

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

England & Wales · Charity number 1174107

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2017-08-03

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

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Activities

Objects: 3. THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:1. THE RELIEF OF THOSE IN NEED DUE TO BEING IN THE CARE SYSTEM OR HAVING LEFT CARE AND REQUIRING HELP FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING;2. TO ADVANCE IN LIFE AND RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE CARE SYSTEM AND ADULTS WHO HAVE LEFT CARE;3. THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE CARE SYSTEM AND ADULTS WHO HAVE LEFT CARE;4. TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION AMONGST YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE AND CARE LEAVERS WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED FROM SOCIETY OR PARTS OF SOCIETY AS A RESULT OF BEING WITHIN THE CARE SYSTEM BY:A) PROVIDING EDUCATION AND INFORMATION TO SUPPORT AND ENABLE CARE LEAVERS TO MAXIMISE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED TO THEM.B) RAISING PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE ISSUES EFFECTING CARE LEAVERS AND THOSE IN CARE BOTH GENERALLY AND IN RELATION TO THEIR SOCIAL ISOLATION AND LACK OF SUPPORT NETWORK.C) PROVIDING WORKSHOPS, FORUMS, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE AND GENERAL SUPPORT.D) PROVIDING RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE AND CARE LEAVERS IN ORDER TO DIMINISH SOCIAL ISOLATION AND BREAK DOWN BARRIERS TO POSITIVE PARTICIPATION WITHIN SOCIETY.

Activities: To support young people in care, leaving care, adult care leavers, those in kinship care and carers. We do this by providing activities, workshops, advice and guidance that promote positive life choices and positive independent living skills.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Disability, Economic/community Development/employment, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£318,181	£276,705	-	-
2023-08-31	£323,367	£228,567	-	-
2022-08-31	£201,801	£186,736	-	-
2021-08-31	£194,551	£168,741	-	-
2020-08-31	£209,335	£147,137	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Anna-Marie Durham	Chair	2023-04-25
Darrin Davies		2025-02-04
Gemma Salman-Wali		2023-07-18
Jason Exeter		2025-02-04
Patrick James Green		2024-10-07

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Accounts

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2024**

FOR

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024. 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 purpose of The Roots Foundation Wales as set out in its governing document is to support young people in care, transitioning out of care and their carers.

We provide activities and learning opportunities that are fun, developmental and supportive both after school and in holiday time for young people aged 4-18 to support them to develop and grow and learn to live independently once they leave the care systems. Activities include on site workshops, youth groups and activities as well as offsite trips and visits. Three young people aged 16-18 live onsite in independent units and learn independent living skills and receive 1:1 support from qualified youth workers.

The trustees have read and understood the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Significant activities

The Roots Foundation Wales provides activities and learning opportunities that are fun, developmental and supportive both after school and in holiday time for young people aged 4-18 to support them to develop and grow and learn to live independently once they leave the care systems.

During the year we ran activities and workshops and youth clubs for 50+ young people aged 4-18. Offering them opportunities to spend time in a safe and supportive environment and to interact with trusted trained adults. This has enabled them to have fun, learn new skills and build confidence as well as finding other young people with shared lived experience for them to connect with.

Specific activities took place for children at risk of exploitation and centred around online safety, keeping safe and interpersonal relationships.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During the year the charity recorded a surplus of £41,476 (2023: £94,800).

As at 31 July 2024 the charity held unrestricted reserves of £241,567 (2023: £265,527) and restricted reserves totalling £65,436 (2023: £nil).

Principal funding sources

The charity's main source of funds is received through a contract with Local Authority to provide accommodation and support to young people ages 16-18.

It also received independent grants and funds from other organisations.

Reserves policy

The trustees agree that reserves of 6 months running costs should be held to ensure continuity in times of financial hardship. The trustees consider that £150,000 is adequate to cover this.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, and constitutes a charitable incorporation organisation (CIO).

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

New trustees are recruited when the number of trustees drops below five.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1174107

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Principal address

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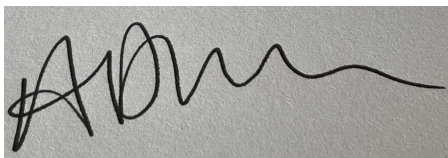
Trustees

Mrs R L Shellard-Renna (resigned 31.1.24)
Mrs A Durham
Mrs H Edwards (resigned 31.8.24)
Mrs G E Salman-Wali
Ms S B Din
Mr J Exeter (appointed 4.2.25)
Mr D Davies (appointed 4.2.25)
Mr P J Green (appointed 7.10.24)

Independent Examiner

Bevan Buckland LLP
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 26/06/2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature is stylized and appears to be 'A Durham'.

Mrs A Durham - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Roots Foundation Wales

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Roots Foundation Wales (the Trust) for the year ended 31 August 2024.

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

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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.



Michael Jones
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date: 26.06.2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	25,535	7,475	33,010	5,846
Charitable activities					
Support centre	3	192,238	85,720	277,958	297,390
Other income		7,213	-	7,213	20,131
Total		<u>224,986</u>	<u>93,195</u>	<u>318,181</u>	<u>323,367</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Support centre		<u>248,946</u>	<u>27,759</u>	<u>276,705</u>	<u>228,567</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(23,960)	65,436	41,476	94,800
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>265,527</u>	-	<u>265,527</u>	<u>170,727</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>241,567</u></u>	<u><u>65,436</u></u>	<u><u>307,003</u></u>	<u><u>265,527</u></u>

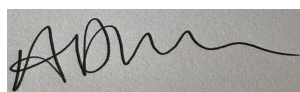
The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	4,621	-	4,621	6,040
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	22,631	-	22,631	87,337
Cash at bank and in hand		231,396	65,436	296,832	176,737
		<u>254,027</u>	<u>65,436</u>	<u>319,463</u>	<u>264,074</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(17,081)	-	(17,081)	(4,587)
		<u>236,946</u>	<u>65,436</u>	<u>302,382</u>	<u>259,487</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>241,567</u>	<u>65,436</u>	<u>307,003</u>	<u>265,527</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>241,567</u>	<u>65,436</u>	<u>307,003</u>	<u>265,527</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>241,567</u>	<u>65,436</u>	<u>307,003</u>	<u>265,527</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	10			241,567	265,527
Restricted funds				65,436	-
TOTAL FUNDS					
				<u>307,003</u>	<u>265,527</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on26/06/2025.....
and were signed on its behalf by:



A Durham - Trustee

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

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

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.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Government and other grants in relation to tangible fixed asset are credited to profit and loss account over the useful lives of the related assets, whereas those in relation to expenditure are credited when the expenditure is charged to profit and loss.

