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ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

"Beloved has supported me so much its made me not give up. The support has changed my view on life, its giving me love and hope, thank u Beloved x"

"I can smile when I look in the mirror now, I see a better me, more happy and more confident about myself...and I'm proud of myself"

"One of the things I really admire about Beloved is that they don't just focus on women who want to leave the parlours - they also support those who have to stay in the work, for one reason or another. Beloved make us all feel special and loved, and they pray and care for us no matter what."



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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE

St Agnes Church
Thomas Street
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GOVERNING DOCUMENT CIO

Constitution dated 18 November 2016

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER

1170261

TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR
MANAGING THE CHARITY

This charity has been given a dispensation
from the charity commission for publishing
the names of its trustees.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Letter from the Chair

2023 has been a more turbulent year than could have been expected for Beloved.

No-one could have anticipated the cost-of-living crisis. This has had an impact on the women we seek to serve, our staff and our donors. As with many small charities Beloved has faced the twin challenges of increased outgoings in rent, salaries and heating at the same time as rising demands on our services.

We are thankful for the continued generous support we receive from local churches, organisations and individuals. The financial donations and practical gifts of toiletries, food parcels and hampers have been greatly appreciated.

To all the volunteers who accompany our Women's Case workers on visits and trips -thank you, our service could not function without you.

Two senior members of staff were on maternity leave for most of this year and we are hugely grateful for how remaining staff stepped up to fulfil their roles and ensure continuity of the service. We have also seen staff retire or move on to other organisations, and are proud that they were able to secure more senior positions elsewhere.

I took over as Chair of Beloved in January this year and want to express my thanks to Nigel Ring who previously, so ably Chaired Beloved. My thanks also to new folk stepping up to be Trustees of the Board.

Despite the changes and financial challenges, I am delighted that Beloved has managed to continue to deliver our core services of parlour visits and casework.

Beloved's unique selling point is offering gift bags, friendship and prayer to the women working in massage parlours & brothels around our city, to remind the women of their dignity and help them flourish and leave the work if that is their wish.

As this report will illustrate, Beloved provides so much more and we have a vision to do more still.

I commend this report to you.

Chair of the Board of Trustees

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Objects of the charity

The Object of Beloved is to relieve poverty and hardship, in particular by working with those involved in prostitution or at risk of being drawn into prostitution as a result of unemployment, poverty, deprivation, financial hardship, ill-health, or disability and to do so:

- (i) for the public benefit;
- (ii) throughout the United Kingdom,
- (iii) in pursuance of Christian principles; and
- (iv) in accordance with the Statement of Faith.

Our mission

To support women working in any area of the indoor sex industry in Bristol and the surrounding areas, promoting the dignity and self worth of every woman that we meet. Whether they are remaining in the industry, seeking to leave or have already left, we walk alongside women, raising their awareness of alternative opportunities and supporting them to address any physical, emotional, economic and spiritual needs they may identify.

Governance

Beloved is a CIO (number: 1170261), registered in 2016. The policy and operating decisions of the charity rest with the Trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the organisation. New Trustees are appointed by the existing body of Trustees in accordance with Paragraph 11.1 of the Constitution.

Review of Activities

Our support for women working in the indoor sex industry involves the following key elements:

Parlour visits

Meeting with women on a twice monthly basis inside the massage parlours. Our team of volunteers and caseworkers offer time to talk alongside signposting to local organisations such as specialist sexual health clinics, debt advice, housing support and mental health services.

One-to-one casework

Supporting women to access accommodation, employment, benefits, sexual health services and primary care services as well as other specialist support within Bristol. We are also able to assist women with issues such as EU settlement, provide access to short-term emergency financial assistance and liaise with our network of local supporters to meet any other needs the women may have.

Well-being work

Over the last year, we have been able to support the women by delivering a series of well-being sessions. These have involved activities that promote the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of the women we support.



Impact Snapshot

- 950** Casework hours completed.
- 46** Women given ongoing emotional support.
- 32** Well-being sessions delivered.
- 41** Employment support sessions delivered.
- 27** Parlour visits offering safety information and practical support.

Projects

Details

Outcome

Casework

Providing 1:1 casework support for women outside of the massage parlour context.

- 37 women supported to access a combination of accommodation, benefits, sexual health services and drug and alcohol support.

Outreach

Outreach visits to massage parlours.

- 43 women given safety information and advice during visits.

Well-being

Well-being workshops and activities.

- 10 Well-being workshops delivered, reducing isolation, increasing skills and improving mental health

Employment

Supporting women into education and employment.

