

THE MARTIN FISHER FOUNDATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1170567

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [09773654](#)

Registered 2016-12-05

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY ARE:(1) THE PROMOTION, PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE WITH OR AT RISK OF HIV AND ALL MATTERS RELATING TO HIV IN GENERAL, AND IN PARTICULAR THROUGH THE PROVISION OR ASSISTANCE IN THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL OR OTHER PERSONNEL TO INCREASE HIV TESTING IN ALL JURISDICTIONS;(2) TO SUPPORT RESEARCH INTO THE PROVISION OF APPROPRIATE HIV PREVENTION STRATEGIES, HIV MODELS OF CARE AND SERVICES IN ALL JURISDICTIONS; AND(3) THE ADVANCEMENT OF PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION IN ALL MATTERS RELATING TO HIV IN GENERAL IN ALL JURISDICTIONS.

Activities: The Martin Fisher Foundation was founded in 2015 to take forward the work of Professor Martin Fisher. We continue Martin's ethos of treating people living with HIV with dignity, compassion & respect, & are developing new strategies for effective HIV prevention, treatment & care. We are working together towards ZERO new HIV infections, ZERO HIV-related deaths, & ZERO HIV stigma in Brighton & Hove.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-09-30	£272	£35,446	-	-
2024-09-30	£9,695	£17,354	-	-
2023-09-30	£16,566	£18,936	-	-
2022-09-30	£10,149	£15,353	-	-
2021-09-30	£16,900	£3,321	-	-
2020-09-30	£34,078	£4,528	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Colin Fitzpatrick		2021-05-13
DR Jaime Vera-Rojas		2018-02-02
Dr ADRIAN PALFREEMAN		2015-09-11
Dr GILLIAN DEAN FRCP		2015-09-11
Eileen Nixon		2015-09-11
Stephen Fisher		2023-03-02
Victoria Ann Pearce		2020-02-06

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Accounts

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 09773654 (England and Wales)
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1170567

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

FOR

THE MARTIN FISHER FOUNDATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

Chariot House Limited
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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th September 2020. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The Objects of the Charity are :

- 1.The promotion, preservation and protection of the health of people with or at risk of HIV and all matters relating to HIV in general, and in particular through the provision or assistance in the provision of medical or other personnel to increase HIV testing in all jurisdictions.
- 2.To support research into the provision of appropriate HIV prevention strategies, HIV models of care and services in all jurisdictions.
- 3.The advancement of public and professional education in all matters relating to HIV in general in all jurisdictions.

The Martin Fisher Foundation has been set up in Brighton and Hove to take forward the work of professor Martin Fisher. The Foundation continues Martin's ethos of treating people living with HIV with dignity, compassion and respect, and focuses on the development of new strategies for effective HIV prevention, treatment and cure.

Significant activities

During this period fundraising activities have been heavily impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic and the charity has been unable to organise face-to-face events to raise awareness of the Foundation's work, to fundraise, and to work towards the objectives as set out above. We have continued to use digital platforms, our website and social media to do this. The main areas of work carried out by the charity (including in partnership with other organisations) are detailed below.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in the planning of future activities.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities and performance

Fast-Track City (FTC) activities

The international FTC Initiative continues to be exciting and productive. As expected it has enabled our city to look with fresh eyes at our HIV prevention and treatment work, and move towards ensuring that all our Stakeholders are aligned and working together towards the targets.

Our joint role is to lead the work of the Towards Zero HIV Taskforce in establishing the programme within the city, monitoring delivery against the 90:90:90 targets (and subsequently the 95:95:95 targets), and embed a collaborative approach that enables us all to work together to deliver these targets as quickly as possible while making sure that we learn from the rest of the country and worlds progress.

In the second year of the Fast Track Cities Initiative we have made strong progress in delivering the objectives of the programme and have seen the various work streams become established and contribute to the whole action plan. These report later in this document.

