

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1173627

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
Swansea Samaritans

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objects of the Charity as set out in its governing document are:

1. To work for the assistance of persons who are suicidal, despairing or in distress by providing a service primarily intended for the benefit of persons in Swansea and the surrounding area (but without specific limitations to area) to enable such persons to receive immediate help, compassion and befriending from members of the Charity selected and prepared for the purpose working under direction; and also where appropriate, in accordance with Samaritan procedure, referral to persons having specialist or professional skills.
2. To support the company and aid in the establishment and support of probationary branches and the support of recognised branches of Samaritans.

Public benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, and keep it in mind in all developments, to ensure that all our activities are delivering benefit to the public, as defined there.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

During the year the Charity continued to provide emotional support to people by Telephone, SMS, Email or face to face. The Charity operated a listener scheme in Swansea Prison and worked in Partnership with other Organisations to provide emotional support.

Fundraising activities

During the year the Charity continued to fund raise to support the running of the branch and operated a Charity Shop.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The results for the year and financial position of the Charity are shown in the annexed financial statements.

The net deficit for the year amounted to £12,627 (2022: £40,374). A deficit of £10,915 (2022: £39,764) is attributed to unrestricted funds and a deficit of £1,712 (2022: £610) is attributed to restricted funds.

At 31 March 2023 the balance on unrestricted funds amounted to £293,561 (2022: £304,476) and the balance on restricted funds amounted to £10,837 (2022: £12,549).

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Trustees consider it prudent to carry reserves, in keeping with the Charity Commission Guidelines, amounting between twelve and eighteen months of total running costs. For the current year this would amount to £83,130 (2022: £59,684). Unrestricted reserves as at 31 March 2023 amount to £293,561 (2022: £304,476). This is inclusive of all fixed assets, which the Trustees acknowledge is greater than required under the guidelines but inkeeping with the formal reserves policy of the branch. Excluding the property the Charity's reserves currently stand at 16 months (2022: 26 months). The Trustees are committed to ensure that the maximum benefit accrues to the charity and its beneficiaries from the current level of reserves and that income streams are reviewed regularly.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The methods, policies and procedures for recruitment, appointment, induction and training of new Trustees are in accordance with the Charity's constitution.

Indemnity Insurance

The Samaritans has centrally effected professional indemnity insurance to protect employees, trustees, directors and other volunteer members of all Samaritans Branches.

Risk management

In accordance with the SORP, the Trustees recognise the risks to which the charity may be exposed. The Trustees have carried out a review of such risks in order to identify risks that may be applicable to The Samaritans of Swansea, and to initiate systems in order to mitigate those risks.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1173627

Principal address

The Samaritans
17 St. Johns Road
Manselton
Swansea
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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Trustees

DR P Phillips
MR J Cryer (appointed 8/11/22)
D A Keogh (appointed 8/11/22)
MR J H Bird (appointed 8/11/22) (resigned 31/3/24)
MR D G Thomas (appointed 8/11/22)
MR G Jones (appointed 8/11/22) (resigned 31/3/24)
MR C Griffiths (appointed 8/11/22) (resigned 31/3/24)
I Anderson (resigned 31/3/24)
MR W Davies
M Bugelli (resigned 31/3/24)
Mr A Williams (appointed 9/11/23)
DR G Holland (appointed 9/11/23)
S Griffin (appointed 9/11/23)

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10/03/2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Peter Phillips
DR P Phillips - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Swansea Samaritans

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Swansea Samaritans

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Swansea Samaritans (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust'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 Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

S Keith

Mrs S K Keith
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date: 13/03/2025