- 20 women supported into further education, employment, with CV writing, job applications and interview preparation.

Emotional and Spiritual Support

Providing an ongoing listening service as well as offering prayer.

- 51 women given emotional support and 22 women given prayer support.

Physical Health

Supporting women to improve their physical well-being.

- 27 Women received food, health and well-being packs.

Partnerships

Churches

We continue to maintain strong connections to churches within the Bristol area. Local churches continue to support us through prayer, volunteering, regular financial giving, delivering well-being activities, providing food packs and gifts at Christmas and Easter.

Safeguarding

As part of our regular outreach, we support local statutory services to reach some of the most vulnerable and hidden women, for example, those working in pop up premises.

Staff Well-being

Our team of caseworkers are highly valued and we recognise the frequent exposure they have to trauma. As such we have a regular programme of well-being days and provide monthly clinical supervision, external to Beloved, allowing staff to take a break from the challenging nature of their work. We also provide group supervision for our volunteers on a termly basis.

Multi-Agency Working

We fit into a broader local and national context, working in direct partnership with other women's organisations across Bristol as well as statutory organisations to ensure the women we support are able to access the services that they need.

Advisory Board

We are guided by the women we support to ensure that the service we deliver is one that meets their needs. Our advisory board meets quarterly, providing a forum for women to express their needs, advise on what they think is going well and to make suggestions for improvement.





Looking Forward

We stand in the gap for those women whose voices society refuses to listen to. We show love and compassion to those who are disregarded and dehumanised. We are led and guided by women who have experienced the trauma and pain that the sex industry can bring. We continue to move forward.

As we move forward into a new financial year, we know we still have a long way to go in overcoming the ongoing challenges that the women we support, face. Please join with us as we pursue big dreams for our Beloved women.

Housing- We would love to have a place to offer women who are ready to leave the massage parlours but cannot access the usual housing pathways due to having no recourse to public funds.

Financial Support- As women continue to struggle with the cost of living crisis alongside a reduction in their income, we want to be able to continue to offer access to our hardship fund.

Employment- Many of the women we support have gaps on their CV's which makes it difficult to gain secure employment despite having the necessary skills. Over the next year we want to work towards developing secure employment pathways, where women are able to progress in their chosen careers.

Outreach- This is where Beloved began. We know that more women are working online, from their own homes and in new premises that are emerging across the city. We want to continue to develop and adapt our outreach model so that we can offer support to as many women who want to access it.

Women's Voices

The women we serve are the most important part of what we do at Beloved, they are the reason we exist. It is essential that their stories are heard.

Raquel is a woman who was trafficked into the UK for the sole purpose of being exploited within the commercial sex industry. Beloved volunteers met her on parlour outreach visits and she began to regularly engage with prayer and one to one support outside of the parlour. With the support of Beloved and another charity, Raquel was able to leave the parlour. However she quickly entered an abusive relationship, attacking her self esteem and putting her at risk of serious harm. Beloved continued to support her during this time, creating safety plans and providing financial support as well as ongoing emotional and spiritual support. Raquel eventually made the decision to leave the abusive relationship and we have since been able to support her into new accommodation, attendance on an employability programme and most recently, into full time employment.

Although women's journeys are never a straight line, we are present for it all, the highs and lows, wins and losses. It is our privilege to be able to serve in this way.



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THANK YOU TO ALL OUR DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS

**We couldn't have done it
without your generous support .**

From the cupcake bakers to the
outreach visitors, the regular donors
to the prayer warriors, we thank you
all. Without you, Beloved would not
be possible.



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Please continue to support us through prayer, volunteering and giving. If you would like any further information about Beloved, please contact us directly on the details below, we would love to hear from you.

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🌐 www.beloved.org.uk

📍 **Bristol**

☎ **07541 366577**

Please consider setting up a regular financial commitment using the QR code below.



If you wish to donate via online banking, please use the following account details:

Beloved, 08-92-99, 67258633.

If you wish to give via cheque, please make all cheques payable to Beloved and post to:

Beloved, St Agnes Church, Thomas Street, Bristol, BS2 9LL.

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Finance

The charity received £150,384 in the reporting period and total expenditure was £139,826. Unrestricted funds at the end of the reporting period were £45,301.

This year has brought considerable financial challenges for Beloved. However, with a reduction in the size of the staff team, and an increased utilisation of volunteer skills, we have managed to continue to deliver both our outreach and casework services within budget.

Although we did not meet our income projections (income was lower than budget) for the financial year 22/23, we reduced our expenditure to ensure that Beloved was able to continue to deliver the essential support to the women who use our services.

