

The logo for Samaritans Portsmouth & East Hampshire. It consists of a light green rectangle with the word "SAMARITANS" in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below this is a darker green rectangle with the text "Portsmouth & East Hampshire" in white, sans-serif capital letters. To the left of the logo are two vertical light green bars.

SAMARITANS

**Portsmouth &
East Hampshire**

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR, TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For financial year ended 31st March 2023

Registered Charity Number 1173720
296 London Road, Portsmouth PO2 9JN

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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 Portsmouth and East Hampshire and the surrounding area (but without specific limitations as to area) to 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", and*
2. *"To support the Company and aid in the establishment and support of probationary branches and the support of recognised branches of Samaritans".*

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Trustees during the period under review (1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023)

	Position	From	To (If no longer in office)
Helen Puckett	Director	1 May 2022	
Di Allen	Treasurer	1 October 2017	
Ann Erskine	Company Secretary	1 October 2017	
Lyn Robertshaw	Trustee	27 September 2022	
Brian Stevely	Trustee	26 September 2021	
Anne Wernick	Trustee	27 September 2022	
Chris Pluck	Trustee	27 September 2021	
Helen Davis	Trustee	30 September 2020	27 September 2022
Laura Hyman	Trustee	17 February 2021	27 September 2022
Kate Steel	Trustee	27 September 2022	

Custodian Trustee: Samaritans, The Upper Mill, Kingston Road, Ewell
KT17 2AF

Independent Examiner: Morris Crocker, Chartered Accountants, North St, Havant,
PO9 1QU

Bankers: Lloyds plc, 113 Commercial Road, Portsmouth PO1 1BY

Trustee members, Governance and Management.

When the Charity changed to become affiliated to the Samaritans Central Charity in 2017, the local governance structure changed with it. The need for a committee was removed and in its place a Branch Leadership Team was established. This brought together the operational and financial aspects of our work under a single structure with the Director also acting as Chair of Trustees.

The Director chooses several Deputies to join the team which will also include the Treasurer and Secretary. In addition, several Trustees will be part of the Team. The Trustees will be between 3 and 13 in number and this number will be set by the Director and Trustees. All Trustees, apart from the Director, will be chosen by the AGM as will the Secretary and Treasurer positions.

Composition of the Leadership Team will therefore be as follows;

Director and Chair of Trustees (automatically a trustee)
Deputy Directors
Treasurer. (automatically a trustee)
Secretary. (automatically a trustee)
Trustees. (number to be decided)

Director and Deputy Directors are in place for 3 years while others are elected each year at AGM. Deputy Directors may act as Trustees but must be elected at AGM.

The Director will represent the Charity at Regional and Central Councils.

Trustee Responsibilities relating to the financial records of the Charity.

Trustees are responsible for ensuring that proper accounting records are kept which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at that time, the financial position of the Charity, and ensuring that the accounts comply with relevant legislation. The Trustees are issued with full financial reports each month and received written Treasurer's Report at each Committee meeting during the period under review and the Trustees consider such adequate in enabling them to fulfil their duties.

The Trustees are required to prepare accounts for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity. 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.
- In ensuring that the Charity remains solvent.
- Take reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.
- Prepare the accounts on an ongoing concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

No Trustee has any financial interest in the Charity, and no Trustee received remuneration from the Charity for acting as a Trustee. It is the Policy of the Charity to reimburse members for any out of pocket expenses incurred during activities undertaken for the purpose of the Charity and this extends to Trustees while performing their role.

It is the responsibility of the Trustees to administer the Charity and see that it delivers the outcomes for which the Charity was formed, and to ensure that the Charity complies with the requirements of the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that, in the compilation of this report, they have had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charities Commission. The Trustees affirm that the charitable service of the Charity is available to all sections of the public without limitation of age, social class, gender, race, religion, or geographical restriction. The Charity makes no charge for its services and is active in ensuring that callers in financial difficulty are not excluded from the opportunity to benefit from its services.