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	22,765	-	22,765	13,354
Other trading activities	3	15,011	-	15,011	10,040
Investment income	4	868	-	868	(27,976)
Other income		3,678	-	3,678	3,997
Total		<u>42,322</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>42,322</u>	<u>(585)</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		16,723	-	16,723	3,966
Charitable activities					
Charitable Activities		<u>37,269</u>	<u>1,428</u>	<u>38,697</u>	<u>35,823</u>
Total		<u>53,992</u>	<u>1,428</u>	<u>55,420</u>	<u>39,789</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(11,670)	(1,428)	(13,098)	(40,374)
Transfers between funds	11	284	(284)	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses)					
Gains on revaluation of fixed assets		<u>471</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(10,915)</u>	<u>(1,712)</u>	<u>(12,627)</u>	<u>(40,374)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		304,476	12,549	317,025	357,399
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>293,561</u></u>	<u><u>10,837</u></u>	<u><u>304,398</u></u>	<u><u>317,025</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 March 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	221,211	432	221,643	223,788
Investments	8	64,523	-	64,523	78,184
		<u>285,734</u>	<u>432</u>	<u>286,166</u>	<u>301,972</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	5,452	-	5,452	3,925
Cash at bank and in hand		6,609	10,405	17,014	15,518
		<u>12,061</u>	<u>10,405</u>	<u>22,466</u>	<u>19,443</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(4,234)	-	(4,234)	(4,390)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>7,827</u>	<u>10,405</u>	<u>18,232</u>	<u>15,053</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>293,561</u>	<u>10,837</u>	<u>304,398</u>	<u>317,025</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>293,561</u>	<u>10,837</u>	<u>304,398</u>	<u>317,025</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				293,561	304,476
Restricted funds				10,837	12,549
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>304,398</u>	<u>317,025</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10th March 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Peter Phillips
DR P Phillips - Trustee

Mr A Williams
Mr A Williams - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

Income

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

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on cost
Office equipment	- 25% on cost
Shop fixtures & fittings	- 25% on cost

No depreciation is provided for on Freehold Property & Improvements as the Trustees pursue a full repairing policy.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

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

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

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Collections	1,441	535
Donations	11,690	2,594
Grants	9,634	10,225
	<u>22,765</u>	<u>13,354</u>

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

	2023	2022
	£	£
COVID Grants	-	2,000
Other Grants	9,634	8,225
	<u>9,634</u>	<u>10,225</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fundraising events	1,696	4,044
Shop income	13,315	5,996
	<u>15,011</u>	<u>10,040</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Sale of shares	-	(31,597)
Dividend Received	868	597
Unit Trust Income	-	3,024
	<u>868</u>	<u>(27,976)</u>

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5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

It is the policy of the Charity to reimburse all expenses properly incurred and claimed by its volunteers in connection with its charitable activities. The Charity's Trustees are reimbursed expenses in accordance with that policy in common with all other volunteers, and the total amount involved is not considered material.

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	13,354	-	13,354
Other trading activities	10,040	-	10,040
Investment income	(27,976)	-	(27,976)
Other income	3,997	-	3,997
Total	<u>(585)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(585)</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3,966	-	3,966
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities	35,213	610	35,823
Total	<u>39,179</u>	<u>610</u>	<u>39,789</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(39,764)	(610)	(40,374)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	344,240	13,159	357,399
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>304,476</u>	<u>12,549</u>	<u>317,025</u>

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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Shop fixtures & fittings £	Totals £
COST					
At 1 April 2022	218,204	16,729	31,286	7,163	273,382
Disposals	-	(105)	(3,329)	-	(3,434)
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At 31 March 2023	218,204	16,624	27,957	7,163	269,948
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DEPRECIATION					
At 1 April 2022	-	11,794	30,637	7,163	49,594
Charge for year	-	1,929	216	-	2,145
Eliminated on disposal	-	(105)	(3,329)	-	(3,434)
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At 31 March 2023	-	13,618	27,524	7,163	48,305
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NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 March 2023	218,204	3,006	433	-	221,643
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At 31 March 2022	218,204	4,935	649	-	223,788
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The title to the Freehold Property is held by The Samaritans as custodian trustee, and the Charity is subject to a Trust Deed in respect of the property.