Donations, are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Accommodation income is recognised in the period to which it relates.

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.

Plant and machinery	- 25% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on cost
Computer equipment	- 25% on cost

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.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Creditors and provisions

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 measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial instruments

The company 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 company's balance sheet when the company 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 business 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.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	33,010	5,846

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2024 £	2023 £
Accommodation	Support centre	136,925	224,797
Grants	Support centre	141,033	72,593
		277,958	297,390

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

	2024 £	2023 £
Children in Need	-	34,043
Lloyds Bank Foundation	25,000	27,250
C&C Swansea Council	4,000	-
Tudor Trust	41,000	2,000
Groundwork UK	-	500
The Neighbourly Foundation	-	1,000
The National Lottery Community Grant	19,400	7,800
Puffin Group Ltd	4,000	-
Community Foundation Wales - Principality Building Society	6,420	-
Cash for Kids	1,200	-
Moondance Foundation	14,900	-
Co-Op	2,613	-
Hambro Charity	7,500	-
Postcode Community Trust	15,000	-
	141,033	72,593

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2024 nor for the year ended 31 August 2023.

Trustees' expenses

During the year a total of £1,173 was reimbursed to 3 trustees for travel expenses incurred when travelling to attend meetings and a staff away day.

There were no trustees' expenses paid during the year to August 2023.

5. STAFF COSTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	208,079	159,309
	208,079	159,309

The key management personnel of the charity comprised of the trustees and the Centre Director. During the year, the total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £37,558 (2023: £21,533).

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Total staff	15	17
	15	17

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	5,846	-	5,846
Charitable activities			
Support centre	253,547	43,843	297,390
Other income	20,131	-	20,131
Total	<u>279,524</u>	<u>43,843</u>	<u>323,367</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Support centre	<u>184,724</u>	<u>43,843</u>	<u>228,567</u>
NET INCOME	94,800	-	94,800
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>170,727</u>	-	<u>170,727</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>265,527</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>265,527</u></u>

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2024	<u>2,310</u>	<u>1,120</u>	<u>4,029</u>	<u>7,459</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 September 2023	462	224	733	1,419
Charge for year	<u>462</u>	<u>224</u>	<u>733</u>	<u>1,419</u>
At 31 August 2024	<u>924</u>	<u>448</u>	<u>1,466</u>	<u>2,838</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 August 2024	<u><u>1,386</u></u>	<u><u>672</u></u>	<u><u>2,563</u></u>	<u><u>4,621</u></u>
At 31 August 2023	<u><u>1,848</u></u>	<u><u>896</u></u>	<u><u>3,296</u></u>	<u><u>6,040</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	7,595	-
Other debtors	13,358	87,337
Prepayments	1,678	-
	<u>22,631</u>	<u>87,337</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade creditors	4,999	-
Taxation and social security	8,884	2,264
Other creditors	3,198	2,323
	<u>17,081</u>	<u>4,587</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.9.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	265,527	(23,960)	241,567
Restricted funds			
Tudor Trust	-	20,062	20,062
Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust	-	7,475	7,475
Community Foundation in Wales	-	4,770	4,770
Moondance Foundation	-	13,729	13,729
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	19,400	19,400
	<u>-</u>	<u>65,436</u>	<u>65,436</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>265,527</u>	<u>41,476</u>	<u>307,003</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	224,986	(248,946)	(23,960)
Restricted funds			
Tudor Trust	41,000	(20,938)	20,062
Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust	7,475	-	7,475
Community Foundation in Wales	6,420	(1,650)	4,770
Moondance Foundation	14,900	(1,171)	13,729
Swansea Summer COAST Fund	4,000	(4,000)	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	19,400	-	19,400
	<u>93,195</u>	<u>(27,759)</u>	<u>65,436</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>318,181</u>	<u>(276,705)</u>	<u>41,476</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.9.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	170,727	94,800	265,527
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>170,727</u>	<u>94,800</u>	<u>265,527</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	279,524	(184,724)	94,800
Restricted funds			
Children in Need	34,043	(34,043)	-
Tudor Trust	2,000	(2,000)	-
The National Lottery - Awards for All	7,800	(7,800)	-
	<u>43,843</u>	<u>(43,843)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>323,367</u>	<u>(228,567)</u>	<u>94,800</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.9.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	170,727	70,840	241,567
Restricted funds			
Tudor Trust	-	20,062	20,062
Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust	-	7,475	7,475
Community Foundation in Wales	-	4,770	4,770
Moondance Foundation	-	13,729	13,729
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	19,400	19,400
	<u>-</u>	<u>65,436</u>	<u>65,436</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>170,727</u>	<u>136,276</u>	<u>307,003</u>

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

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	504,510	(433,670)	70,840
Restricted funds			
Children in Need	34,043	(34,043)	-
Tudor Trust	43,000	(22,938)	20,062
The National Lottery - Awards for All	7,800	(7,800)	-
Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust	7,475	-	7,475
Community Foundation in Wales	6,420	(1,650)	4,770
Moondance Foundation	14,900	(1,171)	13,729
Swansea Summer COAST Fund	4,000	(4,000)	-
The National Lottery Community Fund	19,400	-	19,400
	<u>137,038</u>	<u>(71,602)</u>	<u>65,436</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>641,548</u></u>	<u><u>(505,272)</u></u>	<u><u>136,276</u></u>

Restricted Funds

Tudor Trust - a grant received to be used towards the Centre Director's Salary.

Children in Need - this was used to fund our Children at Risk of Exploitation project and activities.

