key management personnel were £93,703 (previous year: £89,842).

Operating leases

Expected future minimum lease payments over the remaining life of the lease, analysed into the period in which the commitment falls due:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Within one year	870	601
In the second to fifth years inclusive	3,261	-
Over five years from the balance sheet date	-	-
	<u>4,131</u>	<u>601</u>

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Statement of Financial Activities including comparatives for all funds (including summary income and expenditure account) for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Unrestricted funds £	2025 Restricted funds £	2024 Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Income						
Grants and donations	1,782	3,034	332,345	362,227	334,127	365,261
Contracts	71,533	66,821	-	-	71,533	66,821
Room hire and office services	11,018	9,217	-	-	11,018	9,217
Café sales and gym fees	33,777	30,169	-	-	33,777	30,169
Trips and activity contributions	4,267	3,281	200	-	4,467	3,281
Other service fee income	25,636	6,184	-	-	25,636	6,184
Bank interest	10,705	12,300	-	-	10,705	12,300
Total income	158,718	131,006	332,545	362,227	491,263	493,233
Expenditure						
Salaries NI and pensions	175,045	95,268	169,079	205,321	344,124	300,589
Payroll charges	382	1,302	-	-	382	1,302
Consultancy and freelance staff	39,478	34,270	8,522	21,644	48,000	55,914
Travel expenses	968	1,032	8,744	3,102	9,712	4,134
Training	-	30	8,090	466	8,090	496
Volunteer expenses	345	(444)	65	800	410	356
Rent, rates and venue hire	437	1,428	-	-	437	1,428
Utilities	12,815	3,657	7,425	21,500	20,240	25,157
Telephone, internet and postage	1,455	2,409	212	728	1,667	3,137
Printing and stationery	1,878	1,788	442	527	2,320	2,315
Publicity and marketing	-	538	41	1,227	41	1,765
Computers, maintenance and software	1,673	1,397	2,671	3,593	4,344	4,990
Insurance	2,237	1,242	-	936	2,237	2,178
Maintenance and cleaning	7,140	5,419	-	4,050	7,140	9,469
Maintenance contracts	1,473	1,303	-	-	1,473	1,303
Events and activities	13,996	9,938	32,096	68,243	46,092	78,181
Awards and grants	-	-	-	5,794	-	5,794
Equipment and materials	1,033	1,054	-	4,577	1,033	5,631
Independent examination	2,400	2,400	-	-	2,400	2,400
Licences and subscriptions	3,162	866	-	-	3,162	866
Recruitment and DBS	-	25	124	456	124	481
Bad debts	305	-	-	-	305	-
Depreciation	1,292	1,628	-	-	1,292	1,628
Bank charges	635	587	-	-	635	587
Total expenditure	268,149	167,137	237,511	342,964	505,660	510,101
Net income / (expenditure)	(109,431)	(36,131)	95,034	19,263	(14,397)	(16,868)
Transfers between funds	75,921	36,853	(75,921)	(36,853)	-	-
Net movement in funds	(33,510)	722	19,113	(17,590)	(14,397)	(16,868)
Fund balances brought forward	400,525	399,803	37,700	55,290	438,225	455,093
Fund balances carried forward	367,015	400,525	56,813	37,700	423,828	438,225

WomenZone

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of WomenZone

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the CIO's accounts as 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 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the CIO's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a fellow of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act.

I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a fellow of ACIE which is one of the listed bodies.

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 Charities Act;
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

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8/10/2025

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