We know that our performance against the 90:90:90 targets continues to improve. At the end of 2019:

- 94% of people living with HIV in the city know their status (based on national analysis)
- 99% of people attending Brighton & Hove services are on treatment and
- 99% of those people on treatment attending Brighton & Hove services have undetectable virus in their blood stream

We are also working to develop a baseline assessment of HIV stigma within the city and develop a plan to address this fully. But there is much more to do to meet our targets of ZERO HIV stigma, ZERO new HIV infections and ZERO deaths from HIV in Brighton & Hove. Innovation will be a key means of achieving this and already we have seen the HIV self-testing vending machine win national awards and international plaudits.

Over the next few years we have some urgent challenges that will require all partners and the whole city to come together to ensure that we can meet the above targets by 2030 and really start to tackle HIV stigma comprehensively across all communities.

HIV Commission evidence gathering visit Mar 2020:

Being a FTC resulted in the HIV Commission visiting Brighton & Hove to meet people involved with service delivery, talk to community and voluntary organisations and hear from people living with HIV. Following lunch at Lunch Positive we had a very productive meeting at Hove Town Hall with the Commissioners and all stakeholders.

Report of the FTC Research and Education Implementation Group (REIG)

The REIG brings together researchers from Brighton and Sussex Medical School (BSMS), University of Sussex (UoS) and University of Brighton (UoB) who have a track record in research in the areas of HIV prevention, testing and Sexual Health. The overarching objective of the research and education group is to provide the essential support to other implementation groups on research methodology to ensure that projects are rigorously evaluated. The group also aims to design, conduct and disseminate research projects that align with the charity objectives as well as those established in the fast track cities initiative charter.

The group have met twice during 2019 and regular discussion with members has taken place throughout the year; twice yearly meeting will now continue instead of every three months.

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The membership of the group encompasses the expertise of academics currently working in projects associated with sexual health and HIV. During the last year, the group have worked closely with both the Innovations in Testing and Care (ITC) implementation and Stigma groups to provide support designing, conducting and evaluating interventions, as well as helping write applications for funding.

We will also ensure that the results of any projects are disseminated effectively to all stakeholders including the wider community.

Report of the FTC Innovations in Testing and Care Implementation Group

The Innovations in Testing & Care (ITC) implementation group brings together key partners and stakeholders across the city with knowledge, passion and expertise in planning and implementing targeted HIV testing initiatives, as well as other key HIV prevention methods such as improving access to pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP).

The group monitors progress made with respect to the Process Indicators agreed by the Towards Zero HIV Taskforce. Since Brighton & Hove became a FTC we have been able to significantly improve our data quality, and expand the number data items which has provided more in depth measures of what good care should look like. This in turn allows us to better monitor progress against these and international targets and plan our activities strategically. Local HIV data relating to undiagnosed calculations from Public Health England and other insights from local HIV treatment service data enabled us to accurately estimate undiagnosed levels in our city. This identified that we had reached and exceeded the 90% target for diagnosed HIV with a current estimate of 94%. We still have a long road ahead but this has provided an opportunity to help us profile the most affected groups and to concentrate and coordinate our testing efforts to identify undiagnosed infections; reduce late diagnosis rates and move ever closer to zero.

The FTC group gives a real opportunity to liaise with workers 'on the ground' and think outside the commissioning envelope. We actively seek ideas from the 'grassroots' population on how we can better coordinate HIV Prevention efforts across the city. Once projects have been identified as important, they are approved by the Towards Zero HIV Taskforce, and we work closely with the Research and Evaluation implementation group to identify funding streams, and ensure there is a clear monitoring and evaluation plan.

The group is chaired by Dr Gillian Dean (Trustee) and Marc Tweed (Centre Manager of Terrence Higgins Trust South). As the membership provide a broad representation of vulnerable and 'at-risk' groups, we recognise that time can be limited by the intensity of day-to-day work. As a result we've found that having 'themed' meetings throughout the year e.g. Trans-focused, PrEP access, BAME engagement ensures more meaningful engagement and innovative thinking. With respect to testing innovation; the charity has secured funding to pilot opt-out testing in primary care which we identified as an important mechanism to reach those not routinely accessing sexual health services or commissioned targeted HIV testing projects; in particular heterosexual men and women.