To quantify this benefit, we can highlight the fact that in 2022/2023 there were 24,000 calls. Delivery of these services entails thousands of unpaid hours by our volunteers as well as associated administrative costs. These costs are paid wholly from charitable donations and when all of this is considered it is clear that the Charity adds considerable value to the residents of Portsmouth and East Hampshire.

Relationship with other relevant charities

Nationally Samaritans has formed partnerships and working agreements with several charities. These arrangements are designed to enhance the service we can provide to our callers e.g. signposting. The Portsmouth and East Hampshire Branch comply with these arrangements.

In addition, our Branch has formed partnerships with other local organisations, both charities and public service, to further improve our service.

Risk Management

The Trustees have considered major risks to which the Charity could be exposed. These are recorded in a Risk Management Register and are reviewed on a scheduled basis by the Committee. When deemed necessary steps are agreed and implemented to mitigate an identified risk. The Register was last reassessed and amended on 17 May 2023.

Directors Report.

I am delighted and honoured to present the annual Director and Trustee report for the financial year ending in 2023. This year has been marked by tremendous growth and achievements for our branch, and we owe it all to the unwavering commitment and dedication of our volunteers and team members.

Volunteer Support and Growth:

At the end of March 2023, we were thrilled to have 132 volunteers on board, a significant increase from the previous year's 124 and the year before that, which had 122 volunteers. This steady growth demonstrates the increasing enthusiasm and passion that individuals have for our cause.

Active Listening Volunteers:

Throughout the financial year, we began with 90 active listening volunteers, and by the end, we had 106. This remarkable increase is a testament to the hard work and compassion shown by our volunteers, who make a real difference in the lives of our callers.

Celebrating Volunteer Tenure:

We are immensely proud of the dedication shown by our volunteers. This year, we celebrated one volunteer who has completed an astounding 35 years as a listening volunteer. Additionally, we had two volunteers who have been with the branch for 15 years and two others who reached a decade of service. Their commitment exemplifies the true spirit of our organisation.

Call Statistics and Expansion:

Our efforts to support our callers have not wavered, and last year, we managed to answer an impressive 24,000 calls. Moreover, we nearly doubled our night hours on the phone while also increasing availability during other times. This expansion showcases our dedication to being there for those who need us, whenever they need us.

Anniversary and Social Events:

In June 2022, we joyously celebrated our 60th Anniversary, and the event held at our branch was a resounding success. Following this, we have continued to organise various social events, and these have been very well received.

Outreach Programs:

Our commitment to expanding outreach programs has been fulfilled with great success. The school's program has been once again successful, and we have added two new schools to the upcoming year's itinerary. Additionally, our support for the IOW branch's Prison outreach and Veterans outreach has grown, demonstrating our dedication to making a difference in diverse communities.

New Partnerships:

We are thrilled to have established valuable partnerships with esteemed organisations such as Solent NHS Trust, Portsmouth Hospitals, the Local Foodbank, the Trussell Trust, Portsmouth Pride, and HSD College supporting Adult Student Counsellors. These partnerships enable us to reach more individuals and make a greater impact on the community.

Community Engagement:

Our engagement with the community has been exceptional, with an increase in our Twitter following and a new link with local grassroots football teams. These connections strengthen our presence and allow us to continue our mission effectively.

Recruitment and Training:

Our recruitment and training processes have flourished, and we welcomed 24 new volunteers who completed their training to become listening volunteers. This influx of new volunteers ensures our ability to serve more callers in need.

Sam's Place Charity Shop:

Sam's Place, our charity shop, has been an incredible success and a valuable part of our community. The shop's success, along with the rental income from the flat at 298a London Road, has played a significant role in maintaining the branch's strong financial position. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved in ensuring the viability of these entities.