National Lottery Awards for All - a grant from 'Summer of Fun' to fund food and activities for young people.

Millennium Stadium Charitable Trust- The purpose of the grant is to support The Roots Foundation in delivering its "Skills for life and independence" project.

Community Foundation in Wales- The purpose of this grant is to support The Roots Foundation Wales in equipping care-experienced young people aged 14-21 in Swansea with nationally recognised qualifications and practical training to help them prepare for independent living and employment.

Moondance Foundation - Supporting Roots by developing its external communications, including a new website and improved social media presence, and also enhancing its trauma-informed counselling services for young people

Swansea Summer COAST Fund- To provide free summer activities to care-experienced young people and their families to foster friendships and offer support during summer school holidays.

The National Lottery Community Fund - To establish a new volunteer program to expand activities and services for care-experienced young people, offering volunteers new skills and support.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 August 2024.

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	33,010	5,846
Charitable activities		
Accommodation	136,925	224,797
Grants	141,033	72,593
	277,958	297,390
Other income		
Sundry income	7,213	20,131
	318,181	323,367
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	208,079	159,309
Insurance	1,895	-
Light and heat	4,546	5,067
Telephone	509	490
Sundries	-	1,384
Staff costs	4,738	-
Volunteer costs	-	16,965
Office costs	2,831	-
Activities	22,321	20,494
Subscriptions	2,666	2,369
Repairs and maintenance	6,095	11,068
Rent	4,230	4,443
Travel expenses	2,903	1,694
Consulting	8,501	-
Depn of plant & machinery	462	462
Depn of fixtures & fittings	224	224
Depn of computer equipment	733	733
	270,733	224,702
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	222	-
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	5,750	3,865
	276,705	228,567
Total resources expended	276,705	228,567
Net income	41,476	94,800

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

England & Wales - Charity number 1174107

Accounts

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2023**

FOR

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

Bevan Buckland LLP
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THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

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THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 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 purpose of The Roots Foundation Wales as set out in its governing document is to support young people in care, transitioning out of care and their carers.

We provide activities and learning opportunities that are fun, developmental and supportive both after school and in holiday time for young people aged 4-18 to support them to develop and grow and learn to live independently once they leave the care systems. Activities include on site workshops, youth groups and activities as well as offsite trips and visits. Three young people aged 16-18 live onsite in independent units and learn independent living skills and receive 1:1 support from registered youth workers.

The trustees have read and understood the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Significant activities

The Roots Foundation Wales provides activities and learning opportunities that are fun, developmental and supportive both after school and in holiday time for young people aged 4-18 to support them to develop and grow and learn to live independently once they leave the care systems.

During the year we ran activities and workshops and youth clubs for 50+ young people aged 4-18. Offering them opportunities to spend time in a safe and supportive environment and to interact with trusted trained adults. This has enabled them to have fun, learn new skills and build confidence as well as finding other young people with shared lived experience for them to connect with.

Specific activities took place for children at risk of exploitation and centred around online safety, keeping safe and interpersonal relationships.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During the year the charity recorded a surplus of £94,800 (2022: £15,065).

As at 31 July 2023 the unrestricted reserves were £265,527 (2022: £170,727) and no restricted reserves were held. (2022: £nil).

Principal funding sources

The charity's main source of funds is received through a contract with Local Authority to provide accommodation and support to young people ages 16-18.

It also received independent grants and funds from other organisations.

Reserves policy

The trustees agree that reserves of 12 months running costs should be held to ensure continuity in times of financial hardship. The trustees consider that £150,000 is adequate to cover this.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

New trustees are recruited when the number of trustees drops below five.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1174107

Principal address

Llywn Deri Hall
Ravenhill Road
Ravenhill
Swansea
SA5 5AW

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

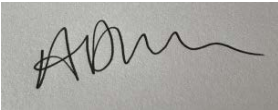
Trustees

Mrs R L Shellard-Renna
Mrs A Durham (appointed 25.4.23)
Mrs H Edwards (appointed 17.5.23)
Mrs G E Salman-Wali (appointed 18.7.23)
Ms S B Din (appointed 25.4.23)

Independent Examiner

Bevan Buckland LLP
Ground Floor Cardigan House
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Swansea Enterprise Park
Swansea
SA7 9LA

Approved by order of the board of trustees on . 20/08/2024..... and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Mrs A Durham - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Roots Foundation Wales

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Roots Foundation Wales (the Trust) for the year ended 31 August 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

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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.



Michael Jones
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date:20/08/2024.....

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	5,846	-	5,846	9,255
Charitable activities					
Support centre	3	253,547	43,843	297,390	192,546
Other income		20,131	-	20,131	-
Total		<u>279,524</u>	<u>43,843</u>	<u>323,367</u>	<u>201,801</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Support centre		<u>184,724</u>	<u>43,843</u>	<u>228,567</u>	<u>186,736</u>
NET INCOME		94,800	-	94,800	15,065
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		170,727	-	170,727	155,662
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>265,527</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>265,527</u></u>	<u><u>170,727</u></u>

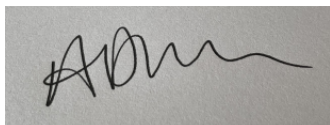
The notes form part of these financial statements

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

BALANCE SHEET
31 AUGUST 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2023 Total funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	6,040	-	6,040	6,728
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	87,337	-	87,337	-
Cash at bank and in hand		176,737	-	176,737	167,365
		<u>264,074</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>264,074</u>	<u>167,365</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(4,587)	-	(4,587)	(3,366)
		<u>259,487</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>259,487</u>	<u>163,999</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>265,527</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>265,527</u>	<u>170,727</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES					
		<u>265,527</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>265,527</u>	<u>170,727</u>
NET ASSETS					
		<u>265,527</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>265,527</u>	<u>170,727</u>
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds				<u>265,527</u>	<u>170,727</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>265,527</u>	<u>170,727</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on
...20/08/2024..... and were signed on its behalf by:



A Durham - Trustee

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 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.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Government and other grants in relation to tangible fixed asset are credited to profit and loss account over the useful lives of the related assets, whereas those in relation to expenditure are credited when the expenditure is charged to profit and loss.