Towards the end of the financial year, our fundraiser who we had contracted to write funding bids, moved on to another role. We have recently secured a new fundraiser who is able to continue this process.

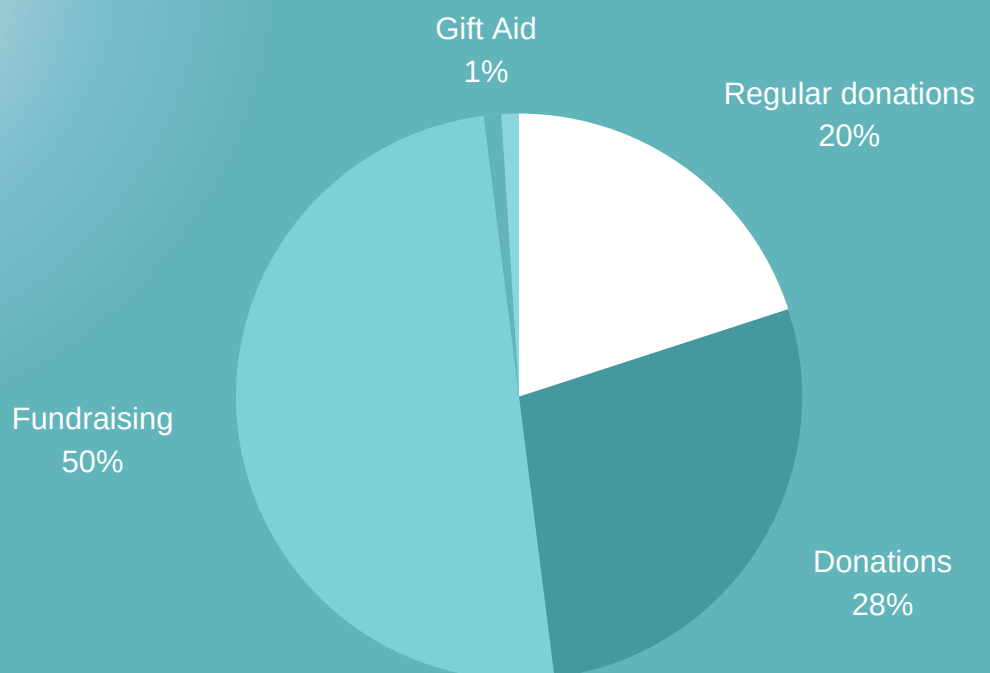


Fundraising Income

£75,650

Donations & Grants

£74,708



Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Beloved

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Beloved (the Charity) for the year ended 31st 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 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 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 Act; or
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.

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Date: 30.08.23

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Donations & grants		73,620	1,088	74,708	65,114
Fundraising		37,150	38,500	75,650	72,632
Interest		26	-	26	11
Total receipts		110,796	39,588	150,384	137,757
Payments					
Charitable activities	1	90,381	49,445	139,826	141,353
Total expenditure		90,381	49,445	139,826	141,353
Net receipts/(payments)		20,415	(9,857)	10,558	(3,596)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	2	20,415	(9,857)	10,558	(3,596)
Cash funds as at 1 April 2022		24,886	19,878	44,764	48,360
Cash funds as at 31 March 2023		45,301	10,021	55,322	44,764

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AT 31 MARCH 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
Assets Retained	Cost	Cost
Computers and IT equipment	<u>3,550</u>	<u>3,391</u>
	3,550	3,391
Cash Reserves	2023 £	2022 £
Cash at bank	55,296	44,758
Petty cash	<u>26</u>	<u>6</u>
	55,322	44,764
Other Current assets		
Other debtors	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>
	12	12
Liabilities		
Trade creditors	2,334	855
Fee for Independent Examination	<u>1,320</u>	<u>1,200</u>
	3,654	2,055
Funds Reserves		
Brought forward	44,764	48,360
Net receipts/(payments) for the year	<u>10,558</u>	<u>(3,596)</u>
Carried forward	<u>55,322</u>	<u>44,764</u>

Signed on behalf of the trustees on 30.8.23

Chair of Trustees

1 Charitable Activities Expenditure

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	2023 £
Employment and subcontractors costs	79,160	29,329	108,489
Property costs	729	5,234	5,963
Administration and exiting costs	629	9,689	10,318
Outreach	2,243	3,905	6,148
Fundraising	7,116	-	7,116
Insurance	-	913	913
Events	190	193	383
Donations	50	-	50
Other costs	264	182	446
	90,381	49,445	139,826
Prior year comparative	General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	2022 £
Employment and subcontractors costs	94,585	9,501	104,086
Property costs	300	3,550	3,850
Administration and exiting costs	6,923	14,298	21,221
Outreach	691	5,269	5,960
Fundraising	1,954	-	1,954
Insurance	-	749	749
Events	-	1,670	1,670
Other costs	1,743	120	1,863
	106,196	35,157	141,353