Appreciation for the Unsung Heroes:

Lastly, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Leadership team and all our volunteers, including those who may not always be visible but play a crucial role in the success of our organisation. Your dedication and support enable us to be there for our callers, and we are deeply grateful for each one of you.

As we move forward, we remain committed to our callers and together, we will continue making a positive impact on the lives of those we serve.

Thank you all for your unwavering support in everything that you do to support the branch and be there for our callers.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Helen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Helen.

Financial Review

The Charity is responsible for raising its own funds and no funding was given to the Charity by local authorities, public agencies, or central government during 2022/23. All costs for its charitable operations were borne by the funds of the Charity, details of which can be seen in the financial summaries at the end of the Report.

Summary

The financial statements for the year show an overall increase in funds of £12,923 as a result of total incoming resources of £92,306 and resources expended of £79,383. Total net assets at year-end of £416,117, including total cash funds and securities of £117,378, of which £1,329 are funds restricted to the outreach programme.

Incoming Resources

Receipts increased by £11,493 compared to the previous year, primarily due to the increase of £10,666 in Sales of donated goods (including Gift aid) sold through the charity trading company.

Resources Expended

Total Expenditure increased by £36,403 when compared to 2021/22. The primary reasons are Agents Commission increased by £12,973, following increase in Sales of donated goods; additional £10,275 expenditure incurred with maintenance of the flat; and, increase in charges for the New Branch Contribution of £12,049. Affiliation fees in year were £16,551 less £4,502 in 2022.

Charges for the New Branch Contribution (NBC) of £9,000, which is the contribution that this Branch pays to the Central Charity on an annual basis, have been accrued for the current year. An additional £7,551 of NBC was paid for 2021/22 compared to the accrual at the end of the prior year, which lead to a total NBC charge in 2022/23 of £16,551.

The long term revenue streams are performing well.

1. The rental flat continues on its second tenancy, delivering a full year of income.
2. Sams Place continues the upward trend in sale seen at the end of last year.

In furtherance of the pursuit of its charitable objectives, the Charity seeks to maximise income from voluntary donations by utilising the Gift Aid scheme and the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme (GASDS) operated by Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs (HMRC).

The Trustees recognise that many of the Branch's Volunteers waive the option to claim for reimbursement of expenses. This is equivalent to making a gift to the Charity, and the Trustees acknowledge the beneficial effect this has on Branch finances.

There were no Restricted donations during 2022/23. However, where there are restricted donations brought forward from previous years, and where there is no limitation of date by which Restricted Funds are to be exhausted imposed by donors, the Trustees expect that the fund will be put to timely charitable use.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy was reviewed in the financial period 2018/19 and has been declared as follows:

Our unrestricted reserves will be kept in the region of 125 – 150% of the "Annual running costs" calculated from expenditure figures stated in the Financial Statements of the Charity as published in its annual reports for the three most recent accounting periods.

In short, this can be expressed as Reserves sufficient to cover expected outgoings for 15 to 18 months. Based on 2022/23 unrestricted resources expended this is £96,948 to £116,337. Our unrestricted cash funds total at 31 March 2023 were £116,049, which is the total cash fund less the restricted funds. This level will be kept under review and may be varied if thought necessary and may be expressed alternatively as a target level, or target range.

Investment Policy and Investment Performance

The Constitution gives powers to the Trustees in the manner in which the assets of the Charity are invested. During the period under review the Charity had no investments or monetary assets other than cash deposits and a Treasury backed security.

In the selection of deposit accounts or investments for the Charity, it is the policy of the Trustees to seek to obtain maximum return without undue risk. To this end the Trustees ensure that any cash deposits and/or investments in the Charity's name are covered and safeguarded by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

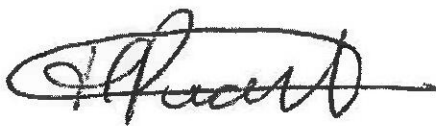
During 2022/23 cash at bank was not always maintained at an average equivalent to approximately 12 weeks of operating costs. The closing cash at bank position will be reviewed by the Trustees and invested at the beginning of 2023/24. Other cash assets are deposited in 7-day notice accounts. Full investment returns are therefore obscured until account anniversary dates.

