

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

England & Wales · Charity number 1171882

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-03-03

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

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF HOMELESS PERSONS, OR THOSE AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS, BY THE PROVISION OF TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION, ADVICE, SIGNPOSTING AND SUPPORT.

Activities: The Bus Shelter Dorset offers rough sleepers or those at risk of homelessness a safe place to live with access to a supportive community environment and 24 hour high support tailored to meet their individual needs.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Dorset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£630,924	£489,770	£318,899	12
2024-03-31	£459,524	£431,529	-	-
2023-03-31	£409,903	£383,414	-	-
2022-03-31	£272,321	£261,232	-	-
2021-03-31	£177,277	£122,961	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Fiona Brown	Chair	2022-11-01
Darcy John Corben		2025-05-01
James Ian Donald		2025-05-01
John Anthony Galbraith		2025-05-01
Kathryn Luton		2025-05-01
Maninder Saira Sawtell		2017-11-22

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Accounts

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ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees

S Sawtell
H Wilson
F Brown
J A Galbraith (appointed 1 May 2025)
J I Donald (appointed 1 May 2025)
K Luton (appointed 1 May 2025)
D J Corben (appointed 1 May 2025)

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Independent examiner

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TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2024/25

The Trustees currently in office or who held office during the period ending March 2025 and to the current date were as follows:

Fiona Brown (Chair)

Darcy Corben (appointed as trustee 1 May 2025 and treasurer 24 July 2025)

Helen Wilson (resigned as treasurer 24 July 2025)

Saira Sawtell

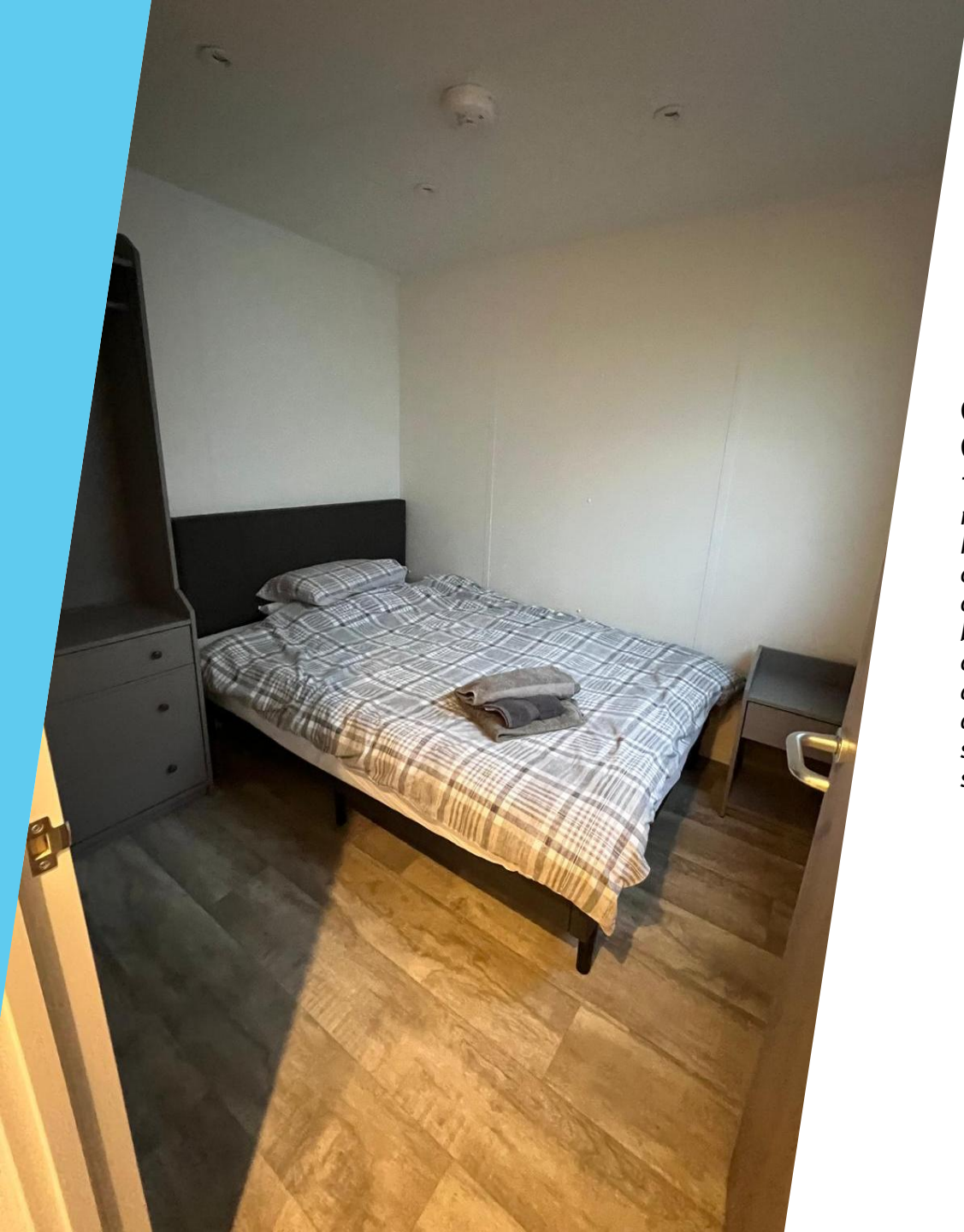
John Galbraith (appointed 1 May 2025)

James Donald (appointed 1 May 2025)

Kathryn Luton (appointed 1 May 2025)

**THE BUS
SHELTER
DORSET**
ROUGH SLEEPING STOPS HERE

Link to Bus Shelter Dorset film
<https://youtu.be/MtWJuFFhUzA>

A photograph of a modern, empty bedroom. The room features a bed with a dark headboard and a patterned duvet cover. To the left of the bed is a dark-colored wardrobe with open shelving. To the right is a small bedside table. The floor is made of light-colored wood-look planks. The walls are white, and the ceiling has recessed lighting. The room is brightly lit, suggesting natural light from an unseen window.

Objects of the Charity

Charity Objective

To relieve the needs of homeless persons or those at risk of homelessness by the provision of temporary accommodation, advice, signposting and support.

Trustees' Commitment

Trustees ensure all charity activities align with its mission and compliance.

Strategic Guidance

Charity's objectives guide decisions, operations, and new initiatives to address need.

Achievements

March 2025 marked our 8th year as a charity. We feel we have come a long way from operating a night shelter for male and female rough sleepers in a converted bus in Weymouth.

Since the opening of The Bus Shelter in January 2018 we have helped 113 guests with accommodation. We are proud to provide “first stop” accommodation for rough sleepers and those at risk of homelessness with very high/complex needs and to see the change in our guests lives during their time with us.

This year we provided accommodation for 21 guests at The Bus and 7 guests at Next Stop. 16 men and 5 women, ranging in age from 24 to 64. Throughout the year both services had high levels of occupancy. A reflection of the high demand for our service and the need it meets. Positive moves from The Bus were 60%. Last year the figure was 50%. This shows that the approach we took in ensuring guests are engaging with services before moving in is working.

Partnership working remains fundamental to what we do. We continue to work closely with Dorset Council, the police, probation service and other local charities and agencies.

Achievements

This year we were delighted to be chosen to work with Jazzbones to launch our new website. The new site provides a clearer, more engaging platform to showcase our work, share impact stories, and improve access to information for supporters, partners and those we support. Visit our new website here for regular updates - www.thebusshelterdorset.org

This year we awarded a pay increase in line with the Real Living Wage to our Support Workers, a pay increase in line with funding to our Drug and Alcohol Worker and 5% to team members with management or supervisory responsibilities

We currently have 10 volunteers. We are very grateful for the many hours they spend supporting our guests both directly and indirectly. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise we would be unable to achieve so much. Volunteer contributions have included - donated food collections, site work, befriending guests, providing cooked meals or baked treats, supporting craft sessions and sourcing donations from local businesses.