We continued to expand community HIV testing through the Digital Vending Machine technology. There have been 5 machines in operation in various settings across the city, with ongoing negotiations to place machines in other key venues such as BMECP centre (Black and Minority Ethnic Community Project), the Jubilee Library and in pharmacies. The Covid-19 pandemic has expedited progress on upgrading existing machines to dispense STI (sexually transmitted infection) kits in addition to HIV self-tests. This is in direct response to prior user feedback. In 2020 AMEX head-office agreed to purchase one of these next generation machines, a fantastic example of employer responsibility for other businesses across the city, and this will be fitted in 2021. We will continue to ensure that populations who may be at higher risk of HIV in the city have access to testing and care, whilst also endeavouring to inform the general population that they should be 'aware of their HIV status' if we are to move towards zero new infections by 2030.

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PrEP has also been a focus of attention for the charity over the year covered by this report, in preparation for wider availability through sexual health clinics in England from October 2020. FTC meetings have generated baseline data by amalgamating information from patients on clinical NHS trials and from THT who are monitoring community access to PrEP. The ITC group has been working to ensure that all who could benefit from PrEP and protect themselves from HIV are aware of its effectiveness and where to access treatment via promotional efforts and resources.

We aim to ensure the wider population of Brighton & Hove are aware of the FTC initiative through outputs such as the 'back-to-basics' report which we published in G-Scene magazine and through a FTC web-page on the Brighton & Hove City Council web-site. We have continued to showcase and promote FTC and the work of the ITC group via annual stakeholder meetings where a broad and diverse range of stakeholders are invited to get involved and share their opinions and ideas to help us get to Zero.

Report of the FTC Stigma Implementation Group

The stigma steering group (established 2018) has membership from healthcare workers, peer-led services, community support organisations and people living with HIV (PLWH).

A city wide strategic plan to reduce stigma and discrimination was then developed targeting healthcare workers, PLWH and the general public with the aim of addressing HIV stigma at a multi-sectoral level in three work streams

1.Reducing stigma among healthcare workers

- Target education in the acute hospital setting.
- Stigma screen cast.
- HIV stigma training as part of mandatory training.
- E-Learning module using film as a learning tool.
- Rollout to community health settings.

2.Empowering PLWH

- Building resilience in PLWH.
- 1:1 mentoring.
- Partnership with MIND mental health charity to develop workshops based on 5 ways of wellbeing.

3.Public awareness campaign

- Build on StigmaSaur public awareness campaign.
- Work with local businesses, communications and PR companies to develop further campaigns.

The overall aim of the stigma working group is to provide strategic leadership for HIV stigma reduction activities and to participate in delivering innovative stigma reduction activities across the city.

In the past year, through this group and the affiliated organisations, there have been HIV awareness projects across the city including art exhibitions, patient stories, educational packages, digital campaigns and twitter chats. Workshops have been established with the mental health charity MIND to support PLWH to develop resilience in relation to HIV stigma. In the acute hospital Trust, we have identified healthcare practices that inadvertently compound HIV stigma and worked with clinical and support teams to implement changes to practice.

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A collaborative project between University of Sussex, Birkbeck College, University of London and Smith College (USA) is bringing together a network of HIV scholars, activists, artists, policymakers and practitioners in 5 Fast Track Cities: Delhi (India), Brighton (UK), New York (US), Nairobi (Kenya) and Havana (Cuba). This project aims to develop a major international research programme foregrounding the body in relation to stigma, HIV treatment and prevention encompassing intimate, public and global perspectives. A series of workshops following the arts-based methodology Embodied Mapping (carried out in Brighton and Hove in November 2019), will inform innovative approaches to gathering context-specific knowledge about HIV; investigate how visual methods can open up new trajectories for HIV and stigma research; and explore how the body in relation to HIV and stigma is understood differently between and within urban locations.

Baseline stigma metrics have been developed using local data extrapolated from national datasets, leading to stigma reduction targets that will be utilised to evaluate forthcoming interventions and as stigma process indicators.