Examination of accounts

By virtue of its size, the Charity is not required to have its accounts audited and, under the Charities Act 2011, it is permitted to have its accounts examined by an Independent Examiner. At the AGM in September 2022, it was agreed by the trustees that Morris Crocker, Chartered Accountants be re-appointed as the Independent Examiner for the financial year 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 in accordance with clause 13.2 of the Constitution.

Approval of annual reports and financial statements

This Annual Report and Financial Statements was granted approval by the Trustees of Samaritans of Portsmouth and East Hampshire on 17 May 2023 and the following persons are authorised to sign it on their behalf.



Director
Helen Puckett



Trustee
Ann J Erskine

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SAMARITANS OF PORTSMOUTH & EAST HAMPSHIRE**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Samaritans of Portsmouth & East Hampshire

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Samaritans of Portsmouth & East Hampshire (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.



P Underwood

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Chartered Accountants
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Date: 12 September 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
12 MONTH PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2022 to 31 MARCH 2023 (2022/23)


		Unrestricted Funds 2022/23 (12 mths)	Restricted Funds 2022/23 (12 mths)	Total Funds 2022/23 (12 mths)	Total Funds 2021/22 (12 mths)
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES	3				
Incoming resources from generated funds	3.1	79,310	-	79,310	69,125
Investment income and interest	3.2	12,996	-	12,996	11,688
Total incoming resources		92,306	-	92,306	80,813
RESOURCES EXPENDED	4-6				
Costs of generating investment income	4.1	14,343	-	14,343	2,625
Charitable activities	4.2	61,860	1,825	63,685	39,217
Governance costs	4.3	1,355	-	1,355	1,138
Total resources expended		77,558	1,825	79,383	42,980
Net incoming resources before other recognised gains		14,748	(1,825)	12,923	37,833
OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS					
Investment revaluation	8	-	-	-	79,000
Net movement in funds		14,748	(1,825)	12,923	116,833
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	13	377,972	25,222	403,194	286,361
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	13	392,720	23,397	416,117	403,194

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 MARCH 2023 (end of 12 month accounting period)

	Notes	31 Mar 2023 £	31 Mar 2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	7	53,192	54,836
Investment property	8	200,000	200,000
Investments	9	5,002	5,002
Loan to subsidiary undertaking	10	25,000	25,000
Total fixed assets		283,194	284,838
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors, prepayments and accrued income	11	14,879	21,073
Amount owed by subsidiary undertaking		17,450	20,263
Cash at bank		112,378	84,967
Total current assets		144,707	126,303
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors, accruals and deferred income: amounts falling due within one year	12	11,784	7,947
Total current liabilities		11,784	7,947
Total assets less current liabilities		416,117	403,194
Total net assets		416,117	403,194
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
General fund	13	232,067	241,365
Designated fund	13	65,143	41,097
Restricted funds	13	23,397	25,222
Revaluation reserve	13	95,510	95,510
Total funds		416,117	403,194

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 17 May 2023 and were signed on its behalf by



Trustee (A. Erskine)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS2

FOR THE 12 MONTH PERIOD FROM 1 APRIL 2022 to 31 MARCH 2023 (2022/23)

1 Basis of Preparation of Accounts

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost (except those investments, including property, if any, are shown at current or market value) in accordance with:-

- Accounting & Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2019)
- Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)
- The Charities Act 2011