Donations, are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Accommodation income is recognised in the period to which it relates.

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.

Plant and machinery	- 25% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on cost
Computer equipment	- 25% on cost

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.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Creditors and provisions

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 measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial instruments

The company 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 company's balance sheet when the company 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 business 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.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	<u>5,846</u>	<u>9,255</u>

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2023 £	2022 £
Accommodation	Support centre	224,797	72,315
Grants	Support centre	72,593	120,231
		<u>297,390</u>	<u>192,546</u>

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

	2023 £	2022 £
Children in Need	34,043	17,012
Lloyds Bank Foundation	27,250	25,000
CC Swansea	-	6,000
NLCF	-	23,899
Tudor Trust	2,000	47,000
National Children	-	570
Swansea Council Youth Funding	-	750
Groundwork UK	500	-
The Neighbourly Foundation	1,000	-
National Lottery - Awards for All	7,800	-
	<u>72,593</u>	<u>120,231</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

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

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 August 2023 nor for the year ended 31 August 2022.

5. STAFF COSTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	159,309	134,139
	<u>159,309</u>	<u>134,139</u>

The key management personnel of the charity comprised of the trustees and the CEO. During the year, the total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £21,533.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Total staff	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	9,255	-	9,255
Charitable activities			
Support centre	192,546	-	192,546
Total	<u>201,801</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>201,801</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Support centre	186,736	-	186,736
NET INCOME	15,065	-	15,065
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	155,662	-	155,662
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>170,727</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>170,727</u>

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 September 2022	2,310	1,120	3,298	6,728
Additions	-	-	731	731
At 31 August 2023	<u>2,310</u>	<u>1,120</u>	<u>4,029</u>	<u>7,459</u>
DEPRECIATION				
Charge for year	462	224	733	1,419
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 August 2023	<u>1,848</u>	<u>896</u>	<u>3,296</u>	<u>6,040</u>
At 31 August 2022	<u>2,310</u>	<u>1,120</u>	<u>3,298</u>	<u>6,728</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	<u>87,337</u>	<u>-</u>

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Taxation and social security	2,264	2,575
Other creditors	2,323	791
	<u>4,587</u>	<u>3,366</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.9.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	170,727	94,800	265,527
	<u>170,727</u>	<u>94,800</u>	<u>265,527</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>170,727</u>	<u>94,800</u>	<u>265,527</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	279,524	(184,724)	94,800
Restricted funds			
Children in Need	34,043	(34,043)	-
Tudor Trust	2,000	(2,000)	-
National Lottery - Awards for All	7,800	(7,800)	-
	<u>43,843</u>	<u>(43,843)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>323,367</u>	<u>(228,567)</u>	<u>94,800</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.9.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.22 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	155,662	15,065	170,727
	<u>155,662</u>	<u>15,065</u>	<u>170,727</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>155,662</u>	<u>15,065</u>	<u>170,727</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	201,801	(186,736)	15,065
	<u>201,801</u>	<u>(186,736)</u>	<u>15,065</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>201,801</u>	<u>(186,736)</u>	<u>15,065</u>

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.9.21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.8.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	155,662	109,865	265,527
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>155,662</u>	<u>109,865</u>	<u>265,527</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	481,325	(371,460)	109,865
Restricted funds			
Children in Need	34,043	(34,043)	-
Tudor Trust	2,000	(2,000)	-
National Lottery - Awards for All	7,800	(7,800)	-
	<u>43,843</u>	<u>(43,843)</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>525,168</u>	<u>(415,303)</u>	<u>109,865</u>

Restricted Funds

Tudor Trust - a grant received to be used towards the Centre Director's Salary.

Children in Need - this was used to fund our Children at Risk of Exploitation project and activities

National Lottery Awards for All - a grant from 'Summer of Fun' to fund food and activities for young people

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	5,846	9,255
Charitable activities		
Accommodation	224,797	72,315
Grants	72,593	120,231
	<u>297,390</u>	<u>192,546</u>
Other income		
Sundry income	20,131	-
	<u>20,131</u>	<u>-</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>323,367</u>	<u>201,801</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	159,309	134,139
Light and heat	5,067	-
Telephone	490	-
Sundries	1,384	8,876
Staff costs	-	20,773
Volunteer costs	16,965	22,440
Office costs	-	508
Activities	20,494	-
Subscriptions	2,369	-
Repairs and maintenance	11,068	-
Rent	4,443	-
Travel expenses	1,694	-
Deprn of plant & machinery	462	-
Deprn of fixtures & fittings	224	-
Deprn of computer equipment	733	-
	<u>224,702</u>	<u>186,736</u>
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy fees	3,865	-
	<u>3,865</u>	<u>-</u>
Total resources expended	<u>228,567</u>	<u>186,736</u>
Net income	<u>94,800</u>	<u>15,065</u>

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES

England & Wales - Charity number 1174107

Accounts

The Roots Foundation Wales

Accounts

for the year ended 31st August 2022

**Carrie Ferguson Accountancy Services
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Swansea
SA6 7PB**

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The Roots Foundation Wales

Independent Examiners Report on the Accounts

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31st August 2022.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts carried out under section 40 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) of the Act.