This year by demonstrating the work we do with former guests when they move to independent accommodation we have developed a positive working relationship with Aster, one of the main accommodation providers in the area, and Dorset Council's allocations team.

We would like to thank our staff for their continuing hard work and dedication. The absence of our Chief Executive for a prolonged period placed additional responsibilities on our management team whose commitment and collaborative effort ensured the continuity of our service and upheld our organisational standards.

Project Development

We had always wanted to become more sustainable and reduce our carbon footprint and electricity bills through the use of renewable energy sources, but had found the costs prohibitive. Our increasing energy bills were also diverting resources away from essential guest services.

This year we secured a Groundwork grant to cover the installation of solar photovoltaic panels and through a successful bid to Low Carbon Dorset installed an air source heat pump.

We are already seeing the benefits! The installation for Phase 1 was completed in mid-February. Our electric bill for February was 37% lower than the previous year and our March bill 63% lower. Phase 2 will be included from April 2025.

The initiative will also contribute to Dorset's broader environmental goals and set a practical example for other organisations, showcasing the feasibility of low-carbon technologies, even for organisations with limited resources.

The planning permission for our site included permission for additional accommodation at a later date.

Last year Dorset Council made a successful bid to the Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) for funding from the Single Homeless Accommodation Programme (SHAP) to provide 5 one bedroom self-contained modular units on the remaining part of the site.

The 25th March 2025 saw the official opening of the units which like Phase 1 we will lease from Dorset Council. The units will provide accommodation for guests from The Bus who need more support than those moving to Next Stop. Guests will be able to move in from 1st April 2025.

This marks an exciting new chapter for the team and our guests. Given our small numbers it is rare we have more than one vacancy at any time. With existing guests moving into Phase 2 and new guests moving into Phase 1, we are conscious the new units will result in a period of greater change than we have experienced before.



Project Development continued

Over time the amount of space available to hold confidential sessions with guests, meetings with team members as well as general office space has proved limited. During the year we acquired an additional unit to use as office space.

Our chosen location, outside the entrance, required additional planning permission obtained through the hard work of our former chair and her husband.

The unit itself was refurbished by a local builder, the husband of one of our trustees. He volunteered a lot of his time, and worked closely with one of our guests who thoroughly enjoyed working with him.

As not all visitors need to enter the site, the location has improved security and privacy for guests and staff.

Operational Challenges

The serious illness of a family member shortly before Christmas led to the unexpected and prolonged absence of our Chief Executive. We are pleased to share that she has now returned to work and has resumed her duties, bringing renewed focus and continuity to the organisation after this challenging period.

The absence of a key member of staff particularly in a small organisation is always difficult. As Trustees we were really impressed by the way our managers rose to the challenge, taking on additional work at what was a very busy time.

The absence of our Chief Executive, a member of our 4 person on-call team, made us acutely aware of the lack of resilience in our on-call service and the need for review.

With over 90% of our income derived from grants or Housing Benefit the need to diversify our income remains a priority. We need to do this in a planned way and recognise this may take longer than we would like.

The increase in National Insurance contributions from 6th April 2025 will have an impact on our payroll costs. Although a concern, at this point in time we do not see it affecting our staff numbers.

Trustee Update

Throughout the year we operated with three trustees. Well below our target of 7. Our low numbers together with the absence of our Chief Executive restricted our ability to effectively move the charity forward.

Our annual skills audit had identified the need for trustees with backgrounds in finance (to replace our existing Treasurer who wanted to step down from the role), law and media. Our efforts to recruit through our own networks had been unsuccessful. However, through our relationship with Lloyds Foundation we were able to use TrusteeWorks and recruit 4 trustees.

We were really impressed with the support our TrusteeWorks consultant provided and the quality and quantity of the applications we received. We have now appointed and are looking forward to working with our new trustees in the future.

Our Strategic Plan covering the period 2025 to 2028 is in draft. We delayed approval until our new trustees have had the opportunity to contribute and comment on it during an Away Day.

Finance and Funders

The Trustees continue with their efforts to raise funds to support the charitable activities and to build up a level of reserves sufficient to meet its overheads for the following 12-month period.

Our reserves are £125,000 and on target. Our site has temporary planning permission. If we were to cease to operate, we need to cover redundancy pay and clear the site

We would like to thank our funders this year who include:

Lloyds Bank Foundation for England & Wales,

Dorset Council,

The Garfield Weston Foundation,

The Clothworkers Foundation,

The Tudor Trust,

The National Lottery,

The Albert Hunt Trust,

Alice Ellen Cooper-Dean Charitable Foundation,

Help the Homeless,

The Silver Lady Fund,

The Morrisons Foundation,

The Screwfix Foundation,

The Anton Jurgens Charitable Trust,

John Langham Foundation,

Wessex Water,

Leeds Building Society,

Portland Port,

Weymouth Rotary Club,

Waitrose,

Lidl and Neighbourly.

Case Study

Guest X moved into The Bus Shelter in October 2022. He had experienced an unsettled childhood and hadn't ever really known anything that resembled stability. Guest X arrived with a poor self esteem and quite a short fuse!! He was the first to admit that his way of coping with obstacles he had faced in the past, was to run away and he had spent the previous ten years moving from place to place hoping to find something that resembled a 'home'.

However what really stood out to us was his eagerness to receive help. He lapped up snippets of advice and implemented change without challenge. He hadn't been at The Bus very long before an opportunity to move into a Next Stop property became available. It was within a two bedroomed house and he began sharing with another guest.

Guest X took a little while to settle into the property and struggled with negative thoughts; he had convinced himself this new life wouldn't last and one day it would all be snatched away from him and he would be back to square one. Our twice weekly support visits focused on helping him to begin to see things more positively and to start the process of him learning to trust people, after a life of being let down by others.

Guest X soon took on the role of keeping the Next Stop property beautifully clean, hoovering more often than his housemate realised was possible and generally taking pride in his new home.

During his first summer at this Next Stop property Guest X undertook a windsurfing course and it wasn't long before he looked a natural on the board - he loved the opportunity to try something new, get out on the water and take on a new challenge.

This accomplishment and his apparent enjoyment of keeping things clean and tidy seemed to spur him on to try other new things and it was around this time he began volunteering doing end of tenancy cleans for The Bus Shelter and Next Stop. When the vacancy for a cleaner became available, one day a week at The Bus Shelter he was the perfect candidate! As well as his attention to detail when cleaning, he also spends this time encouraging other guests and pointing them in the right direction for getting help. It has been great watching him grow in confidence week by week.

In the early days of Guest X arriving at The Bus we began the long process of applying to get on the housing register. At each house visit he would bid for a property and then in the summer of 2025, after three years of bidding, he received the call to say he had been nominated for a flat in Weymouth with Aster.

Moving him into his new flat in June 2025 was such a great day! Witnessing someone who was convinced he would never be able to settle anywhere then move into his own property and start turning it from an empty flat to a home has been incredible!

Future Plans and Strategic Goals

As part of our initial work to diversify our income and raise our profile we want to develop a Marketing and Communications Strategy. Through Lloyds Foundation a consultant is working with us on this.

We appreciate that the latter quarter of this year was a difficult time for the team. We want to involve staff and guests in improving our services.

We need to recruit more volunteers.
We need to consider how we can take this work forward.

We continue to need to build on our programme of activities to help our guests improve their life skills and create work experience and work opportunities.

We appreciate a small number of our guests will be unable to live independently. We need to consider what other accommodation we can source or work in partnership with others to achieve this.