8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Shares	24,720	21,096
Unit Trusts	39,803	57,088
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	64,523	78,184
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Additional information as follows:

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2022	21,096
Additions	3,624
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At 31 March 2023	24,720
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2023	24,720
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At 31 March 2022	21,096
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8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Investments (neither listed nor unlisted) were as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Unit Trusts	39,803	57,088

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments	5,452	3,925

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	2,718	2,537
Accrued expenses	1,516	1,853
	4,234	4,390

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/4/22	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31/3/23
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	314,119	(14,823)	284	299,580
Investment Revaluation reserve	(9,643)	3,624	-	(6,019)
	304,476	(11,199)	284	293,561
Restricted funds				
Big Lottery	10,000	(7)	(284)	9,709
Prison Support Fund	1,867	(1,205)	-	662
Welsh Churches Trust	682	(216)	-	466
	12,549	(1,428)	(284)	10,837
TOTAL FUNDS	317,025	(12,627)	-	304,398

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	41,454	(53,992)	(2,285)	(14,823)
Investment Revaluation reserve	868	-	2,756	3,624
	<u>42,322</u>	<u>(53,992)</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>(11,199)</u>
Restricted funds				
Big Lottery	-	(7)	-	(7)
Prison Support Fund	-	(1,205)	-	(1,205)
Welsh Churches Trust	-	(216)	-	(216)
	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,428)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,428)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>42,322</u>	<u>(55,420)</u>	<u>471</u>	<u>(12,627)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/3/22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	353,883	(39,764)	314,119
Investment Revaluation reserve	(9,643)	-	(9,643)
	<u>344,240</u>	<u>(39,764)</u>	<u>304,476</u>
Restricted funds			
Big Lottery	10,000	-	10,000
Prison Support Fund	2,261	(394)	1,867
Welsh Churches Trust	898	(216)	682
	<u>13,159</u>	<u>(610)</u>	<u>12,549</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>357,399</u>	<u>(40,374)</u>	<u>317,025</u>

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(585)	(39,179)	(39,764)
Restricted funds			
Prison Support Fund	-	(394)	(394)
Welsh Churches Trust	-	(216)	(216)
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	-	(610)	(610)
TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/> (585) <hr/>	<hr/> (39,789) <hr/>	<hr/> (40,374) <hr/>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Collections	1,441	535
Donations	11,690	2,594
Grants	9,634	10,225
	<hr/> 22,765	<hr/> 13,354
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	1,696	4,044
Shop income	13,315	5,996
	<hr/> 15,011	<hr/> 10,040
Investment income		
Sale of shares	-	(31,597)
Dividend Received	868	597
Unit Trust Income	-	3,024
	<hr/> 868	<hr/> (27,976)
Other income		
Prison Support	1,801	3,473
50 Club	1,631	524
Sundry Income	246	-
	<hr/> 3,678	<hr/> 3,997
Total incoming resources	42,322	(585)
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Charity Shop Expenditure	15,699	-
Fundraising Expenses	1,024	3,966
	<hr/> 16,723	<hr/> 3,966
Charitable activities		
Emergency Telephone	3,799	2,905
Publicity	-	1,141
Carried forward	3,799	4,046

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Charitable activities		
Brought forward	3,799	4,046
Sundries	251	275
Volunteer Training & Support C	19	18
Volunteer Travel Expenses	4,831	8,016
Outreach	554	158
Director Expenses	-	1,710
Conferences	-	154
50 Club expenditure	1,240	-
Prison support	1,205	-
	<hr/> 11,899	<hr/> 14,377
Support costs		
Management		
Rates and water	261	283
Insurance	1,966	1,585
Light and heat	3,687	2,613
Telephone	390	194
Motor Expenses	7,919	5,139
Repairs, Renewals & Maintenance	994	2,565
Security & Health & Safety	588	788
Cleaning, Housekeeper & Garden	4,554	3,634
Fixtures and fittings	1,929	1,929
Computer equipment	216	216
	<hr/> 22,504	<hr/> 18,946
Other		
Branch Contribution	761	(109)
Governance costs		
AGM & Other Governance Costs	801	65
Postage and stationery	1,446	1,813
Other professional Fees	370	251
Accountancy costs	916	480
	<hr/> 3,533	<hr/> 2,609
Total resources expended	<hr/> 55,420	<hr/> 39,789
Net expenditure	<hr/> <hr/> (13,098)	<hr/> <hr/> (40,374)

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