1.1 There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since the last accounting period.

1.2 The accounting period for the charity is 12 months from 1 April ending on 31 March annually.

2 Accounting Policies

2.1. *Incoming Resources*

- Recognition of donations, legacies, similar incoming resources and rental income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity becomes entitled to the resources, the monetary value is realistically measurable, and the Trustees believe that receipt of the resource is enforceable in law.
- Investment income and interest is included in the accounts when received and additionally any interest notionally earned up to the end of the reporting period but not received or capitalised is also included.
- Investment gains and losses include any gain or loss on the sale of investments if any, or on the revaluing of investments, if any, to current or market value at the end of the year.
- Incoming resources from fundraising are reported gross in the SOFA.
- Incoming resources from donations, if any, which are Gift Aided are reported gross of recoverable Gift Aid in the SOFA. Any Gift Aid not received or claimed at the end of the financial year is assessed at prevailing Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) Gift Aid scheme rates and this amount is included in Debtors in the Balance Sheet.
- Incoming resources from donations of £20 or under, if any, which are in cash and have not been Gift Aided are eligible, subject to a limit of £5,000 in total per tax year, for a top-up from HMRC under the Gift Aid Small Charitable Donations Scheme (GASDS) and such donations are reported gross of the GASDS top-up in the SOFA. Any GASDS top-up not received or claimed at the end of the financial year is assessed at prevailing GASDS rates and this amount is included in Debtors in the Balance Sheet.

2 Accounting Policies (continued)

2.2 Expenditure

- Liabilities are reported in the Financial Statements when the Charity has recognised a reasonable and measurable obligation to pay for them.
- Governance costs include the cost of examination of statutory accounts, the cost of meetings held as a requirement of the Charity's Governing Document and the costs of Branch Visits which are usually held tri-annually.
- Cost of generating investment income includes the costs of generating rental income.
- The Charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

2.3 Assets and Liabilities

- Tangible fixed asset additions are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and the cost is not less than £500.
- Buildings are valued at cost, and the Charity does not have a policy of revaluing these assets. The Charity Financial Statements use a reducing balance method of depreciation for fixtures, fittings and equipment, with an annual deduction rate of 20%.
- The accounting period reported in these Financial Statements is singularly for 12 months and the depreciation figure stated has been calculated taking that into account.
- Assets under capital work in progress are shown at cost and are not depreciated until brought into operational use.
- Property held as an investment is valued at market value at the year end.
- The Charity only enters into basic financial instruments transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other accounts receivable and payable and investments in stocks and shares. The measurement basis used for these instruments is detailed below.
- Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due and prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid. Cash at bank included cash held on deposit or in a current account.
- Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measure or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount.
- Investments on a recognised stock exchange, if any, are valued at market value at the year end and other investments are valued at their account balances standing at the accounting period end plus accumulated the notional interest earned but not capitalised to the account at that date.

2.4 Funds Structure

- 2.4.1** The Charity has a designated fund for the purpose of producing income and creating capital growth, and from which funds can be drawn to enable the Charity to fulfil its objectives in years when expenditure exceeds income. At 31 March 2023 the designated fund comprised accumulated financial reserves in the form of deposit accounts protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme and a Treasury security. The Charity had no investments listed on a stock exchange.

2 Accounting Policies (continued)

2.4.2 Restricted Funds comprise donations or grants given to the Charity with a condition defining the purpose for which they are to be expended. Any such purposes must be deemed by the Charity to support its endeavours in furtherance of its charitable objects and thus adjudged that the donations are appropriate to accept. Any restricted fund which carries a date by which the fund is required to be expended but which has not been met is accordingly reported to the funder. For any fund with no limitation of date by which it should be exhausted, the Charity endeavours to put the fund to appropriate timely use.