Status

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)"

Financial Review

During the year the total income was £630,924 (2024: £462,305). Total expenditure was £489,770 (2024: £432,388) in the year, resulting in net income of £141,154 (£2024: £29,917) for the year. Total funds at the year end were £318,899 (2024: £177,745).

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidelines on Public Benefit and consider that these are being met through the charity's objectives and activities.

Structure and governance

The Bus Shelter Dorset registered as a charity on 3 March 2017 (No 1171882) and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

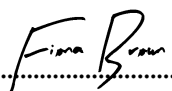
Trustees' responsibility for the accounts

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. In preparing those accounts the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any 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 operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees.

Signed: 

F Brown
Trustee (chair)

Date: 22 Jan 2026
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THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Bus Shelter Dorset (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeds £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the of the chairty as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



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22 Jan 2026

Dated:

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes						
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	2	272,813	354,126	626,939	280,776	178,748	459,524
Charitable activities	3	3,782	-	3,782	2,781	-	2,781
Gain on asset disposal	4	203	-	203	-	-	-
Total income		276,798	354,126	630,924	283,557	178,748	462,305
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	5	26	-	26	859	-	859
Charitable activities	6	246,226	243,518	489,744	252,781	178,748	431,529
Total expenditure		246,252	243,518	489,770	253,640	178,748	432,388
Net income		30,546	110,608	141,154	29,917	-	29,917
Transfers between funds		86,678	(86,678)	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		117,224	23,930	141,154	29,917	-	29,917
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		177,745	-	177,745	147,828	-	147,828
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		294,969	23,930	318,899	177,745	-	177,745

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

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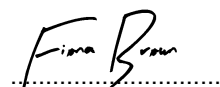
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

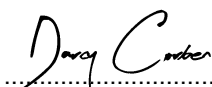
	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		89,407		13,298
Current assets					
Debtors	11	18,803		16,932	
Cash at bank and in hand		220,662		166,658	
		239,465		183,590	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(9,973)		(19,143)	
Net current assets			229,492		164,447
Total assets less current liabilities			318,899		177,745
Income funds					
Restricted funds	13	23,930		-	
Unrestricted funds		294,969		177,745	
		318,899		177,745	

22 Jan 2026

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on



F Brown
Trustee (Chair)



D J Corben
Trustee (Treasurer)

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The charity is a CIO, registered on 3 March 2017.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. The comparative period was prepared under a receipts and payments basis.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

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

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

1.4 Income

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

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

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity.

The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

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

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

Plant and equipment	Straight line over 10 years
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

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

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.9 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.10 Employee benefits

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

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

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and gifts	31,292	-	31,292	20,363	-	20,363
Charitable trust grants	30,000	142,900	172,900	25,000	66,140	91,140
Government grants	-	211,226	211,226	4,000	112,608	116,608
Income housing benefit	211,521	-	211,521	231,413	-	231,413
	<u>272,813</u>	<u>354,126</u>	<u>626,939</u>	<u>280,776</u>	<u>178,748</u>	<u>459,524</u>

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Miscellaneous income and refunds	2,617	2,617	1,342
Sale of goods made	1,165	1,165	1,439
	<u>3,782</u>	<u>3,782</u>	<u>2,781</u>

4 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Net gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	203	-
	<u>203</u>	<u>-</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

5 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Fundraising and publicity		
Support costs	26	859
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

6 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2025	2025	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Cost of Goods Sold	948		948	878
Advertising	1,358		1,358	150
Accountancy fees	1,560		1,560	1,572
Cleaning	649		649	137
Consulting	3,000		3,000	-
Days out	1,571		1,571	1,959
DBS checks	105		105	149
Food	5,437	5,300	10,737	10,507
Electricity	21,521		21,521	22,212
Guest Supplies	-	2,965	2,965	2,693
Hospitality	-	1,511	1,511	1,216
HR costs	1,932		1,932	1,800
Insurance	7,112		7,112	5,279
IT Software	4,706		4,706	4,041
Laundry	27		27	11
Legal fees	648		648	-
Non payroll staff costs	69,116		69,116	22,062
Operating Lease	89		89	85
Pensions Costs	5,744		5,744	14,822
Printing & Stationery	1,615		1,615	1,013
Postage	47		47	123
Rent and Rates	40,581		40,581	42,803
Repairs & Maintenance	964		964	3,530
Replacement costs	3,746	6,000	9,746	4,350
Salaries NI & PAYE	53,532	226,979	280,511	276,325
Staff Training	1,823	720	2,543	2,261
Subscriptions	216		216	216
Membership	193		193	536
Telephone	1,881		1,881	2,285
Travel	3,344	43	3,387	4,700
TV Licence	175		175	159
Waste & Pest Control	2,018		2,018	1,755
Depreciation	10,568		10,568	1,900
	<u>246,226</u>	<u>243,518</u>	<u>489,744</u>	<u>431,529</u>

7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2024 - None).

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8 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Total	12	14

Employment costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	280,511	276,325
Other pension costs	5,744	14,822
	286,255	291,147

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

9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

10 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2024	23,098
Additions	86,677
At 31 March 2025	109,775
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 April 2024	9,800
Depreciation charged in the year	10,568
At 31 March 2025	20,368
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2025	89,407
At 31 March 2024	13,298

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

11 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Guest contributions	115	-
Donations	230	10
Grants	18,458	16,922
	<u>18,803</u>	<u>16,932</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Credit card	1,479	209
Wages and pension	4,796	6,479
Other creditors	3,698	12,454
	<u>9,973</u>	<u>19,142</u>

13 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
Restricted funds	-	354,126	(243,518)	(86,678)	23,930
	<u>-</u>	<u>354,126</u>	<u>(243,518)</u>	<u>(86,678)</u>	<u>23,930</u>
Previous year:					
	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2024 £
Restricted funds	-	178,748	(178,748)	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>178,748</u>	<u>(178,748)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

14 Unrestricted funds

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

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	177,745	276,798	(246,252)	86,678	294,969
	<u>177,745</u>	<u>276,798</u>	<u>(246,252)</u>	<u>86,678</u>	<u>294,969</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

14 Unrestricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	147,828	283,557	(253,640)	-	177,745
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2025	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2025 are represented by:					
Tangible assets	89,407	-	89,407	13,298	13,298
Current assets/(liabilities)	205,562	23,930	229,492	164,447	164,447
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	294,969	23,930	318,899	177,745	177,745
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

16 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The Objects of the Charity are to relieve the needs of homeless persons or those at risk of homelessness by the provision of temporary accommodation, advice, signposting and support.

Specific achievements during this period

We are proud to be one of only 55 accommodation projects in the country providing support to those with high complex needs (Homeless Link 2024) and the only service in Dorset providing 24/7 accommodation and support.

This year we provided accommodation for 23 guests at The Bus and 10 guests at Next Stop. Both services had high levels of occupancy. Void rates were 3% at The Bus and 2% at Next Stop, much lower than our targets. An indication of the high demand for our service and the need it meets.

When they move into The Bus our guests most common support needs are addiction and difficulties with budgeting.

Positive moves from The Bus were 50%. This was lower than the previous year mainly due to the high support needs of our guests during this period. We have learnt from this and now ensure guests are engaging with services prior to being offered accommodation.

Next Stop took on 1 additional property in September 2023, bringing the total number of properties to 4, providing accommodation for 6 guests. Although guests can return to The Bus if they experience a crisis and need increased support, this situation did not occur. Our success with move on suggests our approach is making a lasting impact with our guests who not only find stability but also gain the skills and confidence to move forward independently.