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

- * the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- * the accounts did not accord with accounting records, or
- * the accounts did 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 matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to ensure a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Carrie Ferguson MAAT

21st April 2023

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The Roots Foundation Wales

Income and Expenditure Account for The Year Ended 31st August 2022

	2022
Income	201,801
Expenditure	
Staff Costs	134,139
Volunteer Costs	20,773
Office Costs	22,440
Activities	508
Other Costs	8,876
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	<u>15,065</u>

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The Roots Foundation

Balance Sheet As at 31st August 2022

	2022
Fixed Assets	6728
Current Assets	
Bank Current Account	153,785
Bank Reserve Account	13,310
Cash in Hand	270
	167,365
Current Liabilities	
Trade Creditors/accruals	3,366
Net current assets	163,999
Net Assets	<u>170,727</u>
Accumulated Fund	
Balance at start of period	148,936
Adj funds b/f	6,726
Excess of Income over Expenditure	15,065
	<u>170,727</u>

The accounts have been prepared based on the records provided to the organizations position at year ended 31st August 2022

Emma Lewis, Chairperson

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The Roots Foundation Wales

Income

Funding

CIN	17,012
Lloyds Bank Foundation	25,000
CC Swansea	6,000
NLCF	23,899
Tudor Trust	47,000
National Children	570
Swansea Council Youth Funding	750
	120,231

Accommodation

CC Swansea	71,983
Barnardos	332
	72,315

Donations

Langland Bay Golf Club	6,400
Facebook	225
Paypal	400
Cosgrove Brown	650
Charities Trust	300
Other	1,280
	9,255

TOTAL **201,801**

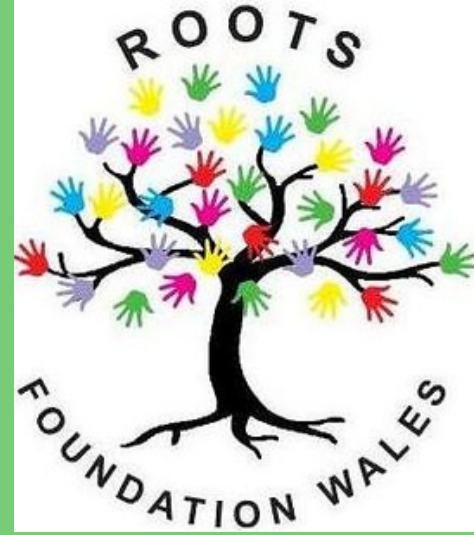
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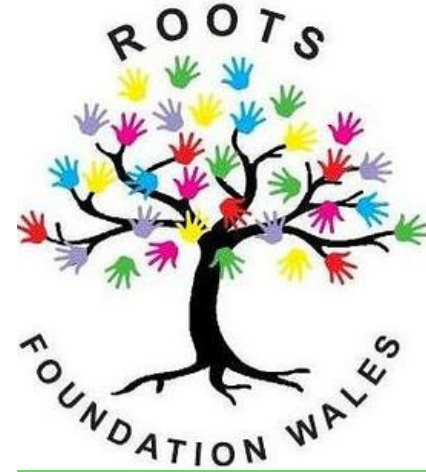
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CHAIRPERSON'S STATEMENT



The year 2020 to 2021 will be perceived by many in history as one of the most difficult, strange and unsettling periods of modern times for many different reasons attributed to the Covid 19 virus. Whilst many people were dealing with the fallout of the virus personally, organisations such as ourselves were fighting hard to continue to provide a service for vulnerable care experienced young people and carers without trying to let the standard drop and the staff rose to the challenge every day.

We were able to maintain the 1:1 support for young people either online or in socially distance settings - providing vital support for those who were scared and isolated. We ensured there were opportunities to participate in activities online such as cooking, arts and crafts and writing and recording music.

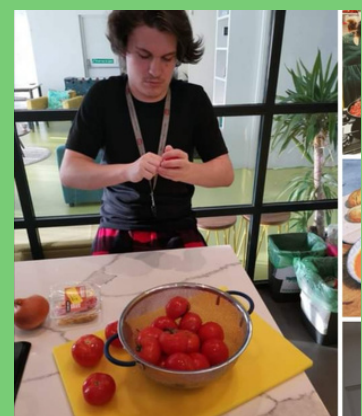
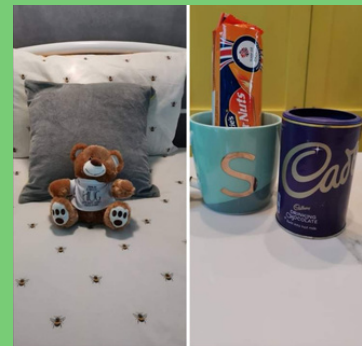
The CARE project continued to keep young people safe and took the opportunity to make them aware of online dangers in a world that suddenly went online as lockdown progressed. This was extremely difficult for the team and the young people, however they persevered.

Young people moved into our semi- independent apartments in a time that was chaotic and unprecedented, the team were phenomenal in their ability to offer stability, comfort and understanding. The carers were incredible in their support of one another and continued to meet online and in socially distanced environments and whilst it felt the world was falling apart, it was evident that people were coming together and that was beautiful to see.

During 2020-21, We also celebrated our Queens Award for Voluntary Services and our Outstanding Charity award from the wonderful Child in Wales Team, however sadly we also said goodbye to a wonderful carer, Delyth who we lost to cancer and who we miss dearly. She was a phenomenal human being who offered so much for nothing in return. Thank you Delyth, it was an honour knowing you.

EMMA LEWIS

Chairperson





THE CARE PROJECT

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The CARE Project which is funded by Children in Need is a specific project that works with care experienced young people who are the victims or at risk of becoming the victims of exploitation. This project has been extremely successful in providing awareness, reduce risk taking behaviour and our project offered high level intervention and support to young people and their carers.

The pandemic hit our support services considerably hard - we were unable to meet with young people face to face initially and a considerable amount of our work was conducted online in a safe way and in a socially distanced environment using all of the covid safety recommendations. The staff however were extremely determined in ensuring that young people were still able to access our project and that there would not be any barriers to participation and spent time delivering activity packs to our young people.

It was evident that during this difficult period, staff and volunteers went out of their way to truly support young people access support.



KISS PROJECT



The KISS Project, which is funded by the national lottery community fund, is a project which specifically supports Kinship and SGO carers. Throughout the lockdowns our KISS project worker maintained regular contact with carers through phonecalls and online sessions providing practical and emotional support....

Weekly coffee morning commenced once restrictions were eased and we were able to meet again.

Kinship and SGO carers were visited by the High Sheriff during coffee morning who came to talk to them which they thoroughly appreciated



SEMI-INDEPENDENT LIVING ACCOMMODATION



Welcomed 5 young people into the Roots family, providing accommodation to young people on the cusp of leaving the care system, providing a safe, nurturing and loving home whilst teaching the skills needed to live independently.