2.5 Going Concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

3. Analysis of Incoming Resources

	Unrestricted Funds 2022/23 (12 mths) £	Restricted Funds 2022/23 (12 mths) £	Total Funds 2022/23 (12 mths) £	Total Funds 2021/22 (12 mths) £
3.1 <i>Incoming Resources from Generated Funds</i>				
Donations (non-Gift Aided or ineligible for GASDS)	11,258	-	11,258	8,466
Donations (Gift Aided or eligible under GASDS)	691	-	691	2,488
Sales of donated Goods (Gift Aided)	66,971	-	66,971	56,305
Miscellaneous	390	-	390	1,866
Total	79,310	-	79,310	69,125
3.2 <i>Investment Income and Interest</i>				
Rental income	12,000	-	12,000	11,022
Interest on investments	371	-	371	41
Interest on loan to subsidiary undertaking	625	-	625	625
Total	12,996	-	12,996	11,688

4 Analysis of resources expended

	Unrestricted Funds 2022/23 (12 mths) £	Restricted Funds 2022/23 (12 mths) £	Total Funds 2022/23 (12 mths) £	Total Funds 2021/22 (12 mths) £
4.1 <i>Cost of Generating Investment Income</i>				
Letting Agent Charges	1,210	-	1,210	1,856
Maintenance	10,407	-	10,407	132
Utilities and rates	2,726	-	2,726	637
Total	14,343	-	14,343	2,625
4.2 <i>Charitable Activities</i>				
Publicity	-	596	596	66
Telephone and broadband	1,637	-	1,637	1,795
Internal training and recruitment	262	-	262	117
External training	41	-	41	180
Volunteers' travel expenses	1,287	712	1,999	288
Affiliation fees	16,551	-	16,551	4,502
Agent Commission on GA Sales	18,752	-	18,752	5,779
Utilities	2,766	-	2,766	3,026
Insurance	1,739	-	1,739	2,025
Maintenance	13,455	-	13,455	15,769
Office materials and stationery	1,661	-	1,661	1,724
Domestics	1,631	-	1,631	1,383
Miscellaneous	951	-	951	595
Expenditure on new project	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	1,127	517	1,644	1,968
Bank charges	-	-	-	-
Total	61,860	1,825	63,685	39,217

The affiliation fees are payable to Samaritans Incorporated (registered company number 757372).

4.3 <i>Governance Costs</i>				
Independent Examiner Fees	960	-	960	900
Accountancy Fees	-	-	-	40
Miscellaneous	395	-	395	198
Total	1,355	-	1,355	1,138

5 Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year end 31 March 2022. During the year no trustees (2022: none) were reimbursed out of pocket expenses for expenses and travel.

6 Staff costs

The average number of employees during the year was nil (2022: nil). The Charity relies on volunteers for its activities.

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Land & Buildings £	Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment £	Total £
7.1 Cost or valuation:			
Balance brought forward	46,616	35,291	81,907
Additions	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	46,616	35,291	81,907
7.2 Accumulated depreciation:			
Balance brought forward	-	27,071	27,071
Depreciation charge for the period	-	1,644	1,644
Balance carried forward	-	28,715	28,715
7.3 Net book value:			
Brought forward (from 31/3/22)	46,616	8,220	54,836
Balance carried forward (at 31/3/23)	46,616	6,576	53,192

The refurbishment of 298 London Road was completed in November 2020 and the flat has been let on a commercial basis to generate funds for the Charity.

8 Investment Property

	£
Balance brought forward (from 31/3/22)	200,000
Revaluation	-
Balance carried forward (at 31/3/23)	200,000

At the balance sheet date, the property market value has not changed from the prior year.

9 Investments

	Value at period end £	Income for period £
Subsidiary Undertaking	2	-
Securities not listed on a stock exchange	5,000	65
Total	5,002	65

On the 24th July 2019, the Charity set up and invested fully in the share capital of Sams Place (Samaritans of Portsmouth & East Hampshire) Limited. This company was incorporated with the purpose of generating funds by selling donated goods.

9 Investments (continued)

The charity's investment at the balance sheet date in the share capital of Sams Place include the following:

Class of Share	Ordinary share £1	
% Holding	100%	
	2022/23	2021/22
	£	£
Aggregated capital and reserves	(1,575)	(1,377)
Profit / (Loss) for the period	(198)	(1,114)

There were no investment assets outside the UK. All of the charity's investment income arises from UK bank account interest.