The work of Next Stop helping guests transition to their own accommodation is illustrated by a guest who, after 9 months at The Bus, moved to Next Stop in August 2023. The support he received at Next Stop looked at his ability to look after his home, budget for his utilities, food etc and how to manage his tenancy, amongst many other areas of support. Alongside this work we assisted him to regularly bid for properties on the housing register. In January 2024 he placed a successful bid on a flat in the town where he was born and brought up, approximately 45 minutes away from Weymouth. We helped liaise with the housing association to secure the accommodation and helped him move in. We also assisted him to set up all his utilities, online payments, register with his local GP and generally settle in his new home. It is a privilege to see this change.

We currently have 10 volunteers who play a vital role in so many aspects of our work, ensuring our support workers are able to concentrate on the provision of support. Our volunteers provide support:

- befriending individual guests where appropriate
- Sport and social opportunities
- Fundraising and donations
- General support at site
- Transport
- Food and meal donations
- Cookery lessons
- Clothes
- Furniture and furnishing for guests moving on
- Craft work

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Achievements and performance

Despite the rising cost of living and a wish to provide a greater salary increase the Trustees felt it prudent to award a below inflation pay rise of 3%.

In March we bid farewell to one of our support workers of 2 years who returned to his hometown to care for his elderly parents, after securing a job in a similar setting. We originally met him as a guest on The Bus in 2018. After positively moving on from us he settled into his own accommodation and started to volunteer in 2021. He was a real inspiration to our guests and we wish him all the very best as he moves on to his next chapter. His journey is a testament to the work we do.

We operate with a temporary planning permission and are aware that we need provision to cover redundancy pay and the need to clear the site if we were to cease to operate, accordingly we increased our reserves to £75k.

In 2022/2023 we offered accommodation to female guests for the first time. Female guests present different challenges and for some The Bus is not the right environment. We continue to accommodate female guests and have used the experience gained to work with Dorset Council to assist them to provide a women only property with a package of support tailored to their needs. This is not part of our service as we felt we should focus on the services we currently provide.

During the latter part of the year a Nurse Practitioner from a local surgery started to attend the site on a fortnightly basis. The Nurse Practitioner is able to perform many of the same tasks as doctors, such as managing patient care, conducting physical examinations, ordering tests and prescribing medications. These sessions reduce the need for guests to be taken to the surgery and the need for GP appointments.

Security on our site is really important for the safety of our guests, staff and volunteers. Thanks to the generosity of a long-term supporter we were able to replace our front gate and fencing, improving not only the security but also the appearance of the site. We used the opportunity to upgrade our door entry system at the same time.

Relationships with our partners are a crucial part of the work we do. During the year we have continued to develop positive relationships with Dorset Council, the police, probation service and other local agencies.

Concerns during this period:

Although we consider we are good at providing activities for our guests, we need to improve our ability to increase their opportunities to develop new skills and help them access volunteering opportunities, which for some may lead to employment.

Recruitment has been difficult. We currently have 2 vacancies, one for a support worker, the other for a night support worker. We have received a number of applications but not with the skills and experience required. We are covering both roles on a temporary basis.

Our continuing reliance on grants and Housing Benefit to cover staffing costs is an ongoing concern as there is always a risk that grant applications will not be successful.

Our main aim is to support our guests to develop the skills and abilities to move into independent living. Those over the age of 55 are likely to be able to access older persons accommodation through the Council's housing register. However, the situation for those under 55 is more difficult as a result of the lack of suitable social housing and the lack of private rented sector housing at Local Housing Allowance rates.

Future aspirations:

When planning permission was granted for the site it included permission for additional accommodation at a later date. Dorset Council's successful bid to the Ministry for Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) for funding from the Single Homeless Accommodation Programme (SHAP) means the potential for this can now be realised. We are working with the Council to provide 5 one-bedroom self-contained modular units. These will be used for guests who need a greater level of support than we provide at Next Stop. The units should be ready for occupation in April 2025. At the end of the year we had four trustees. We need to increase our numbers and target particular skill sets.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees would like to thank the following funders for supporting the vital work that is undertaken by The Bus Shelter Dorset – Dorset Council, Lloyds Bank Foundation, The Tudor Trust, The National Lottery, The Albert Hunt Trust, Alice Ellen Cooper-Dean Charitable Foundation, The Silver Lady Fund, The Morrisons Foundation and Neighbourly.

Financial Review

During the year total income was £462,305(2023: £409,903). Total expenditure was £432,388 (2023: £383,414) in the year, resulting in net income of £29,917 (2023: £26,489) for the year. Total funds at the year end were £177,745 (2023:£147,828).

Reserves Policy

The Trustees continue with their efforts to raise funds to support the charitable activities and to build up a level of reserves sufficient to meet its overheads for the following 12 month period.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidelines on Public Benefit and consider that these are being met through the charity's objectives and activities

Structure, governance and management

The Bus Shelter Dorset registered as a charity on 3 March 2017 (No 1171882) and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

The trustees currently in office or who held office during the period ending 31 March 2022 were as follows:

S Sawtell

R Stone

(Resigned 31 December 2023)

D Pond

(Resigned 1 January 2024)

H Wilson

F Brown

K Stenlake

Trustees' responsibility for the accounts

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. In preparing those accounts the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any 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 operation.

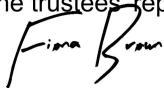
The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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



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F Brown

Trustee (Chair)
26 Jan 2025

Date:

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Bus Shelter Dorset (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceed £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the of the chairty as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 27/01/2025

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes						
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	280,776	178,748	459,524	191,536	215,753	407,289
Charitable activities	3	2,781	-	2,781	2,614	-	2,614
Total income		283,557	178,748	462,305	194,150	215,753	409,903
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	4	859	-	859	-	-	-
Charitable activities	5	252,781	178,748	431,529	167,661	215,753	383,414
Total expenditure		253,640	178,748	432,388	167,661	215,753	383,414
Net income and movement in funds		29,917	-	29,917	26,489	-	26,489
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		147,828	-	147,828	121,339	-	121,339
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		177,745	-	177,745	147,828	-	147,828

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

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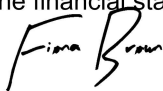
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	9		13,298		15,198
Current assets					
Debtors	10	16,932		35,598	
Cash at bank and in hand		166,658		106,146	
		<u>183,590</u>		<u>141,744</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	<u>(19,143)</u>		<u>(9,114)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>164,447</u>		<u>132,630</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>177,745</u>		<u>147,828</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			<u>177,745</u>		<u>147,828</u>
			<u>177,745</u>		<u>147,828</u>

26 Jan 2025

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on



F Brown

Trustee (Chair)



H Wilson

Trustee (Treasurer)

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The charity is a CIO, registered on 3 March 2017.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. The comparative period was prepared under a receipts and payments basis.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

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

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

1.4 Income

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

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

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity.