Independent living skills including:

Cooking workshops

Art therapy, practical and emotional support

Supported young person into employment



OUR OTHER ACTIVITIES...

Here at The Roots Foundation Wales, we were acutely aware the affect Covid was having on young people, especially those who were care experienced and who had suffered trauma. The lockdown had a detrimental and additional traumatic affect on young people. Young people felt lonely and isolated and were certainly at risk from online harm as a result. The team took the initiative and opportunity to use the tools and experience they had to support the young people, using platforms such as google meet, business WhatsApp, zoom to engage with them on a regular basis and extraordinary things happened as a result. They created music with Angharad Jenkins, information videos, Inspirational posters, the most amazing recipes and art projects. For those most vulnerable, the team met the young people in a safe and socially distanced manner and engaged with their carers to offer support.

This year we also celebrated our 10th birthday. We were in-between restrictions and limitations, however we were safe enough to meet in the park for pizza. It felt appropriate to mark the occasion in a small and unique way and we were delighted that the sun shone and that a number of young people, volunteers and supporters were able to join us.

10 years of establishment felt quite an achievement, and during those ten years the most amazing and beautiful things have happened to our charity, things you could never dream of, things we are so extremely grateful for. We would like to take this opportunity and each and everyone of you who were part of that journey. With providing the activities and opportunities we have been able to do with the support of funders, we have created the most amazing memories and kept children safe.



The Roots Foundation Wales

Accounts

for the year ended 31st August 2021

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Carrie Ferguson MAAT

30th June 2022

The Roots Foundation Wales

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	2021	2020
Income	194,551	209,336
Expenditure		
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Office Costs	12,394	7,402
Activities	659	150
Other Costs	7,485	11,017
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	<u>24,946</u>	<u>62,199</u>

The Roots Foundation Wales

Balance Sheet As at 31st August 2021

	2021	2020
Fixed Assets	2056	0
Current Assets		
Bank Current Account	123,096	109,236
Bank Reserve Account	23,007	13,022
Cash in Hand	2,231	1,732
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Current Liabilities		
Trade Creditors/accruals	1,454	
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Emma Lewis

Emma Lewis, Chairperson

The Roots Foundation Wales

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SCC	9450
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NPTC	6816
Moondance Foundation	6800
CIN	22011.15
	88732.15

Accommodation

SCC	81553
Barnardos	19575
Service Charge	543.16
	101671.16

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Personal Donation	250
Facebook	814.76
Paypal	1932.4
Cosgrove Brown	650
School donation	500
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TOTAL **194550.47**

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CHAIRPERSON'S STATEMENT

It always amazes me how adaptable adults are, how businesses and organisations are and certainly how young people are, and this year has been the year to show our resilience as an organisation and as humans beings in general and whilst it has not always been easy, without each other it would have been much harder.

Little did we know last Christmas when we were hectically preparing for a trip to Luminate in Margam park with our families, or our carers' trip to Bath Christmas market that things would be completely different this year. Little did we know when preparing for our children's Christmas dinner with Becky at the helm with the assistance from the High Sheriff Sally last year, that we unfortunately would be unable to host the same beautiful events as we have done year after year.

However whilst I feel a little sad about this, after all Roots is all about family in its many forms, and families generally gather at events, parties and festivals, I look back with genuine fondness at those memories we made and truly appreciate the time we had with you all and I understand now more than ever the importance of people rather than things.

As an organisation, we have had to think very differently and very creatively in 2020 to ensure young people and carers are kept safe and well but also to ensure that they were not lonely and isolated during these difficult times. I would like to take this opportunity to commend the team for all of their hard work, dedication, passion and enthusiasm and for going above and beyond and working tirelessly in reducing any barriers to participation of our activities.



Setting aside Covid-19 and the numerous lockdowns we have had, this year has had its highs and lows for the Charity. We spectacularly won the Queens Award for Voluntary Service in June, the equivalent of an MBE for groups, we have seen young people transition positively from our Independent Living services, we have experienced loss and ill health amongst our beneficiaries and our supporters and earlier this month it was announced that we had been awarded the Child of Wales Outstanding Charity award.



At this AGM we sadly say goodbye to two long standing founding members of Roots - Amy, our Treasurer, and Nasima - again I would like to thank them for their dedication and passion to the organisation, it is fair to say that none of us expected in 2011 that the organisation to grow so quickly and successfully as it has and it is testament to their hard work and enthusiasm. I know you'll want to join with me in wishing them both the best of luck and best wishes for the future, and we acknowledge without them we would not be where we are today. Thank you.

We also look to the future with excitement and anticipation in regards to our recruitment of new Trustees to the organisation, this has been the biggest recruitment to the board to date and we are looking forward to working with you all in progressing the organisation to the next stages of its development.



Thank you to all of our volunteers who are the backbone to our charity, who understand the issues and barriers our community face and do their utmost to create a positive support network, create a family for both carers and care experienced young people.