- 1.Reduction in PLWH experiencing perceived or actual discrimination due to their HIV status in healthcare.
- 2.Reduction in PLWH experiencing perceived or actual discrimination due to their HIV status in communities.
- 3.Increase in PLWH who feel supported by friends, family, faith communities, and workplace.

A stakeholder meeting was held in Autumn 2019 with representatives from the HIV sector, voluntary sector, hospital, police, sport and faith communities. This was facilitated by two community members of the steering group and was highly successful in informing our future action plans and in engaging with a large number of stakeholders.

Our challenge for the coming years will be to identify appropriate structures and resources to build on the successes to date.

Other projects / work streams:

Vending machine development:

The digital vending machines (DVM), developed by the charity in 2016/17, continue to enable us to expand access to HIV testing and support individuals to take control of their health. For those reluctant to access traditional healthcare settings, placing them in the community venues has reduced barriers to HIV testing, whilst facilitating confidentiality, privacy and convenience. This world-first innovative technology gives the opportunity for 24h a day, 7 days a week access to HIV self-tests, and can convey rolling health promotion messages through the large high definition touch screen. Interactive questions can be tailored to specific population groups or campaigns. Feedback from venue owners is that the presence of machines in venues normalises HIV testing and motivates service users to take a test. Winner of the BMJ Innovations award in 2018, we envisage these machines will be used internationally to reach out into communities, and increase first time and repeat HIV testing. In response to DVM user's feedback, we are expanding the functionality of the machines to distribute Sexually Transmitted Infection testing kits. This will increase opportunities to scale up distribution of the DVMs, both nationally and internationally. Already machines have been purchased by organisations in New Zealand and Japan, with plans to expand to Zambia and Mexico.

During the first lockdown we secured Covid-19 NHS funding and took the opportunity to collect 3 machines from Brighton venues which had closed their doors. The project to upgrade the machines to distribute 3 different STI testing kits, as well as the HIV self-test was a valuable piece of work to do during the coronavirus closures. This involved re-fitting the inside of the machines, sourcing boxes and packaging to distribute the kits and designing and implementing a new user interface. By the end of the period covered by this report venues were being identified for roll-out across the city including the Jubilee Library, a Pharmacy and GP Surgery. In 2021 we plan to upgrade 2 further DVMs as well as fit the new one mentioned previously at the AMEX Head Quarters, providing six 3rd generation machines across the city.

Educational/ awareness-raising events:

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On Saturday 5th October 2019 we launched the Martin Fisher Foundation Bus at Hove Lawns, Brighton & Hove. Attended by over 100 people, the bus was also parked on the seafront and at a busy shopping centre for general awareness raising activity and fundraising.

This is the first ever HIV themed public information bus in the UK and possibly worldwide. Over 67 million people travel on the buses in a year in Brighton and Hove and they will get to read up to-date information about HIV testing, treatment and prevention. It is hoped that this bus with help with the last push to get to ZERO new HIV cases and ZERO HIV stigma by 2030. Brighton & Hove Buses, the Martin Fisher Foundation and local illustrator Daniel Locke worked together to design and wrap the double decker bus. The design and the 15 information panels inform people that HIV 'isn't scary anymore' and encourage them to have an HIV test and get treatment if they need it, while tackling some of the myths and stigma that still surround HIV. The panels inside the bus talk about Martin's life, recent advances in HIV treatment and the Foundation's campaign to boost HIV testing rates and decrease stigma. The bus is strewn with purple Queen of the Night tulips, Martin's favourite flower.

For World Aids Day on 1st December 2019 the Martin Fisher Foundation bus was parked outside the Theatre Royal and members of the public were encouraged to explore the bus to read the information panels about HIV, testing and treatment. The charity undertook a Flashmob singing event outside Morrison's on St James's St to fundraise for us and raise awareness about HIV.

Other Fundraising: In light of the Covid 19 pandemic most fundraising and face to face educational and awareness raising was paused during 2020. However, we were extremely fortunate to be given a single large donation in January 2020, and a supporter raised money through the virtual London marathon in September 2020. The charity also placed charity boxes in local venues. The website continues to be developed and is a source of updates, news and educational resources.