The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

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

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

Plant and equipment	Straight line over 10 years
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

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

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.9 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.10 Employee benefits

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

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

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2024 £	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
Donations and gifts	20,363	-	20,363	28,601	28,601
Charitable trust grants	25,000	66,140	91,140	-	-
Government grants	4,000	112,608	116,608	4,000	219,753
Income housing benefit	231,413	-	231,413	158,935	158,935
	<u>280,776</u>	<u>178,748</u>	<u>459,524</u>	<u>215,753</u>	<u>407,289</u>

3 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total Unrestricted 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Miscellaneous income and refunds	1,342	1,342	1,039
Sale of goods made	-	-	1,575
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,575</u>

4 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Fundraising and publicity		
Support costs	859	-
	<u>859</u>	<u>-</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

5 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Cost of Goods Sold	878		878	1,396
Advertising	150		150	376
Accountancy fees	1,572		1,572	2,100
Bank fees	-		-	3
Cleaning	137		137	232
Days out	204	1,755	1,959	578
DBS checks	149		149	315
Food	8,007	2,500	10,507	9,620
Electricity	22,212		22,212	27,630
Guest Supplies	-	2,693	2,693	6,558
Hospitality	1,216		1,216	887
HR costs	1,800		1,800	1,800
Insurance	5,279		5,279	4,483
IT Software	2,361	1,680	4,041	2,456
Laundry	11		11	29
Non payroll staff costs	22,062		22,062	8,468
Operating Lease	85		85	894
Pensions Costs	14,822		14,822	11,443
Printing & Stationery	1,013		1,013	983
Postage	123		123	10
Rent and Rates	42,803		42,803	20,396
Repairs & Maintenance	3,530		3,530	1,026
Replacement costs	547	3,803	4,350	1,468
Salaries NI & PAYE	111,058	165,267	276,325	266,659
Staff Training	1,211	1,050	2,261	3,358
Subscriptions	216		216	216
Membership	536		536	238
Sundries	-		-	141
Telephone	2,285		2,285	2,398
Travel	4,700		4,700	3,655
TV Licence	159		159	145
Waste & Pest Control	1,755		1,755	1,545
Water rates	-		-	8
Depreciation	1,900		1,900	1,900
	<u>252,781</u>	<u>178,748</u>	<u>431,529</u>	<u>383,414</u>

6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2023 - None).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Total	14	9

Employment costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	288,932	279,740
Other pension costs	4,934	4,934
	293,866	284,674

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

8 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2023	23,098
At 31 March 2024	23,098
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 April 2023	7,900
Depreciation charged in the year	1,900
At 31 March 2024	9,800
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2024	13,298
At 31 March 2023	15,198

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10 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Housing benefit	-	4,738
Guest contributions	-	874
Donations	10	223
Grants	16,922	29,763
	<u>16,932</u>	<u>35,598</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Credit card	209	
Wages and pension	6,479	1,008
Other creditors	12,454	8,106
	<u>19,142</u>	<u>9,114</u>

12 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	Movement in funds			
	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds	-	178,748	178,748	-

13 Unrestricted funds

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

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	147,828	283,557	(253,640)	177,745
Previous year:	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2023 £
General funds	121,339	194,150	(167,661)	147,828

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14 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Fund balances at 31 March 2024 are represented by:					
Tangible assets	13,298	-	13,298	15,198	15,198
Current assets/(liabilities)	164,447	-	164,447	132,630	132,630
	<u>177,745</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>177,745</u>	<u>147,828</u>	<u>147,828</u>

15 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).

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Trustees

S Sawtell

R Stone

S Orr

D Pond

H Wilson

(Appointed 1 November
2022)

F Brown

(Appointed 1 November
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The Objects of the Charity are to relieve the needs of homeless persons or those at risk of homelessness by the provision of temporary accommodation, advice, signposting and support.

Specific achievements during this period

The majority of TBSD guests have a combination of issues including but not limited to mental illness and/or addiction. Their lives are often chaotic and they struggle to navigate and access the various support services they need which negatively impacts on their physical, mental and emotional well-being. In addition to a safe place to stay and food to eat, TBSD staff continue to offer non-judgemental support tailored to their individual needs. This affords guests an opportunity to reflect on their lives and future aspirations.

Having moved to their new site comprising of 12 single en-suite PODS in September 2021, 2022/2023 saw TBSD expand its strategy to secure leased accommodation in the community for guests who were ready to move on. Guests could move into TBSD accommodation, where arms-length support would still be provided by dedicated 'Next Stop' support workers. This additional accommodation enables guests to trial independent living with support tailored to meet their individual needs. It also affords TBSD an opportunity to flex the accommodation as required and swap guests should a crisis occur. During 2022/2023 TBSD leased a two bedroomed house and a further single bedroom flat in addition to their 2 bedroom flat. If guests experience a crisis they can return to a POD with increased support and a guest waiting for move on accommodation can take their place. This flexible approach to managing accommodation is aimed at stopping the cycle of failed tenancies and preventing a return to homelessness and rough sleeping.

In addition to securing TBSD accommodation the team work hard with other housing providers to find the most appropriate accommodation with the result that the throughput of guests at the Bus has increased. The success of our positive move-ons was recognised by the local Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC).

This increased throughput of guests, with ever increasing complex needs has resulted in the need to increase staff and despite this increase in paid staff TBSD is still heavily reliant on the volunteers who provide invaluable support with:

- Individual guest befriending where appropriate
- Sport and social opportunities
- Fundraising and donations
- General support at site
- Transport
- Food and meal donations
- Cookery lessons
- Clothes
- Furniture and Furnishing for guests who are moving on
- Craft work
- Gardening and helping with the allotment

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Achievements and performance

The charity was initially run by volunteers and a pre-covid nomination for the Queens Award for Voluntary Service was presented this year to recognise the contribution volunteers have in the community.

The service is unique in offering 24/7 support to guests past and present and although staff turnover is low with no staff leaving during this period, Trustees felt it prudent to increase annual leave to accommodate for the emotional demands of supporting increasingly complex and chaotic guests.

The majority of TBSD staff are now nearing 2 year employment and would therefore be entitled to redundancy pay. In addition to this TBSD are responsible for clearing the site. With this in mind an initial reserve of £50k has been set with a view to increase year on year.

2022/2023 TBSD successfully trialled female guests staying in the PODs. Whilst the females present different challenges the staff feel passionately that the support and opportunity they can offer them is invaluable.

TBSD has continued to develop positive relationships with Dorset Council, the police, judicial service and other local agencies.

Concerns during this period:

The rise in energy costs has been a considerable concern for TBSD with additional cost of living payments being paid directly to guests and therefore not contributing to the increasing expenditure.

TBSD still struggle with the provision of meaningful activity for the guests. Links were established with Dorset Trade Skills and 2 of the guests undertook short courses in bricklaying and plastering. Another guest undertook a barbering course.

TBSD is heavily reliant on grants for staff funding along with Housing Benefit and there is an ongoing concern that applications may not be successful due to the high level of demand from all charities feeling the pressures of funding.

Future aspirations:

To provide 5 micro flats on the current site to be used as move on accommodation.

Financial Review

During the year total income was £409,903 (202: £272,321). Total expenditure was £383,414 (2022: £261,321) in the year, resulting in net income of £26,489 (202: £11,089) for the year. Total funds at the year end were £147,828 (2022: £121,339).

Reserves Policy

The Trustees continue with their efforts to raise funds to support the charitable activities and to build up a level of reserves sufficient to meet its overheads for the following 12 month period.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidelines on Public Benefit and consider that these are being met through the charity's objectives and activities

Structure, governance and management

The Bus Shelter Dorset registered as a charity on 3 March 2017 (No 1171882) and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The trustees currently in office or who held office during the period ending 31 March 2022 were as follows:

S Sawtell

R Stone

S Orr

D Pond

H Wilson

F Brown

(Appointed 1 November 2022)

(Appointed 1 November 2022)

Trustees' responsibility for the accounts

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. In preparing those accounts the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any 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 operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

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



R Stone

Trustee (Chair)

Date: 11.01.2024

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Bus Shelter Dorset (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceed £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the of the charity as required by section 388 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

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Dated:

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	2	191,536	215,753	407,289	73,274	195,600	268,874
Charitable activities	3	2,614	-	2,614	3,447	-	3,447
Total income		194,150	215,753	409,903	76,721	195,600	272,321
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	4	167,661	215,753	383,414	65,632	195,600	261,232
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		26,489	-	26,489	11,089	-	11,089
Fund balances at 1 April 2022		121,339	-	121,339	110,250	-	110,250
Fund balances at 31 March 2023		147,828	-	147,828	121,339	-	121,339

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		15,198		17,098
Current assets					
Debtors	9	35,598		3,771	
Cash at bank and in hand		106,146		101,984	
		141,744		105,755	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(9,114)		(1,514)	
Net current assets			132,630		104,241
Total assets less current liabilities			147,828		121,339
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			147,828		121,339
			147,828		121,339

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on

ROSEMARY STONE

~~Chairman~~

Trustee (Chair)

R Stone

D. Pono

Trustee (Treasurer)

D. Pono

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The charity is a CIO, registered on 3 March 2017.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. The comparative period was prepared under a receipts and payments basis.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

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

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

1.4 Income

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

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

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity.