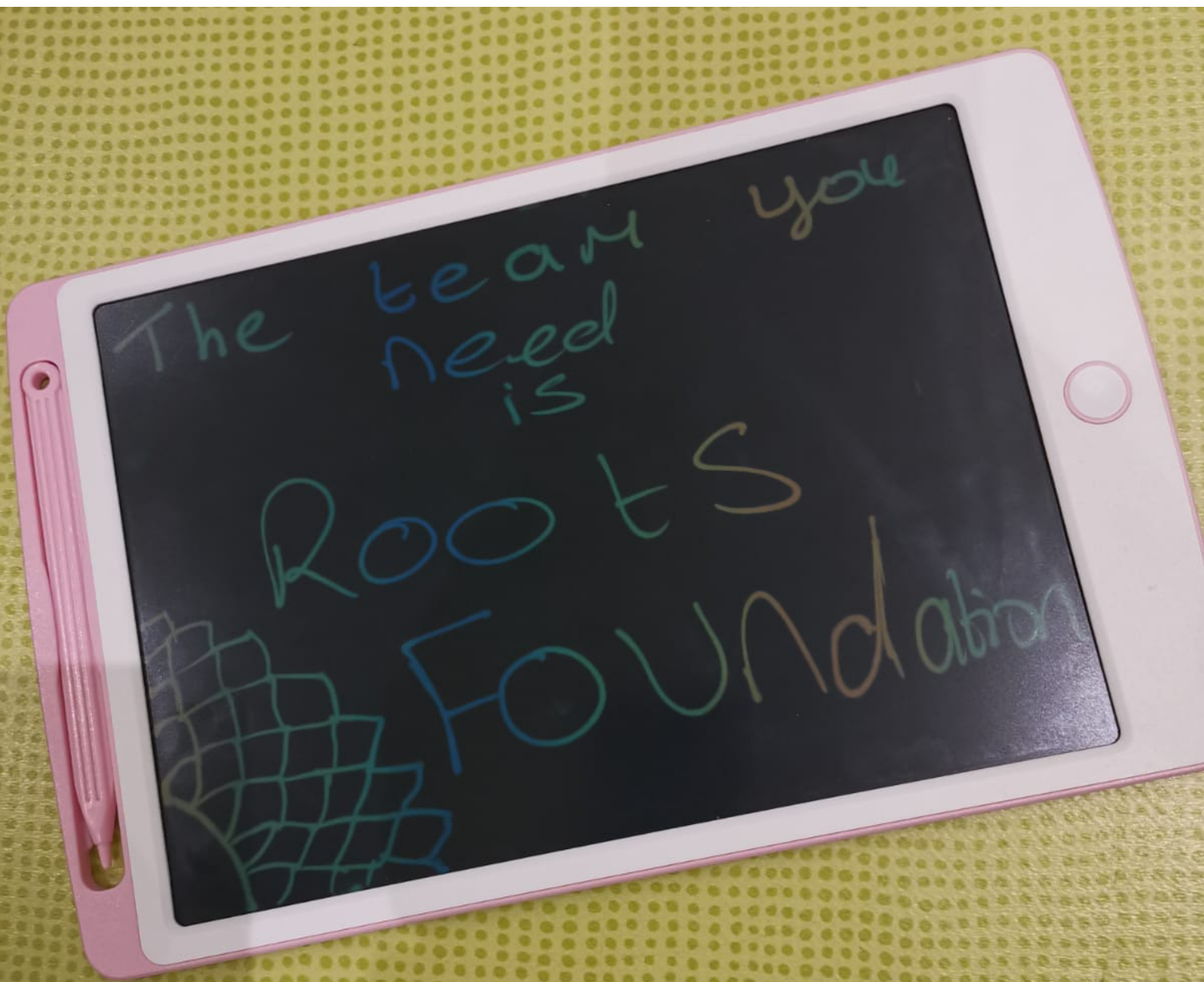
Please never underestimate your role within our organisation - our lived experience is what defines us, makes us unique and what makes us genuine.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our funders, Children in Need, National Lottery Community Fund, the Austin Bailey Foundation and The Moondance Foundation for believing in us and what we are trying to achieve and continually assisting us in making a difference to young people's lives.

Finally, I would also like to thank those amazing individuals, businesses, schools and organisations for donating their time and their money to The Roots Foundation Wales, no donation is more important than the other, they all assist in creating the best opportunities and experiences for care experienced young people and their carers and with your support we have been able to make their memories matter.

Thank you.

Emma Lewis
Chairperson



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Children at Risk of Exploitation (CARE) project

68 children and young people have benefitted from the project this year:

3 = 0 - 4 years

13 = 5 - 9 years

25 = 10 - 15 years

21 = 16 - 18 years

6 = 19 years and over

There are many opportunities for children and young people to take up:

Tailored 1:1 sessions for young people who may have been victims of exploitation or who are at risk.

Children and young people are often referred by social workers or under the CSE protocol. Usually we run through a programme of support suited to what the young person needs and in a way they like to engage. This may be scrapbooking, certificates, verbal sessions, information videos, etc. Following these sessions, young people often transition to our groups.

A weekly group run in partnership with Reaching Wider at Swansea University – young people aged 11 and up have a taste of what University has to offer - sessions have included criminology, Korean dance, media training, 3D printing and animal handling.



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A weekly group offering younger people play and craft opportunities with the aim of building safe, happy, trusting relationships.

A weekly over 11s group at Roots - focus on healthy, safe, respectful relationships and education on a range of issues (County lines, CSE, risk management, drugs, alcohol, etc.)

Thursday Night Dinner - Last Thursday of every month for young people aged 16 plus (making and eating dinner together/skills and social opportunity) - only two so far due to Covid-19.

During the school holidays activities and trips are run. Most recently: Luminate at Margam Park, craft session with an artist at Swansea National Waterfront Museum and a meal at Frankie and Benny's.

Covid-19 has been a challenge this year, however contact has continued with the children and young people over the telephone and social media platforms.

Opportunities for positive engagement have been rolled out and taken up - baking activity, Brooklyn sketchbook art project, Time capsule task, activity packs sent out including Pudsey packs. Communication with children and young people picked up on the fact that "hugs" were being missed, so we delivered Roots teddy bears.

Other engagement includes:

BBC radio engagement opportunity – Covid-19

The Fostering Network magazine - contribution by young people about experiences of social media.

Feedback to the Children's Commissioner for Wales and WAG about social care experiences during Covid-19



PROJECT OVERVIEW

KISS PROJECT

69 service users reached:

36 children and young people

33 adult carers

- supported the Kinship/SGO Carers Coffee Mornings to continue - after consulting the group on their needs: arranging speakers or workshop facilitators who can address some of the concerns/issues of the carers e.g. family lawyers, benefits advice, and the Grandparents Plus Kinship Care Development Manager for Wales.
- provided 1:1 support for those carers who need more intensive support: from supporting carers who feel their child's placement is at risk of failing - to accompanying carers to meetings/appointments where they feel they need support/advocacy e.g. child reviews, Job Centre appointments, healthcare appointments and chemotherapy treatment..
- consulted the carers on what activities they feel would contribute to their own mental health and wellbeing so we can have a running programme of activities that nurture and support them e.g. yoga, the 3 Principles, Mindfulness, African Drumming, arts and crafts, outdoor learning activities and supporting them to identify any particular training needs..
- supporting the carers to 'have a voice' through their participation with Children In Wales' Kinship Care Development Officer, e.g on the Parliamentary Task Force, and the Welsh Government's Measuring the Mountain.
- started 1:1 support for young people living in Kinship/SGO care: new referrals of young people who are at risk of placement breakdown who are receiving weekly/fortnightly/monthly support as needed - whilst also supporting their carers, and mediation work between them.