HIV testing homeless populations during Covid-19:

In June 2020 as a result of the first Covid Lockdown we saw the launch of a hepatitis and HIV screening programme (BBV) for temporarily housed rough sleepers in Brighton & Hove. Outreach workers from Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust (BSUH) and the Terrence Higgins Trust (THT), aided by St Mungo's support workers and Brighton Housing Trust (BHT), offered screening and sexual health assessments to homeless individuals, many of whom have had difficulty accessing traditional services. The project ran for 13 weeks from the Britannia, Kings and Brighton Hotels, the YHA and Phoenix Halls where 270 people were housed. After 3 months the outreach workers had approached 97% of clients, with 72% (n=192) taking the tests. 16% (31/192) tested positive for previous hepatitis C with 13 having active infection. The project has provided a re-engagement opportunity for known HIV patients who had partly disengaged from care. A few vulnerable clients were diagnosed with STIs and engaged with B&H Sexual Health & Contraception (SHAC) services.

For the 179 clients who didn't have active infection, many expressed gratitude and relief to know they were 'all clear'. Moving forward we plan to continue this unique collaboration and continue offering BBV testing to rough sleepers in B&H through to Spring 2021.

Achievements against objectives set

The above achievements have addressed the following elements of the charity's objectives:

- Increasing HIV testing (including those at risk of acquiring and transmitting the virus)
- Increasing public and professional awareness of HIV (including stigma)
- Supporting research into HIV prevention

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set

The charity recruited a Trustee with an interest in Fundraising and Communications (Julia Montgomery) in 2018, as well as employing a Fundraising and Comms Manager 1 day per week (Sarah Evans) in 2019. Sarah appointed - 1 March 2019 left due to ill health Dec 2019

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Results

The charity achieved a surplus on its unrestricted activities during its fifth year of £4,794 and these have been added to the reserves brought forward of £9,076 to leave a balance of £13,870 to be carried forward.

Reserves policy

The aim of the charity is to have a minimum of 10% of estimated running costs to be held in reserve at the end of each financial year to cover unforeseen operational expenses.

In years of strong unrestricted income generation the charity will allocate additional funds to projects where these are deemed necessary.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

It was incorporated on the 11th September 2015 (Company Number 9773654) and received charitable status on 5th December 2016 (Charity Number 1170567).

Charity constitution

The Martin Fisher Foundation is a charitable company limited by guarantee. It was incorporated on the 11th September 2015 (Company Number 9773654) and received charitable status on 5th December 2016 (Charity Number 1170567).

The Trustees (who are the Directors for Companies Act purposes) have control of the charity and its property and funds.

Trustees proceedings:

The Trustees must hold at least 3 meetings each year. A quorum at a meeting of the Trustees is 3 Trustees and any issue may be determined by a simple majority of the votes cast at a meeting but a resolution in writing agreed by all the Trustees is as valid as a resolution passed at a meeting

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees (who are the Directors for Companies Act purposes) have control of the charity and its property and funds.

The subscribers to the Memorandum (being the first Members) are also the first Trustees. Subsequent Trustees are elected by the Members or co-opted by the Trustees.

The Trustees when complete consist of at least 3 and not more than 15 persons over the age of 18, all of whom must support the Objects.

A Trustee may not act as a Trustee unless he/she

1. is a Member, and
2. has signed a written declaration of willingness to act as a charity trustee of the charity.

Each Trustee must retire after two years in office. A retiring Trustee who is eligible under Article 3.3 may be reappointed.