10 Loan to Subsidiary Undertaking

In the financial year 2020/21 the Charity granted a long term loan of £25,000 to its subsidiary Sams Place Limited. This loan is unsecured with no fixed terms of repayment and bears interest at 2.5% per annum.

11 Debtors, prepayments, and accrued income	31 Mar 2023	31 Mar 2022
	£	£
Trade debtor – HMRC	12,577	19,504
Uncapitalised interest – United Trust Bank and Scottish Widows Bank	287	27
Prepayment – Insurance and Rental Charges	2,015	1,542
Total	14,879	21,073

12 Creditors, accruals, and deferred income	31 Mar 2023	31 Mar 2022
	£	£
Accruals – Affiliation Fees	9,000	6,198
Accruals – Independent Examiner Fees	930	900
Accruals – Maintenance	264	-
Accruals – Utilities	708	158
Accruals – Other	215	24
Deferred Income – Rental Income	667	667
Total	11,784	7,947

13 Reconciliation of Funds of the Charity

	Balance Brought Forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance Carried Forward £
Current Year					
General	241,365	91,935	(77,558)	(23,675)	232,067
Designated	41,097	371	-	23,675	65,143
Restricted	25,222	-	(1,825)	-	23,397
Revaluation reserve	95,510	-	-	-	95,510
Total	403,194	92,306	(79,383)	-	416,117
Prior Year					
General	202,730	80,772	(42,142)	5	241,365
Designated	41,061	41	-	(5)	41,097
Restricted	26,060	-	(838)	-	25,222
Revaluation reserve	16,510	79,000	-	-	95,510
Total	286,361	159,813	(42,980)	-	403,194

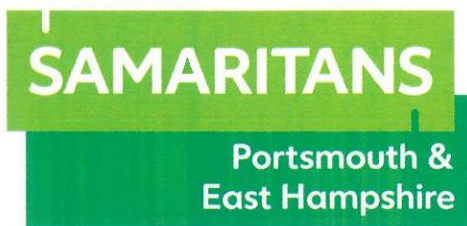
14 Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total Funds £
Current Year			
Fixed Assets	261,126	22,068	283,194
Current Assets	143,378	1,329	144,707
Current Liabilities	(11,784)	-	(11,784)
Total	392,720	23,397	416,117
Prior Year			
Fixed Assets	262,253	22,585	284,838
Current Assets	123,666	2,637	126,303
Current Liabilities	(7,947)	-	(7,947)
Total	377,972	25,222	403,194

15 Additional disclosures

15.1 Trustees related disclosures.

The Trustees of the Charity are covered by Indemnity Insurance which has been arranged and paid for by the Charity.



Interested in volunteering?

We welcome new volunteers of all ages and are particularly looking for people who can devote the time to enable us to stay available to callers' day and night. This is a 24-hour service, so we need people to be able to offer one night shift a month on top of their weekly day shift. We provide in-depth training – which is an informal, enjoyable, and thought-provoking experience.

To find out more please visit our website www.samaritans.org/portsmouth

Talking to local groups

We have a great outreach team who raise awareness of Samaritans' work by giving talks to local organisations and groups in the area. Please contact us if you would like to know more or if you would like us to come along to your conference or event.

To find out more visit our website www.samaritans.org/portsmouth or email the admin address portsmouth@samaritans.org

Samaritan volunteers listen in confidence to anyone in any type of emotion distress, without judging or telling people what to do.

By encouraging people who contact us to talk about their feelings, we can help them explore all the options they have. Samaritans believes that given the time and space to work problems or difficulties through in confidence, people can find an inner strength and perspective which let them find their own way forward.

Contacting Samaritans for emotional support

If you would like to talk to someone on the phone, call: 116123 (free call).

If you would prefer to email us, write to Jo@samaritans.org

If you would like to write a letter to us, address it to Chris, P O Box 9090, Stirling, FK8 2SA