2 Movement in Funds

	Balance at 31.3.22 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance at 31.3.23 £
General Funds	24,337	100,796	(86,112)	-	39,021
Designated funds					
Joseph Rank Trust	549	10,000	(4,269)	-	6,280
	<u>24,886</u>	<u>110,796</u>	<u>(90,381)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>45,301</u>
Restricted Funds					
Anonymous: Promotional Film	1,742	-	(1,026)	-	716
Awards for All	491	-	(491)	-	-
Burden Trust	3,883	5,000	(8,883)	-	-
Christmas gifts	242	1,588	(1,830)	-	-
Garfield Weston	-	10,000	(9,061)	-	939
Hardship Fund	641	3,000	(930)	-	2,711
John James	8,531	-	(8,531)	-	-
Lottery Grant	1,912	10,000	(11,912)	-	-
Oliver Borthwick Fund	1,238	-	(71)	-	1,167
Quartet Social Action	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
Quartet Well-being Workshops	-	5,000	(512)	-	4,488
St Thomas Ecclesiastical	300	-	(300)	-	-
Trusthouse	898	-	(898)	-	-
	<u>19,878</u>	<u>39,588</u>	<u>(49,445)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,021</u>
	<u>44,764</u>	<u>150,384</u>	<u>(139,826)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,322</u>

2 Movement in Funds (continued)**Fund descriptions**

Joseph Rank Trust (Designated) - A Caseworker salary.

Anonymous: Promotional Film - Grant funding for the creation of a film to promote our services and share information of our work externally.

Awards for All - For the funding of 'move-on/drop-in work' managed and coordinated by the 'transition worker' and is restricted to paying their salary.

Burden Trust - Funding for the salary of the Women's support worker.

Carpet: League of the help - A direct grant applied for on behalf of a woman towards a carpet for her new accommodation.

Christmas gifts - Funding for our Christmas gifts for the women.

Garfield Weston - Funding for our core costs, namely caseworker salaries.

Hardship Fund - A direct fund for emergency exiting support costs for women.

John James - Funding for charity projects.

Lottery Grant - A Caseworker salary.

Oliver Borthwick Fund - Funding for housing, accommodation and prevention of homelessness.

Quartet Social Action - Funds towards cost of living crisis, used for caseworker salaries and winter well-being packs for clients with essentials and self care items over the winter months.

Quartet Well-being Workshops - To reduce isolation, build community and offer the women a chance to be in a different environment, examples are horse riding, spa days, arboretum visits.

St Stephens Grant - Provision of paid spots on the LoveWell Training and Employment programme.

St Thomas Ecclesiastical Fund - Beloved's outreach and move-on work.

Trusthouse - Funding for Beloved running costs.

2 Movement in Funds (continued)

Prior year comparative

	Balance at 31.3.21 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Balance at 31.3.22 £
General Funds	26,367	93,423	(95,453)	-	24,337
Designated funds					
Joseph Rank Trust	1,292	10,000	(10,743)	-	549
	<u>27,659</u>	<u>103,423</u>	<u>(106,196)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,886</u>
Restricted Funds					
Anonymous: Promotional Film	-	1,750	(8)	-	1,742
Awards for All	491	-	-	-	491
Burden Trust	3,883	-	-	-	3,883
Carpet: League of the help	-	239	(239)	-	-
Christmas gifts	-	2,845	(2,603)	-	242
Hardship Fund	1,966	-	(1,325)	-	641
John James	8,790	-	(259)	-	8,531
Lottery Grant	-	10,000	(8,088)	-	1,912
Oliver Borthwick Fund	-	1,500	(262)	-	1,238
St Stephens Grant	-	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
St Thomas Ecclesiastical	5,571	-	(5,271)	-	300
Trusthouse	-	10,000	(9,102)	-	898
	<u>20,701</u>	<u>34,334</u>	<u>(35,157)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,878</u>
	<u>48,360</u>	<u>137,757</u>	<u>(141,353)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,764</u>

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 UK 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 keeping sufficient accounting records that 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.

This report was approved by the trustees on 30.08.23 and signed on their behalf by:

Chair of Trustees