The Trustees may at any time co-opt any individual who is eligible under Article 3.3 as a Trustee to fill a vacancy in their number or (subject to the maximum number permitted by Article 3.3) as an additional Trustee, but a co-opted Trustee holds office only for two years.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Policies and procedures

A number of policies and procedures have been developed or reviewed throughout the year

- Anti-Harassment and Bullying Policy
- Articles of Association
- Chair role description
- Code of Conduct for Trustees
- Conflicts of Interest Policy and declaration form
- Equal Opportunities Policy
- Financial Authority Policy
- Grievance Policy
- Media Consent Form
- MFF GDPR/Data Protection Policy
- MFF Constitution
- MFF Risk register
- Privacy Policy
- Procedural Standing Orders
- Recruitment Guide - of new trustees/volunteers
- Reserves Policy
- Secretary Role Description
- Social Media Policy
- Treasurer Role Description
- Trustee Board Expenses Policy
- Trustee Role Descriptions
- Volunteer Policy
- Whistleblowing Policy

Wider network

The Brighton & Hove Community Works HIV representative works closely with the Martin Fisher Foundation.

Trustees (including attending Board meetings) and advises on a variety of issues, including community engagement.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number
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Registered Charity number
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Trustees

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Dr E M E B Nixon
Dr A Palfreeman
Dr D I Williams (resigned 14/1/2021)
S K Beaumont
Dr J Vera-Rojas
Dr G Jones (resigned 13/5/2021)
Dr J C Montgomery
Dr V A Pearce (appointed 6/2/2020)
Dr M Pantelic (appointed 13/5/2021)
C Fitzpatrick (appointed 13/5/2021)

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of The Martin Fisher Foundation for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES - continued

Company law 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 charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on ~~12th May 2020~~ and signed on its behalf by:



.....
S K Beaumont - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE MARTIN FISHER FOUNDATION (REGISTERED NUMBER: 09773654)**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Martin Fisher Foundation ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 30th September 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Christopher Robert Tyler FCA DChA FCIE
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Date: 14 June 2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	2,300	23,937	26,237	1,809
Other trading activities	3	7,022	819	7,841	10,297
Total		<u>9,322</u>	<u>24,756</u>	<u>34,078</u>	<u>12,106</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		1,903	-	1,903	7,801
Charitable activities					
Project 2 Testing		1,224	-	1,224	2,730
Support Costs		1,401	-	1,401	3,149
Stigma project		-	-	-	27,048
Total		<u>4,528</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,528</u>	<u>40,728</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>4,794</u>	<u>24,756</u>	<u>29,550</u>	<u>(28,622)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>9,076</u>	<u>24,684</u>	<u>33,760</u>	<u>62,382</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>13,870</u></u>	<u><u>49,440</u></u>	<u><u>63,310</u></u>	<u><u>33,760</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE MARTIN FISHER FOUNDATION (REGISTERED NUMBER: 09773654)

**BALANCE SHEET
30TH SEPTEMBER 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2020 Total funds £	2019 Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank		15,298	50,142	65,440	35,890
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(1,428)	(702)	(2,130)	(2,130)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>13,870</u>	<u>49,440</u>	<u>63,310</u>	<u>33,760</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		13,870	49,440	63,310	33,760
NET ASSETS		<u>13,870</u>	<u>49,440</u>	<u>63,310</u>	<u>33,760</u>
FUNDS	8				
Unrestricted funds				13,870	9,076
Restricted funds				49,440	24,684
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>63,310</u>	<u>33,760</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30th September 2020.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30th September 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

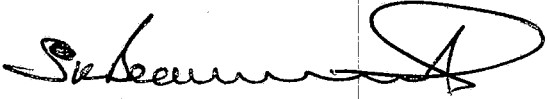
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THE MARTIN FISHER FOUNDATION (REGISTERED NUMBER: 09773654)

BALANCE SHEET - continued
30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 13th May 2021..... and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
S K Beaumont - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE MARTIN FISHER FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

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

The trustees/directors consider that there are no material uncertainties about the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The trustees have taken advantage of the various sources of Government support during the COVID-19 pandemic and consider that it will not have a significant impact on the company's ability to continue trading. Income from trading activities is expected to reduce due to the lockdown conditions and steps are being taken to make cost savings. The trustees regard any impact to be short term rather than affecting the company's ability to continue as a going concern. There are no material uncertainties affecting the current year's accounts.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from donations is accounted for as received by the charity. The income from fundraising ventures is shown gross, with the associated costs included in fundraising costs. The value of voluntary work is not included in the financial statements.