The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.6 Tangible fixed assets

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

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

Plant and equipment	Straight line over 10 years
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

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

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.9 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

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1 Accounting policies

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Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.10 Employee benefits

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

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

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	28,601	-	28,601	18,910	18,910
Government grants	4,000	215,753	219,753	42,451	238,051
Income housing benefit	158,935	-	158,935	11,913	11,913
	<u>191,536</u>	<u>215,753</u>	<u>407,289</u>	<u>73,274</u>	<u>268,874</u>

3 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023	Total Unrestricted 2023	Unrestricted funds 2022
	£	£	£
Miscellaneous income and refunds	1,039	1,039	2,997
Sale of goods made	1,575	1,575	450
	<u>2,614</u>	<u>2,614</u>	<u>3,447</u>

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4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Unrestricted	Restricted	Charitable	Total
	2023	2023	2023	2022	Expenditure	2022
	£	£	£	£	Heading 3	£
					2022	
Cost of						
Goods Sold	1,396	-	1,396	365	-	365
Advertising	376	-	376	193	-	193
Accountancy fees	2,100	-	2,100	3,490	-	3,490
Bank fees	3	-	3	-	-	-
Cleaning	232	-	232	14	-	14
Consulting	-	-	-	179	-	179
Days out	578	-	578	39	-	39
DBS checks	315	-	315	316	-	316
Food	8,670	950	9,620	7,216	1,650	8,866
Electricity	23,280	4,350	27,630	17,566	-	17,566
Guest Supplies	(2)	6,560	6,558	-	2,828	2,828
Hospitality	887	-	887	264	-	264
HR costs	1,800	-	1,800	-	-	-
Insurance	4,483	-	4,483	4,810	-	4,810
IT Software	2,456	-	2,456	7,328	-	7,328
Laundry	29	-	29	-	-	-
Non payroll staff costs	8,468	-	8,468	1,698	13,900	15,598
Operating Lease	894	-	894	587	-	587
Pensions Costs	11,443	-	11,443	-	4,934	4,934
Printing & Stationery	983	-	983	590	-	590
Postage	10	-	10	-	-	-
Rent and Rates	20,396	-	20,396	341	-	341
Repairs & Maintenance	1,026	-	1,026	2,426	-	2,426
Replacement costs	1,468	-	1,468	2,733	-	2,733
Salaries NI & PAYE	62,766	203,893	266,659	(473)	158,635	158,162
Staff Training	3,358	-	3,358	-	2,315	2,315
Subscriptions	216	-	216	216	-	216
Membership	238	-	238	250	-	250
Sundries	141	-	141	5,513	9,636	15,149
Telephone	2,398	-	2,398	-	1,702	1,702
Travel	3,655	-	3,655	2,709	-	2,709
TV Licence	145	-	145	160	-	160
Waste & Pest Control	1,545	-	1,545	1,082	-	1,082
Water rates	8	-	8	-	-	-
Wood burner	-	-	-	20	-	20

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

4 Charitable activities							(Continued)
Depreciation	1,900	-	1,900	1,900	-		1,900
Profit/loss on disposal	-	-	-	4,100	-		4,100
	<u>167,661</u>	<u>215,753</u>	<u>383,414</u>	<u>65,632</u>	<u>195,600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>261,232</u>

5 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2021 - one trustee was reimbursed £915 for expenses paid).

6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Total	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>
Employment costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	279,740	163,097
Other pension costs	<u>4,934</u>	<u>4,934</u>
	<u>284,674</u>	<u>168,031</u>

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

7 Taxation

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

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8 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2022	23,098
At 31 March 2023	23,098
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 April 2022	6,000
Depreciation charged in the year	1,900
At 31 March 2023	7,900
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2023	15,198
At 31 March 2022	17,098

9 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Housing benefit	4,738	3,175
PAYE & NIC repayable	-	485
Guest contributions	874	111
Donations	223	-
Grants	29,763	-
	35,598	3,771

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Invoices	1,779	-
Child maintenance	233	-
Utilities	4,032	-
Wages and pension	1,008	13
Staff mileage	472	61
Accountancy & payroll costs	1,590	1,440
	9,114	1,513

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

11 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			
		Balance at 1 April 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 31 March 2023
		£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds		-	215,753	(215,753)	-
12 Analysis of net assets between funds					
	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by:					
Tangible assets	15,198	-	15,198	17,098	17,098
Current assets/(liabilities)	132,630	-	132,630	104,241	104,241
	147,828	-	147,828	121,339	121,339

13 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The objects of the association are to relieve the need of people who are rough sleeping in Dorset by providing shelter, warmth, food and support.

It should be noted that during this accounting period Covid 19 resulted in the cessation of shared accommodation which resulted in guests and staff being relocated. Initially this was to a hotel and then to two different Council-provided accommodation. The normal operations of the charity had to adapt dramatically during this period of change, however the provision of intensive 24/7 support for the guests remained the priority. The Bus Shelter secured a new site which the service transferred to in September 2021.

The specific activities and objectives in this period were:

- To pursue an alternative site for the bus and provide Covid-compliant individual pod units. This involved working closely with Dorset Council to secure funding through the Next Steps Accommodation Programme, gaining planning permissions, designing the PODs and layout along with connection to mains services.
- To continue to provide high quality support and temporary accommodation to rough sleepers in Dorset.
- To fundraise and develop income streams for the anticipated increase in running costs.
- To recruit and retain quality staff and volunteers.
- To work collaboratively with other local agencies in the guests' best interests.
- To continue to increase public awareness and support for the service.
- To increase the number, breadth of expertise and effectiveness of the trustees.
- To consider next steps for guests and the charity and move towards some sort of further provision in terms of move-on accommodation/employment skill development etc.

Achievements and performance

The achievements during the financial period were as follows:

- Throughout the Covid lockdown period in and the three temporary accommodation moves The Bus Shelter staff continued to provide 24/7 intensive support to guests.
- Working closely with Dorset Council, The Bus Shelter gained planning permission and a caravan site licence at Mount Pleasant Park and Ride. This permission supported a development with provision for 12 guests in single en-suite rooms with associated office, kitchen and lounge facilities. The Bus Shelter opened at the new site in September 2021.
- Housing Benefit has been awarded for each unit of accommodation. Funding has also been secured for staff and running costs through a variety of funders.
- During 2021 to 2022 The Bus Shelter provided support and accommodation to 28 rough sleepers. The In-form database was implemented which enables guests to work with staff to set goals and see their progress. Of the 28 rough sleepers accommodated on the bus during this period 6 were supported to move on into independent accommodation. Of the 28 supported guests 6 have secured employment or are volunteering.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

- Throughout this period the Bus Shelter have worked closely with Dorset Council and other local agencies to ensure that homeless people are offered accommodation in the most appropriate environment.
- The increased numbers of guests, turnover and therefore support required for new guests has necessitated an increase in staffing levels. The Bus Shelter now has 13 paid members of full and part time staff. The Bus Shelter also embraced the Kickstart scheme for a young person who now has employment through us. The charity is keen to broaden the experience of support offered to guests and 2 members of the staff team have lived experience of homelessness and drug dependency. All staff have undertaken Training through Homeless Link.
- The Bus Shelter also gained support from Public Health England for a dedicated Drug and Alcohol rehabilitation worker.
- A 3 Year Strategy has been developed which prioritises the need for move-on accommodation for guests. The 'Next Stop' service was developed which ensure that all guests that move-on continue to receive support with the aim of reducing the cycle of homelessness. In support of this The Bus Shelter leased its first property from a private landlord.
- Good networks and improved ways of working have continued to develop with other local organisations and the wider community. The Bus Shelter have 10 volunteers. One of the volunteer leads on developing the allotment and takes willing guests with him twice a week. Another supporter has donated a van.
- The Trustee Board undertook a Skills Audit with the aim of recruiting new Trustees with specific expertise. This was supported by the Lloyds Foundation and the Trustee Board also availed themselves to training and development offered through them.