- offering '3 Principles: Innate resilience' training to other professionals we work in partnership with so that we can all offer the best support to our young people and their carers, by constantly reminding them of what is 'right' about them, rather than a constant reference to what is wrong or lacking' in them.
- creating holiday activities for young people in kinship/SGO care - with their carers - promoting a sense of Roots community and accessing activities that may otherwise be out of reach to them.
- raising awareness of the mental health needs of our carers, children and young people at the Swansea Bay Mental Health Forum - and raising the Project's profile with Third Sector organisations across the county. We are now included as an organisation and project in the Mental Health & Wellbeing Service Directory for Swansea.
- responding to the coronavirus pandemic and adapting support: check-in phone calls, video calls, WhatsApp carers support group and Zoom groups - ensuring that our young people and carers feel supported through this challenging time.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

INDEPENDENT LIVING PROJECT

Since the opening of the accommodation, I have supported five young people. Two of these young people are still currently living at Roots. Three have successfully moved on to live independently. I have been able to support eight young people in total with developing independent living skills. The additional three young people who do not live at Roots have engaged with me through school referrals. Before COVID-19, they were attending weekly sessions at Roots. Since COVID-19, I have maintained contact with these three individuals virtually through phone calls, video chats and messaging.

Before COVID-19, I was co-working with Emma Jones with a Tuesday group of young people aged 11-16, delivering various activities like Independent Living Skills, CSE, Sex Education, Accreditation (Certificates) and talks from other organisations, etc. I have developed a structured formative assessment workbook of independent living skills to ensure the young people have sufficient guidance, knowledge and support to achieve in all key areas. These include personal care, laundry, money management, food preparation, getting around, shopping, etc.



I have produced multiple forms like a referral form, medical and consent form, pen portrait, medication tracking form and trajectory form.

Besides the skills assessment, I have also developed a radar chart to monitor progress, wellbeing and development. This has been crucial in recording monthly progress or regressions, looking in-depth at the young person's wellbeing and support needs. It helps the young person take control of their own goals, attainment and helps to encourage reflective learning. I formalise this in a monthly action plan supported by the worker but led by the young person who has ownership over the plans, making sure they don't interfere with other commitments like school, college, volunteering, work, etc.

I have been responsible for night staff and the rota and enlisting new staff.

Currently, I have been looking at accreditation specifically for the Prince's Trust, hoping to deliver it to our young people.



FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Year to 31st August





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wide enough to
welcome you, but
narrow enough to
stop prejudice and
discrimination.

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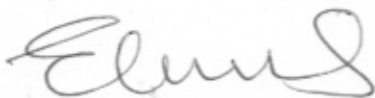
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Income and Expenditure Account
For the year ended 31st August 2020

	2,020 £	2,019 £
Income	<u>209,336</u>	95,592
Expenditure		
Staff Costs	125,560	43,889
Volunteer Costs	3,008	3,432
Office Costs	7,402	7,211
Activities	150	2,798
Other Costs	11,017	1,456
	<u>147,137</u>	<u>58,786</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure	<u>62,199</u>	<u>36,806</u>

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION
Balance Sheet
As at 31st August 2020

	Notes	2,020 £	2,019 £
Current assets			
Bank Current Account	109,236	47,058	
Bank Reserve Account	13,022	13,001	
Cash in Hand	1,732	1,732	
	<u>123,990</u>	<u>61,791</u>	
Current liabilities			
Trade creditors/accruals			
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Net current assets		123,990	61,791
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Accumulated Fund			
Balance at start of period		61,791	24,985
Excess of Income over Expenditure		62,199	36,806
		<u>123,990</u>	<u>61,791</u>

The accounts have been prepared based on the records provided to show the organizations position at year ended 31st August 2020



Emma Lewis, Chairperson

THE ROOTS FOUNDATION WALES
Notes to the Income and Expenditure Account
For the year ended 31st August 2020

1 Profit and loss account analysis

	2,020	2,019
	£	£
Grant Funding		
Commission work	116,010	
National Lottery Community Fund	33,555	
CF in Wales	2,000	
Co Operative		1,856
BBC Children in Need	42,715	51,400
Tesco Ground Work		1,000
	<u>194,280</u>	<u>54,256</u>
Other Income		
Room Hire		29
Donations	8,755	15,362
Sundry		95
Bank Interest	21	15
Events		1,327
Training		2,000
Consultancy	1,200	
Accomodation Rental	5,080	22,508
	<u>15,056</u>	<u>41,336</u>
Staff Costs		
Salaries and Wages	118,732	41,144
Staff Training	1,000	220
Stff Expenses		1,234
Pensions	5,828	1,291
	<u>125,560</u>	<u>43,889</u>
Volunteer Costs		
Volunteer Expenses	3,008	3,432
	<u>3,008</u>	<u>3,432</u>
Office Costs		
Rent and Room Hire	3,000	3,000
Heat, Light and Water	2,084	1,329
Repairs and Renewals		890
Telephone and Internet	1,266	853
Cleaning	665	756
Insurance	387	383
	<u>7,402</u>	<u>7,211</u>
Activities		
Events and Workshops	150	2,798
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Other Costs		
Supplies		192
Laptops Reimbursed	4,423	
Marketing and Publicity		282
Sundry Costs	166	30

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Fundraising		408
Storage	990	
Christmas Festivities	4,146	
Star Assessment Tool	492	
BSL Classes	800	
Gratuities		544
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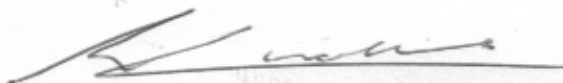
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