Grants are recognised in full in the SOFA in the year in which they are receivable.

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 a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The Charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK Corporation Tax purposes. Accordingly the Charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Donations	2,300	1,309
Grants	23,937	500
	<u>26,237</u>	<u>1,809</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Gilhead Sciences Ltd	23,937	-
PCC for Sussex	-	500
	<u>23,937</u>	<u>500</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2020	2019
	£	£
Fundraising events	6,672	9,580
Test kit sales	1,169	717
	<u>7,841</u>	<u>10,297</u>

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2020	2019
	£	£
Independent examination	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,110</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 30th September 2020 nor for the year ended 30th September 2019.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 30th September 2020 nor for the year ended 30th September 2019.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	1,809	-	1,809
Other trading activities	9,581	716	10,297
Total	11,390	716	12,106
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	7,801	-	7,801
Charitable activities			
Project 2 Testing	-	2,730	2,730
Support Costs	3,149	-	3,149
Stigma project	-	27,048	27,048
Total	10,950	29,778	40,728
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	440	(29,062)	(28,622)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	8,636	53,746	62,382
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	9,076	24,684	33,760

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
Accrued expenses	<u>2,130</u>	<u>2,130</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/10/19 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/9/20 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,076	4,794	13,870
Restricted funds			
Project 2 Testing	19,841	24,756	44,597
Strategic Development	5,545	-	5,545
Stigma Project	(702)	-	(702)
	<u>24,684</u>	<u>24,756</u>	<u>49,440</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>33,760</u>	<u>29,550</u>	<u>63,310</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,322	(4,528)	4,794
Restricted funds			
Project 2 Testing	24,756	-	24,756
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>34,078</u>	<u>(4,528)</u>	<u>29,550</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/10/18 £	Net movement in funds £	At 30/9/19 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	8,636	440	9,076
Restricted funds			
Project 2 Testing	21,855	(2,014)	19,841
Strategic Development	5,545	-	5,545
Stigma Project	26,346	(27,048)	(702)
	<u>53,746</u>	<u>(29,062)</u>	<u>24,684</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>62,382</u>	<u>(28,622)</u>	<u>33,760</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	11,390	(10,950)	440
Restricted funds			
Project 2 Testing	716	(2,730)	(2,014)
Stigma Project	-	(27,048)	(27,048)
	<u>716</u>	<u>(29,778)</u>	<u>(29,062)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>12,106</u>	<u>(40,728)</u>	<u>(28,622)</u>

The purpose of the restricted funds were as follows :

Strategy Development - Martin Fisher Foundation continues to develop action plans and strategic initiatives working with all stakeholders focusing on Testing, Stigma, PrEP availability and formulating a set of research protocols to both demonstrate success and share with a broader community as part of our Towards Zero status.

Project 2 Testing - This saw the pilot Testing programme initiated following the Martin Fisher Foundation vending machine development The initial testing programme was launched and reported under the Achievement and Performance section in the Annual Report.

Stigma Project - Using digital platforms to reduce HIV stigma and discrimination (funded by the Public Health England HIV Innovation Fund).

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9. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30th September 2020.

10. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The Martin Fisher Foundation is a charitable company, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and has no share capital.

Each Member promises, if the Charity is dissolved while he/she remains a Member or within one year after he/she ceases to be a member, to pay up to £1 towards payment of those debts and liabilities of the Charity incurred before he/she ceased to be a member, payment of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and the adjustment of rights of contributors among themselves.

If the Charity is dissolved, the assets (if any) remaining after providing for all its liabilities must be applied in one or more of the following ways:

1. by transfer to one or more other bodies established for exclusively charitable purposes within, the same as or similar to the Objects.
2. directly for the Objects or for charitable purposes which are within or similar to the Objects.
3. in such other manner consistent with charitable status as the Commission approves in writing in advance.

The company's registered number and registered office address can be found in the 'Legal and Administrative Information' section of the trustees annual report.