The Trustee's would like to thank the following funders for supporting the vital work that is undertaken with rough sleepers in Dorset - Dorset Council, Lloyds Bank Foundation, Homeless Link, Wates Foundation, Fine and Country Foods and Groundworks.

Financial Review

During the year total income was £272,321 (2021: £177,277), including donations totalling £18,910 (2021: £18,844) and grants of £195,600 (2021: £146,065). Total expenditure was £261,232 (2021: £122,961) in the year, resulting in net income of £11,089 (2021: £54,316) for the year. Total funds at the year end were £121,339 (2021: £110,250).

Reserves Policy

The Trustees continue with their efforts to raise funds to support the charitable activities and to build up a level of reserves sufficient to meet its overheads for the following 12 month period.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidelines on Public Benefit and consider that these are being met through the charity's objectives and activities

Structure, governance and management

The Bus Shelter Dorset registered as a charity on 3 March 2017 (No 1171882) and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

The trustees currently in office or who held office during the period ending 31 March 2022 were as follows:

S Flippance (Resigned 31 October 2021)

S Sawtell

R Stone

S Orr

D Pond

N Derrick (Resigned 29 March 2022)

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Trustees' responsibility for the accounts

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. In preparing those accounts the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any 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 operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. 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.

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

R Stone

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R Stone

Trustee (Chair)

Date: 27 Jan 2023

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Bus Shelter Dorset (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceed £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the of the chairty as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



Matthew Haines FCA

CB Reid Limited
Wadebridge House
16 Wadebridge Square
Poundbury
Dorchester
Dorset
DT1 3AQ

Dated: 27 Jan 2023

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

		Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
	Notes					
Income from:						
Donations and legacies	2	73,274	195,600	268,874	159,154	176,822
Charitable activities	3	3,447	-	3,447	455	455
Total income		<u>76,721</u>	<u>195,600</u>	<u>272,321</u>	<u>159,609</u>	<u>177,277</u>
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	4	<u>65,632</u>	<u>195,600</u>	<u>261,232</u>	<u>105,293</u>	<u>122,961</u>
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		11,089	-	11,089	54,316	54,316
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		<u>110,250</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>110,250</u>	<u>55,934</u>	<u>55,934</u>
Fund balances at 31 March 2022		<u>121,339</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>121,339</u>	<u>110,250</u>	<u>110,250</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		17,098		17,367
Current assets					
Debtors	8	3,771		704	
Cash at bank and in hand		101,984		93,181	
		<u>105,755</u>		<u>93,885</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(1,514)</u>		<u>(1,002)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>104,241</u>		<u>92,883</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>121,339</u>		<u>110,250</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			<u>121,339</u>		<u>110,250</u>
			<u>121,339</u>		<u>110,250</u>

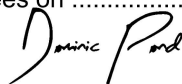
27 Jan 2023

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on

R Stone

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R Stone

Trustee (Chair)



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D Pond

Trustee (Treasurer)

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The charity is a CIO, registered on 3 March 2017.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. The comparative period was prepared under a receipts and payments basis.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

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

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

1.4 Income

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

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

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity.

The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

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

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

Plant and equipment	Straight line over 10 years
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

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

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.9 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

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

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.10 Employee benefits

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

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

1.11 Retirement benefits

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

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022 £	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Donations and gifts	18,910	-	18,910	18,844	18,844
Government grants	-	195,600	195,600	128,397	146,065
Income housing benefit	54,364	-	54,364	11,913	11,913
	<u>73,274</u>	<u>195,600</u>	<u>268,874</u>	<u>17,668</u>	<u>176,822</u>

3 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
Miscellaneous income and refunds	2,997	210
Sale of goods made	450	245
	<u>3,447</u>	<u>455</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost of Goods Sold	365	-	365	270	-	270
Advertising & Marketing	193	-	193	60	-	60
Audit & Accountancy fees	1,690	-	1,690	1,541	-	1,541
Previous Accountancy fees	1,800	-	1,800	-	-	-
Bus fitting out an repairs	-	-	-	8,404	-	8,404
Bus operation costs	-	-	-	5	-	5
Cleaning	14	-	14	331	-	331
Consulting	179	-	179	88	-	88
Days out	39	-	39	109	-	109
DBS checks	316	-	316	13	-	13
Food	7,216	1,650	8,866	10,164	2,126	12,290
Electricity	17,566	-	17,566	-	-	-
Guest Supplies	-	2,828	2,828	-	-	-
Hospitality	264	-	264	-	-	-
Insurance	4,810	-	4,810	1,228	-	1,228
IT Software and Consumables	7,328	-	7,328	-	-	-
Non payroll staff costs	1,698	13,900	15,598	-	-	-
Operating Lease Payments	587	-	587	-	-	-
Pensions Costs	-	4,934	4,934	2,786	-	2,786
Printing & Stationery	590	-	590	553	359	912
Rent and Rates	341	-	341	(289)	-	(289)
Repairs & Maintenance	2,426	-	2,426	-	-	-
Replacement costs	2,733	-	2,733	-	-	-
Salaries NI & PAYE	(473)	158,635	158,162	76,058	14,608	90,666
Staff Training	-	2,315	2,315	359	-	359
Subscriptions Just Giving	216	-	216	268	-	268
Subscriptions/Membership	250	-	250	-	-	-
Sundries	5,513	9,636	15,149	-	-	-
Telephone & Internet	-	1,702	1,702	422	413	835
Travel - Mileage	2,709	-	2,709	2,612	162	2,774
TV Licence	160	-	160	(25)	-	(25)
Waste & Pest Control	1,082	-	1,082	336	-	336
Wood burner	20	-	20	-	-	-
Depreciation	1,900	-	1,900	-	-	-
Profit/loss on disposal	4,100	-	4,100	-	-	-
	<u>65,632</u>	<u>195,600</u>	<u>261,232</u>	<u>105,293</u>	<u>17,668</u>	<u>122,961</u>

5 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2021 - one trustee was reimbursed £915 for expenses paid).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
Total	9	5

Employment costs

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	163,097	90,666
Other pension costs	4,934	2,786
	168,031	93,452

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

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2021	17,367
Additions	5,731
Disposals	(4,100)
At 31 March 2022	18,998
Depreciation and impairment	
Depreciation charged in the year	1,900
At 31 March 2022	1,900
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2022	17,098
At 31 March 2021	17,367

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

8 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Wages overpayment	-	61
NEST overpayment	-	66
PAYE & NIC repayable	485	577
Guest contributions	111	-
Housing benefit	3,175	-
	<u>3,771</u>	<u>704</u>

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Computer software	-	72
Wages underpaid	13	-
Staff mileage	61	-
Accountancy & payroll costs	1,440	930
	<u>1,514</u>	<u>1,002</u>

10 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

		Movement in funds			
		Balance at 1 April 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 March 2022 £
Unrestricted funds		-	195,600	(195,600)	-
		<u>-</u>	<u>195,600</u>	<u>(195,600)</u>	<u>-</u>
11 Analysis of net assets between funds					
	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:					
Tangible assets	17,098	-	17,098	17,367	17,367
Current assets/(liabilities)	104,241	-	104,241	92,883	92,883
	<u>121,339</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>121,339</u>	<u>110,250</u>	<u>110,250</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) *FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022*

12 Related party transactions

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

13 Basis of preparation

For the year ended 31 March 2022 the charity's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard (FRS102). The accounts for the previous year were prepared under and receipts and payments basis.

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

England & Wales - Charity number 1171882

Accounts

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Registered Charity No 1171882

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Chartered Accountants

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TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year to 31 March 2021 which are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Reference and administration information

Trustees

The trustees currently in office or who held office during the period ended 31 March 2021 were as follows:

Sarah Flippence
Saira Sawtell
Rosemarie Joyce Stone – Chair
Sue Orr
Dominic Pond
Nicola Derrick

Independent Examiner Edwards & Keeping, Unity Chambers, 34 High East Street
Dorchester DT1 1HA

Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The objects of the association are to relieve the need of people who are rough sleeping in Dorset by providing shelter, warmth, food and support.

It should be noted that from the beginning of this accounting period, during the period in November 2020 and then again in January 2021, a national lockdown due to Covid 19 meant that guests were re-located to Council-provided housing but the need for financial and life support from this association was ongoing. Throughout this accounting period there have been national restrictions due to Covid 19 in place and the normal operations of the charity have been very different.

The specific activities and objectives in this period were:

- To provide high quality support and temporary accommodation to rough sleepers in Weymouth.
- To fundraise and develop income streams for the running costs of bus and ongoing support to guests.
- To undertake on-going repairs, maintenance and improvements to bus and site.
- To work collaboratively with other local agencies in the guests' best interests.
- To recruiting and retain quality volunteers.
- To continue to apply for grants to fund all aspects of the bus operations from both local, national and Government initiatives.
- To continue to increase public awareness and support for the project.
- Increase the number and effectiveness of the trustees.
- To consider next steps for guests and this charity and move towards some sort of further provision in terms of move-on accommodation/employment skill development etc.
- To pursue an alternative site for the bus which allows individual pod units, Covid-compliant, including all aspects of negotiation, securing funding, gaining planning permissions and beginning site development with services etc.

Achievements and performance

The achievements during the financial period were as follows:

- Accommodation offered to eight or nine rough sleepers in Weymouth constantly throughout Covid 19. Numbers have been restricted due to bedroom availability in various Local Authority-sourced accommodations (hotel, youth hostel, House in Multiple Occupancy).
- Of the guests remaining at the year end, five were original accommodated on the bus. The remaining rooms have been occupied by a range of other guests who have subsequently moved on (some with more success than others).
- The service was open 24 hours per day 7 days per week.
- When Covid 19 first hit and the country went into national lockdown number 1, the accommodation we were offered was a hotel. One of our guests gained permanent accommodation and employment here and remains in this position to date, almost twelve months later.
- Good networks and ways of working have continued to develop with other local organisations; this has been particularly so throughout Covid as we have embarked upon deepening partnerships in order to achieve our new site and pod provision (target date August 2021).
- In particular, The Bus Shelter Dorset is part of a new joint project with other agencies to employ a Drug and Alcohol Navigator funded by Public Health England.
- The bus has 4.5 WTE paid members of staff.
- The bus has a group of retired people who serve as volunteers, most of whom have been unable to attend the various sites during this year due to Covid. Six volunteers have remained active from a distance.
- The Trustee Board is developing in expertise and understanding with new members recruited for specific skills.
- A new site (Park & Ride, Weymouth) has been secured on lease from Dorset Council and planning permission for ten sleeping pods has been granted. This will open during the summer of 2021 but much of the trustee work in 2020-21 has been around this move.

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Financial Review

During the year total receipts were £177,277 (2020: £131,683), including donations totalling £18,844 (2020: £24,735) and grants of £146,065 (2020: £64,329). Total expenditure was £122,961 (2020: £114,984) in the year, resulting in net income of £54,316 (2020: £16,669) for the year. Total funds at the year end were £93,181 (2020: £38,865). The assets and liabilities at 31st March 2021 are shown on page 5.

Reserves policy

The Trustees continue with their efforts to raise funds to support the charitable activities and to build up a level of reserves sufficient to meet its overheads for the following 12 month period.

Public benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidelines on Public Benefit and consider that these are being met through the charity's objectives and activities.

Structure, governance and management

The Bus Shelter Dorset registered as a charity on 3 March 2017 (No 1171882) and is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Trustees' responsibility for the accounts

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. In preparing those accounts the trustees are required to:-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any 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 operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees on

and signed on their behalf by:

THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are set out on pages 4 to 6.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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

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 proper understanding of the accounts reached.

H E Jones BA (Hons) FCCA
Chartered Certified Accountant

Messrs Edwards & Keeping
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THE BUS SHELTER DORSET

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Year to 31 March 2021 Total £	Year to 31 March 2020 Total £
Receipts				
Donations	18,844		18,844	24,735
Grants	124,066	17,668	141,734	64,329
Job retention scheme grants	4,331		4,331	-
Miscellaneous income and refunds	210		210	350
Housing benefit	11,913		11,913	41,339
Sale of goods made	245		245	930
Total receipts	159,609	17,668	177,277	131,683
Payments				
Cost of Goods Sold	270		270	1,493
Bus fitting out and repairs	8,404		8,404	3,832
Wages and salaries	76,058	14,608	90,666	79,921
Static caravan and other equipment	-		-	1,500
Travel and subsistence	2,612	162	2,774	3,962
Days out	109		109	1,085
Bus operation costs	5	-	5	2,597
Food and other guest expenses	10,164	2,126	12,290	4,877
Rent and rates	(289)		(289)	502
Telephone	422	413	835	525
Insurance	1,228		1,228	1,154
Printing, postage and stationery	553	359	912	791
Computer costs	-		-	413
Training	359		359	10
Advertising	60		60	1,062
Waste and Pest control	336		336	1,054
DBS expenses	13	-	13	73
Professional fees	-		-	90
Accountancy fees	1,541		1,541	2,516
Pension costs	2,786		2,786	602
Just Giving fees	268		268	158
TV Licence	(25)		(25)	155
Consulting	88	-	88	5,559
Cleaning and laundry costs	331		331	1,021
Sundry expenses	-	-	-	32
Total payments	105,293	17,668	122,961	114,984
Net surplus for year	54,316	-	54,316	16,699
Cash funds brought forward	38,865	-	38,865	22,166
Cash funds carried forward	93,181	-	93,181	38,865

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Unrestricted Fund £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Fixed Assets			
Bus (estimated value)	12,000	12,000	12,000
Trailer (at cost)	2,600	2,600	2,600
Office container (at cost)	840	840	840
Static Caravan (at cost)	1,500	1,500	1,500
Equipment (at cost)	427	427	427
Debtors			
Wages overpayments	61	61	46
NEST overpayments	66	66	-
PAYE & NIC repayable	577	577	-
Cash funds			
Barclays Bank Account	93,030	93,030	38,838
Cash	151	151	27
	93,181	93,181	38,865
Creditors			
Accountancy and payroll costs	930	930	900
Computer software	72	72	41
Wages underpayments	-	-	279
NEST underpayment	-	-	33
PAYE & NIC payable	-	-	6

Approved by the trustees on:

and signed on their behalf by:.....

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies

(a) Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payments basis. The particular accounting policies adopted by the trustees are described below.

(b) Receipts

Income is recognised upon receipt to the charity.

(c) Payments

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity, included on a paid basis.

2 Trustees Remuneration

No remuneration was paid to trustees during the year.

One trustee was reimbursed expenses during the year. The total was £915 of which £271 was for laundry and repairs expenses and £644 was for other costs paid out for the charity.